

Business Folk, Students Dominate New Board As QCQ Elects Leaders

For 1984, QCQ's board of directors will have a decidedly professional bent as well as heavy input from college students.

In the first meeting of the year, three business persons and four people in retailing became board members along with a magistrate, three students and a gay activist/volunteer.

The board, as prescribed by QCQ by-

laws, governs the organization for one year and consists of 12 persons—one each from the four member organizations of QCQ and eight at-large. Officers of the board were chosen by the new board members at the Jan. 26 meeting, too late for this issue of *Q-Notes*.

Representing the QCQ member groups on the board will be Tom Bod-

kin, manager of a department store (representing Acceptance), student Jack Black (Gay/Lesbian Switchboard), UNCC student Darryl Logsdon (Lambda Political Caucus) and magistrate Henry Raines (Metropolitan Community Church/Charlotte).

The at-large delegates elected at the Jan. 12 meeting were Kevin Melody, local businessperson; Chuck Wallace, Liz Groff and Kathi Smith, local retailers; Mark Tadlock, Lambda Political Caucus vice president and Switchboard volunteer; as well as a graduate student and two other business leaders who cannot be identified.

Six of the board members also served on the 1983 board.

Attendance at the Jan. 12 meeting — 24 persons — established a new record for a regular QCQ meeting.

"This new enthusiasm and involvement are very encouraging," said one of the outgoing 1983 QCQ board members who turned down nomination to the 1984 board. "Our achievements have grown each year because more and more people have taken the time to get involved. With more people stepping forward than ever before, this could easily be QCQ's biggest and best year."

He emphasized that any member of Charlotte's gay/lesbian community can be active in QCQ and invited all to attend the meetings on Feb. 2 and 16 (see Page 1 for times and location).

Parents Group In Raleigh Reaches Out To Others

The national group Parents of Gays and Lesbians has a foothold in North Carolina and wants to expand.

Parents FLAG (the short-form name of the group) has a chapter in Raleigh that invites interested individuals to attend meetings the third Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m., Unitarian Fellowship building, 3313 Wade Ave., Raleigh, 27607.

Spokesperson Elizabeth Gurley wrote to *Q-Notes* that "our primary activity is counseling parents and families of gays and lesbians. We are hopeful that groups such as ours will spring up in different areas of North Carolina. With one out of every four extended families touched by this issue, potentially they could have some political clout."

Ms. Gurley invited Charlotteans interested in more information or in starting

a Charlotte group to contact Raleigh's organization.

She said the chapter's other current activities are these:

□ With Duke, UNC-Chapel Hill, N.C. State and four private colleges in the immediate area, to work with students who wish to come out to families and friends.

□ Meetings with gay/lesbian groups in different areas of N.C. for mutual support and encouragement.

□ Meetings with interested parents in other cities who, hopefully, will organize.

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