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Regular Meeting, Saturday November 22nd, 2008 @ North Carolina Central University

Ashley M. Yopp, Senior Vice President, Presiding

Call to Order and Opening Roll Call

Senior Vice President Yopp called the General Assembly to order at approximately 10:21am.

President Doucette called the roll at 10:21am.

There were 41 regular delegates present (**Baker, Brown, Burke, Cotton, Dawkins, Dunbar, Durham, Ernst, Frazier, Green, Griffin, Jefferson, A. Johnson, D. Johnson, J. Jones, T. Jones, K. Kimball, W. Kimball, Ladd, Lawless, Mack, Marshall, Mullins, Ness, Nichols, Oakley, Pearson-Farrer, Pierce, Price, Purohit, Quizon, Respass, Robinson, Short, Simpson, Thomas, Tuso, Wade, Wiggins, Wilkes, and Williams**). There were also 10 alternates present (**Caviness** for Martinkovic, **Chavis** for Gaillard, **Jackson** for McCoy, **Liles** for Raynor, **Lindsay** for Sherwood, **Smith** for Anderson, **Teasley** for Koury, **Timmreck** for Pambu, **Woodward** for Adonis, and **Wyatt** for Anen).

There were 27 regular delegates absent (**Adonis, Anderson, Anen, Bass, Blackwell, Espinoza, Frixen, Gaillard, Heath-Stanley, Hicks, K. Johnson, Koury, Martinkovic, McAdoo, McCoy, Melvin, Miller, Mofford, Pambu, Phillips, Raynor, Rogers, Roney, Schneider, Schronce, Sherwood** and **Wright**).

There were also 10 Executive Officers present (**Bhula, Boglovits, Clevinger, Doucette, Lawson, Motley, Smith, Styons, Vice, and Yopp**).

The following guests were also present: **Cierra Hinton** of NCAT, and **Phillip-Michael Payton** of NCCU.

A quorum was present.

Approval of the Journal of the October 25th meeting

SVP Yopp asks if everybody has had a chance to review the minutes from the previous meeting. Entertains a motion to approve the minutes.

A motion is made to approve the minutes from the October meeting and is properly seconded. Consent is called on the motion. There being no objection, the journal was approved by consent.

Miscellaneous Business

President Doucette makes sure all delegate forms are returned to him. He announces that DC forms for the trip in January are at the front at the room. ASG is providing the funding for the bus but that is all, the remaining cost is paid by each participant.

Comments & Announcements; Recess for Afternoon Committee Meetings

SVP Yopp asks if there are any comments or announcements. Seeing none, President Williams (NCCU) provides the room assignments and the General Assembly is in recess for afternoon committee meetings at 10:29am.

The General Assembly reconvenes at 2:45pm.

Second Reading of Legislation: GB20, Association Statute Reforms Chapter 1

Delegate Mullins (NCAT) delivers the committee report on the legislation. Went through and made amendments. Approved statutes that are before the Assembly today. Struck §1-2.5 on electioneering. Amended §1-3.4. There was also an amendment to §1-2.4 so it reads as in the Committee Substitute edition of the bill.

President Doucette delivers the sponsor report on the legislation. This bill primarily concerns the “ground rules” and fundamental issues relating to how the Association operates. Delegates should pay particular attention to Article 2 regarding the Association Ethics Act. Asks if there are any questions. None.

SVP Yopp opens the floor for debate on the legislation. Positive debate. None. Negative debate. None.

Delegate Burke (ECU) moves to refer GB20 back to committee so it can be reviewed further, particularly the Ethics Act and a few other issues. The motion is seconded.

SVP Yopp opens the floor for debate on the referral motion. The previous question is called and seconded. There is no debate. The previous question motion passes by consent. The vote is now on referring the legislation back to committee. The motion passes by voice vote.

Reports of the Association Committees

Academic & Student Affairs (Tesia Oakley, UNCG, Vice Chairman)

Committee came up with a consensus list of textbook “best practice” for Erskine Bowles.

Discussed potential prizes for UNC Today survey. Discussed the JuicyCampus website and will have legislation at the next meeting.

Government Operations & Community Services (Dexter Mullins, NCAT, Chairman)

Handled everything on the top half of committee agenda and will be going back into meeting at 4:00pm to finish the rest of the agenda. There will be a conference call to discuss the Student Government elections conference.

Legislative & Public Affairs (Kevin Kimball, NCSSM, Vice Chairman)

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90 Selected members of Advocacy Corps, only received applications from a few campuses.
91 Advocacy Corps will have a retreat on December 12-13th. Discussed committee oversight, trying
92 to prepare members to be useful and effective advocates for the University system. Discussed
93 Resolution 19 which was not passed. Working to increase collaboration with community colleges.
94 Expecting local campus resolutions on several issues in the months ahead. Focusing heavily on
95 Students' Day at the Capital.

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97 Delegate A. Johnson (UNCA) made a motion to discharge Resolution 19 from the committee.
98 The motion was seconded by President Ladd.
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100 SVP Yopp opened the floor for debate on the discharge motion.
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102 Positive debate: Delegate A. Johnson (UNCA) spoke and indicated he felt there was a lack of
103 understanding about the resolution given the large number of abstentions in committee. He
104 reminded delegates that this motion is not voting on the resolution itself, just on whether or not it
105 should be heard and read aloud.
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107 Negative debate: Delegate Nichols (UNCCH) rose and noted the motion for a favorable report in
108 committee failed. The resolution was discussed in informal debate after the committee adjourned
109 and he spoke to several of the members who abstained, and most said they just could not vote on
110 the legislation. Asked that everyone respect the committee's decision.
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112 Positive debate: President Ladd (UNCA) said he does not feel like the committee's decision was
113 representative of the entire Association given that many people in the committee this time were
114 proxies or had only been in the committee one time. Thinks it should at least be looked over by
115 everyone in the Assembly to fully represent the group's views.
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117 Negative debate: Delegate Baker (FSU) reiterated Delegate Nichols and encouraged everyone to
118 respect the decision of the committee.
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120 Positive debate: none. Negative debate: none. Positive debate: none. Negative debate: none.
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122 There being no further debate, the Assembly enters into a period of vote on the motion to
123 discharge Resolution 19 from committee. The motion fails by voice vote. Division of the vote is
124 called. Those in favor rise and are counted; those opposed rise and are counted. By a counted
125 vote of 10 in the affirmative and 19 in the negative, the motion to discharge Resolution 19 from
126 committee fails.
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129 Council of Student Body Presidents (Marcus Bass, NCAT, Chairman)

130 Met to talk about several topics. Heard reports from the Executive Branch, the Senior VP, CFO
131 and CIO. Based on these reports the organization is on track. Delegates should be registered on
132 the ASG website soon. No legislation in the committee for consideration. Recognizes Logan
133 Liles (UNCCH) for his role representing President Raynor. Wants to give back to the community,
134 asks that every president bring a gift for a needy family in Charlotte when they assemble for the

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Council meeting next month. Encouraging campus safety walks; concerns will be addressed in the December meeting and come before the General Assembly in January. Also discussed tuition and fee increases and budget cuts. Debated JuicyCampus website. Support the schools that have been affected by it; those schools are planning on releasing a statement asking that it be banned from their universities. Discussed regional college fairs once or twice a year, would have a recruitment fair for local high schools during Saturday ASG sessions. Global warming action item was presented from Board of Trustees and the Council will work to find ways to decrease energy usage and try to save money for students.

Report of the Senior Vice President

Next month retreat will be in UNC Charlotte for the Council and Executive Officers. Went to UNCC Board of Trustees meeting where the Board approved establishing a football team. Board of Governors meeting was also last week, several delegates attended and also went to the University Award banquet that night. Banquet was on Chapel Hill's campus and honored individuals with awards. Hopefully will have a new office manager chosen by December.

Report of the President

No report.

Miscellaneous Business

NCinDC pre-registration forms need to be turned in before the end of business.

Comments & Announcements

None.

Closing Roll Call and Adjournment

President Doucette called the roll at 3:10pm.

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181 There were also 17 Executive Officers present (**Bhula, Bilbao, Boglovits, Clevinger, Cosolito,**
182 **Doucette, Gordon, Lawson, Lucas, Motley, Smith, Styons, Swofford, Tucker, Vice, Williams,**
183 **and Yopp**).
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185 The following guests were also present: **Cierra Hinton** of NCAT, **Phillip-Michael Payton** of
186 NCCU, **Anna Wyatt** of UNCCH, **Olivia Bowler** of the Daily Tar Heel, and **Matt Lynley** of the
187 Daily Tar Heel.
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189 A quorum was present.
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191 The General Assembly adjourned at approximately 3:15pm.