I. Call to Order
   A. Comments from the Chair

   Ms. King welcomed the commission to the meeting.

II. Approval of Agenda

   The agenda was approved as written.

III. Old Business

   A. Blacksburg Community Standards on Alcohol

       Mr. Steve Clarke distributed and discussed the "Blacksburg Community Standards on Alcohol" brochure, which has been developed by the Blacksburg Coalition on Alcohol, the Town of Blacksburg, and Virginia Tech. The Standards invite the citizens of Blacksburg to help create "a community that is free from alcohol abuse, illegal alcohol sales and consumption, and public disturbances resulting from gatherings where alcohol is served." While students were not included on the committee, the committee did send the Standards to student groups to keep them apprised of what was happening. The Standards will be adopted this spring and distributed to the community.

   B. Football Ticket Distribution Proposal

       Dr. Lanny Cross opened the discussion by distributing the Football Ticket Distribution Proposal and briefing the commission on the Football Ticket Subcommittee's work thus far. In preparation for writing the proposal for on-line ticket requests, the subcommittee identified some of the problems with the current system and
discussed how they could be resolved. Some of the problems with the current
distribution system include: 1) camping out gives large organizations an
advantage over small groups and individual students; 2) the problem is
compounded by these groups purchasing large blocks of tickets; 3) guest
tickets are bought by students who resell them, thus decreasing the supply
of tickets for students. Further preparation for the proposal included
surveying peer institutions regarding their ticket distribution procedures.

Mr. Ryan Hartman put together the proposal as a result of the subcommittee's
discussions and findings. The goals of the proposed distribution system
are: 1) to provide an equitable solution to balance the ticket needs of
large groups and individual students; 2) to allow students to purchase guest
tickets for legitimate guests while eliminating the abusive resale
practices; 3) eliminate camping out. Mr. Hartman discussed the proposal,
answered the commission's questions, and took suggestions for how to improve
the proposed system.

Mr. Sandy Smith, Director of Ticketing Services for
the Athletic Department, was in attendance to discuss the proposal from
their perspective. The ticket office doesn't think the proposal is feasible
and discussed several problems with implementing it, such as processing
payments, assigning seats, and printing and distributing tickets. The
ticket office has purchased software for on-line ticket sales, and they are
in the process of programming it for use here. However, the software is
quite expensive and difficult to program, especially when dealing with group
tickets. They may not be able to program the software in accordance with
the subcommittee's proposal. The ticketing process will be on-line in the
future, but the programming limitations will have to be worked out first.

Ms. Marquea King asked that the ticket office keep the commission apprised
of what is happening as they develop this system so that we may meet the
common goal of moving the ticket system on-line. Dr. Spencer made a motion
to endorse the Football Ticket Distribution System Proposal and asks that
the administration to do whatever is necessary to implement the system as
soon as it is feasible. The motion was seconded and approved.

C. Proposed Student Leader Development and Employment Program

Due to time constraints, Ms. Nicki Cantrell
distributed the Proposed Student Leader Development and Employment Program
for the commission's review, and asked to be added to the March 29 agenda
for discussion.

IV. New Business
A. Appointment of Student Budget Board Appeals Committee

Ms. Nicki Cantrell explained the mission of the
Student Budget Board Appeals Committee and asked for volunteers to serve on
this year's committee. The following people volunteered to serve: Ms. Kim
Beisecker (chair), Mr. Rudy Picardo, Mr. Patrick Wachendorf, Ms. Errin
Jeffes, and Ms. Marquea King. Mr. Ryan Hartman made a motion to ratify the
committee members. The motion was seconded and approved.

V. Announcements

Ms. Tracey Slotta distributed posters advertising the Graduate
Symposium on March 26 in Commonwealth Ballroom.

Ms. Susan Anderson distributed the calendar of events for Women's
Month 2001 and flyers for Take Back the Night Rally & March on Thursday, March 29, 7:30 p.m. on the Drillfield.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Sanzenbach
Recording Secretary