

Judiciary Board Seniors

I would like to express my sincere desire to represent you as one of the two Senior Representatives to the Student Judiciary Board.

With the passing of the new Constitution this past year, the students obtained a greater voice in student-administrative affairs. The students were given the opportunity to better express themselves by having better channels through which to get things done. This was the Student Judiciary Board. It is this body's duty to continually make, through interpretation, many of the academic and social policies of St. Andrews. With the college being as young as it is, it is important that we set down proper policies now for the future. For this reason it is important to elect those people who will further the present concerns of St. Andrews, the immediate interest of the people involved, and the future welfare of St. Andrews.

I feel that I have gained a much needed working knowledge of the Judiciary and its problems from having served on the Board for the past two years.

I ask for your support in this coming election.

Bill Townsend

Juniors

The concern of the Student Judiciary Board should be the concern of each St. Andrews student. Rendering original jurisdiction in all cases involving offenses set forth in the College Handbook which are outside the authority in the Dormitory Councils and other courts, the Student Judiciary Board is a protective agency which seeks to promote and maintain not only the welfare and dignity of the individual student, but also that of the college community as a whole. I feel that the Student Judiciary Board demands two levels of duty. Firstly, it is the duty of each St. Andrews student to be concerned with the election of responsible members in whom the honor of the college community can be entrusted. Secondly, it is the duty of a responsible Student Judiciary Board member to consider each case in its unique contest and to then act in such a manner that the balance between the honor of the individual and that of the community will be preserved.

Having served as chairman of the Special Events Committee on the Student Center Board this year, I have had the opportunity of becoming acquainted with and involved in the activities of the college community life. I feel St. Andrews should be kept promptly and fully informed in all matters directly concerning them and in the function and action rendered by all branches of the Student Association. Operating for the first year under a new constitution all the branches of the Student Association have been faced with the task of explaining and interpreting our constitution in action. Although this task has been undertaken with commendable insight, I feel that it is the continuing duty of the Student Judiciary Board to define and inform students of those actions which are considered as honor offenses. I feel that one of the major problems in communication between the college community and the Student Judiciary Board is that of vagueness

in some areas of College regulations. I also believe that the attempts by the Student Judiciary Board to correct this vagueness in some areas, such as the Moral Statement and the article on the nature of pliarism given to all Freshmen, should be continued and enlarged. As a member of the Student Judiciary Board, I would pledge to uphold the honor of the individual, remembering that each case is unique and should be viewed objectively, and to preserve the honor of the college community as a whole by attempting, where possible, to define honor offenses and to inform each student of his personal responsibility to maintain the welfare of the college community.

Lynne Terry

As the lowest court in the St. Andrews judicial system, the Student Judiciary Board hears all cases involving breaches of colleges regulations and appeals from the dormitory councils. It is composed of five students and two non-voting faculty-administration representatives. I, Cheryl Monroe, am seeking to fill one of the two junior positions on this Board.

Our judicial system is applicable, I believe, to efficient and successful use on the St. Andrews campus. It is also new, this year being the first in which it has functioned. I am now serving on the Student Judiciary Board as sophomore representative, and I would like to continue working in this branch of student government. I feel that with this year's experience I can work to strengthen the judicial system.

To serve the community in this position, one needs to be broad-minded, yet firm in one's convictions. As a member of the Student Judiciary Board, I would approach each case individually, with an open mind to see all sides of the question, yet I would remember my responsibility to the campus community as a whole--to the student body and to the faculty and administration. This is the task of the Student Judiciary Board: to find the balance between the needs of the whole campus community and the needs of each student appearing before the court.

Cheryl Monroe

As a student at St. Andrews, I am interested in meeting the continuing challenge presented in our college. I feel this consists principally of coordinating our realistic knowledge with our idealism. The Student Judiciary Board is one of the instruments through which the student body can form, change, and implement its concepts. This is in accord with the underlying thought of our constitution.

It is my belief that rational, informed, and divergent opinions are necessary for the Judicial Board to function properly. Its members should be capable of recognizing the situational aspects of each case and of interpreting and applying the law in accordance with the community's general concepts. However, the interests of the individual should not be subjected to arbitrary judgements based on authoritarian precepts. The members should be flexible enough to realize the unique potentialities of each case, specifically the possibilities for the improvement of the individual through understanding, instruction, and adjustment. In this manner the Board can fulfill its function in a growing college and contribute to the

growth of our ability to increase each person's sense of responsibility for the relational consequences of his actions.

Jim Bennett

It is expected of a member of the Judiciary Board that he act responsibly at all times. As I understand it, this responsibility would mean, first, that a member of the judiciary board is responsible to the student body, and thus obligated to work within the context of whatever honor code the student body adopts and within the context of the rules of the college, rather than assuming the role of lawmaker, for the student body. He should also feel a responsibility to the individual student, making every possible effort to rise above whatever personal prejudice he might have. He also has the responsibility to judge all the facts of the case as he sees them to consider all aspects of each case, and then make a decision that is not affected by a possible reaction on the part of students. I feel that, if elected, I would serve responsibly in this office.

The students need and deserve a definite Honor Code, as well as a definite statement of what offenses outside the jurisdiction of such an honor code do come under the jurisdiction of the Judiciary Board. Some attempt at informing the students of the context of interpretation of rules in which the Judiciary Board is working needs to be made. Some definite delineation of responsibility between the dormitory councils and the Judiciary Board needs to be made. If elected, I would work toward the attainment of these ends.

Art Crosswell
Junior Representative on the Student Judiciary Board

The Judiciary Board exists for the purpose of defending the rights and privileges of the nine hundred students who elect its members. This organization, more than any other, is involved with individual students who make up the St. Andrews community. For example, the Senate deals with legislation that affects the entire community whereas the Judiciary Board must deal with the individual personalities of those who appear before it. The Judiciary must uphold a constitution which was passed by the students and is subject to appropriate changes by those who are willing to make proper use of the powers delegated to them.

Those who are elected to represent you should be objective enough to see the issue clearly and still make allowances for the peculiar circumstances that will surround each case. The action of the Judiciary must be such that it is constructive both to the individual concerned and the rest of the college community.

There is a vital need for effective communication between the Judiciary Board and those whom they represent. As of now there is no way in which the St. Andrews students can know the policies advocated by those who hold seats on the Judiciary. It is essential that the students be aware of the attitudes and policies which influence the decisions made in the Judiciary so that at the annual elections they may remove from office those members whom they feel they do fulfill the requirements of their office.

Blance Morrison

Sophomore

The purpose of the Judiciary Board is to uphold the integrity of St. Andrews. One of its duties, as described in the Handbook, is to hear "all cases involving Honor Code Offenses..." There is only one problem - we, as yet, do not have an honor code. A committee is now working to form a workable honor code; but in order for a code to be effective, it must have the support of the entire student body.

It is very exciting for me to attend a new college such as St. Andrews when I think that the policies we enact now will affect this school for as long as it exists. Attending such a school also carries some challenges and responsibilities. One such challenge is the honor code. Because I am sure the students of St. Andrews will rise to this challenge, I would like to be given the opportunity to work for St. Andrews in upholding its soon-to-be-enacted honor code. I would appreciate your support in allowing me this privilege.

Gloria Bell

I would like to introduce myself, Bob Brewbaker, as a candidate for the sophomore position of the Student Judiciary Board.

I graduated from Liberty High in Bedford, Virginia, where I participated in varsity football, basketball, baseball, and tennis. I worked in our Student Government Association through high school and served as Senior Class President my senior year. Last year I also served as President of Montgomery Presbytery in our Presbyterian Church's youth program.

I have been involved in several activities at St. Andrews this year. I participated in the intramural sports program and currently I am playing on the varsity tennis team. I am a member of the college Deputation Team and the Freshman Class Executive Committee.

My interest in the Judiciary Board began nearly as soon as my interest in St. Andrews. Last year during my first visit to the campus, the Judiciary Board was the target of intense criticism from one side and praise from the other because of the Board's decision in a certain case. My roommate for the weekend had rather strong convictions concerning this case and he spent several hours explaining the function and responsibilities of the Board. Here my interest began, and it has increased through the year.

In my campaign, I am emphasizing my belief in the need of flexibility in the rules and regulations of a college community.

This "flexibility" does not imply that our court should take the rules loosely, for then the rules would risk becoming meaningless. Rather, I mean that in EVERY case the rules should be considered in light of the circumstances and the character of the person (or persons) involved in that particular case. The court should reach a decision only after considering its effect upon the college, and most important, its effect upon the persons involved.

It is my hope that the Judicial Board can be considered as what it is - not the prosecutor, but the defender of individual rights and the protector of the good of the college community.

Bob Brewbaker

My name is Linda Susong and I am a candidate for the sophomore position of representative to the Student Judiciary Board.

I came to St. Andrews from a small town in Southeastern Kentucky. I chose to come to this college instead of other older, more traditional schools for several reasons; but the most basic was that this institution is so very new and is willing to accept new ideas.

Because St. Andrews is now in the midst of establishing her traditions and is deciding concepts that will affect her future, I find the entire situation exciting.

The fact that the St. Andrews' student today is able to help decide factors that will affect this school in its later years is a fresh and stimulating thought for me.

The potential that St. Andrews holds is evident in the attitudes of her students, her administration and the construction of her buildings.

Granted that the students are interested, each student must decide for himself the amount of responsibility he considers himself capable of assuming. After serious consideration of the responsibilities and qualifications that a Judiciary Board member should possess, I felt that I should use my abilities to the best advantage. Therefore, I have become a candidate for the sophomore position to this function in student government.

The responsibilities and qualifications I feel that are necessary in this position are fundamental to the principles of good student government.

First, a basic and sincere interest in St. Andrews College and its future.

Second, a genuine concern for the individual student.

Third, a broad-mind to all cases presented and a mind open to every factor involved in each particular case.

Fourth, a hope that as a board member, I shall be able to contribute some good to the individual and to the institution.

And fifth, the mental ability to execute the duties of a Judiciary Board member.

Because each case presented to the Judiciary Board is unique in itself, I feel that it is impossible to make a general statement as to my opinions on certain issues until all the particular incidents involved in the issue are brought out.

It is my hope that I shall be elected to the position of Judiciary Board representative so that I shall be used in a constructive manner in benefiting this institution.

The function of the Judiciary Board, in my opinion, is to protect the individual student of St. Andrews by upholding the laws that were made by the students themselves. To try and render a fair verdict for each case is necessary to maintain an equitable court.

I am fully aware of the previous functions and I feel that I am qualified to hold a position on the Student Judiciary Board.

I shall maintain a promise of fairness as to my position for sophomore candidate to the Student Judiciary Board.

Linda Susong