

## Group violates treasury laws

# BSM has funding scrutinized by CGC

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The Black Student Movement was restricted by an act of the Campus Governing Council Monday night from transferring funds within their budget because of direct and repeated contravention of treasury laws.

In June, the BSM held an administrative retreat at the cost of \$202.21 without having a retreat category in their CGC-approved budget. On July 12, they requested that the student body treasurer and the finance committee chairperson create a retreat category for funds to be transferred into other categories to pay for the retreat.

James Exum, CGC speaker for the academic year, said after the meeting that in the past, the CGC has always given the BSM money for retreats after the fact. Past councils had conditioned them to the fact that it was OK to do this," Exum said. "But this council is making a strong attempt to correct the problem. This sets a precedent as to how the CGC should handle the situation in the future. It's one of our most positive moves in a while."

Student Body President Kevin Monroe said the mistake was not intentional because past councils have appropriated money to the BSM

and overlooked the fact that this violated treasury laws.

"The BSM was breaking treasury laws, but with CGC consent," Exum said.

The act requires the retreat to be paid for with administrative money, specifically out of the telephone category. In this way, other BSM subgroups, such as the Gospel Choir and *The Black Ink*, will not have money taken from their budgets to pay for administrative expenditures.

BSM President Sherrod Banks said Tuesday evening that the CGC's actions were fair and that he foresees no financial hardships because of the act.

"They acted responsibly, and I agree with them wholeheartedly," Banks said.

The BSM must meet a \$1,200 fundraising goal and use that money in order to replenish the telephone category.

"The telephone category is best since it's the largest category and it's subject to tighter control," Banks said. "We'll just have to cut down on long distance phone calls."

Banks said that he didn't realize until after the budget process that the retreat expenses should have been included in the group's budget.

He said the CGC knows he made an honest effort to correct the problem, and that they will include the retreat in next year's budget.

The purpose of the retreat was to finalize plans discussed in the spring. "Only one person from last year is returning," Banks said. "We had to sit down, feel comfortable with each other, and discuss our plans for the fall. We had to make sure it will be a family type atmosphere."

Banks said that funds are raised through their membership drive and advertising revenues from the *Black Ink*. Banks anticipates raising \$900 from membership fees, which cost \$2 per academic year.

"Last year, we gained 330 new members, and 600 the year before, so I'm sure we'll reach our goal of 450 new members this year," he said.

Banks said he and other BSM members will be around during the minority students pre-orientation program Aug. 20-21. They will have a fund raising dance where they will sell BSM memberships and distribute pamphlets during orientation. The BSM also has a coordinator involved with Project Uplift to inform rising high school seniors of their organization and to encourage minority students to enroll at UNC.

## Topics picked for Symposium

The Carolina Symposium has been, since 1927, a biennial event on the UNC campus. The Symposium brings together specialists and concerned leaders from every walk of life to deliver short addresses on topics relating to that year's particular theme.

Jack Mohr, co-chairman of the 1984 event, said the '84 Symposium will concentrate on world population growth, resource depletion and the resulting environmental impact.

Mohr said the symposium is funded through the Campus Governing Council and has already begun work on the March-April meeting, considered one of the premier intellectual events of the year on campus.

Leaders in the fields of science, journalism, politics, and academics will speak in various settings throughout the Symposium. "It will be a great opportunity for students to talk to national figures in a one-to-one informal atmosphere," Mohr said.

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