

Bentley Calms Controversy

early 500 members of the student body and faculty met with President Bentley and Dean Hoffman on Tuesday, October 3, to question administrative positions concerning the "conces-

sions" called for by Terry Kuykendall and his supporters. Confidently demonstrating his thorough knowledge of all college related affairs, Bentley appeared to satisfy the

majority of the audience with his carefully worded answers and, in fact, seemed to diffuse the controversy that had been raging around Kuykendall's importunities. Many people, however,

were unconvinced, claiming that the meeting was an artificial situation contrived purely on Bentley's terms. The senate meeting on Monday, October 8, open to the public,

will again be presented with the S.G.A. resignations and will probably open a forum for new inquiries into the S.G.A.-Administration controversy.

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Kuykendall and Bentley discuss problems prior to meeting on Tuesday

SGA Leaders Supported Senate Quorum Off 1

For senator Jan Sparks, "better late than never" proved to be an unreliable cliché at the special Monday night Senate meeting called by S.G.A. president Terry Kuykendall. Although only a few minutes late, her delayed arrival along with the refusal of various senators to answer the senate roll call resulted in the senate being one member short of the necessary number of senators to initiate a quorum. Lacking the majority required for a quorum, a vote could not be taken regarding the acceptance or rejection of resignations offered by S.G.A. President Kuykendall, Vice President Duane Cook, and Chief Justice Frank Farrell. This in effect rendered the S.G.A. inoperative for the time being and represented a victory for Kuykendall and his colleagues. Evidence that the Kuykendall forces had acquired substantial support in the student ranks was clearly demonstrated by a standing ovation given them by a majority of the some 400 students in attendance. This occurred immediately after Cook had formally terminated senate business. Although the opposing forces repres-

ented primarily by David Gasperson and Darlene Stutts presented points-of-order that questioned the legality of Kuykendall's action, the senate parliamentarian, Ed Crissman, ruled against them thereby ending the controversy. Continuing the meeting in an informal manner, Kuykendall presented the college administration with three demands advocating:
(1) Students on the administrative team (the highest policy making board)
(2) Students on the board of trustees
(3) Equitable student representation on college committees including (a) Admission and Academic Standards and (b) Faculty Development
The reading of these demands was followed by prolonged and stormy applause from the audience. Kuykendall proceeded to open the meeting to questions from the students and was quickly bombarded by incisive queries that dealt generally with the three demands and his decision to resign his office. Gasperson, representing the opposing

group, was also subjected to questioning by the pro-Kuykendall majority which as time passed became increasingly arrogant and at times somewhat belligerent. Kuykendall and Gasperson, confronted with difficult questions maintained their composure and fielded the questions with ease and confidence demonstrating a high degree of sophistication and tolerance. Cook, noting that the projected hour time limit was up and realizing that the questioning had digressed to personal attacks and deprecations, abruptly ended the meeting leaving many questions still to be answered, an action that evoked some discontent from the audience. On leaving, crowd reaction was found to be mixed but with a large majority supporting Kuykendall. However, a determined Darlene Stutts commented, "this meeting is not a defeat, it's just an unfinished issue". Undoubtedly the issues involved present a stimulating controversy that only the future can resolve.

Cadenza Receives National Award

Cadenza, the student literary-art magazine of Mars Hill College, has recently been named recipient of two national awards. Strathmore Paper Company reviews hundreds of productions each year which are done on Strathmore Paper stock. The 1972 issue of Cadenza was singled out to receive a "Certificate of Excellence" for outstanding use of the graphic arts in effective communication. This award was made through Groves Printing Company, Inc. of Asheville, N. C. who published the magazine. Mr. W. C. Alderson, representing Groves Printing, made the presentation of the certificate to editor Kay Gregory at the Student Government Convocation last Thursday night (Sept. 28th). Upon receiving the award, Kay acknowledged those people who had a part in creating the 1972 issue.

These included: Mrs. Betty Hughes, Advisor and Literary Consultant; Mr. Joe Chris Robertson and Mr. Gordon Mahy, Art Consultants; and Mr. George Self, Groves Printing. All students who served on the staff, and those who contributed literary or art work were recognized also. Last Spring Cadenza was submitted to the Associated Collegiate Press Critical Service for the first time. Recently the honor rating award of "First Class" was received. Both literary and art work rated high. Judge Helen Gonzalez commented in her evaluation, "Cadenza is a most attractive magazine, with colors and layouts that dazzle the reader. What a pleasant discovery to find that the quality of the literary material is equally as impressive."

Drinking Bill Rejected

by Su Harper

The Drinkign On Campus issue dominated discussion at a lengthy dinner meeting of the Student Affairs Council, Wednesday, September 27. After much debate the bill was defeated by a vote of 8 to 4. Reason given for the decision were:
1. The essence of the school Charter, Section 6 under the 1905 amendment to the Charter states, "That it shall not be lawful for any person to erect, keep or maintain at Mars Hill College or within four miles of said college in the county of Madison, any tippling house or establishment or place whatsoever for the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors or wines, nor shall it be lawful for any person to sell wines or intoxicating liquors within three miles of said college."
2. President Bentley's opposition to the proposal.
3. The Council's belief of the constituency's opposition to this proposal.
4. Legal ramifications of article 18A-30 and others of the General Stat-

utes of N.C. (This deals with laws against sale of liquors to minors, public display, etc.)
Other reasons given by individuals on the Council for defeating the motion include:
1. Misrepresentation of what the institution expects of student conduct if this section were deleted.
2. The bill is not a contribution to the intellectual and social development of the students.
3. The necessities of group living (opposing values with peer groups).
The student Affairs Council then passed the Freshmen Women's Curfew Hours Bill. The bill asks that freshmen girls curfew be extended from 11:00 to 12:00 on weekdays. This would make all women's curfews uniform. President Bentley must approve the bill before it can go into effect.
Also on the agenda was election of members for the Appeals Board. The Court of Appeals hears all cases that appeal the original decision of either the Student Court or Dean Gehring. The new Court of

Appeals consists of 2 faculty members, Mary Thrig and Earl Leininger; 2 students, Ken Chamblee, and Jan Sparks; and 2 non-policy making administrators, Jim Wyatt and Ed Angus.
Because of the late hour, the meeting was adjourned with the stipulation that another meeting would soon be called to discuss the remaining issue on Open Hours for Women. This will involve a joint meeting of the Student Affairs Council and Christian Life committee of the Trustees.
Members of the Student Affairs Council are Dean Gehring, Dean Joyce, Dr. Hoffman, Rev. Bob Melvin, Winona Bierbaum, Frank Farrell, Page Lee, George Peery, Froggie Tuttle, Chris Navey, Duane Cook, Debra Watson, Terry Kuykendall, David Gasperson, and Jim Thomas.
Student Affairs Council meeting is open to anyone interested. Regular meetings are held every third Tuesday at 5:30 in the President's Dining Room.