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These nursing and health education students building will be dedicated Sunday, Nov. 21. seem pretty excited about the upcoming (Photo by Alex Rivera) dedication of their building. Central's newest

SGA Congress amends Election Board rules

By Edwin Horsley

Last night NCCU's Student Congress approved two amendments to the Student Government constitution which give the Election Board the authority to investigate all elected officials.

The amendments direct the board to report to congress any elected officers found lacking the required number of hours to hold office; the congress might then move to impeach officer.

The amendments will be added to next year's "Eagle Eye Handbook."

The amendments are the result of a charge by election board members earlier this semester that junior class president George Jackson was not qualified to hold his office because he is not a junior by earned hours.

The charge prompted SGA Vice-president James Webb to write a proposal to amend present articles of general elections in "The Eagle Eye Handbook." After the proposal was endorsed by Vice-chancellor of Student Affairs Roland L. Buchanan, Webb then took it before congress.

There had been some ambiguous wording in articles 7 and 8 of the handbook concerning general elections and the duties of the Election Board.

Article 7 did not specify the number of hours a candidate seeking a class office must have either while running or after being elected. The article did state, however, that the SGA president and Miss NCCU had to qualify as seniors during the year that they held office.

The SGA vice-president could be qualified as either a junior or a senior.

Article 8 concerning the duties of the Election Board made the SGA president, vice-president and Miss NCCU the only elected officers that the board could investigate prior to their taking office.

The ambiguity of articles 7 and 8 allowed Jackson to remain the head of the junior class, even though he is not yet a junior.

Besides the two amendments passed Thursday night, Webb who is the president of Student Congress plans to introduce other handbook amendments concerning the election of Miss Homecoming and the open visitation policy.

The controversy over Jackson's qualifications had

been resolved before the amendments were passed.

After his own investigation and a meeting with Assistant Vice-chancellor Roger Bryant, Buchanan ruled that Jackson was qualified to remain in office because he was eligible when he ran for office last March and because present handbook guidelines do not require him to be a junior in order to hold office.

Much of the controversy centered around vague and ambiguous wording in the handbook. Commenting on the handbook, Buchanan remarked, "There are a lot of discrepancies that need to be cleaned up."

One of the disputed passages is article 7, section 9 which reads: "all candidates for class officers or class representatives shall satisfy their financial obligations to the University and shall have a cumulative average of 2.0. These candidates shall include class president, vice-president, treasurer, secretary and class queen."

Because this passage does not specify the number of hours an elected officer must have before taking office, Buchanan found no reason to conclude Jackson was unqualified.

The only article in the handbook which does discuss class hours necessary for holding office is Article 9 pertaining to the election of Miss NCCU.

A subsection titled "Election Rules and Regulations" says, "Candidates seeking election to class offices must satisfy the qualification hours of that class," but it does not specify the class for which the candidate must qualify.

Another source of confusion in the passage involves the time by which the candidate must have earned the appropriate number of hours. It is not clear whether the passage refers to the number of hours the candidate has when he files for election, the number of hours he has earned by the time he takes office, or the number of hours he attains by some unspecified point during his term of office.

The amendments passed by the student congress are aimed at clarifying this passage.

Buchanan said that although members of the election board believed they were within their university constitutional rights in investigating Jackson, there was reason to question whether the board's investigation went beyond its authority.

Play aiming for competition

By Marion McKinney

The NCCU drama department's production of Wole Soyinka's *Death and the King's Horseman*, has passed the first hurdle on its way to the American College Festival at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C.

The play, performed here last week, has received a favorable critique from two judges screening it for regional competition.

Linda K. Norflett, chairwoman of the drama department, said that both judges, Bob Thurston of UNC-G and Don Wolfe of Wake Forest University, complimented the production. "Thurston was impressed with the ensemble and the care taken in producing and staging the play. Wolfe enjoyed the script more than Thurston and is planning to include it in Wake Forest's next drama season," she said.

This is the second time that a Central drama production has been entered in competition. During the 79-80 season, NCCU's production of *Everyman* placed ninth in regional competition, with drama student Herbert G. Eley receiving a nomination for an acting award.

Competition officials will notify Central in December or early January if the play has been accepted for the regional competition to be held in Greensboro at UNC-G in February. The first place finisher in the regional contest will go to national competition at the Kennedy Center in the Spring.

By entering this production, Mrs. Norflett hopes to develop and enhance NCCU drama department's reputation as a regional and national influence in collegiate theater and theater education.

Proctor to deliver speech at NCCU Founder's Day

By Veronica M. Cogdell

Dr. Samuel D. Proctor, holder of the Martin Luther King Memorial Chair in the Graduate School of Education at Rutgers University, will be the principle speaker of the Founder's Day program scheduled for Friday, Nov. 5, at 11:00 a.m. in B.N. Duke Auditorium.

Proctor, a native of Virginia, is an Alumnus of Virginia Union University, Crozer Seminary, and Boston University, where he earned a doctorate in ethics. Proctor has done graduate study at the University of Pennsylvania, at Yale University, and at the Harvard Institute for University Administration.

Dr. Proctor, also presently the senior minister of the Abyssinian Baptist Church in New York City, began his career as a minister in the Pond Street Baptist Church in Providence, R.I., in 1945.

He was appointed dean at Virginia Union University in 1949. He served as president of the university from 1955 to 1960 and president of North Carolina A & T University from 1960 to 1964.

He also held administrative positions with the Peace Corps in Nigeria and in Washington from 1964 to 1969, with the National Council of Churches, with the Office of Economic Opportunity, with the Institute for Services to Education and with the University of Wisconsin.

He is the author of "The Young Negro in America 1960-80," published in 1966.

Founder's Day commemorates the late Dr. James E. Shepard, who founded N.C. Central University, then called the National Religious Training School and Chautaugua, in 1910. Dr. Shepard served as president until his death on October 6, 1947.

Founder's Day—which is planned by a committee of students, faculty and staff members headed this year by Dr. Tyrone Baines, vice chancellor of university relations—will be the last Founder's Day in the tenure of Chancellor Albert N. Whiting, who will retire in June, 1983. Whiting will have served as the institution's chief administrator longer than anyone since Shepard.

Music will be provided by the NCCU touring and concert choirs, along with the NCCU band.

Lori Grier, Miss NCCU, and Duane Howell, president of SGA, will be program participants.

The traditional wreath-laying ceremony is scheduled at the founder's statue in front of the Hoey Administration Building immediately following the program.

The wreath-layers are members of the NCCU Alumni Assoc., SGA, Faculty Senate, the brothers of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity and other organizations in which Dr. Shepard was affiliated.

SGA hears gripes

By Marion McKinney

SGA officials listened to business administration majors' grievances Tues. Oct 19, to develop proposals to try to resolve the bind that many business students are facing this year.

"I realize that the business school is up for accreditation. That should be a major concern for the university," said James Webb, SGA vice-president. "But students should not have to carry all the load while the business school is ironing out its weaknesses."

Between 35 to 40 students attended the meeting held in the B.N. Duke Auditorium. Webb said that the complaints that students listed were being dropped from class in the middle of the semester; that prerequisite courses for the business degree were not spelled out clearly in the handbook; that advisors were not giving out correct information; that students are having to change majors or concentrations because of lack of facilities and/or instructors; that many full-time students have been reduced to part-time students as a result of being dropped from class; and that course are now being made available when Webb said that the business school should provide some means of assistance to those students who have lost their full-time status because of being dropped from class.

Also Webb said that the advisors should be more aware of their actions when advising students. Also Webb suggested that the business school should allow the students to either take the courses in summer school, or be granted to take the course at another school.



Dr. Beverly A. Nichols Chairman of the home economics at N.C. Central University, will represent the university in a preliminary effort to establish ties between NCCU and universities in Egypt. She will visit Cairo Oct. 22 and Nov. 4.

Fraternities give to the community

By Jeffrey Campbell

The brothers of Ebony Alpha Ebony service organization raised \$150 for the United Way from a dance held last Thursday. The highlight of the dance was a contest to see which student could do the 'smurf' dance the best.

George Jackson, student chairman for the United Way on campus, said, "We issue a challenge to all other organizations to join us in our

campaign to help the United Way."

Saturday the members of the organization, along with a group from Duke, are doing a project to help weatherize the homes of the elderly and low income families in Durham. The project is being sponsored by Duke Power and the Durham Housing Authority.

Other organizations are also doing their part to become active in community affairs.

On October 16 the brothers of the Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity visited the Community Living Program for mentally retarded adults.

The Community Living Program consists of small residences that provide care for persons who are mentally disabled, but can develop self-help skills and be taught to participate in community activities.

During their visit, the brothers painted four rooms of the home, as well as providing the residents with an exciting evening of different activities, including a cookout.

According to Joseph Brown, public relations chairman for the service fraternity, this is just one of the many service projects to be sponsored by the group this year.

