

At Semi-Annual Meeting

Spivey elected Trustee Chairman; Arnold recognized

Chowan College trustees elected Robert B. Spivey of Windsor as chairman and honored outgoing trustee chairman, the Rev. J. Felix Arnold of Enfield, during their semi-annual meeting earlier this month.

E. L. Hollowell of Edenton and Vernon E. White were elected chairman and vice chairman respectively of the Executive Committee. J. Guy Revelle, Jr., of Murfreesboro, presided in the absence of Dr. H. M. Kunkle of Portsmouth, Va., chairman of the Board of Advisors, who met jointly with the trustees.

Arnold, who has served as a member of the Board of Trustees for 2 years including ten as chairman, was presented a plaque extolling his service to the college by Dr. Bruce E. Whitaker. Resolutions of appreciation to him were read by Dr. R. Hargus Taylor, chaplain.

Praised for Service

He was cited for his contribution of "praiseworthy service to the cause of Christian higher education at Chowan College." The resolutions noted that "his studied consideration of issues before us, his wise counsel within the course of our deliberations, and his gift for enlisting others in the support of this institution and her mission of higher education have been characteristics of the attention he has given to the role of trustee and advisor."

Whitaker emphasized the importance of the "financial support and encouragement" given by North Carolina Baptists and the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. He said the college is scheduled to receive more than \$900,000 under the budget of the Baptist State Convention in 1987, subject to the Convention meeting its budget.

Dr. Whitaker reported that as of January, 1987, the college had effectively completed paying in full the outstanding indebtedness on the physical plant.

Campaign Report

In other financial matters, Director of Development Bobby Cross reported that Chowan has received more than \$2 million in pledges and gifts to pass the half-way

mark in its campaign to raise \$4 million. The campaign will fund additional student aid scholarships, endowment for teaching and administration, program development, and the renovation of facilities.

Robert B. Spivey, who is campaign chairman, thanked advisor Mrs. Robert (Texie Camp) Marks of Boykins, Va., who is the honorary chairman, and the other members of the campaign committee for their leadership. Spivey said the campaign workers had made "remarkable progress" and would continue their efforts until the goal was reached. Cross said that some \$86,000 has been received toward the \$125,000 Annual Giving Fund goal.

After hearing a report from Business Manager Ben Sutton, the trustees approved a \$250 increase in tuition, room and board and fees, for the 1988-89 year.

Report on Self-Study

Dean of the College B. Franklin Lowe, Jr., reported on the progress of the institutional self-study which each accredited college must undergo every ten years leading to the reaffirmation of its accreditation.

Lowe said Chowan's accreditation was



Members of the Boards of Trustees and Advisors review reports during the semi-annual meeting.

last reaffirmed in 1978. He said the self-study is on schedule with all committee meetings, research and deliberations virtually completed. He said the next step is completing the first draft of the report. He explained the reaffirmation committee of the Southern Association of Colleges and Universities will visit the campus in a year leading toward the reaffirmation of the college's accreditation in December, 1988.

Lowe reported that 26 of the 56 full-time faculty have served Chowan for 20 or more years. Eight staff members are in the same category for a total of 34 faculty and staff members who have served from 20 to 32 years.

"Order of Lux et Veritas"

Lowe led the discussion of the establishment of the Order of Lux et Veritas ("light and truth", from Chowan's official seal) to honor all personnel who have served the college for at least 25 years. The trustees gave their approval.

Lowe also reported that the ad hoc committee on admissions recommended to the president that the college provide special grants to students who are members of a church affiliated with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

Special Grant to Baptists

The committee requested a \$100 grant per semester to freshmen and \$200 per semester during the sophomore year to those students who have a "C" or better academic average. The committee recommended that the grants be funded from the financial support the college receives from the budget of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. Trustees approved the recommendations.

Resolutions of appreciation were presented to the late James Guy Revelle,

Sr., of Conway, who died on Dec. 14, 1986. The resolutions called Revelle "one of the most loyal and devoted champions of Christian higher education through Chowan College."

They stated "numerous services on behalf of this institution and her mission were expressed through his membership on the Board of Advisors (1975-1986), through his attention of higher educational concerns confronted during his tenure as a member of the House of Representatives, North Carolina General Assembly (1973-74 and 1977-78), and through his personal contributions to and solicitations for the development of the college and her educational programs.

They continued "his interest in providing for the education of youth among us has been typified and symbolized by his establishment of the J. Guy Revelle, Sr., and Pearlta Futrell Revelle Scholarship — an endowed award which is presented, annually, by the Scholarship Committee of the College."

Whitaker Presented Plaque

Spivey presented a plaque to Dr. Whitaker expressing appreciation from the trustees for his being recognized as one of the top 18 college presidents in the nation in a study funded by the Exxon Education Foundation.

Trustees who have completed their four-year terms of service received certificates of appreciation. They include: Mrs. Kate Allen, Weldon; the Rev. J. Felix Arnold, Enfield; L. M. Brinkley, Ahsokie; Bob F. Hill, Sr., Murfreesboro; Mrs. Libby Maddrey, Eden; Mrs. Ethel K. Smith, Benson; Thomas Sneeden, Wilmington; Jennings B. Teal, Tarboro; and M. E. Valentine, Sr., Raleigh.

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The Rev. J. Felix Arnold is presented a plaque in appreciation of his twenty-two years of service as a Trustee.