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mance? 30 — yes, 189 — no, 22 — unsure.

6. *If a member of the faculty, staff, or administration is unmarried and cohabitating, do you think it would affect his/her job performance?* 16 — yes, 201 — no, 23 — unsure.

7. *What class are you in?* 61 — freshman, 59 — sophomore, 60 — junior, 50 — senior, 9 — re-entry (276 total).

8. *Are you:* freshman: 59 — heterosexual, 1 — homosexual; sophomore: 59 — heterosexual, 1 — homosexual; junior: 58 — heterosexual, 2 — homosexual, 1 — bisexual; senior: 44 — heterosexual, 2 — homosexual, 3 — bisexual; re-entry: 6 — heterosexual, 2 — homosexual.

9. *Are you:* freshman: 59 — resident, 2 — commuter; sophomore: 49 — resident, 10 — commuter; junior: 50 — resident, 10 — commuter; senior: 37 — resident, 13 — commuter; re-entry: 9 — commuter.

• Minutes from the SGA "Forum on the Future" (Feb. 20) containing these pressing issues: facilities/maintenance, *Herald*, Teaching Fellows, nontraditional age students, male visitation, academics (the greatest concern at the forum), social activities, residence life, religious values, retention, recruitment/marketing, alumnae input, bad publicity/media response, confidence in president, Board of Trustees/attitude toward students, change process, campus constituency, communication, and Meredith Pride

• Memo to the Board of Trustees  
To: The Meredith College Board of Trustees

From: The Meredith College Student Government Association Executive Board

Re: The 1994-1995 Meredith College Student Body Resolution for Change "This resolution was drafted by the Meredith College Student Government Association Executive Board

on behalf of the student body. It was presented to those students that attended the student government forum on February 20, 1995, and approved by unanimous vote. This resolution was then presented to President John Weems, the college vice presidents, and the college deans on February 22, 1995."

• Memo to John Weems

To: President John Weems  
From: The 1994-1995 Meredith College Student Body

Re: Our resolution for change "We, the students of Meredith College, organized as the Student Government Association, desiring to improve the college for present and future students and to enrich our education as women by assuming responsibility for ourselves and the Meredith community, have drafted the following resolution:

In support of the purpose and function of Meredith's student government system and of the general welfare of the student body, we seek the positive development of Meredith's future; therefore, it is our firm belief that student voices should be heard, considered, and included at all times when discussing the affairs of Meredith College.

We believe that in order for change to be a unifying process rather than a divisive one, all facets of the Meredith community must be fairly represented. While we believe that change is necessary, we also believe that change without forethought and discussion is detrimental to the unity of the College.

Therefore we resolve that unity can be maintained only if students, staff, faculty, administrators, alumnae, and trustees work together to implement the changes required for the longevity and continued success of Meredith College."

This was our most important item taken to the trustees. They were proud of and impressed with the students.

• WINGS resolution

To: Meredith College Student Body

From: The Women in New Goal Settings Executive Board

Re: Our statement of support "We, the members of the WINGS Executive Board, summarily resolve that we are in complete support of the Meredith College traditional age students and their quest for excellence at Meredith."

• a residence hall survey completed last week

1. *Are you happy with Open House/Male Visitation policy as it is now (3 times/semester, 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.)?* 122 (20%) — yes, 476 (79%) — no.

2. *Should Open House hours be extended?* 515 (86%) — yes, 79 (13%) — no.

3. *Should Open House be more than 3 times per semester?* 550 (92%) — yes, 48 (8%) — no: every weekend — 244, certain hours every day of the week — 192, Saturday and Sunday/weekend — 112, every other weekend — 77.

4. *Would you be interested in living in a Male Visitation Residence Hall?* 444 (74%) — yes, 144 (24%) — no.

5. *Do you think Male Visitation should be only a senior privilege (other than 3 Open House/semester)?* 36 (6%) — yes, 561 (94%) — no.

6. *Would you be more interested in the Residence Halls being classified by class (senior, junior,...) or theme-based (Quiet/Academic, Athletic, Non-smoking, Male-visitation, Extended loud hours)?* 254 (42%) — class, 286 (48%) — theme-based: male-visitation — 259, Extended loud hours — 68, Athletic — 9, Non-smoking — 126, Quiet/Academic — 65, Other — 9.

7. *Would you prefer the residence ball card-access doors to be locked:* 241 (40%) — 11 p.m.-7 a.m., 137 (23%) — 9 p.m.-7 a.m., 106 (18%) — 7 p.m.-7 a.m., 101 (17%) — 24 hours, 18 (3%) — other.

8. *Would you attend 2 hall meetings per semester if they were not required?* 406 (68%) — yes, 182 (30%) — no.

For Freshmen only: A) *Did Fresh-*

*men Orientation properly prepare you for life as a Meredith College Resident Student?* 121 (63%) — yes, 34 (18%) — no. B) *Did you benefit from the weekly Hall Meetings before Fall Break?* 91 (47%) — yes, 84 (44%) — no.

\*\* This was the most questioned item at the trustees meeting and to help explain the importance of this survey, I did a loose comparison for the trustees: 600 total surveys were completed (only given to resident students), and 57% of the population who could voice their concern did. 617 total campus-wide election votes were cast in last year's spring elections, so only 27% of the population who could voice their concern did. There is a 30% difference here. It seems that Meredith students are much more concerned with their Residence Life living conditions than with selecting what particular students represent them.

• a compilation of visitation policies Baptist colleges and universities: Campbell University, Chowan College, Gardner Webb University, Mars Hill College, Wake Forest University, Bluefield College  
Other women's colleges: Agnes Scott, Salem, Mary Baldwin, Hollins, Smith, Mt. Holyoke, Radcliffe  
Chief competitors: University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and North Carolina State University

• a letter from a sophomore student leader who is transferring to Appalachian State University  
Her main reason for leaving was the social issues. She stated, "I realize that these are things I knew before coming to Meredith, but it is very hard to know just how it will affect you." She also expressed her feelings about male visitation by saying, "I feel that we are legally considered adults and should be allowed the freedom to make our own decisions

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