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## CALENDAR OKAYED BY UNC

The final word has been spoken on the controversy of the calendar.

Chancellor William E. Highsmith met with the officials of the Consolidated University of North Carolina, Sept. 15 to propose a calendar which modified the calendar standard with the rest of the UNC branches.

It was approved.

The system which Dr. Highsmith offered, explaining that it best suited the educational process of UNC-A and represented the desires of the vast majority of both the student body and faculty, was a modified four-term, nine-month, four-year degree plan calendar.

The calendar's unique characteristic is that courses may be offered on a 42-day term

basis or extend for an entire semester—two terms.

Theoretically, UNC-A will be on a two semester calendar. However, these two semesters are each broken into two segments each, providing a four-term year. There will be two summer sessions composed of 28 days each. The maximum load for each session is six hours. This schedule will allow students to pick up more hours during the summer than under the old system.

Under the system for next year, the full-time student load will be 30-32 hours per year. The faculty load will be eight courses of three semester hours. Some courses in each division will be taught for 17 weeks on the Monday-Wednesday-Friday

or Tuesday-Thursday basis, probably at 8 a.m. and in the afternoons.

The newly approved calendar provides a nine-month program leading to a degree in four years. However, acceleration can be handled on basis of individual need and demonstrated competence. The sophomore class will be reinstated.

The essential point of the calendar is that no drastic changes will be required in course structure, requirements, pre requisites, major requirements, sequential or interdisciplinary arrangements.

This calendar, effective the first summer session in June, is basically the same as the present one. Final exams will not be given in the new calendar.



COONAN



KELSO



KOONTZ

## Small Turnout Elects Officers

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Class elections marked by a fantastically small turn out Wednesday, Sept. 10.

The students of UNC-A went to the polls and selected the officials to represent their respective classes for the 1969-70 year.

Most of the voting was extremely close and ended with all but one office filled—Freshman class secretary. As of press time, the run off election was to be held Tuesday, Sept. 16, between Virginia Fulling and Anne Womble.

The presidents of the three classes are Bill Coonan, Bob Kelso, and Tom Koontz. Coonan, senior-economics, is a native of Asheville. The sports editor of last year's Summit, Coonan is a member of the Yahoos, Circle K and the soccer team.

Kelso, who finished a tour of duty in the army in time to begin first term last year, is a member of the Communications committee, and runs a part time poster business. Koontz is a beginning freshman from

Asheville.

Backing up the executive class officer are vice-presidents David Barnes, Kathy Reusing, and Sarah Propst. Barnes, junior-political science, ran unopposed. A member of the Huns, Barnes was a class officer in last year's freshman class.

Kip Reusing, senior-philosophy, is originally of Asheville. Transferring from Anherst College, she is a member of THE RIDGERUNNER Staff. Sarah Propst, a biology major, is from Maiden, N. C., and is a beginning freshman.

The two finalized secretaries both running unopposed are Mimi DeSaix and Ginni McEwen. Mimi, senior-social sciences, is a member of K-ettes and served on the Elections commission last year. Ginni, junior-political science, is from Tampa, Florida. A member of the Miss A-B Court last year, Ginni is also an honorary member of Alpha Sigma Sigma, and is a member of THE RIDGERUNNER Staff.

It is hoped that the new leaders of the classes will get all the support they need.

## Campus Leaders Meet Governor

Marking a first for this state, Gov. Bob Scott extended an invitation for campus leaders to help him eliminate the communication gap between the state government and the universities.

On two separate nights, the governor met with the student body presidents and the campus newspaper editors of the state supported colleges and universities for dinner and an

informal discussion. Representing UNC-Asheville were Student Government president, Donald H. Meyers of Asheville, and THE RIDGERUNNER editor, Laurel K. Richards, a native of Houston, Texas.

It was an attempt on Gov. Scott's part to gain insight into the problems afflicting each individual campus and those problems common to every

campus.

The presidential session devoted three hours to a discussion of student unrest. The student body presidents of 13 of the 15 state-supported campuses revealed that the students were not being listened to, and that there was not enough student involvement in the normal college process.

It was brought out that in the (see GOVERNOR on pg.6)

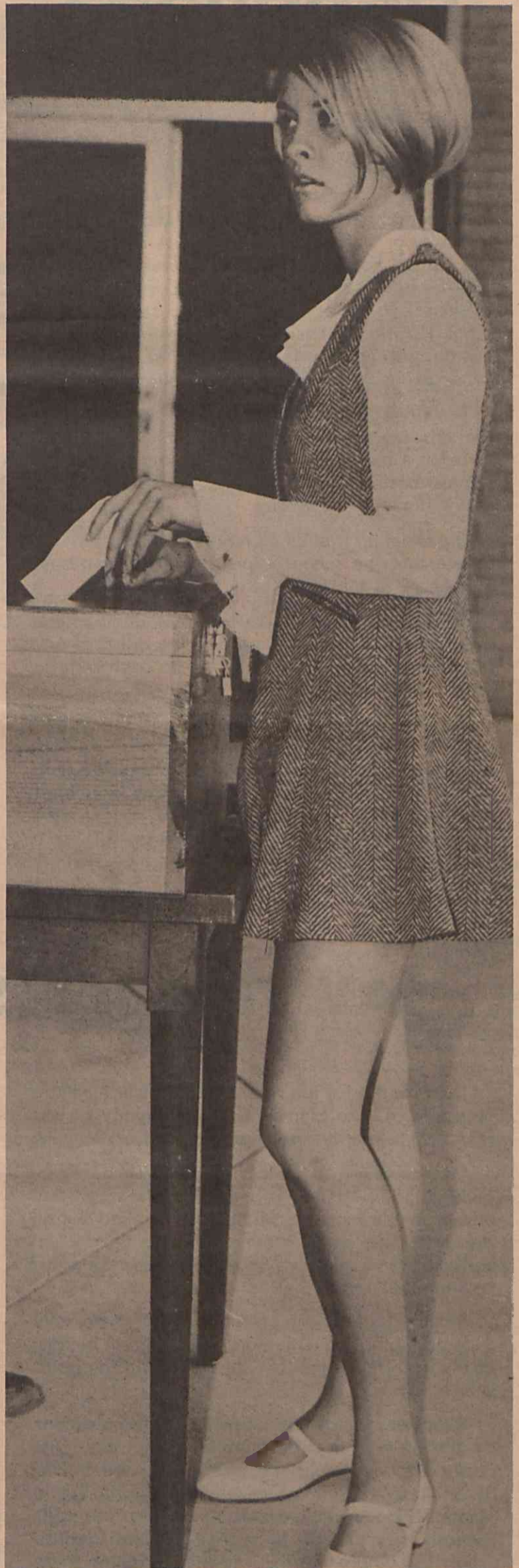


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## Ballot Power

At every UNC-A election, students are learning the power of the individual vote, even at slight turn-outs as the recent class officers elections. Sylvia Smith, senior-psychology, symbolizes the few students who exercised their responsibility by voting.