

Who should pay the price?

By Bill Peschel

The Clubs and Organization Committee of the Student Legislature has recommended unfreezing the Black Student Union's funds after its president promised to pay back the unpaid bill.

President Renee Gaddy, speaking before the committee, said the club will pay back Student Legislature through fundraising by March 22. The Finance Committee, responsible for freezing funds, will probably follow the Clubs and Organization Committee decision.

However, a difference of opinion has arisen which may cause some headaches between Student Body Government and the administration.

On Aug. 22, 1978, the Black Student Union incurred a \$187.57 bill from Insty-Prints of Charlotte. An authorization form was submitted to Student Government Treasurer Ward Simmons by Gaddy, but she later removed the authorization when Simmons temporarily resigned. She says she had no idea where the authorization went after that. She had no knowledge of the unpaid bill until Dec. 29. The

Black Student Union ran into financial trouble when its treasurer (who handles the bills) resigned and transferred from UNCC. Gaddy recalls on the last day of reversion in early December, when unspent budget money is returned to Student Legislature, Simmons and she went through the bills of the Black Student Union and paid as many of them as they could find.

In between August and December, Insty-Prints, with an unpaid printing bill, called various departments around UNCC four times. They called a department on Oct. 2; on Oct. 17 they talked with Black Student Union advisor Herman Thomas in black studies; on Nov. 15 they talked with accounts payable in the Business Office. Some people in Student Legislature wonder why accounts payable did not refer Insty-Prints to Student Legislature. Instead, according to Vern Parrish, director of the Cone University Center, "To get the bill paid, accounts payable called Betty Taylor of the Dean of Students office." Parrish said when Insty-Prints sent the dean of students the

bill, it was passed on to him. Taylor was on vacation at the time.

Parrish contacted the Business Office and talked with J.W. Avant. Avant allegedly said the bill could not be paid without someone taking responsibility. Parrish decided to authorize the Business Office to pay the bill out of Student Body Government's account. The bill was paid Jan. 2, 1979.

Then, according to Simmons, Parrish refused responsibility. Simmons talked with Parrish between Jan. 2-10 and asked him to repay Student Body Government back somehow and "get the Black Student Union to reimburse him." Parrish refused.

On Jan. 10, Ron

Whitley, University controller, discussed the situation with Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs Leo Ells, his superior. Whitley then issued a memo explaining the Business Office's policy. The memo said Parrish "acted in the best interest of the university and therefore took proper action." The memo also said Student Body Government will be held responsible for any bills unpaid by a club and organization.

Parrish has further regretted his action and promises to "channel these things through" in the future.

But this is not the first time the administration has stepped in to pay a bill. Last semester, the Commuter



Ron Whitley, University Controller.

Association paid a bill from Bigger Brothers. The company did not record the bill as paid and called then-Chancellor D.W. Colvard. Colvard then talked to Whitley, who paid the bill, thus the bill was paid twice. The excess was finally paid back to

Student Body Government in January.

Now the question is whether to let the Business Office's policy stand or challenge it. The Finance Committee passed a motion objecting to the policy and there matters stand.

Students preparing for orientation

By Rick Monroe

Plans for Orientation '79 are well underway with all three Orientation committees, program, orientation counselor selection and orientation counselor training, having begun work on next fall's Orientation Week.

According to Marian Beane, assistant dean of students in charge of orientation, "Orientation, as a program, is the avenue of entrance for a student to the university." She also feels orientation should be more than learning where things are on campus, but should be "an experience that includes learning about the university, meeting new people, academic

orientation, advising and registration," Beane said.

One thing Beane is interested in is input from the entire university community. "I see (orientation) as a total university experience and total university involvement—a total university program: 'students, faculty and administration.'"

She also feels the cooperation of the deans of the respective colleges is very important and without their help, academic orientation is very difficult. "This past year we have had a very positive experience with the deans of the different colleges," she said.

An integral part of

orientation is the orientation counselor (OC). The job of the OC is to act as an assistant to the deans of the different colleges and as a guide and source of information for new students. OC's are selected from

their respective colleges by the OC Selection Committee. (Look for more information concerning how to apply to be an OC and when application deadlines are in Thursday's edition of the Carolina Journal).

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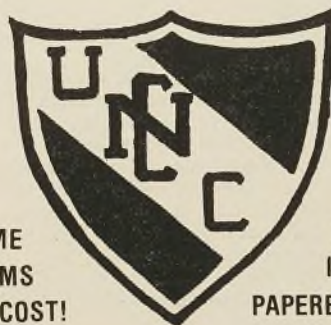
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Campus Life

By Nancy Davis

The administration better watch out if they're planning to take away October break next year. They've already paid the price for taking away February break. It was just about the time when February break usually took place, when zappo, in came that unbelievable snow. But it wasn't fate and it wasn't nature's doings. It's a secret cult on campus and you better take heed.

I don't have too much information on this group of students, but I do know they mean business. Their cult is dedicated to the rights of students against all administrative deeds. Deep in the dungeon of Moore Dorm, inside an old fallout shelter, the cult meets. Whenever they feel it is necessary to take action against an administrative decision, they meet at midnight and cast their spell. The snow is just a small example of what their evil forces are able to do.

Another example is Chancellor D.W. Colvard's supposed retirement. Little did you know, but Colvard is only 43 years old. After the secret cult found out he had never read the student body constitution, they concocted an evil spell that turned him into a 66-year old chancellor, which just happened to be the mandatory age for retirement.

Jerry Hudson, director of Public Safety, thinks most of the vandalism done to the deck is at night by students. Well, he's exactly right, except the students never get near the deck. For the time being, the students are in the basement burning old traffic tickets and chanting, "Who gives a deck?" Supposedly, piece by piece, the deck will soon fall in. They are working on a spell now, where all "R" stickers parking anywhere but on the deck will disappear.