



Elson Floyd, SGA President

NO RESPECT

At the December 14th meeting of the Board of Trustees of FSU, Albert Rummings (trustee) through Chancellor Lyons submitted the following resolution.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHANCELLOR TO IN- CREASE ATHLETIC FEES RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of Fayetteville State University has authorized the consolidation of Student Activity Fees, and

WHEREAS, Athletics is a student activity, but budgeted separately, and

WHEREAS, the Athletic Program is suffering due to the increased cost of operation,

funds into athletics. However, to take potential funds out of the reach of the SGA is limiting the support the SGA could render in the form financing buses to follow the teams to away games, financing Pep Club equipment, and financing Pep

rallies and other programs which boost the morale of the

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FAYETTEVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY:

That the Chancellor be authorized to increase the athletic fee from \$40.00 to \$60.00 per year by reducing the consolidated activity fee by the amount of increase affecting this change without any increase in fees to the student.

The undersigned, Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Fayetteville State University, hereby certifies that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Board of Trustees properly called and held on December 14, 1978.

The adoption of this resolution further limits the potential funds that could be channeled into the Marching Band the University Choir and the Student Government Association.

We are aware of the

necessity to channel more athletes and motivate them to strive harder in the role in which they are playing on behalf of the University.

During the later part of the summer we (SGA) spent numerous hours preparing a ten page comprehensive and explanatory budget for the school year 1978-79. The budget was prepared cognizant of the fact that there was other monies in which the SGA could possibly have access outside if the set for that would comprise our budget based on enrollment to aid us in our efforts to enhance true student input toward our goal of sophisticating the system and offering more opportunities for students to be self governed which is stated in the preamble of the constitution of the student body. After submitting the comprehensive document which consisted of a letter to the budgeting officials expressing the need for acceptance for budget A to operate at a pace which would aid us in reaching our goals and objectives a page by page break down of exactly how the monies would be spent (some of which would save us money) and condensed budgets B and C pending disapproval of Budget A, the SGA waited for a reply on the Budgets we submitted. Waiting restlessly on a reply from the budgeting officials in order that we may adjust our priority of allocations in order to plan in more detail how the monies would be spent geared us (SGA) to constantly inquire as to the processing stage of our proposal. After several weeks we got word that our budget had been rejected based solely on its inconsistency with previous years budgets by Vice Chancellor of Student Development, Dean C.C. Hatcher who is not a

budgeting official and who had no prior knowledge of other monies in which the SGA could possibly obtain to increase our budget appropriation. After these facts of other monies were brought to the attention of Vice Chancellor for Student Development subsequent to a meeting with of Vice president of SGA Harold Little, advisor to the SGA. Irving Veazie, University accountant, Terry Merit and Elson L. Floyd, President of the SGA, a meeting was arranged between Dean Hatcher and the Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs (J.V. Parham) in order to trace the amount of funds that were available.

NOTE: The SGA budget is approved or disapproved on the basis of what we submit with central funds cash available not just a percentage of the activity fee.

After waiting weeks for a decision as to the amount of money in the central fund and an acceptance or rejection of one of the three submitted budgets and receiving no answer we they proceeded to communicate with the chancellor the means and modes related to our budget proposal. After bringing the matter to the attention of Dr. Lyons there was an assurance that the matter would be given attendance. After weeks and weeks of no word on our proposed budget from the Chancellor and numerous efforts to meet, talk, and-or discuss our proposed budget with the chancellor, the SGA gave up trying to find out how much money was in the central fund and how much of these funds could go into the SGA budget.

Up until December 14, 1975 there was nothing else said about the auspices of our budget. It was then at the December meeting of the Board of Trustees where the matter of budget was brought back up. What this resolution does it take potential allocable funds out of the reach of the band, choir, and student government and channels, straight

Summer Internship Program

Sophomores, juniors and seniors enrolled in a North Carolina college or North Carolina residents attending an out-of-state college have until February 10 to apply for the Institute of Government Summer Internship Program in state government.

Twenty-four students will be selected by an advisory committee to participate in a living-learning internship in North Carolina state government directed by the Institute of Government. The Institute of Government Interns will work from May 29 through August 10.

Students will work 40 hours each week in a responsible position in a state department, participate in evening educational seminars and be paid approximately \$125 per week.

Students interested in the program should secure a brochure announcing the program and a State of North Carolina application form from their college or university placement office.

Students interested in the Institute of Government program should mail an application to the Institute of Government, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27514 by February 10, 1979.

into athletics which is budgeted separately.

After hours of hard work preparing the budget; after weeks of waiting for the budgeting officials year or near and reasons on the proposal and to no avail our budget was rejected solely on its inconsistency by a non budgeting official who had no knowledge of the central fund; after matters were clear on possible allocable monies; after a planned meeting between the Vice Chancellor of Business Affairs and Vice Chancellor of Student Development to determine the amount of monies in the central fund and therefore have some basis to determine our actual budget; after no response from the Vice-Chancellor of Student Development; after no response of the Chancellor; and in light of the whole matter our funds being allocated to athletics from monies previously budgeted for by the SGA which would have helped us out tremendously.

In waiting for our budget decision several possible actions were on stand by such as, purchase of televisions for Hood and New Residence Halls, \$1000.00 allocation of cash to the cheerleaders squad for uniforms, pep club equipment, disco system \$2500.00 allocation to the communication center, a series of well known lectures, poets, and musicians to name a few.

In light of all that has transpired the SGA has been handicapped due to the lack of respect via red tape, rhetoric passing to bulk and down right unconcern. It is the endeavor of the 1978-79 Student Government Association that students will be more cognizant of the things that hinder their productivity, moreover, we hope that the administration whom we do our everyday communication will treat us with a lot more respect and possibly try to see eye to eye on our goals and objectives in order that we may grow together rather than apart.

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Campus Digest News Service

American manufacturers are stepping up production of non-tobacco cigarettes and some optimistic producers feel they can make a dent in the cigarette market within a few years.

Cigarettes made from ginseng roots, cocoa beans, marigold leaves and coltsfoot have been sold only in health food stores and as a novelty in the past, but manufacturers feel they have solved the taste problem which has limited its marketability.

The manufacturers of Free, a product made from cocoa beans, feel they can gain control over one percent of the cigarette market within a few years.

Read The Voice

Guyana Experience

by Fidele Essono

Undoubtedly religion is the predominant philosophy in which human beings are mostly devoted to express their beliefs in supernatural forces. The strength of one's belief depends on the atmosphere and spiritual quality of the religion. Sometimes the theology confounds the zeal which somewhat leads the disciples deep down in the grave instead of helping people save their souls and to better manage faith and maintain beliefs.

First of all, regardless of one's religious preference the believer needs to stay alive. People who believe the Bible's truth and respect it, often refer to one of its statements, "Be aware of false prophets."

Alumni Search

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media. He stated that there will be an intensive effort over the next three months and hopefully the bulk of the alumni will be identified.

The coordinators for the project are Ms. Calettha Powell, a public relations officer and Dr. Bruce Winston of Institutional Research.

Greene stated that, "Locating alumni is not a problem endemic to FSU. It is a concern of many of the other universities in the North Carolina System. However, we must locate and actively involve the alumni in the financial and moral support of FSU."

The Guyana case is a typical example that anybody can proclaim himself a prophet. There will always be enough people to provide a following for anybody who professes religion. The prophet Jim Jones, who exhorted people to follow his path to arrive holily to Jonestown's heaven, "worked so hard" with the "Lord's inspiration" to build missions for welcoming all souls to that sacred place. This century has had its share of heretics, including the Kamikazes on the action in the Pacific War. But in 1978, Guyana's kamikazes had no aims. They didn't have any gods to reach for which they couldn't reach at home. The question is what happened to Jones' followers before they made the final sacrifice? No possible commentary can be made on the most confessional scandal of our history. The real truth seems to be that the mass killing was a form of murder. There seems to be no evidence that the structure of Jones' dogma lead to anything but to program the people to commit suicide at Jones' command. There is no other way to define it than murder in the first degree. We are convinced that the real believer is one who understands by imagining logic accordingly to the faith expectations, not in overdoing. The tragedy was completely immoral and incredible to people living in the 20th Century. Fanaticism always misleads instead of exhorting people to do seek righteousness. We know of many experiences from the

past. Christian Crusaders fought to save Jerusalem in the 11th and 13th Century from Moslems. Bloodshed wars between two libanese religious factions laid on confessional fanaticism. Presently we have a "Born Again" cold war: Religion is not an intrapersonal matter but the exploration of a divinity. This does not require any transposition or a mercenary act to fight in behalf of the Omnipotent Power. It does require communication between adorator and Lord. Guayana's experience must serve as a reference not to let oneself be abused by an artificial prophet injecting a deadly doctrine. The only advisable suggestion that might be useful for future disciples, of such alienated philosophies, is to constantly search for the truth by continuously examining one's faith. Overall, the preacher's role is as a leader and interpreter of the teachings of one's religion, a protector not an exterminator.

Guayana has brought a new awareness to a lot of us. The seriousness of religion is not a game—it can be an unforgettable mistake when performed on an unsafe stage. Guayana has in some ways altered the religious physiognomy of the benefactor of religion. For us who are still alive and who will conserve religious dignity, we must keep religion and its realities as strong as we can. Even with different congregations, the final goal is the same.