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PANGLE TELLS SENATE "EXPECT A CHANGE"

STUDENT GOVERNMENT PRESIDENT BRETT PANGLE TOLD S.G. MEMBERS TO EXPECT A CHANGE IN HIS ATTITUDE FOLLOWING SEVERAL RESIGNATIONS ANNOUNCED AT A SENATE MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 3 IN LIPINSKY STUDENT CENTER.

Acknowledging mistakes such as devoting too little time to his duties and failing to cooperate with the commissioners, Pangle urged S.G. members to forget the past and said he intended to work harder. "I hope you will see a change," he said.

The president's remarks came after Vice President James Rash read several letters of resignation, including those of former Secretary Karen Sheldon and former Attorney General/Elections Commissioner Steve Tuttle.

Sheldon's letter cited Pangle's "lack of communication and inefficiency concerning Student Government functions" and his "putting N.C.S.L. [North Carolina Student Legislature] before the problems that confront Student Government at this university" among reasons for her resignation.

Tuttle said in his letter that his "inability to work with the president" and his desire to run for S.G. senate prompted his resignation.

Only three elected senators, Commuter Senator John Quigley, Linga Flanigan, and Sen. Mike Putnam, attended the meeting; five senators voted by proxy. The senate consists of ten members.

Vice President Rash suggested that another time slot might encourage better attendance, and the group decided to hold meetings each Wednesday at 2:15 p.m. instead of 3 p.m.

Other business included Student Activities Director Sharyn McDonald's suggestion that S.G. participate in Asheville's Octoberfest plans, the announcement of S.G.'s tentative fall budget, and the approval of David Bradley as Attorney General/Elections Officer, replacing Tuttle. Bradley resigned from his post as Legal Services Correspondent to take the position.

McDonald urged the senate to allocate funds for participation in Asheville's Octoberfest, saying that it would encourage good community-campus relations.

"The time might come when we need community support," McDonald said. She noted that S.G. has been invited to take part in community activities in the past but has so far declined. "They might get tired of asking," she said.



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STUDENT GOVERNMENT PRESIDENT BRETT PANGLE

Pangle noted the existence of a "wall" between the Asheville community and UNC-A campus. "We need to open up some type of relationship between our campus and our community," he said, throwing his support to the idea of an S.G.-sponsored German Biergarten in participation of the Octoberfest.

Sen. John Quigley moved that the senate drop the idea because of the senators' hesitancy to discuss the topic, a comment by McDonald that the city planners wanted an answer the next day and S.G.'s limited social activities budget, which stood tentatively at \$8,000 for the fall semester.

S.G.-sponsored participation in Asheville's Octoberfest was voted down in a split vote with six senators voting.

The tentative S.G. budget, based on 1,000 projected full-time students attending UNC-A, totaled \$13,825. The largest allocation went to social activities, with other sizeable amounts going to the film fund, \$2,500; and the scholarship fund, \$2,050.

ASBESTOS

In June 1979, a study was done by the North Carolina Department of Human Resources concerning the asbestos ceilings in three buildings on the campus of UNC-Asheville.

This report stated that the Rhoades Science Building, Lipinsky Student Center, and the Administration Building contain dangerous exposure levels of asbestos.

The condition of the ceiling material throughout the Science building was considered poor. Exposure numbers reach as high as 96 on a scale where 40 and over requires removal as the only complete solution.

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According to the report, the exposure number for the student center was 99. Exposure levels were considered dangerous because of forced air heating and cooling systems which blow asbestos fiber from the ceiling into the room.

William Johnson, chairman of the board which governs the 16 campuses in the university system, suggested, last year, to Chancellor William Highsmith that the asbestos situation be considered an emergency.

When asked last October what would be done about the situation, the Chancellor said that nothing could be done until money was

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received from the state for the corrective action.

He added that funding for the removal of asbestos from state-owned buildings would be discussed in the June, 1980 State General Assembly.

The results of this meeting do not suggest an immediate solution to UNC-A's asbestos problems. The General Assembly allocated over \$600,000 for the repair of all state buildings containing asbestos.

The cost of repair at UNC-A alone was estimated at \$500,087 by Henry Von Oesen and Associates of Wilmington.

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