



Third Session of the Student Senate  
September 28<sup>st</sup>, 2010

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Minutes

IV. Executive Council Reports

V. Unfinished Business

VI. New Business

A. FB-019-2010-A bill to allocate funds to the student organization Association for Computing Machinery (ACM).

B. FB-020-2010-A bill To show the College of Charleston Student Government Association's opposition to Governor Sanford's initiative to halt new capital expenditures for institutions of Higher Education in the State of South Carolina.

C. FB-021-2010-A bill to allocate funds from the SGA Revenue Account.

VII. Committee Reports

A. Academic Affairs

B. Advocacy Committee for Diversity on Campus

C. Community Outreach

D. Public Relations

E. Student Involvement

F. Chief of Staff/Deputy Chief of Staff

VIII. Announcements

IX. Open Forum

X. Adjournment

COLLEGE of  
CHARLESTON

STUDENT GOVERNMENT  
ASSOCIATION

FB-019-2010

Presented by Senator *Michael Feliciano*

of the

College of Charleston Student Government Association

On this *Twenty-eighth* of *September, 2010*

**PURPOSE,** to represent the Student Body by supporting its many diverse student clubs and organizations in monetary distributions.

**WHEREAS,** it is the duty of a Senator, as expressed in our bylaws, “to serve as a representative of the student body” throughout the university and the community.

**WHEREAS,** it is a function of the Student Government Association to allocate monetary funds to registered and sanctioned student organizations throughout the college campus.

**WHEREAS,** the support of student organizations is vital to the success of an active and healthy student life.

**THEREFORE,** BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, THE FOLLOWING:

**SECTION I:** the Student Government Association of the College of Charleston allocate up to the amount of **\$35.00** to the student organization, *Association for Computing Machinery* for a *SCANA Information Session*.

**SECTION II:** the total amount of money to be allocated will be distributed in the following manner. The distribution of those funds will be at the discretion of the Treasurer, Allocations Committee and Coordinator for Business Services.

1	1 \$35.00: to supply pizza
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2                                a. It will be used to purchase five pizzas from the Hungry  
3                                Cougar.

4 TOTAL: \$35.00

5     **SECTION III:**   THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT (UPON PASSAGE) BY THE  
6     STUDENT SENATE SITTING IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE SIGNATURE OF  
7     THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT.

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## 9 President Isaiah Nelson

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COLLEGE of  
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STUDENT GOVERNMENT  
ASSOCIATION

FB-020-2010

Presented by Chief of Staff Elliot Dickerson and Deputy Chief of Staff Allie Calder  
of the  
College of Charleston Student Government Association  
On this *Twenty-Eighth Day of September, 2010*

- Purpose:** To show the College of Charleston Student Government Association's opposition to Governor Sanford's initiative to halt new capital expenditures for institutions of Higher Education in the State of South Carolina
- Whereas:** Governor Sanford is hosting a Higher Education Summit on September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2010 in West Columbia, South Carolina
- Whereas:** A Capital expenditure project is a major building renovation taken on by the College of Charleston to improve a current building or build a new building altogether
- Whereas:** The Governor has shown great concern regarding the recent tuition increases by South Carolina State Institutions of Higher Education
- Whereas:** The Governor has stated his position he recommends the halting of new capital expenditure projects for institutions of higher education in the State of South Carolina in light of recent tuition increases
- Whereas:** The Governor recently wrote in a news release: "I call on every member of the Budget and Control Board to pass a moratorium on state colleges and universities undertaking capital improvements"
- Whereas:** The Governor wants all new projects to be frozen: any project that has already begun the process of approval will continue as scheduled
- Whereas:** The State of South Carolina Budget and Control Board will be meeting on September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2010
- Whereas:** The College of Charleston conducted an internal study in 2003 and concluded that the College only had 60% of the square footage necessary for the College of Charleston student body of roughly 10,000 undergraduates

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2       **Whereas:**     The College of Charleston identified in the 2003 study necessary  
3                       building projects, such as the Marlene and Nathan Addlestone Library  
4                       and the Carolina First Arena, which have since been completed;  
5                       however, the College of Charleston still falls short in providing enough  
6                       on-campus square footage for the College of Charleston Student Body  
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8       **Whereas:**     Upon the completion of the Cistern Yard Renovations, the College of  
9                       Charleston will begin renovating the offices at 72 and 74 George Street  
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11       **Whereas:**    The College of Charleston has identified the balconies of these buildings  
12                       unsafe to walk on, and there are major infestation and sewage problems  
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14       **Whereas:**    The College of Charleston has identified these locations as no longer safe  
15                       for classes, but offices of faculty and staff are still present because of lack  
16                       of alternative space for these faculty and staff  
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18       **Whereas:**    Many of the over 150 buildings on the College of Charleston campus are  
19                       historic and are in need of improvements to make them safe and healthy  
20                       to be used  
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22       **Whereas:**    If capital investment projects are frozen, many of the older buildings on  
23                       campus will have to closed until capital investment projects because of  
24                       the unsafe and unhealthy conditions in these buildings  
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26       **Whereas:**    If capital investment projects are frozen and buildings are forced to close,  
27                       the Student Body at the College of Charleston will have less choice in  
28                       when classes are held; more classes will have to take place on weekends  
29                       because of the lack of class space during the week  
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31       **Whereas:**    The Governor’s position that buildings that were adequate in 2000  
32                       should be adequate for students today is a fallacy; without renovation  
33                       and improvements, buildings on the College of Charleston campus  
34                       would be inhabitable and unusable  
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36       **Whereas:**    The College of Charleston Student Body increased from roughly 5,000  
37                       student in 1990 to roughly 10,000 in 2001; the Colleges buildings were  
38                       not and still are not adequate for the now larger student body  
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40       **Whereas:**    In keeping with the College’s recently passed strategic plan, the College  
41                       must continue to renovate and build new buildings to provide  
42                       exceptional services at South Carolina’s premier Liberal Arts Institution  
43                       of Higher Education  
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1       **Whereas:**     This freeze would also affect any capital investment project that was not  
2                     paid for by the South Carolina Taxpayer, such as renovations to or the  
3                     building of a residence hall on campus; residence hall renovation and  
4                     construction at CofC are paid for exclusively by tuition and fundraising  
5                     monies  
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7       **Whereas:**     The Governor's lack of understanding of the necessity of Institutions of  
8                     Higher Education to engage in capital investment projects to serve the  
9                     Students of South Carolina may force institutions, such as the College of  
10                    Charleston, to freeze necessary new capital projects to make buildings  
11                    healthy and safe for students, faculty and staff  
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14       **Therefore:**   BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT  
15                     ASSOCIATION IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, THE FOLLOWING:  
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17       **Section I:**    In light of the necessity for Institutions of Higher Education to serve  
18                     their students with adequate buildings and facilities, the College of  
19                     Charleston Student Government Association does not support the  
20                     recommended freeze of capital investment projects for Institutions of  
21                     Higher Education in the State of South Carolina  
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23       **Section II:**   The College of Charleston Student Government Association thanks the  
24                     State of South Carolina for the constructive debate regarding higher  
25                     education funding in South Carolina, but recommends that measures  
26                     taken to reduce costs of higher education do not also reduce the ability of  
27                     institutions to serve the future leaders of the State of South Carolina  
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29       **Section III:**  THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT (UPON PASSAGE) BY  
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40    Isaiah Nelson  
41    President of the Student Body  
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COLLEGE of  
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STUDENT GOVERNMENT  
ASSOCIATION

FB-021-2010

Presented by Senator *Nicole Trevisan*

of the

College of Charleston Student Government Association

On this *Twenty-eighth* Day of *September, 2010*

**PURPOSE,** to allocate funds from the SGA Revenue Account.

**WHEREAS,** the Student Government Association maintains a revenue account to serve student needs of both its membership and the College community.

**WHEREAS,** it is necessary for all spending from the SGA revenue account to be done in a transparent manner.

**THEREFORE,** BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, THE FOLLOWING:

**SECTION I:** the Student Government Association of the College of Charleston allocate up to the amount of **\$40.00** to support SGA's representative in Mr. CofC.

**SECTION II:** the total amount of money to be allocated will be distributed in the following manner from the SGA Revenue Account.

1. \$40.00: application fee

**TOTAL: \$40.00**

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2     STUDENT SENATE SITTING IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE SIGNATURE OF  
3     THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT.

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5     **President Isaiah Nelson**

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