

Catawba College
Student Government Association
Minutes: September 20, 2012
Cannon Student Center

A regularly scheduled Congress Meeting was called to order by President Jana Burkhardt on Thursday September 20 at 9:05pm in the Whitener Room of the Cannon Student Center.

Executive Board Reports

A. President: President Burkhardt mentioned the SGA conference in Washington DC, she also mentioned a meeting with Brien Lewis for a VGOP meeting, discussing intramural space and ideas for use of intramural space. DJ Colson mentioned that the basketball courts need to be resurfaced; Joe Peterson suggested horseshoe pits to be placed near the volleyball courts. Jana also discussed the workings of a master plan on renovation of structures around campus and requested a freshman or sophomore to meet with either her or Brien to talk about long term improvements.

B. Vice President: Vice President Crifasi mentioned that elections were a success, and that homecoming elections will occur soon. He also mentioned that he needs club rosters, updated charters and that the SGA executive board was headed to Washington D.C. for a conference.

C. Treasurer: Treasurer Leah Constan-Tatos mentioned the 2nd budget hearing and reported that 4 budget requests totaling \$532.97 were approved. She also mentioned that the SGA scholarship committee will meet tomorrow.

D. Secretary: Secretary Justin Smith stated that he needs the minutes for class meetings.

Class Reports

A. Freshman Class: Uriah mentioned that his class brainstormed events, possibly Catawba's got talent event for homecoming. He also mentioned the fundraiser idea of creating freshman class t shirt or possibly bracelets; he also suggested improvement on pathway in front of SR.

B. Sophomore Class: TJ Olsen mentioned that there will be a 3v3 basketball tournament for homecoming.

C. Junior Class: Olivia Myers reported that the birthday cake fundraiser was going well and that there were still many orders that were coming through. She also mentioned that the Scary Movie Marathon event was going to occur on October 26th.

D. Senior Class: Joe Peterson reported that the senior class had discussed fund raising options and the 90's night event is scheduled to occur sometime in November.

Committee Reports

A. Student Issues: DJ Colson reported about sexual harassment issues and alcohol issues, investigated smoking zones and the need to define them more

precisely. He mentioned the possibility of putting benches in smoking zones, and the possibility of explanation of Cleary notice email to student body.

B. Food Service: Olivia Myers mentioned that the committee had not met since last congress.

C. Parking: Joe Peterson reported that the no parking sign on Park ave was put back up, Shane Flowe responded to issue about faculty parking in student spots, not helpful in solving the issue, Joe will email him again and request the policy be enforced.

D. Movie Library: Zach Veitenheimer reported that improvements to the movie library online listings were in progress.

E. Special Events: It was mentioned that the special events committee met last night and that they are planning for the possibility of a pep rally at homecoming.

Old Business:

A. Recommendation for Marching Band to Sit on Home Side, Catawba Band will sit on away side for this coming home football game. Reasons include: Tusculum band and Catawba band playing together

B. Follet proposal: Jana will be writing a report about the proposal along with faculty committee, if both reports are negative about proposal; it will not go to the board of trustees.

New Business:

Recommendation: **“Enforce 24/7 card access to the library”**

Congress voted unanimously to table the Leah's recommendation in order to gather further information on the feasibility of this request.

Announcements:

Family Weekend on September 21st-23rd, Open House September 22nd. Next congress: October 11th. Joe Peterson made a motion to adjourn congress at 9:48pm, Christian Crifasi seconded.

Recommendation
“Enforce 24/7 card access to the library”

Author: Leah Constan-Tatos

Sponsors: Justin Smith, Christian Crifasi and Jana Burkhardt

Whereas: Catawba College strives for academic excellence

Whereas: Catawba College plans on ensuring a safe environment for its students

Whereas: Students seek more on-campus employment during abnormal hours

Whereas: Many students seek access to library materials for studying and research purposes

Whereas: Many students tend to be more effective in a controlled environment with minimal noise and few other distractions

Therefore: Let it be recommended that the Catawba College Facilities Department installs an access control mechanism by which students require their student cards to gain access to the library, thereby ensuring student safety

Therefore: Let it be recommended that the Catawba College Financial Assistance Department provides more jobs to students seeking on-campus employment via library shifts at certain hours of the night, should the need arise