GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNC ASSOCIATION OF STUDENT GOVERNMENTS

37th SESSION, 2008-2009

GOVERNMENT BILL 20

AN ACT TO COMPREHENSIVELY REVISE THE STATUTES OF THE ASSOCIATION OF STUDENT GOVERNMENTS RELATING TO THE ASSOCIATION OVERALL

- **WHEREAS,** the governing documents of the UNC Association of Student Governments have not been revised in any meaningful capacity in several years; and,
- WHEREAS, in recent years the Association has endured a number of unnecessary and wholly avoidable controversies that have heavily eroded its public image, several attributable in large measure to the Association's governing documents that are in various parts inconsistent, ambiguous, vague, meaningless and otherwise providing a poor organizational framework for the Association to accomplish its objectives; and,
- **WHEREAS,** in each of the three preceding sessions of the Association, *ad hoc* committees of various sizes and compositions have been established to review the governing documents of the Association and recommend changes; and,
- **WHEREAS,** these *ad hoc* committees have all categorically failed to provide any meaningful results in a timely fashion, often issuing ill-conceived recommendations mere hours prior to the adjournment *sine die* of the session; and,
- WHEREAS, the continued failure of the Association to modernize its governing documents places it in very clear danger of losing the operational autonomy that has enabled it to pursue its mission to "champion the concerns of students, and ensure affordability and accessibility to quality education today and tomorrow"; and,
- **WHEREAS**, recognizing this risk, during the summer months the various recommendations of these previous *ad hoc* committees were reviewed along with existing governing documents, and synthesized into a new Association Constitution proposed by the Association President and ratified at the August 2008 meeting; and,

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| WHEREAS, | with a new, flexible framework now in place, the Association can begin to |
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| | establish appropriate regulations governing the various aspects of its regular |
| | operations; now, therefore, be it |

- **ENACTED,** that the General Assembly of the UNC Association of Student Governments hereby adopts the foregoing document entitled <u>Chapter 1</u>. The Association of <u>Student Governments.</u>; and be it further
- **ENACTED,** that the Association President shall be empowered to make such minor adjustments to these Statutes following their adoption as may be required by the Legal Affairs Division of UNC General Administration to comply with UNC Board of Governors Policy 700.3.1(3), provided all such changes required by UNCGA are reported to the General Assembly at its next business meeting.

| I hereby certify the foregoing bill was | read twice and adopted by consent i | n the General Assembly of the UNC |
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| Association of Student Governments, | , 2009. | |
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| | Ashley M. Yopp Senior Vice President | |
| I hereby signify my approval of this b | ill as adopted by the General Assem | bly of the UNC Association of |
| Student Governments, this the | day of | , 2009. |
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| | T. Greg Doucette | |
| | President | |

CHAPTER 1.

The Association of Student Governments.

Article 1. Association Officials and Bodies.

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§1-1.1. **Definitions and Conventions.**

Within these Statutes, the following definitions shall apply:

- (a) The "Student Body" is all duly enrolled students of all constituent institutions of the consolidated University of North Carolina.
- (b) The "Association" is the UNC Association of Student Governments.
- (c) A "constituent member" of the Association is one of the recognized institutions comprising the consolidated University of North Carolina pursuant to Article I, Section Three of the Association Constitution.
- (d) An "institution" refers to a constituent member, unless otherwise specified.
- (e) A "Session" of the Association is each period from May 1 of a calendar year to April 30 of the subsequent year, and beginning with the 1st Session in 1972-1973.
- (f) A "day" is a standard calendar day, unless otherwise specified.
- (g) The "General Assembly" is the UNC Association of Student Governments General Assembly, unless otherwise specified.
- (h) An "Association Office" is any elected or appointed position provided for by the <u>Association Constitution</u> or these Statutes, and not explicitly defined otherwise.
- (i) An "Association Official" is any person holding an Association Office.
- (j) An "Elected Official" is any person holding an elective Association Office.
- (k) The "President" is the President of the Association.
- (1) The "Secretary" is the Secretary of the General Assembly.

- (m) An "Executive Officer" is any Association Official in the Executive Branch as specified in Article III, Section One of the <u>Association</u> Constitution.
- (n) A "**Delegate**" is a member of the General Assembly, unless otherwise noted.
- (o) The term "public body" refers to the General Assembly and all committees thereof, Executive Branch Divisions, and the Board of Directors.
- (p) A student in "good standing" shall not be suspended nor on any academic or disciplinary probation, and shall have a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) sufficient to graduate from the course of study in which he or she is enrolled.

§1-1.2. General Qualifications for Association Officials.

All Association Officials shall be chosen from the Student Body. Pursuant to the Association Constitution, all Association Officials must be degree-seeking students in good standing at the time of their appointment or election, and must remain such throughout their term in office. Additional qualifications for specific offices may be assigned in these statutes.

§1-1.3. **Dual Office Prohibition.**

No Association Official shall serve in more than one Association Office at any one time, unless such additional offices are considered dual office-holding exempt as specified by other statutes.

§1-1.4. Oath of Office.

All Executive Officers shall, upon commencing their term of office and in the presence of at least two witnesses, be administered the following Oath of Office by a senior-level Association Official: "I, [official's name] do solemnly swear [or affirm] that I shall faithfully represent the interests of the Student Body of the consolidated University of North Carolina, that I will dutifully uphold and preserve the Constitution of the Association of Student Governments, and that I will faithfully execute the office of [name of office] for the [session number] Session of the Association."

§1-1.5. Open Meeting Requirement.

Pursuant to the requirement in the <u>Association</u> <u>Constitution</u> to comply with the Open Meetings Law of North Carolina, all meetings of public bodies shall be open to all University students except in such instances that necessitate the closing of meetings as permitted by the North Carolina General Statutes §143–318.11(a).

§1-1.6. Public Body Meeting Records.

Pursuant to the requirement in the <u>Association</u> <u>Constitution</u> to comply with the Open Meetings Law of North Carolina, all public bodies shall maintain full and accurate minutes of their business such that a person not in attendance would have a reasonable understanding of what transpired. These records shall be available upon the request of any student.

§1-1.7. Codification of Statutes.

All Statutes shall be included in one of several Chapters based on the subject matter referenced. Each Chapter shall be subdivided into Articles as needed for organizational clarity, and Articles may be further subdivided into Parts for the same purpose. Each Statute shall be numbered in a manner such that it can be referenced by section, with its Chapter first, followed by Article, followed by number. To better enable proper statute indexing and reference, following its adoption a Statute shall not be renumbered. Furthermore, any Statute that is rescinded shall have the text of its section stricken and replaced with the statement "Rescinded pursuant to," the legislation rescinding the Statute, and the session of the legislation's adoption.

§1-1.8. Codification of Senior Executives.

To enhance the institutional memory of the Association, a comprehensive listing shall be appended to this chapter containing the name and institution of the President and Senior Vice President serving immediately prior to the adjournment of each legislative session.

§1-1.9. Institutional Sovereignty.

Except in such instances where doing so would conflict with the <u>Association Constitution</u> or these Statutes, the Association shall abide by the governing documents of each constituent member of the Association in matters relating to that constituent member.

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§1-2.1. Definitions and Conventions.

Within this article, the following definitions shall apply:

(a) A "gift" is any good, benefit, discount, special service or privilege, or any other item of real or perceived value, monetary or otherwise.

§1-2.2. Association Code of Ethics.

The general responsibilities of an Association Official shall be to:

- (a) answer the needs of his or her constituent body through an adherence to civic duty;
- (b) incorporate civic virtues and advocacy in serving the needs of the University of North Carolina and its students;
- (c) represent the Association and the University in a beneficial and respectful manner;
- (d) ensure that administrative decisions are in the best interest of the Student Body;
- (e) be informed of and attempt to remedy University problems and controversies;
- (f) encourage programs and policies that benefit the entire University;
- (g) advocate in an effective and ethical manner, incorporating issues that affect both the Student Body and the communities surrounding each constituent institution;
- (h) represent the Student Body fairly and equally;
- (i) actively avoid conflicts of interest;
- (j) continually enhance and encourage collegiality among all Association Officials; and,
- (k) dutifully uphold and preserve the <u>Association</u> <u>Constitution</u>.

§1-2.3. Ethics in Leadership.

No individual who has previously been impeached in an Association Office for dereliction of duty or other offenses shall be eligible for any elective Association Office. This section shall apply in addition to any other regulations on service or candidacy contained in Chapter 2 ("The General Assembly") or Chapter 7 ("Elections") of these Statutes.

§1-2.4. Use of Position for Pecuniary Gain Prohibited.

No Executive Officer shall attempt to use his or her position, official title, or affiliation with the Association for pecuniary gain.

§1-2.5. Waiting Period Before Seeking Employment.

No Association Official shall seek professional staff employment within the Association until at least one academic year has intervened following that Official's departure from office.

§1-2.6. **Reporting of Gifts.**

- (a) Any Association Official receiving a stipend or any other compensation provided by the Student Body funds shall be required to disclose any and all gifts received or awarded to him or her on account of the individual's position within the Association or resulting *ex-officio* membership in outside entities, including gifts from University and external sources.
- (b) The General Assembly's Council of Student Body Presidents shall establish a standard form for the reporting of such gifts, which shall include, at minimum, the gift awarded or received, a good faith estimate of the value thereof, and the contributor's or contributing organization's name.
- (c) Such reports shall be submitted to the General Assembly's Council of Student Body Presidents on a quarterly basis, and at such other times as the General Assembly may by Assembly Resolution require.
- (d) Non-disclosure of gifts received, or efforts to circumvent or otherwise not adhere to the provisions of this section, shall result in a temporary freeze of all compensation provided by the Student Body funds upon a two-thirds vote of the General Assembly's Council of Student Body Presidents, or the permanent revocation of all such compensation upon a twothirds vote of the General Assembly.

§1-2.7. Commitment to Open Meetings.

In honoring the letter, spirit and intent of the Open Meeting requirement stipulated in the <u>Association Constitution</u>, no Association Official shall espouse, promote, move or vote in favor of any motion or action that would violate the letter, spirit or intent of the Open Meetings Law of North Carolina, the Association Constitution or these Statutes.

§§1-2.8 to 1-2.19. Reserved for future codification purposes.

§1-2.20. Waiver of Provisions.

The General Assembly may waive provisions of this article on an individual basis upon the adoption by a two-thirds majority vote of an Assembly Resolution to that effect. Each such Assembly Resolution shall apply to at-most one (1) Association Official, and shall be in effect only until (i) the end of the quarter in which it is adopted, for waivers of the gift reporting requirements, or (ii) the end of the session for waivers of other provisions of this article.

Article 3. Publication of Documents.

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§1-3.1. **Definitions and Conventions.**

Within this article, the following definitions shall apply:

- (a) The "**Student Body Documents**" are the official ratified <u>Association Constitution</u> and the enacted *Association Statutes*.
- (b) The "Association Staff" refers to the President and the professional staff of the Association.

§1-3.2. Publication of Student Body Documents.

The Association Staff, at least seven (7) days prior to the first regular business meeting of the Association, shall publish the *Student Body Documents* electronically. The Association Staff shall also update the *Student Body Documents* within seven (7) days following the enactment of any amendment to these Statutes or the <u>Association Constitution</u>. Print copies shall be made available upon request.

§1-3.3. Editorial Supervision.

Publication and editing of the *Student Body Documents* shall be supervised by the Secretary, the Association Staff, and other Association Officials as needed.

§1-3.4. **Printing of Legislation.**

All legislation shall be published online for each revision made. The Association Staff shall make available to all delegates copies of legislation upon second reading. All delegates shall have the right to demand a copy of any legislation prior to any vote regarding that legislation.

§1-3.5. The Association Yearbook.

The Association Staff shall publish annually, upon the adjournment *sine die* of each session of the General Assembly, a letter-sized, hardbound volume containing: the <u>Association Constitution</u>; the <u>Association Statutes</u>; all legislation considered by the General Assembly; all agendas, minutes, and other documents issued forth from the General Assembly; an annual report submitted by each of the Executive Officers; a copy of the election ballot for the office of President and Senior Vice President; a copy of the certified results from the election of President and Senior Vice President; and any other relevant documents pertaining to the Association and its functions.

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§1-4.1. **Definitions and Conventions.**

Within this article the following definitions and conventions shall apply:

- (a) An "award" is any prize or other mark of recognition given to a person in honor of an achievement.
- (b) An "honoraria" is any *ex gratia* payment made to a person for services rendered in a volunteer capacity.

§1-4.2. Codification of Awards and Honoraria.

Each official award and honoraria established by the Association shall be codified as a separate article within this chapter. Each such article shall include: the title of the award or honoraria; the purpose of the award or honoraria, including its founding date; any requirements governing eligibility; criteria for evaluating award nominees; guidelines for the nomination of potential awardees and selection of the final recipient; and any regulations regarding the administration and presentation of the award.

§1-4.3. Resolutions of Commendation.

The General Assembly may, in its discretion, adopt Resolutions of Commendation to honor specific individuals or organizations for whatever reasons it deems appropriate. Such resolutions shall not require official codification within these Statutes. No gift or compensation of any kind may be conferred by a Resolution of Commendation beyond honorary membership in the General Assembly.

§1-4.4. **Documentation of Recipients.**

A comprehensive listing shall be appended to this chapter containing all recipients of each award and honoraria, and the session in which the award or honoraria was given.

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- §1-5.6. Presentation of Award.

§1-5.1. Name, Origin and Purpose of Award.

The John L. Sanders Student Advocate Award, or simply the Sanders Award, was established in the 30th Session of the Association in honor of John L. Sanders, Director *Emeritus* of the UNC Institute of Government. The Sanders Award is to be bestowed annually on one or more public figures for service to the students of the University of North Carolina, to recognize those who advocate for the best interests of North Carolina's students and thereby contribute to the quality of their lives. The Sanders Award shall be the highest honor bestowed by the Association upon a member of the University of North Carolina community.

§1-5.2. Administration and Timeline of Award.

The award shall be jointly administered by the General Assembly's Council of Student Body Presidents and the Division of Finance & Administration. Each unit shall designate one member as its principle award coordinator. These coordinators shall determine the timetable for the award, provided that all nominations are made no later than the January meeting of the General Assembly and an awardee is chosen no later than the February meeting of the General Assembly. Closing of nominations and selection of an awardee shall not take place in the same month.

§1-5.3. Eligibility and Criteria for Award.

In general, any person(s) acting to the benefit of the Student Body shall be eligible for the award. The award shall be granted to one or more specific individuals. The award shall be granted for exceptional service to the Student Body, and the Council of Student Body Presidents shall be empowered to determine if any nomination successfully meets this criteria. The Council may, in its discretion, choose not to issue the award in the event no nominations are received or no nominees meet the criteria specified.

§1-5.4. Nominations.

Each Association Official shall be permitted to nominate one (1) person for the award each session. Such nominations shall include a letter referencing the outstanding advocacy or services performed, and shall be submitted to the Council care of its award coordinator. Delegates shall be encouraged to solicit recommendations for nominations from the Student Body. It shall be the personal privilege of each Association Official submitting a nomination to present such nominations at any meeting of the General Assembly during miscellaneous business.

§1-5.5. Selection of Finalists and Awardee.

The Council shall meet in closed session and deliberate on the nominations, and select between two (2) and four (4) finalists for review by the General Assembly. The Council shall prepare a citation concerning each finalist. The General Assembly shall deliberate on the award finalists and choose one (1) recipient by majority vote. The General Assembly shall not amend the list of finalists.

§1-5.6. Announcement and Presentation of Award.

The awardee may be announced upon selection by the General Assembly. The award shall be presented on behalf of the Student Body by the Association. The award coordinator from the Division of Finance & Administration shall have the lead responsibility in organizing the presentation of the award.

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- **§1-6.5.** Selection of Finalists and Awardee.
- §1-6.6. Presentation of Award.

§1-6.1. Name, Origin and Purpose of Award.

The Lifetime Achievement Award was established in the 35th Session of the Association. The Lifetime Achievement Award is to be bestowed at such times as the Association deems appropriate on one public figure who has exhibited a lifetime of exemplary service to the students of the University of North Carolina.

§1-6.2. Administration and Timeline of Award.

The award shall be jointly administered by the General Assembly's Council of Student Body Presidents and the Division of Finance & Administration. Each unit shall designate one member as its principle award coordinator. These coordinators shall determine the timetable for the award, provided that all nominations are made no later than the January meeting of the General Assembly and an awardee is chosen no later than the February meeting of the General Assembly. Closing of nominations and selection of an awardee shall not take place in the same month.

§1-6.3. Eligibility and Criteria for Award.

In general, any person(s) acting to the benefit of the Student Body shall be eligible for the award. The award shall be granted to one specific individual. The award shall be granted for exceptional service to the Student Body throughout the recipient's life, and the Council of Student Body Presidents shall be empowered to determine if any nomination successfully meets this criteria. The Council may, in its discretion, choose not to issue the award in the event no nominations are received or no nominees meet the criteria specified.

§1-6.4. Nominations.

Each Association Official shall be permitted to nominate one (1) person for the award each session. Such nominations shall include a letter referencing the outstanding advocacy or services performed, and shall be submitted to the Council care of its award coordinator. It shall be the personal privilege of each Association Official submitting a nomination to present such nominations at any meeting of the General Assembly during miscellaneous business.

§1-6.5. Selection of Finalists and Awardee.

The Council shall meet in closed session and deliberate on the nominations, and select between two (2) and four (4) finalists for review by the General Assembly. The Council shall prepare a citation concerning each finalist. The General Assembly shall deliberate on the award finalists and choose one (1) recipient by majority vote. The General Assembly shall not amend the list of finalists.

§1-6.6. Announcement and Presentation of Award.

The awardee may be announced upon selection by the General Assembly. The award shall be presented on behalf of the Student Body by the Association. The award coordinator from the Division of Finance & Administration shall have the lead responsibility in organizing the presentation of the award.

Article 7. Eve Marie Carson Servant Leader Award.

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§1-7.1. Name, Origin and Purpose of Award.

The Eve Marie Carson Servant Leader Award, or simply the Carson Award, was established in the 36th Session of the Association in honor of Eve Marie Carson, Student Body President *Emeritus* of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The Carson Award is to be bestowed annually on one or more students to recognize those who exemplify the characteristics of a servant leader.

§1-7.2. Administration and Timeline of Award.

The award shall be jointly administered by the General Assembly's Committee on Government Operations & Community Services and the Division of Government Operations & Community Services. Each unit shall designate one member as its principle award coordinator. These coordinators shall determine the timetable for the award, provided that all nominations are made no later than the February meeting of the General Assembly and an awardee is chosen no later than the March meeting of the General Assembly. Closing of nominations and selection of an awardee shall not take place in the same month.

§1-7.3. Eligibility and Criteria for Award.

In general, any member of the Student Body shall be eligible for the award; provided, that no Association Official shall be eligible for the award unless he or she has attended at least one-half of the session's regular business meetings of the General Assembly at the time of his or her nomination. The award shall be granted to one or more specific individuals. The award shall be granted for exemplifying the characteristics of a servant leader and being a proven role model for aspiring student leaders, and the Committee on Government Operations & Community Services shall be empowered to determine if any nomination successfully meets this criteria. The Committee may, in its discretion, choose not to issue the award in the event no nominations are received or no nominees meet the criteria specified.

§1-7.4. **Nominations.**

Each Association Official shall be permitted to nominate one (1) person for the award each session. Such nominations shall include a letter referencing the qualifying acts or other criteria of the nominee, and shall be submitted to the Committee care of its award coordinator. It shall be the personal privilege of each Association Official submitting a nomination to present such nominations at any meeting of the Committee during miscellaneous business.

§1-7.5. Selection of Awardee.

The Committee shall meet in closed session and deliberate on the nominations, and shall choose one (1) recipient by majority vote.

§1-7.6. Announcement and Presentation of Award.

The awardee shall be disclosed only to the President and the award coordinator from the Division of Government Operations & Community Services until its presentation. The award shall be presented on behalf of the Student Body by the Association. The award coordinator from the Division of Government Operations & Community Services shall have the lead responsibility in organizing the presentation of the award.

Article 8. Andrew Payne - Jonathan Ducote Delegate of the Year Award.

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- §1-8.5. Selection of Awardee.
- §1-8.6. Presentation of Award.

§1-8.1. Name, Origin and Purpose of Award.

The Andrew Payne-Jonathan Ducote Delegate of the Year Award, or simply the Delegate of the Year Award, was established in the 23rd Session of the Association, re-chartered in the 30th Session of the Association and later renamed in honor of Andrew Payne and Jonathan Ducote, Presidents *Emeriti* of the Association. The Delegate of the Year Award is to be bestowed annually on one delegate for exemplary service to the Association, to recognize those whose contributions have been instrumental to the success of the Association.

§1-8.2. Administration and Timeline of Award.

The award shall be jointly administered by the General Assembly and the Division of Finance & Administration. Each unit shall designate one member as its principle award coordinator. These coordinators shall determine the timetable for the award, provided that all nominations shall be made and an awardee chosen at a regular business meeting of the General Assembly no later than the March meeting.

§1-8.3. Eligibility and Criteria for Award.

Any delegate serving or having served in the current legislative session shall be eligible for the award, provided that he or she has attended at least one-half of the session's regular business meetings of the General Assembly at the time of his or her nomination. The award shall be granted to one specific individual. The award shall be granted for exemplary service to the Association.

§1-8.4. **Nominations.**

Each Association Official shall be permitted to nominate one (1) delegate for the award each session. It shall be the personal privilege of each Association Official submitting a nomination to present such nominations at the meeting of the General Assembly in which an awardee is to be chosen.

§1-8.5. Selection of Awardee.

The General Assembly shall meet in closed session and deliberate on the nominations, and shall choose one (1) recipient by majority vote.

§1-8.6. Announcement and Presentation of Award.

The awardee shall be disclosed only to the President and the award coordinator from the Division of Finance & Administration until its presentation. The award shall be presented on behalf of the Association. The award coordinator from the Division of Finance & Administration shall have the lead responsibility in organizing the presentation of the award.

Article 9. Delegation of the Year Award.

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- §1-9.3. Eligibility and Criteria for Award.
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- §1-9.5. Selection of Awardee.
- §1-9.6. Presentation of Award.

§1-9.1. Name, Origin and Purpose of Award.

The Delegation of the Year Award was established in the 23rd Session of the Association and re-chartered in the 30th Session of the Association. The Delegation of the Year Award is to be bestowed annually on one institution's delegation for exemplary service to the Association, to recognize those whose contributions have been instrumental to the success of the Association.

§1-9.2. Administration and Timeline of Award.

The award shall be jointly administered by the General Assembly and the Division of Finance & Administration. Each unit shall designate one member as its principle award coordinator. These coordinators shall determine the timetable for the award, provided that all nominations shall be made and an awardee chosen at a regular business meeting of the General Assembly no later than the March meeting.

§1-9.3. Eligibility and Criteria for Award.

Any institution shall be eligible for the award, provided it has at least four (4) voting members in attendance for at least one-half of the session's regular business meetings of the General Assembly at the time of its nomination. The award shall be granted to one specific institution. The award shall be granted for exemplary service to the Association.

§1-9.4. **Nominations.**

Each Association Official shall be permitted to nominate one (1) institution's delegation for the award each session. It shall be the personal privilege of each Association Official submitting a nomination to present such nominations at the meeting of the General Assembly in which an awardee is to be chosen.

§1-9.5. Selection of Awardee.

The General Assembly shall meet in closed session and deliberate on the nominations, and shall choose one (1) recipient by majority vote.

§1-9.6. Announcement and Presentation of Award.

The awardee shall be disclosed only to the President and the award coordinator from the Division of Finance & Administration until its presentation. The award shall be presented on behalf of the Association. The award coordinator from the Division of Finance & Administration shall have the lead responsibility in organizing the presentation of the award.

Appendix 1A. Senior Executives of the Association.

President Senior Vice President

| Session (Years) | <u>Name</u> | <u>Institution</u> | Session (Years) | <u>Name</u> | <u>Institution</u> |
|-----------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------|
| 1st (1972-73) | | | 1st (1972-73) | | |
| 2nd (1973-74) | | | 2nd (1973-74) | | |
| 3rd (1974-75) | | | 3rd (1974-75) | | |
| 4th (1975-76) | | | 4th (1975-76) | | |
| 5th (1976-77) | | | 5th (1976-77) | | |
| 6th (1977-78) | | | 6th (1977-78) | | |
| 7th (1978-79) | | | 7th (1978-79) | | |
| 8th (1979-80) | | | 8th (1979-80) | | |
| 9th (1980-81) | | | 9th (1980-81) | | |
| 10th (1981-82) | | | 10th (1981-82) | | |
| 11th (1982-83) | | | 11th (1982-83) | | |
| 12th (1983-84) | | | 12th (1983-84) | | |
| 13th (1984-85) | | | 13th (1984-85) | | |
| 14th (1985-86) | | | 14th (1985-86) | | |
| 15th (1986-87) | | | 15th (1986-87) | | |
| 16th (1987-88) | | | 16th (1987-88) | | |
| 17th (1988-89) | | | 17th (1988-89) | | |
| 18th (1989-90) | Gene Davis | UNCCH | 18th (1989-90) | | |
| 19th (1990-91) | Mark Bibbs | UNCCH | 19th (1990-91) | | |
| 20th (1991-92) | Mark Bibbs | UNCCH | 20th (1991-92) | | |
| 21st (1992-93) | Mark Bibbs | UNCCH | 21st (1992-93) | | |
| 22nd (1993-94) | Derrick Griffith | UNCC | 22nd (1993-94) | | |
| 23rd (1994-95) | Allan Keith Dyer | ECU | 23rd (1994-95) | | |
| 24th (1995-96) | Keith Bryant | NCAT | 24th (1995-96) | | |
| 25th (1996-97) | John Dervin | UNCCH | 25th (1996-97) | | |
| 26th (1997-98) | Terry Eaton | UNCC | 26th (1997-98) | | |
| 27th (1998-99) | Jeff Nieman | UNCCH | 27th (1998-99) | | |
| 28th (1999-00) | Jeff Nieman* | UNCCH | 28th (1999-00) | | |
| 29th (2000-01) | Andrew Payne* | NCSU | 29th (2000-01) | | |
| 30th (2001-02) | Andrew Payne | NCSU | 30th (2001-02) | Sonia Blanks | FSU |
| 31st (2002-03) | Jonathan Ducote | NCSU | 31st (2002-03) | Kian Brown | NCCU |
| 32nd (2003-04) | Jonathan Ducote | NCSU | 32nd (2003-04) | Victor Landry | FSU |
| 33rd (2004-05) | Amanda Devore | NCSU | 33rd (2004-05) | Victor Landry | FSU |
| 34th (2005-06) | Zach Wynne | ASU | 34th (2005-06) | Laura De Castro* | NCSU |
| 35th (2006-07) | Derek Pantiel | NCCU | 35th (2006-07) | Dan Fischer | UNCG |
| 36th (2007-08) | Cody Grasty* | ASU | 36th (2007-08) | Ashley Yopp* | ECU |
| 37th (2008-09) | T. Greg Doucette | NCSU | 37th (2008-09) | Ashley Yopp | ECU |

^{*} indicates officer assumed position via either (i) succession or (ii) special election

Appendix 1B. Recipients of Awards and Honoraria.

John L. Sanders Student Advocate Award

| Session (Year) | <u>Awardee</u> | <u>Title</u> |
|----------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 30th (2002) | Benjamin S. Ruffin | Chairman <i>Emeritus</i> |
| | | UNC Board of Governors |
| 31st (2003) | Alma S. Adams | Representative |
| | | NC General Assembly |
| 32nd (2004) | Daniel Gerlach | Fiscal Advisor |
| | | Office of the Governor |
| 33rd (2005) | Eleanor Kinnaird & | Senators |
| | Richard Stevens | NC General Assembly |
| 34th (2006) | - | - |
| | | |
| 35th (2007) | J. Bradley Wilson | Chairman <i>Emeritus</i> |
| | | UNC Board of Governors |
| 36th (2008) | Dr. Lloyd V. "Vic" Hackley | Chancellor <i>Emeritus</i> |
| | | NC A&T State and Fayetteville State |

Lifetime Achievement Award

| Session (Year) | <u>Awardee</u> | <u>Title</u> |
|----------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| 35th (2007) | Benjamin S. Ruffin | Chairman Emeritus |
| | | UNC Board of Governors |

Eve Marie Carson Servant Leader Award

| Session (Year) | <u>Awardee</u> | <u>Institution</u> |
|----------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| 36th (2008) | UNCCH Delegation, in | UNC at Chapel Hill |
| | honor of Eve Marie Carson | _ |

Payne-Ducote Delegate of the Year

Delegation of the Year

| Session (Year) | <u>Awardee</u> | <u>Institution</u> | Session (Year) | <u>Institution</u> |
|----------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| 23rd (1995) | Joelle Davis | WSSU | 23rd (1995) | NCAT |
| 24th (1996) | = | - | 24th (1996) | - |
| 25th (1997) | = | - | 25th (1997) | - |
| 26th (1998) | = | - | 26th (1998) | ASU |
| 27th (1999) | = | - | 27th (1999) | UNCC |
| 28th (2000) | = | - | 28th (2000) | UNCP |
| 29th (2001) | = | - | 29th (2001) | - |
| 30th (2002) | Victor Landry | FSU | 30th (2002) | FSU |
| 31st (2003) | Chad Oakley | ASU | 31st (2003) | ASU |
| 32nd (2004) | Antoine James | WSSU | 32nd (2004) | UNCG |
| 33rd (2005) | Howard Schreiber | ASU | 33rd (2005) | NCSU |
| 34th (2006) | Marcia Smith-Fischer | UNCG | 34th (2006) | UNCP |
| 35th (2007) | Brittany Adams | ECU | 35th (2007) | UNCW |
| 36th (2008) | Keri Brockett | ECU | 36th (2008) | NCAT |

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