

SGA Candidates Discuss Topical Issues at Salem

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terests in their students, faculty at Salem are very aware of student opinion and so faculty points of view should be another indication to the administration of student feeling. Faculty-advisory board members represent the students, but from a semi-administrative position so that they can exert much influence in decisions of student affairs.

(6) I think our faculty-advisory board operates successfully in relation to its knowledge of student opinion. Faculty members of this body are selected by the students through Leg Board and should, therefore, be those faculty to whom students can talk comfortably. It is then our responsibility to make our position known to these faculty members since they can act as our representatives only on the basis of what they know from us.

(7) Each individual has a right to form her own moral judgments or standards, but in a community such as Salem there must be a basic understanding of morality on which to base justice. Salem's honor system establishes a basic disapproval of lying, cheating, and stealing, and requires all students to adopt this position as the minimum limitations of their moral judgments. Above and beyond this baseline for judgement, Salem students may adopt their own personal morality.

(8) The only way to improve an honor system is to increase belief in that system. An honor is only as effective as those students who support and abide by it!

(9) Since I have not been a member of Interdorm, Honor, or House Council, and in light of the confidentiality of such cases, I have not been aware of enough cases or penalties to judge their appropriateness this year. Because I am also not aware of the precedents set in many prior cases, I do not feel qualified to judge the penalties of the few cases of which I have been aware.

(10) It is not the responsibility of IRS (or any other organization) to uphold Salem's honor through petty disciplinary actions. Only self-discipline and general regard for other people can successfully uphold such honor. IRS can be important in determining to what extent social traditions should be continued as attitudes and preference of Salem students change with time.

IRS should continue as an organization for all students because its activities and concerns affect all Salem students. IRS is not solely concerned with dances, dates, and social functions, but is actively involved in the refectory and general guidelines of behavior. These are things we live with day-in and day-out, and IRS can be very important in making life run smoothly at Salem.

(11) Cafeteria service could give greater variety to our menus, and improve the efficiency with which our meals are served, but I would hate to lose the opportunity of seeing all students at Salem together at one time at meals. I think a change to cafeteria service would also destroy the family atmosphere that we now have at "sit-down" meals.

Perhaps a bit of the old and new could be combined by serving breakfast and lunch cafeteria style, and dinner in the traditional "family-style."

(12) The Book Exchange requires thorough organization and student support in order to operate efficiently. A few students alone cannot do all of the work required to take in books, classify them, and resell them, so students willing to give their time to SSC are needed desperately. I would like to see the book exchange located in a larger room with hours similar to those of the Book Room operated by Salem Book Store and open for more days at the beginning of each semester. I see the need to clear out those books no longer used here by having a public book sale, selling them for scrap paper, or selling them to a commercial book exchange. I also feel that a system of more immediate return of money to the owner after her book is sold could be a big improvement. But above all, the book exchange can be a service only if we are willing to work it and use it!

(13) I think that a large part of the apathy here at Salem is due to poor publicity and lack of communication about many events. Interclub Council could correct this by serving as a clearing house and center of communication for all activities on campus. Since all students are members of all clubs (by way of their SGA fees), each student should have every opportunity to participate in all club activities, and not be restricted to one club in which she actively participates just because she was not told about another club's event. Communication is probably our biggest problem at Salem, and club communication could begin to correct this deficit.

(14) Club fees must be included in SGA fees because such clubs cannot survive financially without a budget supported by all students. As with federal and state taxes, we must pay our share to support activities in which we do not participate so that the community as a whole may profit from that organization.

(15) Organization and delegation of responsibility are the keys to efficiency in the role of Vice President. Since the Vice President is involved in the Handbook, Interclub Council, the Book Exchange, Teacher Evaluations, and other SSC services, as well as Executive Student Government duties, she must plan carefully for the execution of each of her responsibilities, and involve as many other people as possible in carrying them out. In my mind a successful officer is one who realizes that she cannot possibly run a one-man show, and knows that involving many others in her responsibilities will in turn increase their interest and enthusiasm in these activities. Isn't that what we're working for -- interest and enthusiasm?

Kathy Bacon

(1) Salem is a small, all girls school with an attractive campus, and even more importantly, with people who care about individuals and who are capable of working together toward meaningful objectives.

(2) I don't see that family planning facilities on campus would

be particularly feasible because our general medical facilities are limited at present without expanding and spreading ourselves thinner. I would prefer that my money to Salem College be used in other ways.

(3) The call down system is idealistically fine, but in effect it lacks power. Perhaps though, it is not so much the system which is at fault, but the attitudes and individual responsibility concerning the system.

(4) Yes, but her first loyalty belongs to the students.

(5) Yes, students benefit by having faculty advisory board as a link between students and administration. Our privilege of electing a faculty member to represent us is to our advantage.

(6) To my knowledge, faculty advisory board operates successfully. They have been responsible for allowing such events as beer parties in individual dorms and have served the students well in this respect.

(7) Salem's honor system is basically valid, I feel, although some individuals will find or make loop holes. Cheating, stealing, and lying are not common events at Salem, rather the exception.

(8) The basic system is sound. Personal honesty and integrity of the individual students and enforcement of the code are the main ways in which the tradition will be maintained or strengthened.

(9) Honor Council has done a good job keeping the results of their meetings confidential and thusly I have few incidents upon which to base my answer. The few examples I know seem to have been handled satisfactorily.

(10) Yes, and because IRS does uphold Salem honor and traditions it is especially important that all students are members of IRS. IRS must have support by its members and not just by those on its executive board. Salem's honor is on a personal basis and not just organizational. Other clubs should remain open to all students because all students should have the opportunities to get involved wherever they are interested.

(11) I don't think Salem should have all meals cafeteria style, because family style meals are an important part of Salem's closeness. However at present, efficiency and any degree of economy at lunch seems impossible with our class scheduling, so perhaps part-time cafeteria will be satisfactory.

(12) Yes. Time and space are the key words to more efficient handling of the student book exchange. More space is needed and more time could be spent behind the scenes as well as more time for the exchange to be open to students. Price stickers on the book bindings would speed up the process for bargain hunters. Departmental lists of discontinued books and also book lists for various classes would be advantageous.

(13) Interclub Council's monthly meetings should be able to handle communications matters between clubs, not just so that dates of events don't conflict, but also so that clubs can better benefit each other and combine efforts where and when it is suitable. That way, unnecessary repetition can be avoided and a wide range of activities, etc. can be offered to the students. Also,

suggestions and ideas can be shared.

(14) Yes, club fees should remain part of the SGA fees. All students benefit either directly or indirectly by the clubs even though all students may not be active members of the clubs.

(15) The Student Book Exchange (an important part of Student Service Council's contributions) could be improved by space and time. I'm willing to use my time and try to obtain use of a larger room for the book exchange. Lists of texts for certain classes and discontinued books would be helpful, as well as price labels on book bindings. This year, especially, I've learned the importance of campus communications and I think regular supervision and use of the refectory calendar would greatly aid communication. More change (perhaps a happy medium between last year's scanty questionnaires and the long, involved ones of years past) needs to take place concerning Teacher Evaluation Questionnaires.

Joan Spangler

(1) A friendly place where a girl/woman can be stimulated to learn and also realize her potential as an independent individual. It's a good place to grow mentally, physically and spiritually. Through our academic program, 4-1-4 a Salem student is given a chance at new experiences and discoveries with which she can widen her horizons and grow in self knowledge as well as book learned knowledge. There are thousands of other things I could mention which make Salem a wonderful experience. I don't have the space.

(2) This is a community service and the student should take advantage of it if she wishes. I have reservations if this implies that the Salem infirmary is concerned here.

(3) The call down system works about as well as a verbal warning would. Students don't realize the purpose of the system.

(4) I thought she did now. Yes she should act as a leason for the students with the administration and faculty.

(5) Yes, because of our "close relationship" with our faculty their interpretation to the administration of our needs and ideas may be discussed in a more precise and understandable way.

(6) Yes. Our faculty-advisory board in dealing with our petitions etc. have tried to be as accurate as possible in their presentations of our ideas.

(7) There are many violations, as I along with others have experienced this year. This is a system which has in the past set Salem apart from other colleges and I believe that as long as we can we should fight to keep it a part of our system.

(8) The students and only the students can make our honor system work more effectively.

(9) too lightly?! not being on leg. board I don't know about too many infractions.

(10) Yes IRS does have an important role and should continue as an organization for all students as should all other clubs on campus when there is some interest expressed by students.

(11) I have no way of answering this competently regarding Salem until we experience it in

the coming week.

(12) Maybe if it could be operated on a more regular schedule -- this service depends on Salem students for operation so...

(13) Interclub seems to be working as a communication. In this way the clubs can plan complimentary activities.

(14) Yes, as it is now.

(15) After talking to Holly Materne and Chris Young, I think the best way to make my office more efficient is to ask for more student participation and responsibility. SGA and the "Y" are both organizations which should involve the whole student body. My aim would be to get more students actively involved and to make sure all services are publicized (despite those invisible sign and calendar thieves) so that full participation could be possible.

Chairman of Honor Council

Averell Pharr

See above, under Pres. SGA

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See above, under Pres. SGA

Kathy Roberson

(1) I could talk for hours but I would stress that it's the type of place from which you will gain whatever you want to gain and more. This includes all phases of life at Salem.

(2) To have family planning facilities on campus would be economically impractical. The infirmary will gladly make referrals and such facilities are readily available in other places.

(3) Those who are bothered the most by the call down system are those who most need to be bothered. The system is not as effective as it should be and I'd be willing to help put a more effective system into effect. I wish such a system were unnecessary but I don't believe it is at the present.

(4) The SGA president as well as other SGA officers and students should work with the President's faculty-advisory board as closely as possible to lessen gaps and to further achievements of the college community as a whole.

(5) The faculty-advisory board is important to both the students and administration as a link which should provide valuable additional viewpoints when necessary.

(6) As far as I know, the faculty-advisory board makes a good effort to operate successfully. I'm sure it would be more successful if the students as a whole were more willing to make their views known.

(7) Salem's honor system is probably more effective in relation to the Honor Code than in relation to social regulations. The system is the best possible system and it is effective.

(8) For our honor system to be more effective, Salem needs to take it more seriously. We need more reminders of its importance -- maybe through open discussions -- and need to restore pride in the system.

(9) In general I think that infractions have been handled well this year. There has been an attempt to make the punishment suit the infraction.

(10) IRS has provided a great service to Salem through providing social activities and the

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