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SGA "Magna Carta" Seeks Ratification

On Tuesday, Sept. 15, the Student Government Association Senate convened and unanimously voted to accept and recommend to the student body a new constitution. The present constitution was drawn up in 1963 by the administration to serve as a guideline for the college's first Student Government Association.

According to SGA President Danny Ray and Vice-President Lake Ellis, the three branches of student government receive through the proposed constitution a clearer definition of powers.

On Sept. 30 the constitution will be voted on by the student body. Ten per cent of the student body must vote in order to validate the election; two thirds of that percentage must vote in favor of the proposed constitution in order to ratify it.

The Constitution, as approved by Senate, is as follows:

Student Government Association
Constitution
Preamble: We the students of Mars Hill College, in order to promote student self-government and student

unity, and to insure both the rights and responsibilities of the students of Mars Hill College, do ordain and establish this constitution of the Student Government Association of Mars Hill College.

Article I—Name and Membership
Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the Student Government Association of Mars Hill College.

Section 2. The membership shall be composed of all students enrolled at Mars Hill College.

Article II—Supremacy

Section 1. This organization shall do all that is possible to achieve representation of all students at Mars Hill College.

Section 2. This organization shall understand that the President of the College and the Board of Trustees have ultimate authority in all matters governing Mars Hill College.

Article III—Powers

Section 1. The student body of Mars Hill College shall be governed by three branches: Executive, Legislative, and the Judicial.

Article IV—The Executive

Section 1. The executive branch shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and the Cabinet.

Section 2. The President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer shall be nominated, by petitioning, from the student body at-large.

Section 3. All members of the Executive branch shall have a 2.0 average.

Section 4. Duties of President.

A. To preside at meeting of Student Senate and Assemblies.

B. To preside over meetings of the Freshmen class until their officers are elected.

C. To correlate the activities of the Student Government Association with the Faculty, Administration, and Board of Trustees.

D. To appoint all senate committees and ad hoc committees.

E. To perform all other duties deemed necessary by the three branches of Student Government.

F. To preside over Student Court.

Section 5. Duties of the Vice President.

A. Preside in the absence of the President.

B. Serve as President of the Housing Council.

C. To perform all other duties deemed necessary by the President or the Legislative Branch of the S. G. A.

D. Preside over Commission Court.

Section 6. Duties of the Secretary

A. To maintain accurate minutes of the meetings of the Student Senate and Assembly.

B. To publicize all decisions of Student Government.

C. To post election results.

D. To perform all other duties deemed necessary by the President and the Legislative Branch.

Section 7. Duties of the Treasurer

A. Shall keep an accurate account of the funds of the Student Government Association.

B. Shall perform those duties deemed necessary by the President and the Legislative Branch.

C. Shall serve as chairman of Financial Committee.

D. Present record to College Business Manager annually for auditing.

Section 8. The President's Cabinet

shall advise the Student Government Association, through the President, on those matters pertaining to the students of Mars Hill College.

The membership shall be: President of Student Government Association, President of Day Students, two Senators appointed by the Presi-

dent, two members of the Housing Council appointed by the Vice President, and the chairmen of the activity, and long range planning committees.

Section 9. The term of office of the Executive Branch shall be from their installation before April 15 until their successors are installed.

Section 10. Installation shall be public on or before April 15 of each year.

Article V — The Legislative

Section 1. The legislative powers of the student body rest with the student Senate.

A. Composition

1. The Senate shall be composed of the President of each class and the Day Students, the four S. G. A. officers, (5) Senior Senators, (4) Junior, (3) Sophomores, (2) Freshman, elected by and from their respective classes, both sexes shall be represented from each class.

2. Advisory members (1) faculty advisor elected by the Senate and a parliamentarian appointed by the President. Neither shall have a vote.

B. Qualifications

1. All upperclass candidates must have a "C" average and be free from any social penalties of Mars Hill College.

2. Freshmen candidates shall be elected immediately after mid-term examination in the fall semester, and shall have no more than one delinquency.

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Kuykendall Resigns Editorial Post; Baldwin Accepts Hilltop Position

Terry Kuykendall resigned last week as editor-in-chief of the Hilltop and Linda Baldwin, who held the position during 1968-1969 and 1969-1970, was reappointed to the post by Hilltop advisor Walter Smith. The change was effective immediately.

Terry, a sophomore from Richmond, Va., was appointed editor-in-chief last spring when Linda declined a third year in the job. He served on the staff as managing editor during the 1969-1970 year. He organized the current staff at the beginning of the semester and guided the publication of the first two issues of this academic year. Terry is presently Treasurer of the Student Government Association.

Terry will remain on the Hilltop staff as Research Editor. In this capacity he will be responsible for

covering stories which demand extensive investigation such as basic environmental problems at Mars Hill College.

Asked about his decision to resign, Terry said, "I feel that students here at Mars Hill are entitled to the best student newspaper that can be offered. I feel that in my new position as Research Editor I will be able to offer students a perspective of Mars Hill not encompassed thus far by the paper."

Linda, a senior from West Columbia, S. C., accepted a position last spring as student coordinator for the 1970 Summer Resource Development Program of the Community Development Institute. That program, which sponsored summer internships for 50 students in agencies concerned with social or economic development, officially terminates Oct. 1. Linda

has resigned all official responsibilities with CDI as of that date.

Linda plans to lead a journalism workshop for the entire Hilltop staff, beginning Wednesday, Sept. 30. Workshop topics, which will be discussed in seminar fashion, include guidelines for effective reporting, mechanics of layout, staff organization and responsibilities, and the role and potential of collegiate journalism.

When questioned about leaving CDI, Linda said, "The Community Development Institute is a tremendous asset to this college. It has proved itself worthy of support through its many successes in providing needed services to the people of western North Carolina through the efforts of MHC students. Since I first accepted the position as coordinator for the 1970 summer internship program, there has been a poem by Yael Dayan on the door to my office. The last part of the poem reads, 'I never thought of tying my future to this newness; I knew I would take the road back one day, but perhaps carrying with me a particle of the night's silence, or the day's honesty.' In terms of my own experience with CDI, I have fulfilled the idea of the poem. Being away from the Hilltop for several months has sharpened my perception of the paper and its responsibilities. I'm looking forward to working with the staff for the remainder of the year."

Other editorial positions on the Hilltop staff include: Laine Calloway, Managing Editor; Gary Singleton, Feature Editor; and Frank Farrell, Sports Editor.

Area Churches "Cop In" To Needs

Many churches seek to minister to the needs of Mars Hill College students. Often times students have inadequate information and do not know which church can best minister to their individual personalities. So that this can be better determined, information has been collected about several churches hoping that it will prove helpful.

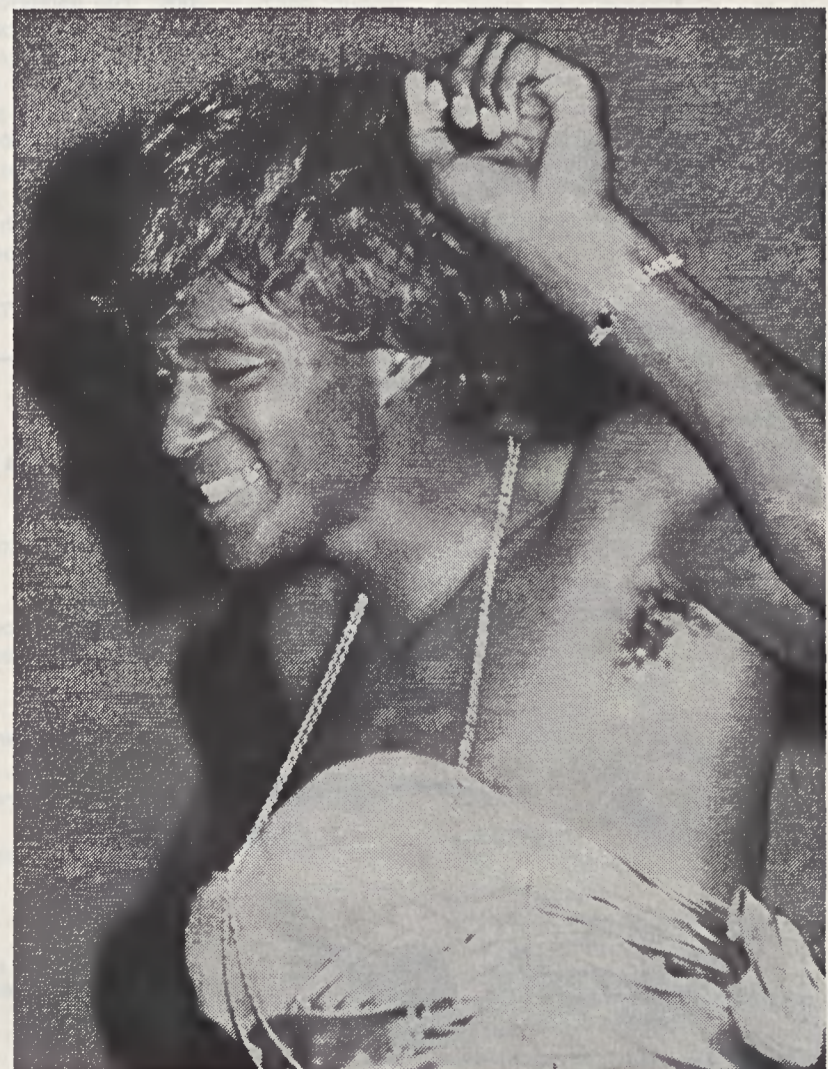
Mars Hill Baptist—offers a Sunday School program specifically for the college students. Because all students do not have the same interests nor are they on the same level of thinking, a choice of classes is offered. There are classes in Current Issues, in the Uniform lesson (taken

from new Southern Baptist Convention material for college students) and in other areas. At 9:30 A.M. coffee and donuts are served, and at 9:45 Sunday School begins.

On Sunday nights at 7:15 P.M. Baptist Student Fellowship offers students the opportunity to discuss, think, play, worship and serve. "Adopt A Grandparent" is one of the main projects this semester, (See related story in File 34), in which a college student "adopts" an elderly person from the community to visit and help in any way he can.

The morning worship at 11:00

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Rodney Johnson, apparent supporter of the "ban the bra" look, captured the 1971 Miss American title in the pageant recently sponsored by Sigma Alpha Chi.