WILL VIRGINIA TECH in the near future seek membership in the Atlantic Coast Conference?

This intriguing question was discussed by Virginia people during the Sonny Randle shindig at Abingdon.

Gene Corrigan, Cavalier athletic director, was frank and to the point.

“I would welcome Virginia Tech in the ACC, along with Virginia,” he said. “We are the two largest colleges in the state and both are state-supported. In most states you find the two largest schools in the same conference — like Tennessee and Vanderbilt in the SEC, for example.”

There were other of the Cavalier clan who voiced hope that Virginia Tech would land in the ACC. They think it will give additional prestige to the already keen traditional rival between the Cavaliers and the Hokies.

JIMMY SHARPE will take his Techmen to Charlottesville this season, playing Sonny Randle’s Cavaliers in newly renovated Scott Stadium — featuring Astro Turf — on October 19. That’s a date to be in Charlottesville. A lot of things — mostly football — is likely to happen when these two aggressive, inventive young coaches butt heads for the first time.