Catawba College Student Government Association

February 22, 2007 SGA Room: Cannon Student Center

A regular meeting of the Catawba College Student Government Association was called to order at 9:01pm by President Alex Will. Quorum was present with only Megan Spidell being tardy. President Alex Will asked congress to take a few minutes to review the previous meeting minutes before being approved. Amendments to the Feb. 8th minutes were to change Lauren Ebersole to Lauren Eller.

I. Ad Hoc and Standing Committee Updates

- Megan Fulsom stated that the Junior Class was ordering the SGA T-shirts.

II. New Business

A) President's Reports

- **Freshman Class (Emily Horton**): The Freshman Class officers helped with the Black History Month event, One Night Only on Tuesday, February 20th for an additional service project. There has not been a meeting held because there was no news to discuss but, there will be a meeting scheduled for net week. The freshman class officers are still selling magnets at every event possible. They still have a long way to go and might have to take out an SGAC loan.
- Sophomore Class (Megan Spidell): The sophomore class has finished their fundraiser for this month and will pick back up after Spring Break. They have been putting the final touches on the Relay for Life luminary service that will be held on March 15th at 7pm. So far they have raised about \$300 to go to the American Cancer Society. The Sophomore Class will also be working on our spring social event, Deal or No Deal. They will be giving away a possible \$2000 in prizes. The event is set for Friday, March 30th from 8-10pm.
- Junior Class (Laura Jollay): The Junior class has met twice this semester and another meeting was schedule on Thursday, February 22 at 11am. They are planning to hold the faculty luncheon again this year on April 12th from 11-1pm. It will be barbeque style lunch held outside on the lawn near the Administration Bldg. The junior class really is trying to make community service their goal this year. They have already

- helped with the Black History Month trivia and helped the freshman class paint the Lilly Center. They will be helping the sophomore class in their campaign to sell luminaries to the faculty. Ryan Dayvault, secretary, has been looking into locating different blood drives that they could help out with. They are still looking for event opportunities. They have thrown around a couple of ideas such as a "benefit" concert in Stanback Plaza one night, possibly hosting a local band from Catawba as the entertainment. More details about this event will come later
- Senior <u>Class (Nicki Vaughn</u>): The Senior Class is still selling lollipops and has started working on graduation events. There will be a meeting for all seniors on Monday, February 26th at 10:30pm in order to discuss graduation and ideas for a senior class gift. As their campus event, the group has planned to help the Student Comfort Committee with the Student Relaxation Day. The senior class has also participated in a few community service activities, including serving snacks at Angela Jacob's Paul Lawrence Dunbar presentation, a part of Black History Month and will be helping the sophomore class to sell luminaries for Relay for Life.

B) Committee Reports

- Social Committee (Megan Spidell): The Social Committee cochairs met to discuss the Inaugural Ball. The entire committee will be meeting on Thursday, March 1st at 9pm in McCorkles to discuss a theme, date, activities, decorations, and prizes.
- Student Comfort Committee (Colby Winston): The Student Comfort Committee has decided to sponsor a Relaxation Day towards the end of March. They also have decided to revamp the pictures out in McCorkles area. They would like to do large collages with photos of Catawba students.
- Residence Life Committee (Kevin Flebbe): The Residence Life Committee discussed Ryan Dayvault's proposal to the Research Campus Committee at the last meeting and decided possibly doing another food forum if they felt it necessary later in the semester. Also, they discussed their assignment to do a campus safety week. Ryan met with Phil Kirk, members of the Research Campus Committee and some from UNCC on Jan 25th and presented the information about the proposal and everyone supports it. They are now waiting to setup a date with research campus manager to present the proposal to her. Ryan also talked with Don Nielson and briefly told him about the ideas and Don stated that after Ryan spoke with the research campus manager he would sit down with him and outline the proposal. As a committee, they have moved to focus more towards the improvement of health and nutrition of the Catawba campus and not just on the current cafeteria food itself.

- Conduct Committee (Laura Jollay): The Conduct Committee has met two times thus far. They are in the process of revising and editing the constitution. The committee, along with President Alex Will, has discussed various points of the Constitution that they feel needs to be changed. The only thing left to do will be to rewrite what they feel needs to be changed and submit it to be re-typed. They hope to get the constitution finished soon so they can distribute it to other members of SGA.
- **SGAC** (**Elisa Alfieri**): The SGAC hosted a mandatory meeting for all club leaders on Tuesday, Jan. 23rd. At this meeting they discussed the Budget Hearing dates for this semester and went over guidelines for requesting funds. Most club leaders were in attendance. Following the meeting a Budget Hearing took place and there were 13 approved budgets. The approved budgets are as follows:
 - Dance Team: Basketball Game gear \$66.00
 - Black History Month: Trivia \$75.00
 - Black History Month: Angie's Play \$150.00
 - Black History Month: Hip Hop Master Class by Dance Team \$800.00
 - Black History Month: One Night Only \$265.00
 - Black History Month: Semi Formal Dinner \$940.00
 - Black History Month: Night of Jazz \$300.00
 - Black History Month: Movie Night \$60.00
 - Nature Safe: Recycling Education \$350.00
 - Helen Foil Beard: Winterfest Ball \$400.00
 - Sophomore Class: Cafeteria Pictures \$350.00
 - WIGWAM: Late Night \$5200.00
 - Student Center: Ping Pong Tables \$600.00

The next Budget Hearing will be held on Monday, Feb. 19th at 9pm.

C) Update on Maintenance Issues

- Megan Spidell stated that she emailed Dan Sullivan about the matter. Sandy Haywood wants to know of the things needing maintenance. President Alex Will stated that if you have other concerns about maintenance issues not being handled properly and orderly to get in contact with Megan Spidell for more help.

D) Board of Trustee's Lunch-In and Meeting

- President Alex Will thanked everyone that attended the Board of Trustee's Luncheon. Some new information from the meeting goes as follows: the price will be the same for resident students

living in the new dorms, key card access upgrade, and tuition increase.

III. Concerns

- John Poulos asked about the video rental and President Alex Will stated that he met with the Business office to review the plan and that we need to re-discuss it some more. More details will be at the next meeting after talking more with the Business office.
- John Poulos also informed Congress about Catawbapalooza. He mentioned that all rides, food and the DJ were booked. More information about the T-shirts and pictures later.
- Elisa Alfieri asked if the agenda could come on just 1page and Alex Will said yes.
- Kevin Flebbe apologized for not having the amendment revised to discuss.
- Matthew Jamison stated that he will be resigning from this position as Sophomore Class Senator and Alex Will asked congress to thank Matthew for all his hard work he has put into SGA. Mary Kate informed Congress that Matt's Birthday will be on Sunday and we sung him "Happy Birthday".
- Dan Sullivan informed congress that construction to the student center would start on May 15th.
- Colby Winston expressed concerns about limited parking near library.
- Megan Spidell asked about possibly changing Hoke parking from faculty parking to student parking and Dan Sullivan said that would not happen because students do not move their cars in time just like the Admin circle. Kevin Flebbe asked if in the future can Pine Knot/ SR parking lot could be senior parking lot. Dan Sullivan said that it could be in the plans.

IV. **Announcements**

- Women's Basketball- Saturday, Feb. 24th at 2pm vs. PC
- Men's Basketball- Saturday, Feb. 24th at 4pm vs. PC (For the regular season championship!!!)
- Tennis- Saturday at 1pm vs. PC
- Lacrosse- Saturday at 2pm vs. Mercyhurst
- The Pillowman- Tomorrow and Saturday night at 7:30pm in the FBC. \$3 for students
- Softball- Sunday, Feb. 25th at 2pm vs. Coker Lacrosse- Monday, Feb. 26th at 4pm vs. Wheeling Jesuit Softball- Tuesday, Feb. 27th at 2pm vs. Wheeling Jesuit

- Dr. Martin Marty- Tuesday, Feb. 27th at 11am in Chapel
- 1st Round of the SAC Tournament(Basketball)-Wednesday, Feb.28th
- Fisher Street Album Release at Las Palmas- 9pm on Sat.
- Performance hours come support at 3pm- Tom Smith Auditorium

- Late Night (Mardi Gras) 9pm-1am on Sat.
- HFBS- Speaker, Dr. Katherine Russo on Tuesday at 7pm in Tom Smith Auditorium
- Educational Job Fair on Wed from 1:30-4pm in Crystal Peeler Lounge.

V. Adjournment

Colby Winston motioned to adjourn the meeting and Kevin Flebbe seconded. The motion passed with a majority vote. The meeting ended at 9:31pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Foye