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Trustees discuss tuition, stadium plans, technology

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During their March 10 meeting, the Board of Trustees voted on several issues affecting the college.

The Board voted to increase next year's overall tuition and room and board costs to \$17,447, an in-

crease of 5.4 percent.

According to President Leo Lambert, the increases are to be used primarily for a 4.25 percent salary increase for faculty and staff.

In addition to the pay raises for the faculty, the College is also creating 34 new faculty positions. The increases are also intended for

increases in financial aid and to help accomplish the technology initiatives.

President Lambert noted that Elon must raise tuition in order to stay competitive with faculty salaries.

"A (college) is different from any kind of economic enterprise in

that the main expense that the college incurs is faculty and staff salaries."

Currently, Elon College has the fourth highest paid faculty among private schools in North Carolina.

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Contestant Robin Roberts (l.) and new Miss BCS Jamesia Hale accept prizes and applause at the Miss BCS Pageant March 13.

Hale crowned Miss BCS

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Jamesia Hale was crowned 1999 Miss Black Cultural Society (BCS) at the pageant held Saturday, March 13 at 7:30 in Whitley Auditorium.

Hale, a freshman, was one of five contestants for the crown previously held by sophomore Anika McMichael.

Tiffany Bryant, who was selected as first runner-up, Jaya Martin, Robin Roberts and Florencia Smith were also contestants in the pageant.

The competition began for the contestants at 10 a.m. Saturday with a breakfast with the three pageant judges, one of whom was the original founder of the Miss BCS Pageant. The breakfast was followed by a 20-25 minute interview with the panel of judges.

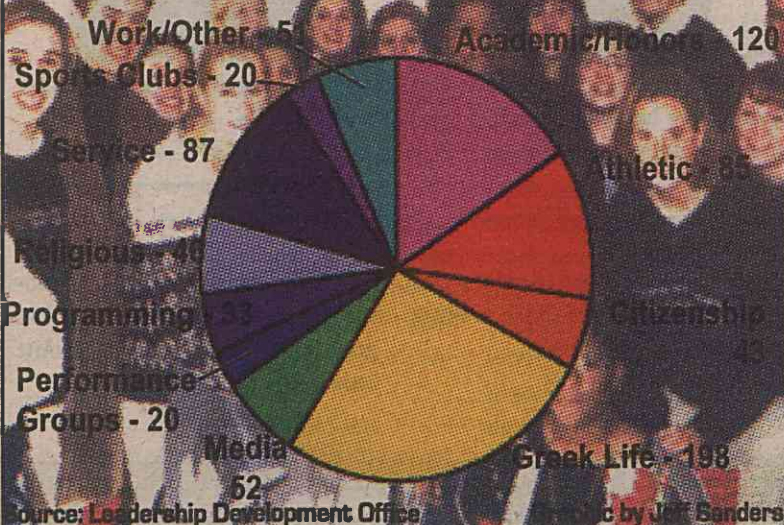
During the pageant that evening, the five women participated in an opening dance number followed by competitions in career and evening wear, a talent competition and an impromptu question-and-answer session.

"We all were talented in different areas so I can't say that I was better or worse than anyone else," Hale said. "We just excelled in different areas."

The women were judged on poise, interviewing skills, articulation, grace and appearance throughout the morning session and the pageant. During the impromptu questioning, they were judged on the content of their responses and their articulation.

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P E N D U L U M F Y I BREAKDOWN OF LEADERSHIP ROLES



SGA holds budget hearings for 1999-2000

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The Student Government Association (SGA) held budget hearings for 1999-2000 March 1, 2 and 4. The Senate will be voting on the budget at the March 18 meeting.

The SGA is responsible for the distribution of student activity fees, which are included in the cost of tuition, to the recognized clubs and organizations on campus. This responsibility is assigned to the budget committee.

The budget committee, made

up of current executive president Mark Richter, executive president-elect John Gardner, current executive treasurer Jeff Angel, executive treasurer-elect Jim Crotts, SGA adviser Barb Carlton and the four class secretary/treasurers, heard budget proposals from representatives of clubs and organizations.

"People gave great presentations and everyone did a very professional job," Crotts said. "Members of the committee were actually taken aback by the professionalism of organizations in defending their budgets."

"We had enough money to give out this year such that we didn't have to cut organizations' budget requests just for the sake of being cheap," Angel said. "But we were still conscientious in that we did not give organizations all the money they requested just because they knew we had more money."

"The SGA is frugal since they know they are accountable," Carlton said. "They want to make sure that organizations spend their money the way they said they are."

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