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Congress drops two charges against Lloyd

By Marty Minchin
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Student Congress members voted Wednesday night to strike two charges from the impeachment bill against Speaker Jennifer Lloyd after hearing testimony from witnesses in the case.

At press time, congress members still were debating the bill and had not yet voted whether to take the impeachment case to trial.

Congress dropped two of the six charges against the speaker — one alleging that she attempted to block a \$645 donation to the Campus Crusade for Christ and another that contended she falsified a committee report.

Five congress members — Reps. George Battle and Philip Charles-Pierre, Dist. 17; Chris Tuck, Dist. 21; Charlton Allen, Dist. 20; and Kevin Hunter, Dist. 14 — introduced the bill of impeach-

ment, which included six charges of "misfeasance, malfeasance and nonfeasance," at the Sept. 30 congress meeting.

The Rules and Judiciary Committee voted at its Oct. 7 meeting to recommend impeachment on five of the six charges.

The bill now charges that Lloyd:

- Failed to hold required meetings of the administrative committee of congress;
- Failed to provide copies of the Student Government Code to Student Supreme Court Chief Justice Malcolm Turner;
- Signed requisition forms in violation of the Student Government Code; and
- Used student government telephone lines to make personal long-distance calls.

Lloyd, who was not allowed to present

her case at Wednesday's meeting, told congress members before the bill was introduced that she would not be able to give her side of the case in the first stages of the impeachment.

"The past four weeks of my life have been difficult and trying," she said.

"The prosecution has the upper hand in the first two stages of the impeachment ... I'm calling for my own trial."

Speaker Pro Tempore Michael Kolb, Dist. 1, who chaired the meeting, refused to consider Lloyd's motion to bypass debate and directly into a full trial next week.

Kolb said Student Congress members deserved an opportunity to hear the evidence in the case and amend the bill should they deem changes necessary.

Charles-Pierre, in his opening argument for the prosecution, said the reason the five members were bringing the

charges against Lloyd was to allow congress members to decide for themselves if Lloyd had violated the Student Government Code.

"It is reprehensible how the speaker has used this office as a personal pulpit," Charles-Pierre said.

"This is not a personality contest, but a contest of whether or not someone has broken the law."

After listening to the testimony of seven witnesses called by the prosecution, congress members debated on the bill and amended some of the charges.

Rep. Jennifer Grady, Dist. 2, called to amend article four of the bill, removing the section which charged that Lloyd falsified a report concerning missing office supplies.

"You have no evidence for that," she said. "For that reason alone it should be dismissed. There was stuff that was missing that couldn't be accounted for.

She did what she ought to have done."

But Hunter said the charge needed to be kept in the bill.

"This is not tolerable," he said. "This was a stupid thing from the beginning. She did not have to come in and lie in order to carry out the duties of her office. She basically created a battle which didn't need to be fought."

Rep. Wayne Wilson, Dist. 8, said he agreed with Grady and also thought there was not enough evidence to justify leaving the charge in the bill.

"I still have yet to see any evidence that Jennifer Lloyd actually changed the numbers," he said.

"It needs to be a lot more solid and concrete. I think we need to throw this out."

Congress members voted 17-16 in favor of the amendment, which removed the charge from the bill.

Members also voted to remove ar-

ticle five of the bill, which stated that Lloyd prevented the lawful enactment of a bill to fund a Campus Crusade speaker.

The amendment was not debated, and no evidence was brought up during witness testimony to support the allegation.

Assistant Student Body Treasurer Aaron Bell, who served as acting student body treasurer during the summer, was called as a witness during the meeting to testify with regards to the charge that Lloyd used the student government phone for personal use.

Bell told the congress that Lloyd had slipped a blank check under his office door after the impeachment charges had been filed. "I believe that it is clear that she made the phone calls," Bell said.

If congress approved the bill, a full impeachment trial will be held next week.

Faculty Council committee endorses free-standing BCC

By Anna Griffin
 University Editor

The Faculty Council Executive Committee has endorsed the black cultural center working group's decision to support a free-standing BCC.

In a statement released Wednesday, the executive committee expressed its support for the interim report of the BCC working group, which voted Monday to endorse construction of a free-standing center.

The working group report, which Chancellor Paul Hardin is expected to rule on this morning, also asks Hardin to support a free-standing BCC. The draft represents the first step in the work of the 16-member blue ribbon panel established to deal with the issue of a new or expanded BCC.

In the statement, the executive committee, which represents the entire Faculty Council on University issues, says: "We recognize the October 12 Interim Report of the Sonja Haynes Stone Black Cultural Center's Working Group as a constructive contribution to the University's goal of promoting community and diversity on campus. Our committee offers its services in helping to define, promote, and participate in such initiatives."

The resolution, which was passed Tuesday by the executive committee, should serve as an aid to Hardin when he makes his decision, said council Chairman James Peacock.

"We thought our response would be informative to the chancellor," he said.

Peacock said that while the resolution represented the views of the council itself, the issue would be discussed further at the group's full meeting Friday.

"The executive committee is elected and appointed to represent the whole Faculty Council on short notice when the full council doesn't have time to meet," Peacock said. "We felt some type of decision needed to be announced."

The 11-member group voted 10-1 in favor of the resolution. Peacock said he could not reveal who voted against the resolution.

Provost Richard McCormick, who organized and now chairs the working group, said he believed Hardin would take the council resolution into account when making his decision. "I think he's going to take heart in it," McCormick said. "I think it's going to matter that (the resolution) is from a group that represents, literally represents, the faculty of this University."

Earlier this fall, the executive committee issued a statement endorsing the working group's efforts and supporting Hardin's effort to resolve the issue.

"I'm not surprised," McCormick said of the new resolution. "I have met with (the executive committee) and discussed (the issue) with them."

McCormick added that he also was not surprised that the executive com-

mittee vote wasn't unanimous. "The group includes some who have questioned the merits of a free-standing black cultural center," he said.

Although Hardin was out of town Tuesday and Wednesday, he received a copy of the report Tuesday morning and is expected to make some sort of ruling on it early today.

McCormick said the working group would meet again at 2 p.m. Monday to begin discussing specific plans for a new BCC.

On Tuesday, members of the BCC Advisory Board announced that the working group would have to be absorbed into the advisory board for talks to take place. Prior to Tuesday's statement, the BCC advocates had said they would work with the group once Hardin pledged his support for a free-standing center.

McCormick said he hoped Hardin's support of the interim report could open the door for talks between the advisory board and the panel. Although the working group must continue to exist on its own, the panel might consider joining the advisory board for talks on what should go in a new center, he said.

"We have a job independent of the advisory board," he said. "The BCC Advisory Board is critical in planning the new center, but the working group has other goals — such as educating the public about why we need a free-standing center — that it must perform separate of the advisory board."



John Runkle (right), president of the N.C. League of Conservation Voters, speaks to SEAC Wednesday night about the election

Speakers focus on candidates' views on environmental issues

By Jerry McElreath
 Staff Writer

Three speakers consistently stressed voters' environmental and political responsibility to select candidates who support environmental protection at the UNC Student Environmental Action Coalition meeting Wednesday.

The meeting featured three speakers who represent various political organizations and offices.

The speakers stressed the need for more stringent government regulations and the exploration of alternative energy sources.

Alec Guettel, campus coordinator for the N.C. Clinton-Gore campaign, discussed Democratic presidential candidate Bill Clinton's environmental strong points and praised his choice of U.S. Sen. Al Gore as a running mate.

Guettel said the stances Clinton had taken as governor of Arkansas, such as his state being one of only four to meet the federal government's new clean air regulation, proved he would be a viable environmental candidate.

Guettel also said the November election was uniquely important to environmental groups across the nation.

"This election will determine the future of SEAC and groups like SEAC," he said.

Guettel then attacked the present administration's inactivity on environmental issues and stressed that President Bush's campaign should not criticize Clinton's environmental record.

"Bush has tried to nail Clinton on his environmental record, which is a really hypocritical thing to do," he said.

John Runkle, president of the N.C. League of Conservation Voters, said student voters could have a substantial effect on the election.

"There's a lot of power coming from what this room could do," Runkle said of the students' voting potential.

Runkle then passed out a "Green Vote Slate," which is a list of candidates that the League endorses. The League based its list on the candidates' responsiveness to environmental groups as well as their past voting histories on environmental issues.

Runkle also discussed the great strides environmental causes have made in North Carolina since the organization began endorsing candidates in 1980.

When the League began endorsing candidates 12 years ago, they found only eight state candidates worthy of endorsement, Runkle said. This year the League endorsed more than 60 candidates.

The first speaker of the night was Mark Marcplos, an independent candidate for Orange County commissioner.

Marcplos has had past experience as an environmental activist and is the only candidate for county commissioner to gain a Sierra Club endorsement.

Marcplos said his main objective was to gain a comprehensive waste management plan for Orange County.

"Local action is the real action," when it comes to environmental issues, Marcplos said.

AIDS group faces battle for funds

By Thanassis Cambanis
 Staff Writer

Members of a student group designed to promote AIDS awareness and help AIDS victims are upset at a delay and extended debate of a Student Congress bill that would give them funds to continue their efforts.

Final discussion on the bill, which would allocate \$655 to the Carolina AIDS Resources Ensemble, was postponed Wednesday night; it will take place at Student Congress' Oct. 28 meeting instead.

CARE had originally requested \$1,750 in funding to cover operating expenses, but that amount was amended to \$655 during a Finance Committee meeting last week.

The Finance Committee also questioned the need for the bill. Some members of the committee said they didn't think AIDS awareness was as pressing

as other issues, said Finance Committee Chairman Chris Tuck, Dist. 20.

The group, founded last November by sophomore Cynthia Carsten, promotes AIDS awareness, raises funds for AIDS patients and recruits volunteers for UNC Hospitals. Instructors and facilitators must be trained at a cost of \$50 each.

"We already have a few instructors who went ahead and paid the \$50 themselves," said Carsten, president of CARE. "The problem is, in order to volunteer, you have to do training."

Carsten said the Finance Committee was divided almost in half regarding the importance of the bill. She said proponents of CARE on the Finance Committee had to fight to keep the request from being denied altogether.

"Chris Tuck and Kevin Hunter brushed it off as not important right now. To say AIDS is not important right now; that's just ridiculous," Carsten

said. "One member of the Finance Committee told me there's a 1-800 number for students, and they can get their awareness there."

Tuck attributed the "contentious debate" surrounding the proposal to the nature of the group. "I think the issue of funding for AIDS victims itself is naturally more controversial," he said.

Finance Committee member Andy Bressler, Dist. 3, said CARE deserved student funds.

"Some people thought it was frivolous to give them money because there's enough AIDS education already," he said. "Given what we give money to, this is at least deserving, especially after we gave money to a Campus Crusade AIDS speaker."

Earlier this year, congress voted to donate \$645 to the Campus Crusade for Christ to fund AIDS speaker John Har-

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New Homecoming queen selection process seeks to avoid controversy, confusion

By Holly E. Stepp
 Staff Writer

After receiving criticism of the 1991 Homecoming queen selection process, the Carolina Athletic Association has created a new policy which CAA officials hope will allow for fairer competition.

The former policy came under fire after the Black Student Movement-sponsored candidate was eliminated from the 1991 application process after CAA members misunderstood some of her qualifications. The CAA committee later reversed their decision and allowed the

candidate, who went on to win the title, and one other contender to advance to the next round.

The new policy takes the responsibility of choosing the Homecoming Court from the CAA and allows a greater scope of students to have an influence in the process.

Landa Burney, one of three CAA Homecoming directors, said she believed that the plan would eliminate some of last year's problems. "It's a fairer system because CAA is not directly involved in choosing the queen," Burney said.

The new policy allows a panel of

student leaders, who remain anonymous to the contestants, to review the applications for queen and choose the students who will advance to the interview round.

The applications detail the student's personal history, extracurricular activities and honors. Applicants also must submit a proposal for a service project for the community to be implemented next semester, which takes the place of the essay requirement on last year's application.

The majority of input in the new selection process comes from students.

"The selection process is completely

out of CAA's hands and has been put into the student leaders and the University," Burney said. "The majority of the process is the interview with faculty and the campus vote."

Burney said she hoped the new policy would alleviate the racial tensions surrounding the Homecoming Court elections.

"I don't think race will play a part this year," she said. "The problems last year blew up into a racial issue after something else went wrong."

Racial tensions dealing with Homecoming procedures also have been a problem at other universities.

After two years of growing racial tension in the Homecoming contest, Memphis State University has done away with the crowning of a queen.

Michael Carpenter, student body president at Memphis State, said he believed that Homecoming queen was something that was out-of-date. "We decided that we had enough of the racial

tension, and Homecoming wasn't about that, so we got rid of it," he said.

Carpenter said he believed that the crowning of the Homecoming queen had not been missed at Memphis State.

"We attempted to replace the Homecoming Court with things like Mr. and

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DTH sports staff opts to receive

Members of the DTH sports staff will be in front of the Student Union today from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. We are interested in hearing what you like and don't like about DTH sports. Come and let us know!

I move that we take a 20-hour recess. — Student Congress Rep. Andrew Cohen