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## Senate votes to add students and employees

### ANALYSIS

by ken dye

The September 15th meeting of the University Senate was dominated by a proposal, drafted by Ed Wayson, to alter the make-up of the highest deliberative body of the University's new internal government. The proposal, which will increase student representation to equal that of the faculty and will add two representatives from the University's non-academic employees, passed despite strong objections from the faculty. It is still, however, subject to voter approval as a constitutional amendment.

The proposal, which was submitted to the Senate by Humphrey Cummings (student), has been under consideration for over nine months. It was rejected by four standing committees and public hearings were held last spring. After a period in limbo, it was revived by a joint meeting of the Executive Committee and members of the Student Government Association on September 13. Its journey through the maze of bureaucratic red tape will be finally complete when it is submitted to the constituency for approval.

Opposition to the proposal expressed fears that the faculty might react negatively to any Senate action which had not been submitted to public scrutiny.

Evidently ignorant of its availability for consideration last spring, Senator Wade Williams (faculty), submitted an alternate proposal which should have deferred Senate action for thirty days. Senator Williams suggested that the matter be turned over to the University Affairs Committee with instructions to hold public hearings and return it to the Senate in one month. This proposal was defeated by an eighteen-to-nine vote.

At one point during the debate, Senator Williams questioned the desire of the non-academic employees to be represented. Senator Wayson (student) responded that he had questioned approximately 30% of the over 200 employees and had received an overwhelming response in favor of representation. Senator Williams then expressed concern over the extent of the survey and again asked the Senate to consider delaying the measure. Other questions were raised by various Senators concerning undeclared majors and part-time employees. The status of the College of Architecture was also discussed. When the original proposal was finally brought to a vote, negative votes were cast by Senators Clay, Emery, Orr, Wayne and Williams, all faculty, with Senator Jamgotch (faculty) abstaining.

Strong support was lent to the measure by Senator John Robbins who felt that the Senate was under heavy scrutiny from

elements of the University Community. He further suggested that passage of the proposal would strengthen its position with its constituency. Senators Simono and Fishman (faculty), concurred and expressed the belief that the immediacy of the proposal precluded any necessity for delay.

The effect of the proposal, if passed, will be to raise the number of senators to 47: 19 faculty, 19 students, 2 non-academic employees, and seven chosen by the Chancellor. Hopefully, the increased student representation will make the Senate a more legitimate governing body which will truly reflect the wishes of the entire University Community. The addition of the two non-academic employees will bring into the University government a group that has been previously ignored. Since the number of non-academic employees is comparable to that of the faculty, their recognition is timely if not overdue.

Other business on the agenda included the election of members to the standing committees and discussion of information gathered by the Ad Hoc Committee on Judicial Appointments. Time limitations forced the Senate to defer these considerations until the next meeting which was set for Wednesday, September 20, at 11:30 a.m. in Room 231, University Center. The meetings are open to all University Community members.



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IN THE SEARCH for knowledge, we need teachers. The 1971 Outstanding Teachers at UNCC were presented awards Friday night by NCNB Chairman of the Board, Addison Reese. Dr. Barbara Goodnight (Sociology), Dr. Nish Jamgotch, Jr., (Pol Sci), and Dr. Bill Dailey (Music) were voted by their peers and their students as 1971's Teachers of Excellence.

## 'Poor service,' students claim

### DORM STUDENTS PETITION SAGA

A petition bearing 262 names of resident students was delivered to SAGA Food Service officials last Thursday by a student who "felt some improvements to the food service operation were badly needed."

The student, Paul Phillips, a senior, expressed concern not over the food this year as much as the overall operation of the service. "I got the names in a little over an hour in the dorms. Most of the students agreed with me that some improvements were needed."

The petition read as follows:

"We the undersigned, resident students of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, request the manager of Saga Food and the director of auxiliary services consider and take immediate action on the following request: (1) That both service lines be open during breakfast. (2) That steps (sic) be taken to speed up the service lines. (3) That supper be served from 4:30 until (sic) 6:30 p.m. (4) That complete menus be publicly posted 48 hours in advance. (5) That greater care be taken in the washing of silverware. (6) That an open hearing be held to discuss these or

any other request that the resident students may have."

Because of deadlines, no comments from SAGA or Donald McKay, Director of Auxiliary Services, were obtained; however, action on this petition will be followed in forthcoming issues of the Journal.

## Rowe gallery opens big

The first art exhibit in the new Rowe Creative Arts Building at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte will open at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 19, in the main gallery.

Titled, "From a North Carolina Collection," it has been loaned by the owners.

The eclectic show has been chosen by members of the art faculty at UNCC.

Featured are two Rembrandt prints, a Picasso print, a Constable painting and drawing, and a Whistler etching.

The gallery will be open from 2 to 5 p.m. Sundays through Fridays. The public is invited to the opening and to the gallery during open hours.

## Congress facing a massive backlog

by michael mcculley

(edited from wire reports)

WASHINGTON -- Congress faces a backlog of 39 major legislative items and five appropriation measures as it returns to work. House Minority Leader Gerald Ford (R-Mich.) stated, "While time marches, Congress crawls."

President Nixon's economic package heads the list of pressing business. Three measures needing Congressional attention are: (1) repeal of the ten percent auto excise tax, (2) increased personal income tax exemptions to \$700 starting next year instead of in 1973, and (3) a ten percent job development tax credit for one year and five percent thereafter to encourage industrial development and more jobs.

Also a priority item is reactivation of the draft until mid-1973. Nixon's draft phase-out plan was passed by the House and awaits Senate approval. The Mansfield amendment requiring American troops to leave Vietnam within nine months now reads as a "sense of the Congress" resolution that the troops be withdrawn as soon as possible -- language that may displease the Senate, although it won House approval on a 298-104 roll-call vote.

Other measures Congress must tackle include:

**Higher Education:** Nixon's proposed legislation to re-focus college aid toward low-income students passed the Senate in modified form and is up for

House consideration. A proposed National Foundation for Higher Education has not been considered.

**Environment:** The Administration's 18-bill plan has yet to reach the floor of either house in any form. This package includes a sulfur-emissions tax, ocean dumping regulations, and a land use policy act.

**Drugs:** For Nixon's "war on crime," money is needed. This \$155 million program would include setting up a special action office for drug abuse prevention in the White House.

**Government Reorganization:** The planned regrouping of federal agencies into functional lines is far down Congress' priority list. This will be the hardest to get through Congress this session.

**Welfare Reform:** The so-called Family Assistance Plan passed the House in June and has further Senate hearings scheduled. FAP would not begin until 1973 even if passed this year due to the new economic policy.

Those five appropriations bills, totalling more than \$80 billion, are the final portion of funding for fiscal year 1972 -- now into its third month. The bills break down to the following amounts: Defense Department, \$73.3 billion; District of Columbia, 0.9 billion; Foreign Assistance, 3.6 billion; Military Construction, 2.3 billion; Public Works, 4.6 billion.

All in all, the Congress has plenty to keep it busy for at least another decade or two.

## 4,676 of us

### Juniors biggest

The Registrar's Office has reported the official Fall enrollment for UNCC as 4,676 students. Undergraduates comprise 4,176 of the total figure with 500 graduate students rounding out the enrollment.

Juniors are the largest individual class with 1,381; sophomores edge out freshmen for second largest class size

(950-945); seniors compose the smallest group of the year although it is the largest senior class ever at UNCC, 724. A total of 176 special students and visitors to the campus complete the enrollment figure.

Men outnumber the women as in years past, 2,700-1,976. The new freshmen (735) and transfers (821) have swelled the student population by 1,556 new faces.

Students are attending UNCC from 28 states and Puerto Rico and from nine foreign countries.