

Catawba College
Student Government Association
Minutes: April 4, 2013
Cannon Student Center

A regularly scheduled Congress Meeting was called to order by President Jana Burkhardt on Thursday April 4, 2013 at 9:00 p.m. in the Hurley Room of the Cannon Student Center. Quorum was present. Minutes were approved with no corrections.

Executive Board Reports:

- H. *President:* Jana mentioned the We Lead conference and its success and the proposal to move from physical text books to digital.
- I. *Vice President:* Elections have been a success and are done.
- J. *Treasurer:* Last FG AFC meeting is next Monday.
- K. *Secretary:* Turn in minutes

Class Reports:

- F. *Freshman:* Lip synch planned for Catawbapalooza event.
- G. *Sophomore:* Walk for MS planned for a community service activity
- H. *Junior:* Birthday cake fundraiser is going well. Walk for MS for the community service activity.
- I. *Senior:* St. Patrick's Day event carried out and was a success. Community service event at faithful friends was also a success.

Committee Reports

- A. *Student Issues:* Walk for MS planned for community service event, discussed how internet has been better. Andrew McCollister mentioned how students would like the Wellness center to open at 6am instead of 7am.
- B. *Food Service:* Televisions in the cafeteria are too low and people are bumping their heads on them. Further concern over freshness of the salad bar food.
- C. *Parking:* Concern over people parking in spots that aren't spots. Public safety needs to enforce this.

New Business

Discussion over changes to in the alcohol policy occurred. The most notable discussion was that of allowing alcoholic beverages being allowed outside of Residence Halls. There were mixed opinions about this and further research and discussion will occur.

Forum for Concerned Students

Some students were concerned over channels being missing from the schools cable network. No one was sure which channels were missing.

Announcements

The next Congress is April 11. Convocation is coming up.

Congress was adjourned at 9:57pm.

The focus of the group's discussion centered around two main areas: wording and violations.

Level two violation: Participating in drinking games/ Possession or use of drinking devices. *Drinking Games/Drinking Devices*: any possession or participation in gaming or challenge activities used to promote the consumption of alcohol. Drinking devices include but are not limited to funnels, beer pong tables, etc.

- The focus group feels that by using etc. within the definition of devices gives Catawba the freedom to discipline freely. Drinking devices must be defined clearer.
- We feel like the device needs to be in use for the resident to face a level two violation. It is too harsh to assess a level two violation for being in possession of a drinking device.
- We also feel a resident who is playing a drinking game for the intent of excessive drinking is typically found because of other violations (e.g., noise complaints). It should be moved to a level one violation.

Level 2: Violations of the College Alcohol Policy related to more serious or harmful behavior, including but not limited to the following:

- The focus group believes this should clarify these relate to alcohol.
 - o Violations of the College Alcohol Policy related to more serious or harmful behavior while under the influence of alcohol, including but not limited to the following:

Common Source Container: any keg, mixed punch or other communal dispensers from which a quantity of beverage is distributed to more than one person.

- The focus group would like this clarified. We would consider a bathtub with ice and drinks to be common source.

Respectfully Submitted,