Commencement Speaker

The speaker for Commencement Exercises to be held on Sunday, May 10th, will be Dr. George C. Rodgers, Jr. Dr. Rogers is a graduate of the College of Charleston and the University of Chicago. He is former Caroline McKissick Dial Professor of History at The University of South Carolina (USC), former chair of the department of history at USC, and Distinguished Professor Emeritus from the same institution.

Skip Skips; Hamm In Hock for Governor’s School

Dr. Rose Hamm has accepted the position of Director of the 1987 Governor’s School. Having served as Acting Director of the Honors Program and Governor’s School while Rew A. Godow was on sabbatical leave in 1983-86, Dr. Hamm brings some considerable experience and knowledge to the position. After serving five years as director, Skip Godow is leaving the position at his own request.

The Reports of Faculty Committees

Our By-Laws require the distribution of a written semester report by each faculty committee, including:

Committee on Academic Standards, Admissions & Financial Aid

For its monthly meetings, much of the committee’s effort aimed at reducing the volume of paperwork being forwarded to the committee. With the cooperation of the Interim Dean of Undergraduate Studies, there has been some success.

In the continuing effort to reduce the abuse connected with the policy of granting the grade of "T", a memo was sent to the faculty. The number of incomplete grades was greatly reduced, but still a number of petitions for extension beyond the 60-day limit were considered.

Transfer credits were greatly reduced in number, but the volume of requests to exempt the rule requiring the last 30 hours be taken at the College remains constant; the Committee routinely approves of these if involving a College-supported program. Other requests considered involved matters such as the Humanities requirement.

The Committee approved the concept of the dual degree (3+2) in Allied Health Sciences.

The Committee worked closely with administrators to rationalize admissions policy, particularly for Continuing Education. The members hope that policies and procedures will be made so clear that the number of appeals is greatly reduced.

There was one petition for substitute courses for the foreign language requirement based on a learning disability. The approach taken was to work out clear policy guideline for such cases. The Committee considered a proposal from the Languages Department to allow entering Freshmen credit for foreign language, based upon proficiency exams, but felt such not to be justified.

Officers for the 1987-88 academic year are Susan Morrison, chair and Hugh Haynesworth, secretary.

Chair, Mike Jenson (2-5646)

Committee on the Library

The Library Committee met twice during the Spring Semester. The principal business was the 1987/88 Departmental Budget Recommendation. There was lengthy discussion of the various cuts in budgets. Dissenting opinion centered on the need to make any cuts at all, & the rationale for differences in cuts between departments.

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Discussions involved two matters: the athletic department, and the alcohol policy of the College. Officers for the 1987-88 Academic Year are Jim Deavor, chair, and Pam Isacco, secretary.

Chair, Deborah A. Miller (2-5558)

Faculty Research & Development Committee

The decentralization of research funds made this year a particularly difficult one for the Faculty R & D Committee. Decisions for research awards were influenced by many factors (unfortunately a tight budget was one of them), but were based primarily on the merit of the proposal.

The Committee received 28 proposals for Summer 1987. Many of the proposals were excellent and competitive for our limited budget was very intense. Twelve stipends were awarded (College Grants of $1300 to $1500, and Summer Grants of $2500 indicated with an asterisk) to the following recipients:

James Carew Geology
Frank Cossa* Fine Arts
Michael Finefrock* History
Patricia Jenks Fine Arts
Katherine Johnston Mathematics
Amy McCandless* History
Peter McCandless* History
Robert Mignone* Mathematics
Robert Nusbaum Geology
Jack Parson Political Science
Jung-Fang Tsai* History
Godwin Uwah Languages

The Committee also received proposals for College Grants for Fall 1987. Two awards were made to:

Robert Frankis Biology
Karen Ford Biology

For the 1986-87 Academic Year a total of 45 proposals were received and 26 grants awarded.

Proposals for Spring 1988 will be solicited in September. You will receive updated guidelines and a schedule of deadlines shortly after the start of the Fall Semester.

Chair, R. Brana-Shute (2-5663)

Faculty Advisory Committee to the President

Officers for the 1987-88 Academic Year are Fred Ettline, chair, and Ernest Rigney, secretary.

Chair, Julian Harrison III (2-8081)

Hearing Committee

The officers for the 1987-88 Academic Year are William Moore, the new chair and Joe Benich, secretary.

The Fifth Column

[Some things have been heard, but nothing received. So, I conclude that those of you who are writing letters calling for revolution are saving them so you can submit them to David Mann. Heh, heh....--Ed.]

Spring Semester Calendar

May

4 Faculty Meeting
7 Final Grades due
10 Commencement
11 New Faculty Speaker takes office
Former Speaker’s vacation begins
12 PC Users Group -- demo of IBM Personal Systems/2 computers
13 Board of Trustees meets
31 Evaluation of Chairs due from Faculty

[Please submit items of a public and academic nature for inclusion in the Fall 1987 first issue of NEWSpeak to David S. Mann; and until then, have a restful/productive summer!--Ed.]