## **Faculty Senate: Update on SGA**

**Learning Communities:** SGA wants to collaborate with Dr. Doughty and the Faculty Senate to learn how effective the Learning Communities have been and how best to improve them.

State Council of Higher Education (SCHEV) Student Advisory Committee SAC is investigating four year graduation rates statewide. SGA will be experimenting with new "think tanks" (each consisting of 3 – 5 students in the PLP program) to further investigate rates at CNU. We want to compare the freshmen who are under this new program which encourages the freshmen to graduate in four years and compare them to upperclassmen rate.

**SGA focus:** This semester SGA will lobby Richmond to improve base adequacy funding, financial aid (for under grad and grad students) and supporting the governor's budget which includes money for research.