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Iovacchini acknowledges problems

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The UNCA Campus Commission, a group which controls \$126,900 of student fee money, has been operating under a defunct policy signed in 1976 by Dr. William Highsmith "for years," said Dr. Eric Iovacchini, vice-chancellor for student affairs.

"As a commission member, I will take at least my responsibility for not moving this thing along -- for not changing it a long time ago," he said.

But, until the chancellor of UNCA approves an updated policy, the commission will have to rely on the policy, signed by Highsmith in 1976, for its guidelines.

"This is the only document we have to operate under," said Iovacchini.

According to Highsmith's "out-dated" policy, the five student representatives that serve on the commission should be appointed jointly by the dean of students and the student government association president, and have the approval of the chancellor.

However, Iovacchini said, "We haven't been doing that for years. My practice is, anybody that the student government people want to appoint is fine with me. My primary criteria is, are they interested in the subject, and will they show up at the meetings. I'm not going to

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Spirits soar as the UNCA Bulldog basketball team prepares to open the season. Both the Bulldogs and Lady Bulldogs are previewed on page four.

Photo by Sam Duncan

Lines call for change

by Maria Horton
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Last week's pre-registration left students waiting hours in line for closed classes university administrators questioning the whole process with an eye to scrapping the current system if necessary.

"It was obvious that it took too long to get too little," said Dr. Larry Wilson, vice-chancellor of academic affairs. "We knew by Wednesday that we had a real problem."

"The only problems occurred Wednesday during freshmen registration when the classes closed and the restructuring of schedules had to occur," said Dr. C. Joanne Garrett, registrar.

"At that point instead of being the mechanics of registration, we were doing the mechanics of counseling," she said.

Another problem that contributed to the problem was a power failure on Wednesday, and this, combined with the closing of classes, made for long lines, said Garrett.

Dr. Charles Prokop, chairman of the Faculty Senate, said the problems were addressed Thursday at the Faculty Senate with "a resolution that the executive committee would meet with Wilson. Wilson said there were three factors at work which caused some students to wait as much as four hours to get through the lines and receive their spring schedules," Prokop said.

"There was a computer breakdown on Wednesday, but that only added to the problem created by the time it took to handle the billing

and the high number of closed classes," he said.

"The lines were not only people waiting to get in the door during their appointment period. The major problem was the fact that people were waiting in line for their appointment period to come up."

"For example there were people who had an appointment time from 1:00-3:00 who were waiting in line at nine o'clock in the morning," said Garrett.

"I don't think you can count this waiting time as registration time," she said.

Students, who found that the class they needed was already filled, were reluctant to get out of line and go to an advisor, Wilson said.

"It's only human nature that a student who has waited in line for several hours would go ahead and take whatever is available rather than go for advice and lose a place in line," Wilson said.

The loss of class time added insult to injury for many who chose to wait it out rather than risk the opportunity to get certain classes.

"We want to look for a way to handle registration so there will be a minimal wait, no more than 30 minutes," Wilson said.

He added that the current system worked against students by forcing a decision between class or waiting in line.

"I waited an hour and a half for registration and just about missed all of my class, and I was in line early," said sophomore art major Pauline Tennant.

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Directory is now available

by Kris Beddingfield
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A new student directory, issued by the Office of the Vice Chancellor of Finance, will make addresses and telephone numbers of faculty, staff and students at UNCA available to those in the university community.

William Pott, vice-chancellor of finance, said the idea of a student directory has been going on for several years.

"We had internal publications, but nothing for students. We were the second smallest school in the system and we couldn't afford it. Then we became the third smallest and I started looking into it," he said.

Pott said he was approached by Collegiate Directories, a minority company which published phone books, about a student directory.

"The company was just starting out, and as a state funded institution, we are obligated to invest in minority companies. We took a risk with a one year commitment," he said.

The company hired some students to sell ads, which paid for the directory, Pott said. "UNCA put no money

into it," he added.

Phone numbers and addresses were published of all UNCA students, faculty and staff. Student information came from the registrar's office.

"All information we have, except academic, can be published. Students who didn't want their phone numbers and addresses printed should have filled out a form at pre-registration last fall," said Dr. Joanne Garrett, registrar.

Both Pott and Garrett feel the directory will not cause any problems. "It will probably be a great convenience for students to be able to contact each other," Garrett said.

However, not all students are happy having their phone numbers published.

"I have an unlisted number that will be published," said Linda Hoxit, a UNCA student. "The university broke my trust. I thought they would keep that information confidential. They should pay for me to change my phone number," she said.

Hoxit, who also works at Campus Security, said she foresees major problems with the directory. "I see problems

when guys get drunk and start calling girls and harassing them. It's a policy never to give out a student's phone number or address at Campus Security because of such problems," she said.

Hoxit said she never saw a form at registration to keep her number confidential. However, Garrett said most students did not read the information available at registration. "The information about the directories and publishing information are now printed in the catalog. More students tend to read it," Garrett said.

Every student had the opportunity to see the notice, Garrett said.

"The notice is at the final checkout at registration. Students have the first two weeks of the fall semester to notify us if they don't want to have their numbers published. New students are informed of the directory at orientation," Garrett said.

"We went overboard to protect students. I can understand some people being upset, especially if they have an unlisted number. But people who didn't want

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Healthbeat

Eating disorders linked to self image

by Michael Gouge
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Eating disorders, such as Anorexia Nervosa and Bulimia, are a problem many college age women, and some men face. The statistics on the number of people who suffer from eating disorders are vague.

Some reports provided by the UNCA Counseling Center say one in ten female college students may have Bulimia. Other reports claim as many as 20 percent of the female college population suffer from this disorder. As many as 80,000 Americans are anorexic.

Maggie Weshner, director of the Counseling Center, said the scope of the problem is unclear. "It's really hard to measure. Percentages change, they grow all the time," Weshner said.

It is apparent that eating disorders are a problem faced by many. "It is very widespread. People are so ashamed and embarrassed that it is hard for people to seek help," she said.

Eating disorders are not about food. Information from the Anorexia Nervosa and Related Eating Disorders,

Inc. (ANRED), states that "Anorexia Nervosa and Bulimia are evidence of other problems such as poor self-esteem, perfectionism, feelings of inadequacy, non-nourishing relationships and inability to deal with loss and change."

Ellie Kincade, assistant director of the Counseling Center, also sees the pressures of society as a factor. "The messages in our culture that you should be thin, and the tremendous focus on food, diets..." present many people with a negative self image that, "you're not o.k.," she said.

Weshner added, "It's a problem that the culture really doesn't empathize with." Our society presents the image that all attractive women must be thin, she commented.

According to ANRED, "Typically the anorexic begins to diet when she feels insecure and anxious." An anorexic feels successful when she loses weight.

"Terrified of gaining weight, anorexics starve themselves in spite of constant hunger and obsessive thoughts about food. They value losing

weight more than anything else in the world - more than friends, school work, careers, family harmony and fun," according to ANRED.

Anorexics are often compulsive exercisers, often fanatical, and despite starvation, they feel overweight and continue to try and reach a lower weight, according to ANRED.

Bulimia is an eating disorder that is characterized by binge/purge eating. Like anorexics, bulimics fear weight gain but gorge themselves on whatever foods they feel they must give up by dieting. "After bingeing, bulimics purge themselves through vomiting or using laxatives, according to ANRED.

"She binges in response to hunger and other stresses such as anger, anxiety, rejection, physical exhaustion and feelings of failure and despair," according to ANRED. Purging allows bulimics to eat without gaining weight while also relieving their stress and tension.

Weshner said people with bulimia, "are stuffing

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