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Everyone had a good time at Rockmont! The annual end-of-the-year bash was held last Saturday and saw 15 kegs of beer and a lot of sandwich fixin's consumed. More pictures on page 3. Photo by FRED TONE

## Under Unusual Circumstances Officers Selected For Faculty Senate

Officers for the 1976-77 Faculty Senate were elected on the first ballot April 20. According to former Senate Chairman Shirley Browning and several other faculty members, a first ballot election of all four officers is rare.

New officers include James Vinson, Chairman; Robert Trullinger, First Vice-Chairman; Lloyd Remington, Second Vice Chairman; and William Bruce, Secretary. Elections procedures for Senate officers is as follows. Each of the 16 Senators are included on the ballot. All Senators vote for one officer at a time and all Senators all eligible for office.

A Senator must receive a majority plus one vote to be elected. It usually takes at least two ballots to elect an officer, often many more.

Each of the newly elected Senate officers received between

11 and 14 votes on the first ballot, according to sources.

New Senate Chairman Vinson neither outrightly confirmed or denied the existence of an unofficial slate of candidates when contacted by the Ridgerunner. Second Vice-Chairman Remington and Secretary Bruce refused comment to the Ridgerunner about the matter.

Monday, April 26, Vinson said the exact vote totals could be obtained from recording secretary Jackie Peterson. Tuesday, on orders from Vinson, Ms. Peterson would not release the information to the Ridgerunner.

Most of the new Faculty Senate and several non-Senate faculty were contacted about the election. No one contacted positively confirmed the existence of a slate of candidates.

Most Faculty Senators refused comment

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## Trustees Receive Plan

Stating "we need to take a more positive approach to the needs of the students here," Board of Trustees Student Affairs Committee Chairman Hoyle Blanton presented the final draft of the Five Year Plan on Student Services to the Board Wednesday April 21.

Blanton said the key word to the problems dealt with by the Plan is "apathy" and said everyone involved with the university is responsible. He called for a general meeting of UNC-A administrators to develop a "sound recommendation" on inter-collegiate athletics.

Chancellor Highsmith emphasized that student service problems at UNC-A result from a large number of commuter students and few dorm students. He said he will present the Board a comprehensive statement on inter-collegiate athletics and will discuss the financing of a new dorm with Chapel Hill.

The Chancellor said that if the state can provide an adequate base for the new dorm/student center complex, an increase in student fees to maintain the building is likely.

The April 21 Board of Trustees meeting was called to order at 3:05 by Chairman Dr. Francis Buchanan with eight members present. The Chancellor announced that Dr. Barrington White, from

Oxford University, will be this year's commencement speaker.

Chancellor Highsmith outlined the Long Range Plan of the UNC Board of Governors. He said the report contained "several important matters" concerning UNC-A: (1) a probable coordinated nursing program between UNC-A and WCU, (2) "expected cooperation" for graduate students between the two schools, and (3) approval of UNC-A's management program.

The Chancellor reviewed the Faculty Tenure Document as approved by the Board of Governors with Trustees. He said changes made in UNC-A's submitted document "were editorial."

Trustee Cary Owen asked for a future report on how the docu-

ment was working. The Chancellor indicated difficulty in such a report but said "I feel this document is a good professional document and will serve us well."

Other business at the April 21 meeting included the announcement by Vice-Chancellor for Finance William Pott of the selection of ARA-Slater as UNC-A's new food service. Pott said ARA will begin operations during summer school.

The Trustees approved the site of the new management/art building. It will be located behind the social science and beside the new drama buildings. The Chancellor mentioned the future possibilities of a parking area to be located behind

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## Zumberge Elected To Head NCASG

Junior international business relations major Tom Zumberge was elected to the top post of the statewide North Carolina Association of Student Governments at a meeting in Chapel Hill Thursday, April 22.

Zumberge will serve as Secretary-General of the NCASG until April of 1977. His responsibilities will include chairing monthly meetings, appointing committees, and financial duties.

The NCASG has been in existence for two

years and all state supported schools are members in it. Its purpose includes promoting the interests of students in the state and providing a communications network among campuses.

Zumberge has been active in the organization since January and at UNC-A as Legal Services Coordinator and the swim team's star diver.

In addition to promoting inter-campus communications, Zumberge wants to enact a state-wide legal services program as Secretary-General. He said he also is pursuing the possibilities of a state-wide consumer relations service for students.

Other officers elected at the Chapel Hill meeting include Deputy Secretary-General, Hazel Mack from NCA&T and Secretary-Treasurer, Mike Dixon from Chapel Hill.

University President William Friday addressed the representatives of the 10 schools present about the Long Range Plan of the Board of Governors.

## On the Second Floor

The Student Senate, two weeks ago, voted down S.G. President Randy Kindley's Film Commissioner appointee Jim Grigsby. According to sources, Grigsby was selected by Kindley before three other applicants had even submitted resumes.

Last Friday, April 23, a meeting of a newly appointed "film committee" met at Kindley's instruction. Headed by Grigsby the committee selected next year's films for first semester. Assured of a budget of \$1500 by Kindley, the committee reportedly selected \$1800 worth of films.

Next year's Ridgerunner editor Ramona Griffin is in the process of deciding the paper's new faculty advisor. First on her list is physics professor Jim Vinson, Ted Seitz in psychology is second, and "someone in literature" is her third choice.