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SGA Resignations

Mr. Bobby Mahdi, SGA Business Manager, tendered his resignation effective January 1, 1982, citing financial reasons. Mr. Mahdi said that the job takes too much of his time and that he needs to work in order to meet his financial obligations.

Mrs. Daveter Sheppard also resigned her post as Chief Justice, citing an ineffective constitution and problems with the senate as reasons for her resignation. Mrs. Sheppard stated that the constitution gives the president certain powers and gives the senate the authority to invalidate those powers. With provisions like that "you can't get anything done," according to Mrs. Sheppard.

Everette Johnson, SGA president, said that he will assume the duties of the Business Manager with the aid of his Budget Director, Leroy Worth.



Bobby Mahdi

Reagan Proposes Cuts

Students at FSU and around the nation have seen the effects of the budget-tightening efforts of the Reagan administration. Things are likely to get worse before they get better if the new proposal for further reductions in student aid are approved.

The proposal calls for a 40 percent cut in the Pell Grants (BEOG), a 30 percent cut in college work study, the elimination of the National Direct Student Loan (NDSL), the North Carolina Student Incentive Grant (NCSIG), the Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (SEOG), and the doubling of interest rates on the Guaranteed Student Loan (GSL) to 10 percent.

At a recent student assembly, Mrs. Shelia Brown, Financial Aid Director, outlined the effects such cuts would have on government-funded student aid programs.

Dr. Cleophus C. Hatcher, Vice Chancellor for Student Development, and Mr. Harold Nixon, Associate Dean of Students, encouraged students to engage in a letter writing campaign to their congressional representatives asking them not to allow these cuts to pass.

This tactic was tried before the first budget cuts but because of limited student participation, the desired effect was not achieved. Out of approximately 2500 students, only 100 letters were signed and sent in.

New financial aid forms will be used for the upcoming school year and students are encouraged to see Mrs. Brown for assistance in correctly filling out the forms.

39 Named To Who's Who

The following FSU students were recently named to Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges:

Letitia A. Belin, Della L. Bell, Louise B. Carter, Shelton L. Clark, Windon G. Cole, Winifred V. Colvin, Mary K. Davis, Wilbert W. Davis, Christine K. Davidson, Doris J. Foster, Joan Eye, Hosea J. Givens, Bryan C. Gooding, Karen S. Harris, Olivia C. Henry, Donna L. Hickman, Davis L. Holloway, Billie H. Jeffers, Pamela Joseph, Daryl W. McArthur, Felicia F. McLean, Linda F. McPherson, Eli S. Martin, Michael W. Moore, Dianthia M. Morris, Connie H. Parker, Winifred S. Pierce, Jacqueline Redding, Cheryl-Anne Rico, Henrietta Searles, Martin N. Schnell, Deborah B. Smith, Jacquelyn E. Stewart, John E. Stone, Sang V. Tran, Leceila W. Turnage, Adele G. Upchurch, Helen C. Williams, and John H. Williams.

GAO: Aid Funds Wasted On Failing Students

WASHINGTON, D.C. (CH)--The federal student aid program, already staggered by budget cuts, is under attack from a new source.

The General Accounting Office, the watchdog of federal funding, recently reported that millions of dollars are wasted every year on aid to students who aren't making satisfactory academic progress. The GAO lays the blame for this problem on schools which fail to set and enforce academic standards for loan recipients.

The GAO report, based on examination of 5,800 student transcripts at 20 schools, says some students retained government loans even though they dropped their classes or took courses that didn't apply to graduation requirements.

The report covers programs administered by the Education Department, the Veterans' Administration and the Social Security Administration and includes a recommendation for uniform academic standards for all federal financial aid recipients. The VA is the only agency currently requiring the right to review individual school standards.

Student Fees Increased

The Board of Trustees has authorized increases in Student Center fees, board fees and vehicle registration fees and fines.

In the December 10 meeting, the board authorized an increase in Student Center fees from the present \$75.00 to \$80.00 per academic year effective the fall semester of 1982-83. The board cited rising costs of student services and a needed amount of revenue necessary to meet the bonded indebtedness for providing services as the primary reason for the increase.

Board fees will be increased from the present \$720 to \$750 per academic year effective the first semester of 1982-83. A \$5.00 per session board increase for the summer session will go into effect the first summer session of 1982.

Even with the increase, FSU students will still be paying less than other students at state universities whose board enrollment is practically the same.

Effective fall semester 1982-83, fees

for registering vehicles will be as follows:

Automobile - \$20.00 per academic year;

Automobile - \$10.00 each summer session;

Motorcycle - \$10.00 per academic year;

Motorcycle - \$5.00 each summer session;

Bicycle - \$4.00 each academic year;

Bicycle - \$2.00 each summer session;

Weekend College - \$15.00 per academic year; and

Weekend College - \$8.00 for the single summer session.

Note: Weekend College students have only one (1) Summer Session covering the entire summer.

Increases for part-time employees will be \$10.00 for 6 to 12 months and \$5.00 for 1 to 6 months.

Fees for vehicle registration have not been increased since they were initiated in 1972. The increase will bring the fees more in line with those of other institutions in the state.



Mr. Cotton dares terrible trio. (Photo by Rosemary Byrd)

Record-Breaking Temperatures

Cold Halts FSU

Severe cold, ice and snow brought much of FSU to a standstill during the week of January 11. Many classes were cancelled as students, faculty and staff found it nearly impossible to get to campus safely. Even on-campus students found the short walks to classes to be hazardous endeavors.

Activities for the commemoration of Dr. Martin Luther King's birthday had to be cancelled, but the film, "From Montgomery to Memphis" was shown last week.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

January 25-30	Financial-Aid Awareness Week
January 29	Faculty Workshop
February 16	Shaw Players "The Wiz" Seabrook Aud. 8:00 p.m.
February 17-23	Art Show-Library
February 25-27	Art Show-RJSC 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
February 28	FSU Band Concert Seabrook Auditorium 6:00 p.m.
The entire month of February is Black History Month.	