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Patterson wins easy re-election

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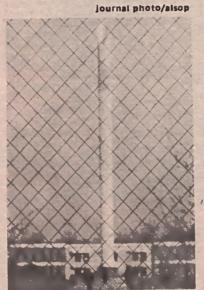
by sharon deck

In a landslide victory, Stan reelection Patterson has won Student Government President. He polled 600 votes to Marcia Finfrock's 116 and Spencer Singleton's 61. Most observers had predicted a closer race.

Michael Dobson has defeated Dean Duncan for editor of Sanskrit by only seven votes, 352 to 345. Duncan has said that he may contest the election on the grounds that Dobson campaigned illegally by distributing the latest issue of Sanskrit while campaigning and by using Sanskrit

covers for campaign posters.
In the other major race, Jay Eaker has been elected editor of the Journal over Charlie Peek. Eaker received 402 votes to Peek's 302.

The anticipated protest vote did not materialize. Many observers had believed that voters were voting against candidates running unopposed "for the hell of it." Although some protest votes can be detected, they did not exceed 20% of the vote for any unopposed candidate. This was the first election in which votes for or against unopposed candidates were



The election for Student Superior Court Judges was postponed unti March 27 and 28. Because only five candidates were running for five seat on the court, the Elections Committeruled that they were in fact runnin unopposed. Under the new election procedures, nominations must b re-opened to give others a chance t run for the Court.

Only one more set of elections in planned. On March 27 and 28 elections will be held for Studen Legislature (excluding Freshman President, Commuter Representatives and Dorm Representatives), for a pominations is March 15 and 16.

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Seeking equal voice

analysis

by sharon deck

Leaving students and some professors disappointed, the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences has postponed discussion of a proposal for equal student representation on the college faculty.

Instead, the faculty spent 45 minutes discussing retirement plans and another 15 minutes in parliamentary finagling to prevent a meaningful discussion of the

Whether any decision can be made before the end of the semester is doubtful. The faculty will not meet again until April 10, and its last meeting of the year is on May 1. When questioned about the possibility of a special session, Dean Norman W. Schul replied that it was impossible because "the faculty just won't get together at any but the regular time.

Students fear that the issue will be allowed to die, and will not be raised again next year. Three of the four students who worked on the proposal will be graduating in May. And since student participation at the departmental level has been noticeably lacking, there may be no impetus toward further discussion next

In brief, the proposal recommends equal voting representation for students on all college committees, with the student representatives to be elected by the majors in each of the college's four departments (psychology, sociology, political

science, and geography). The lack of faculty concern about student representation at the departmental level has led students to believe that the faculty will also fight student participation at the college level. Only six students are formally involved in departmental decisions. Political science has one student; sociology, four;

geography, one; and psychology, none.

From the sparse discussion in last Monday's meeting, it appears that the faculty will be divided into three camps. Some support equal representation; others support some representation, but not equal; others oppose any student

representation whatsoever The grounds for opposition will probably be that students do not have enough of a stake in the University community to warrant their participation in important long-range decisions. But, as student Bill Sigmon points out, "Students already have nearly-equal representation on the University Senate, which considers issues of the highest importance."

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The committee, which is not unanimous in its support of the proposal, feels that their recommendation is merely a unification and extension of existing departmental policies for student representation.

The committee report lists these other factors as the rationale for student

Fund at \$211

The Legal Defense Fund for Dr. Leonard Jordan collected \$211 in its first week of operation. With matching first week of ope funds contributed by the Student Government Association, the total is \$422, still short of the \$1500 that organizers had set for their goal.

Although Dr. Jordan is not actively involved in gathering funds, he has agreed to let others solicit money. According to Sharon Wilson, wife of sociology professor Bill Wilson, Dr. Jordan has contacted attorney George Daly of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) to handle his case. The \$1500 is the amount estimated to be necessary to take the case to the court of Appeals.

Defense fund organizers will be trying new tactics this week in an effort to gain more money for the fund. They hope to hold a benefit concert in the dorm and hold a bake sale on-campus. Efforts are also being made to contact one professor in each department to help collect contributions from faculty members. to help collect revisited

In a recent article, we erroneously listed Chemistry 232 as one of the ten most expensive courses on-campus. Although it is true that books for this course cost \$26.20, the books are used for Chemistry 231 as well, making the cost only \$13.10 per semester.

Moving up to the number ten spot is Sociology 253, the Evolution of Sociological Inquiry, with a cost of \$21.70. Dr. Barbara Goodnight, who teaches this course, has another course (Soc 557) in the top ten. That adds up to three sociology courses in the list, a record not even challenged by other

Candidate slighted

The Journal omitted Earleen Mabry's name from the list of University Senate Candidates in the February 23 issue. Miss Mabry's name was not on the list of candidates given to the Journal by Randy Russell,

Elections Committee Chairman. According to Russell, the omission was inadvertent. The Journal apologizes to Miss Mabry and the students for the

-- the editor

Student representation should increase the diversity and volume of imput into decision-making. Presumably, better decisions can be made with more

Students should have a right to an effective voice in decision that affect them.

Only by giving student representatives some real power, in terms of voting rights, is there any reason for them to commit themselves to participation. can prevent future

If 'students receive representation now, the faculty can confrontations over failure to include students in decision-making.

Participation in departmental and college affairs can be of educational value to

In defense of equal student representation, the committee pointed out that although students may not be here as long as some faculty members, both have a stake in the quality of instruction and areas of study offered here. The quality of a UNCC education will affect a student's employment opportunities after

graduation; it will also affect any faculty member who wishes to teach elsewhere. "It is reasonable to assume that both faculty and students have an equal stake in the present and future development of the University, the College, and their respective academic departments. Therefore, it is also reasonable for both faculty and students to share equally in the responsibility for the development," the

Some professors will probably raise the objection that students are either not intelligent enough or not informed enough to participate in high-level decision-making. The students will probably reply that they have not been given a real chance to show their capabilities, as evidenced by the fact that they have been effectively shut out of departmental decision-making.

Sociology professors, whose department has the best student representation in the College, were most vocal in their support of the proposal at the meeting. The comments of most of the other professors were directed at the parliamentary procedures for discussing the report.

Whether the parliamentary questions were an effort to stall discussion is unclear, although some students are convinced that this was the case. If the faculty gets tangled up in procedural debates at the next meeting, the students fear, no meaningful discussion will take place and, possibly, no decision will be made this semester.

If the proposal is accepted, the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences will have the best system of student representation at the University. The College of Engineering is also establishing a process for student representation, but whether students will have an equal voice and whether they will be allowed to vote has not yet been decided

