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Student Government Association Grants F.L.A.G. Charter

By Walter Price

The Student Government Association voted Tuesday, November 12 to grant an SGA charter to Friends of Lesbians and Gays (F.L.A.G.). The charter passed the SGA Senate with 28 officers or senators voting "yes", 1 voting "no", and 3 abstentions.

Representatives from F.L.A.G., who attended the Senate vote were satisfied with the outcome. "I am extremely pleased with the outcome and with the acceptance and understanding that

this campus has shown," Jennifer Williams, F.L.A.G. co-chair said.

For the group, their next step involves the procuring of funds through the Activities Tax Council, to be approved by the Senate, according to Williams. "Although we can technically support ourselves, we need financial support to pay for membership and publicity fees," Williams said.

In addition, Williams said the group wanted to begin to further educate the Davidson campus about homosexuality through

speakers and open forums.

The Senate discussion of the proposed charter began with Lee Hamrick's recommendation from the Charter and Bylaws Committee that F.L.A.G. be granted a charter, although Hamrick noted that the committee's decision was not unanimous.

"I've felt and others have felt torn over the issue of granting a charter. We do not approve of the harassment and discrimination faced by many students. For this reason, we hesitate to vote against

the charter. By granting a charter many feel we are condoning or encouraging the homosexual lifestyle. This is some of the feeling expressed within the committee," Hamrick said.

Hamrick's report was followed by F.L.A.G.'s presentation of their proposed charter, which outlined their purposes in forming this group. Included in this purpose were: to protect the rights of lesbians and gays, to further understanding about homosexuality, to provide support for the gay commu-

nity, to educate the public about AIDS, to promote equal rights for all and finally, to combat homophobia.

Following the proposed charter's presentation, discussion began amongst the Senate on approval of the F.L.A.G. group. SGA President Cammie Covington stressed that the Senate was voting solely on the group's charter. "We are not discussing the money issue at this time. The ATC determines

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Senior Courtney Nichols (far right) addressed the Student Government Association Tuesday night to propose the establishment of a F.L.A.G. chapter on campus. See story above for details.

Student Conduct Council Changes Code Of Responsibility Regarding Rape

By Tom Koonce

In an effort to emphasize the importance of personal rights, the Student Conduct Council recently added and ratified a new section to the Code of Responsibility. According to Dean Will Terry, the change was originally brought up because the SCC wanted to stress

the problems of acquaintance rape because they "felt it was important to be in there."

Terry said, "There was no logical way to put acquaintance rape in there, so a new section was written to deal with rights of persons." The section also states that "The Code of Responsibility ap-

plies to sexual harassment and to other forms of sexual assault, regardless of whether penetration occurs..."

With the addition of this entire section on personal rights, the line "injury to persons" was eliminated to the following section that deals

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Faculty Expresses Concern Over "Conditionless" Hamilton Award

By Tom Price

During Fall Convocation, a new teaching award was announced which would provide the winner with \$10,000. The award was established by Dr. James Pressly Hamilton, who is a member of the class of 1954, and his wife Grey Hunter Hamilton.

Richard M. ("Tex") Hunter, a member of the class of 1926 and the father of Grey Hamilton, also

contributed towards the endowment. The award was given in honor of their late parents.

Concern has arisen among certain faculty members over the \$10,000 cash award. The award does not have any conditions on how the money must be spent. The fact that there are no stipulations concerns some faculty members. Many have the opinion that the money ought to be somehow des-

ignated for furthering the goals of the College.

Dr. Grant Jones, a member of the anthropology department and the chairman of the faculty's professional affairs committee, said that his committee has discussed this issue, but currently "there are no plans to take any sort of action." He said that he has heard faculty

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DCTV To Broadcast On Cable

By Tom Koonce

What first started out as a video studybreak every other week has now turned into a closed circuit 24-hour a day television station to be broadcast across campus on Channel 14 through any television set hooked up to cable. This station will make its premiere on Monday November 8 and will broadcast continuously from that time.

The purpose of this channel, as stated in its policy guidelines, is to

"provide a means to inform the college campus about special events and activities in an accessible manner and on a continuing basis." According to Station Manager Lesley Vauclain the channel will air a wide range of programming including college-wide events such as theatrical productions and music recitals or concerts; Union sponsored events; academic events such as speakers; and events sponsored by other

student organizations such as YSSC and the SGA. The sponsoring organization must get written permission from the performer or speaker to air the event on the station.

The channel will also broadcast away athletic events. At first this will be done from sports programming tapes but Vauclain be-

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Renovations Begun On Carnegie Guest House

By John Murchison

Renovations to the Carnegie Guest House are under way and should be completed by the first week in January, according to Carlton Pritchard, director of auxiliary services.

The renovations, which were originally expected to be completed by the end of November, are under the direction of E. Morrison Brown, an interior designer from Charlotte. Brown, who is a Davidson alumnus, also directed the renovations to the Grey House this past summer.

Plans for the renovations include the conversion of the office into a parlor, a library, and a television room. The parlor will be named the Marcia Bell Mitchell

Parlor, in honor of the daughter of Davidson alumnus Samuel Bell Mitchell's bequest to the college in 1962 was the largest single contribution to the college at the time.

In addition to the office conversion, the guest house is receiving other improvements as well. The kitchen will receive a new entrance and a wetbar, the living room will have new molding and a false door to add balance, and embellishments are being added to three arches in the downstairs hallway. Cosmetically, the guest house will receive fresh paint, new carpet, curtains, furniture and refinished floors. All eight guest

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Forum Discusses Distribution of Condoms

By John David Semones

Mecklenburg County school board member, Sharon Bynum; Director of Education and Public Affairs for Planned Parenthood of Charlotte, Gail Miller; local physician, Pushpa Gross; and Davidson freshman, Sara Withers led Thursday's campus forum in the 900

room. The forum had originally intended to discuss the distribution of contraceptives; however, discussion was mainly centered on the issue of sex education.

Mrs. Bynum addressed some key points that are often not common knowledge. She said that the state requires sex education to be

taught from kindergarten through high school. At an early age children are taught that their bodies, minds, and health are all very valuable and that anything

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