

Black Cultural Society members oppose Homecoming guidelines

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Reporter

Homecoming and current campus issues were the main topics at the Black Cultural Society's meeting on Oct. 14.

Members were encouraged to get involved in activities in order to increase their voice on campus. "Black to me is being proud," said David Bynes, President of BCS. "We have to stop being scared of the fact that we're a minority."

Vice President Zenia Stevens said, "I'm just tired of us not being heard. There's got to be a turning point where everything has to change."

Cathy Sparks, SGA member

and chairperson for this year's Homecoming Committee explained the new rules and regulations. Some BCS members opposed a few of the guidelines, specifically the new points system and the halftime presentation when homecoming event winners will be announced.

"Our committee tried to foresee any problems," she said. "The only problem was not allowing individuals to walk on the field if they did not participate in the week of Homecoming."

According to Shamon Moody, president of SGA, all of the members' concerns were valid but with only one month until Homecoming, there was not enough time to make any changes.

Moody said all comments and suggestions would be taken into consideration for next year.

"People did not understand our changes and the reasons behind them," said Sparks. "Once they understood, they could comply with them. 100 percent stand behind all the decisions we have made. I think it is a step towards more quality than in the past."

"The biggest issue I have is for them to bring it back to the forum and let the students vote on it," said BCS member Deborah Miles.

Bynes said he was optimistic about the meeting in general. "I think it was a stepping stone. It's just going to take work on the part of the SGA and the faculty to bring about change."

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