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BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Budget approved; campus alcohol and drug use discussed

By Megan Feil
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The main topics discussed at the Board of Trustees meeting on Feb. 23 included students' use of drugs and alcohol as well as the college's budget.

Aaron Fetrow, dean of students, led a presentation on Guilford's alcohol and drug issues in response to a request from the board. A student and staff panel offered unscripted information about their experiences with the party scene.

"The trustees were supportive and thankful to get a realistic view of drinking based on our experiences," said senior Brianna Robinson. "We shared personal stories that didn't necessarily put ourselves in the best light."

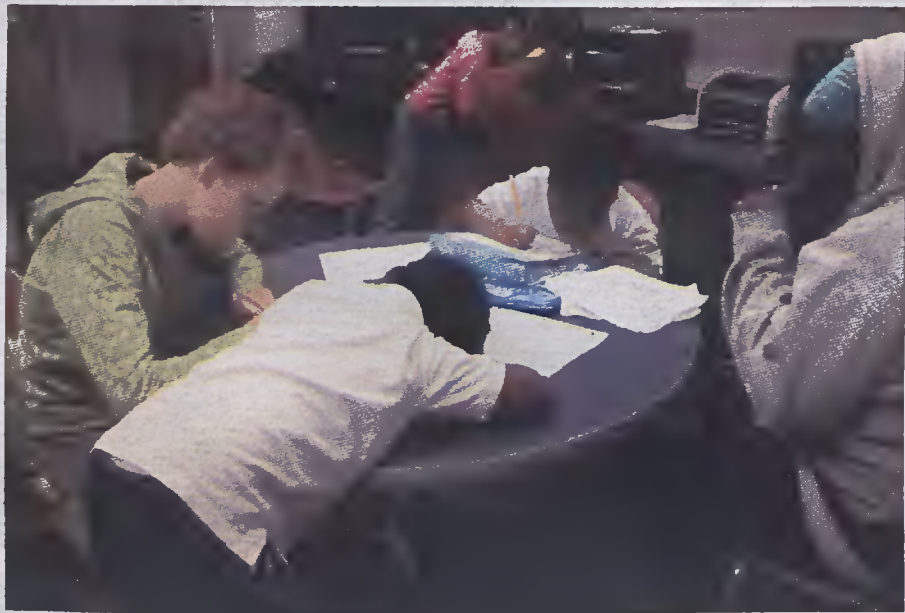
Dry colleges like Earlham and Emory and Henry were mentioned as a point of comparison in numbers of reported alcohol and drug violations.

"I don't think the trustees want to make campus dry," said senior Chris Lampkin. "You can get drunk for the first time in your dorm room and have your friends look out for you. If they push drinking off campus, you can go to a bar and have the cops look out for you."

Consensus from the panel said first-years generally accounted for more alcohol violations than upperclassmen.

"Personally I don't drink, but I think for people who do, part of the college process is

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Guilford first-year **Tasha BIRTHA** tutors kids at Glenhaven

Guilford receives national service award

By Amanda Pressley
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Last year, Guilford students logged over 60,000 community service hours. To give some perspective, 60,000 hours translates into 2,500 days spent volunteering at sites like Glenwood Library, Greensboro YMCA, and

African Services Coalition.

For such dedication to serving the community, the Corporation for National and Community Service recently awarded Guilford the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll with Distinction.

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STAFF APPRECIATION DAY



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Colette Cosner serves food to members of the Cafeteria staff at the Appreciation Day potluck.

STAFF AND STUDENTS HAVE LUNCH, PROMOTE INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY

By Jamie Metrick
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It's a Wednesday afternoon, designated community time. Students, staff and faculty gather in Boren Lounge to share a meal and get to know each other. A raffle begins a little early at the request of some cafeteria workers. Someone good-naturedly adds, "Some of us have to cook dinner!"

Last Wednesday, Project Community sponsored Staff Appreciation Day to thank staff across campus with food, music and good conver-

sation. The event broke up into two shifts to fit busy schedules; people came from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and again from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. As a result, more staff than students attended the first session while the second shift had more students than staff. The setup allowed a greater variety of people to attend.

Many student organizations contributed to the event. The potluck-style lunch had casseroles and curry made by the Cooking Club and batches of vegan and non-vegan cookies baked by the Outdoors Club. Senior Brendan "Kass" James read attendees' fortunes with tarot cards while student musicians performed with acoustic guitars.

Guilford's West African Drumming Club also stopped by to per-

form some traditional Mali and Guinean music. The new Slam Poetry Club introduced themselves with founding member Louisa Casanave performing original slam. Even the College Democrats were involved; President Malcolm Kenton came with voter registration cards.

"I registered one staff member and helped three others change their voting information," Kenton said. "It's cool that C.D. can contribute to this."

Project Community also handed out gift bags for staff members that included scented candles, gift cards and other practical items. The bags were decorated by students the previous week and had little messages of thanks.

When 4 p.m. rolled around, students

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Jeff Jeske, stalwart of our community and faculty member of the English department for 20 years, has fallen very ill. Please keep him and his family in your thoughts.

