

Dexter Is Elected To Head SGA

Sen. Harkey May Come

The budget played a significant role in the proceedings of this week's SGA Executive Board meeting. Most of the items discussed were of a budgetary nature.

Dwight Wagner, SGA president, reported that he had been attempting to obtain a U. S. Senator to speak on campus. He said that he had written Robert Kennedy, but Mr. Kennedy had replied that he would not be able to speak here.

Wagner said he then got in touch with a booking company concerning the matter. From his company he obtained the name of Senator Harkey as a possible speaker. Wagner said here is a possibility that ACC might gain his services for \$500 plus traveling expenses.

A motion was passed giving the president of SGA the power to gain the senator as a speaker on campus. April 18, 20, 24, or 25 are the possible dates proposed for him to speak.

Barry Havens, student coordinator, reported on the Student Stress Conference which Mr. Ross Albert, Betsy Milligan and he attended. Havens felt the title for the conference was inappropriate. He felt a better one would have been Conference on College Experience.

He stated that it was not the type of thing that gives one the answers to alleviate stress. Mr. Albert said he felt the greatest value of the conference was how such a thing might work on this campus. He said it might be more valuable at mid-term when pink slips are out. He stated it might help students to get through the rest of the semester. He felt the conference made the individual probe to see what controlling factors are involved with student behavior.

The conference was sponsored by the National Student Association's Environmental Study of colleges.

The Executive Board also had its annual debate over whether it should give itself gifts at the end of the year. As usual the debate was at certain points rather heated with a lot of humor also involved. A motion stating that nothing be given as gifts to the board failed, but al-

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TO HEAD SGA — New officers were elected March 13-14 for the Atlantic Christian Student Government Association. They are (from left to right): Beth Best, secretary; Ellis Kirkland, treasurer; Doug Dexter, president. Tim Overman, vice president is not pictured.

Overman, Kirkland And Best Complete Roster For Offices

Students went to the polls March 13-14 to decide who they wanted to lead their government next year. Ballots were cast for the offices of president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer for the Student Government Association.

According to the official ballot counts of the SGA, out of some 1500 students attending ACC, only 399 votes were cast. Dwight Wagner, president of the SGA remarked that this constitutes only 30 per cent of the student body.

In election results, Doug Dexter defeated Chales Wolfe for the president's office. Dexter received 53 per cent of the ballots cast.

Tim Overman, running unopposed, was elected vice president with a total of 372 votes.

Beth Best defeated Loretta Woolard for the secretary's post; and Ellis Kirkland, running unopposed for the treasurer's office, received 372 votes.

In a Tuesday night interview President - Elect Doug Dexter stated that he was "overwhelmed by his victory." In response to the question as to what he (Dexter) felt won him the election, Dexter remarked, "I hope I won it because of what I hope to do, the platform that I proposed to the students."

The President - elect was obviously disturbed by the small turnout at the polls, "with only 30 per cent of the student body voting, it indicates that a majority of the students do not care, or show any interest in the SGA or the importance of the role it plays in student affairs. I hope that my committee that I proposed on student apathy can find some reason behind this. From what I can tell, other colleges do not have this problem, why should ACC?"

As to his hopes for the support that will be given to him by the students, Dexter remarked, "I hope that this (his victory) indicates support, but with only 53 per cent of the votes, of 30 per cent of the total student electorate, it can still be a question."

The official tabulations of the voting show that Dexter, a junior from Dudley, received a total of 213 votes. Wolfe, his opponent from Asheville received 186.

Overman, a Wilson native, received a total of 372 votes.

Miss Best, a sophomore from Dunn, received 219 votes; Miss Woolard, her sophomore opponent from Washington, N. C., received 179.

Kirkland, a junior from Kinston, received 372 votes for the

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Delp Writes For Journal

An article, "Andrew Jackson Davis — Prophet of American Spiritualism," by Dr. Robert W. Delp, associate Professor of History at Atlantic Christian College will appear in the June issue of the "Journal of American History," national publication of the Organization of American Historians.

Andrew Jackson Davis was a nineteenth century spiritualist and social innovator. As the author of numerous works on spiritualism, he gave the American spiritualist movement its earliest philosophical foundation.

Dr. Delp received the B. S. degree from Davidson College, the B. D. degree from Lanaster (Pennsylvania) Theological Seminary, and the M. A. and Ph.D. degrees from the George Washington University.

ACC's Strengths and Weaknesses Listed in Poll of Student Opinion

By CHARLES WOLFE

As a result of the Southern Association's visit to Atlantic Christian, the Collegiate got the idea of having some of the students express their opinions concerning what they feel to be the major strength and weakness of the college. At random several students were asked to tell what they feel are the major weakness and strength of the college.

One of the things that was stressed by several students as a major strength of the college is the size of the college. "By having a small college with a limited enrollment everyone gets to know everybody else," stated Frank Harper, a Physical Education major. Judy Youngblood also expressed a similar view by saying, "the fact that ACC is a small college gives the student a great opportunity to meet more people and be more than a number." However, she also stated "a weakness of the college is that students don't take advantage of this opportunity. With a college this small

every student should know half the student body, but they don't."

Bob Noble, expanded this point by saying that a small college gives the student the feeling of gaining a personal education, instead of being run through an educational machine.

There were also many other reasons mentioned why being a small college is a strength. Charles Langley expressed the feeling that ACC's smallness brings about a close relationship between student and faculty. Nancy Cossairt said, "It gives our college a friendly atmosphere, and allows you to obtain help from teachers when you need it."

Phil Ritter saw ACC's smallness as both a strength and a weakness. He said, "being small has both its advantages and its disadvantages. It is up to the student to decide whether he is willing to take a small college's weaknesses along with its strengths. I feel that our strengths in relation to the small college situation override the disadvantages."

There were also many other things that were seen as strengths. Beth Best, a sophomore, said, "a major strength of the college is its concern with progress in education instead of enrollment numbers."

Betsy Nash stated, "even though we are a small college the majority of classes are on a big school level of quality."

Bill Griffin, a music major, saw the high quality of faculty

Reminder Of Essay Contest

Students who are interested in writing an essay for the Annual Denny Essay Award are reminded that the deadline for receiving the essays is April 7 and they should be turned into Mr. Robert Hollar, chairman of the Faculty Awards Committee.

The topic for the essay is "American Morality and Vietnam." The Denny Essay cup will be awarded during the annual Blue and White Day in May.

Any information concerning anything about writing the essay can be obtained from Mr. Hollar.

at ACC as a major strength. He went on by saying, "they are also not afraid to enter into personal relationships with the students they teach."

Al Cooke also said the standards, qualifications, and abilities of the faculty as a major strength.

"A major strength is that the college is growing both physically and educationally, is improving standards, and offering more opportunities, thus increasing the value of the degree received from the school," stated Fred Snodgrass, a Social Studies major.

However, the students didn't see everything as being rosy. They also saw several weaknesses. The main one being student apathy. One student even felt there was apathy among the faculty, administration, and everyone related to the college.

Harper, in pointing out what he considered to be the major weakness said, "The students don't have any school spirit. Many of the groups on campus are competitive, which is good, but they don't have a single goal in mind as far as the betterment of the whole school is concerned. We lack a single factor of unification."

Eddie Walker felt the main weakness is a lack of activities going on on the weekends.

"The major weakness of the college is a lack of enthusiasm on the part of the students to push the school forward by participating more in campus affairs," stated Charles Langley.

Bob Noble, saw the main weakness as also being student apathy. He said, "there is not enough interest in elections, there is a lack of participation in concerts, and students show very little interest in anything else. Yet, students gripe about there being nothing to do. The trouble is they don't take advantage of what there is to do."

A lack of communications between campus students and day students is a weakness which Tom Riley saw. He stated, "there is a lack of participation in campus activities by day students, and there is a lack of interest in the school by all students."

Another student felt there was not a good relationship between the students and administration.

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WAYNE NORRIS SIGNS AC SCHOLARSHIP ... Swansboro Coach Parkin (seated), AC Coach Ira Norfolk (back at left), Wilbur Norris Look On