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Guilford Students Give Constructive Response To Housing Policy

By Jason Underwood

In response to the recently issued housing policy, which specified requirements for on and off-campus living arrangements, concerned students came forward and turned controversy into compromise.

"The students have been super responsible about coming forward," said Nancy Cable-Wells, Dean of Students. Cable-Wells added that because of the student initiative and concern, the administration was "open to recalling all decisions."

In a housing forum in Mary Hobbs Hall on March 24, students who felt the housing policy needed to be revised got their first chance to show their concern for changing the policy, and their motivated concern was well received by Cable-Wells and the administration.

Binford Hall, which was specified in the pre-

revised policy as being reserved for freshman IDS sections concentrated on the 1st and 2nd floors, will still contain IDS sections, but they will not be restricted to living on those floors or in a designated area.

Mary Hobbs Hall, one of the most controversial issues of the policy, would be restricted to upperclassmen living only. The strong resistance met by the students changed that. As one student defended, "Mary Hobbs is a place where you are forced to grow...and freshmen almost always benefit from it." As Cable-Wells said, the revision in the policy now "can fill naturally with upperclassmen, and freshmen will fill the remaining spaces."

The other controversial issue, concerning the restriction of students under 21 living off-campus, has been cleared up and revised. The policy



Seth Hassett, Tom Lamb, and Barton Parks at Housing Forum.

Photo: Eric Buck

states that preference will be given to those 21 and over; remaining space will go to students in descending order of age. Also, Cable-Wells said that a student group will be organized that will have the authority to grant petitions for off-campus living.

The residents of English

Hall have decided to maintain the same Freshman / Upperclassman ratio that was previously restricted by the policy to upperclassmen only.

Finally, as a result of the student activism on this issue, a Senate Residence Council will be established as an extension of the

Senate Resident Life Committee. Cable-Wells expressing the importance of this innovation, said, "It will be a group of students with whom I can check right away." The formation of the committee may another step toward more efficient communication between the administration and the students.

President Rogers On Study Leave

By Noah Bartolucci

President Bill Rogers will visit Belgium, Italy, Wales, and Maine on his upcoming study leave. He and Beverly Rogers will be gone six months beginning this August.

The purpose of this leave is to allow the President an opportunity to finish two book-length manuscripts he's been working on. He also intends to spend time resting and reflecting after eight years of heading the college.

"I am very appreciative of this leave," he said. "It's exceptionally valuable to have a leave

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Bill and Bev Rogers.

Election Results

By Laura Peters

The tickets lead by Lisa Nanstad and Seth Hassett were victorious in the "election of the year,"—excepting November's presidential election, of course.

Politics hit Guilford College as seen by the abundance of flyers and posters that circulated the campus the last two weeks. Students had to make two difficult choices involving tickets for both Senate and Union.

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