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SGA votes against impeachment

by Adam Beeson and Tom Cowan

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On Wednesday, September 6, the BC Student Government Association (SGA) house of club representatives and senate voted against the impeachment of President Aaron Motley.

The 26-member voting panel, consisting of 7 members of the senate and 19 members of the house of club representatives, needed a 2/3 majority vote approving the articles of impeachment to officially indict the president, on grounds that he violated the student code of conduct.

In a 16-10 vote, the panel was one approval short of im-

peaching the president.

"I feel that the house and senate voted the way they did because the majority of the students wanted to see me stay in office," Motley said. "I can understand why some people may be upset about the decision, but this is just cutting out a step in a long process."

With over 80 BC students, faculty and staff in attendance, Chief Justice Josh Rosen opened the hearing with an official statement from Campus Life concerning the charges brought against Motley on August 21.

According to the statement, Motley was found guilty and accepted responsibility for four different violations of the student code of conduct: disorderly conduct, failure to comply, lying and alcohol.

House member Christopher Dimond, who motioned to impeach Motley on August 30, then made a statement of accusation.

"None of us are above college policy," Dimond said. "We have no choice but to investigate the charges further."

Motley responded to the statement by conceding to the violation and asking members of the house and senate for forgiveness.

"One event can change you for your entire life," Motley said. "I am human, I messed up and I am sorry. I am bettering myself as a person from this event."

Senate and house members spent the majority of the twohour hearing debating how the articles of impeachment would be voted upon.

The original motion called for four separate votes, in accordance with the four violations named by Campus Life. A 2/3 majority approval in any of the four votes would have been grounds for impeachment, leading Motley to further investigation.

The proposal was reconsidered, however, when members of the house and senate questioned the voting procedure.

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BC mountain biking pedals into competition

by Zach Browning Sports Editor

Football isn't the only sport making history in Brevard.

The Brevard College mountain biking team placed well in several events during their first competition. The six member team traveled to Johnson City, Tennessee where they competed in four different events.

In the downhill event, Will Lyons came in with the best time, winning first place in his group.

Coach Thad Walker said that his time "rivaled that of seasoned downhill racers." The Short –Track event saw Matt Wells place 9th, and Matt Jones finished 11th. Another rider, Jonathan Baye, suffered mechanical failure but kept on despite having only one working pedal.

In the cross-country ride Matt Wells placed 8th, and Matt Moorer completed the race despite what Coach Walker referred to as "tough conditions"



Matt Jones on the trail, photo by T. Walker

on the track."

Gattis Taylor placed 2^{nd} , closely followed by Will Lyons, who placed 3^{rd} in the Dual Sla-



Matt Wells placed 8th, photo by T. Walker

lom event. Walker was very proud of his team.

"Their enthusiasm and determination brought them success," he said

The team began in the fall of 2005 as the Brevard College Cycling club. Its first president was then senior Thad Walker, who took the job as coach after

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