

Catawba College Student Government Association

December 1, 2005
SGA Room: Cannon Student Center
9pm

Welcome:

President Danielle Petrin called a regular meeting to order at 9:00 pm. Quorum was present with all members in attendance except for Tiffany Cox and Kelly Phillips. Jake Thaggard motioned to forgo the reading of the minutes and approve them. Colby Winston seconded. The meeting began after Jake Thaggard read the quote of the night.

Old Business:

A. Committee Reports:

Elections Committee: The Elections Committee has handled all of the elections of this semester including Homecoming Elections.

Next semester they will begin working on SGA Officer Elections.

Social Committee: The Social Committee finished all of the Homecoming duties successfully and ended up below budget.

Next semester they will work on the annual Inaugural Ball.

Student Comfort: Student Comfort helped to advertise for the open SGA meeting that we had this semester. They also initiated our first ever SGA Kiss the Pig Fundraiser, which was a huge success. Student Comfort is still working on food concerns. They are teaming up with a Staff Committee to work on these concerns. Next semester they will be working on new projects.

Residence Life Committee: The Residence Life Committee considered areas that need better lighting around campus this semester and consulted with Henry Haywood and Allen Hinson for help with this concern. Haywood and Hinson walked around campus with committee members finding places on campus that need better lighting. They will work next semester on concerns of an ant problem in the Barger Zartman dorm and parking concerns.

Judicial Committee: The Judicial Committee nominated and approved two new members of the Student Conduct Board this semester. Those students are Andrew Howe and Alyssa Florida.

Changes are also currently being made to make the SGA and Student Handbook Judicial System guidelines the same. Jenna Page, Chair of the Student Conduct Board, spoke at a recent SGA meeting in order to inform SGA members about the changes that are currently being done.

B. President's Reports:

Senior Class: The Senior Class worked on a Birthday Cake Fundraiser this year that was a success. Over the course of this semester they have sold 28 cakes. They have approximately \$1200 in their budget. They also did a Lip Sync Social Event and helped with the Stockings for Hope fundraiser buying felt and cutting out Christmas stockings for needy children.

Junior Class: The Junior Class worked on their annual Homecoming T-shirt fundraiser this year, which was not as successful as they had hoped. They ended up short of \$100 that they needed to cover the expense of the shirts. The Junior Class chose to send half of the leftover shirts to the Mission Trip and the other half to Rowan Helping Ministries. They have already planned their fundraisers for next semester, which will be to collect old cell phones and sell lollipops. They worked with the Freshman Class on the Halloween Fun Fest social which was a big success. The Junior Class also held a Stockings for Hope community service event where students helped to cut and sew stockings for needy children.

Sophomore Class: The sophomore class sold cookbooks at a home Catawba Football Game to raise money for their class. They also held the game show "Family Feud" during the Homecoming festivities.

Freshman Class: The Freshman Class helped with the Halloween Fun Fest Event as their social activity. They also have already planned their social for next semester, which will be a Western themed night. For their community service project, the Freshman Class helped out at the annual Christmas Tree Lighting. They plan on doing a movie night fundraiser next semester.

SGA President: President Danielle Petrin informed members of SGA that we have done a great job accomplishing our goals for this semester. One of these goals, to become more accessible to students, has been achieved through our Internet website and open SGA meetings. Fixing up the Student Center, another goal of

SGA's, is in the process of being completed. We have held an open forum regarding possible ideas for making the building more student friendly and will try to put some of these ideas into effect in the near future. We have succeeded in securing funding of the lighting of the intramural courts through a generous donation by Fred Stanback. We have also worked on a crosswalk petition to make crosswalks safer on campus. President Petrin also added that we have gone above our goals by establishing a Club Incentive Program and by revamping the Inter Club Council.

- C. Crosswalk Petition:** President Danielle Petrin informed SGA members that we currently have 249 signatures on the crosswalk petition for safer crosswalks on campus. There are petitions available for signing in areas accessible by Lifelong Learning students now which we hope will help this effort. There is also a petition stapled on the SGA bulletin board in the Student Center. President Petrin is seeking all SGA members help in getting students and members of the Catawba Community to sign the petition. You can turn signed petitions into President Petrin through her mailbox #810.

New Business:

A. Welcome Desk: Jake Thaggard presented a proposal seeking regulation of the gaming equipment available in the Student Center. Thaggard proposed that SGA support a system that would hire work study students to issue equipment for the games (pool, foosball, ping pong table, etc.) by securing some form of collateral from students. SGA would purchase new equipment for the games, which would be issued by work study students to fellow students who would sign the equipment out after signing a waiver form. There would be penalties for students who break or do not return equipment. Robert Jenkins motioned to discuss the hours available to students and Richard Dunbar seconded. There was discussion regarding the times that the equipment would be available to students and it was decided that we would make equipment available on Mondays through Thursday's from 11am until 3pm and 5pm to 11pm. On Friday, the hours will be 11am until 3pm only and we will have equipment check out on Sunday's from 5 to 11pm. Four work study students will be hired to take on these equipment rental roles and will work a total of 52 hours per week. There are two hours available to be added into the schedule depending on how the equipment rental times seem to be working at the start of the

program. There will be equipment available during hours when staff is not present although this will not be premium quality equipment as compared to the new equipment that will be bought for the new program. SGA will also look to improve the existing equipment and buy more in the future. Kristen Love motioned to approve Jake Thaggard's Proposal changing the times originally stated to those that SGA agreed upon. Colby Winston seconded and the motion passed. SGA decided to discuss penalties for breaking or not returning the equipment after consulting Catawba Administrators.

Announcements:

- A. The next meeting will be next semester (date and time TBA)
- B. The SGA Christmas Party will be December 8th at 8:30 at Woodleaf Lanes Bowling Alley.
- C. The SGAC budget hearing mandatory meeting will be held on Monday, January 23. Actual budget hearings are scheduled for February 6th, February 27th, March 20th, and April 10th.
- D. The Men's Basketball team will play this Friday at 8pm and Saturday at 6pm in a tournament.
- E. The Women's Basketball team will play Sunday at 4:00pm.

Adjournment:

Robert Jenkins motioned to adjourn the meeting and Richard Dunbar seconded. The motion passed with one opposition and the meeting ended at 9:52pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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SGA Secretary