

## Developer chosen to build new on-campus dorms

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must decide on approving the proposal. It is likely to be accepted, as the Board itself decided Guilford need more housing. The administration will submit the proposal Oct. 9.

Though the school has considered building new housing for several years, the decision to review bids from contractors was made only several months ago. In June the Board of Trustees met and agreed that the school needed additional housing. Developers submitted proposals through August. The decision to award Capstone with the contract was made the week of Sept. 20, and the proposal was announced to the student body on Sept. 27 in a community forum.

Doss, Lundquist, Varnell, and Boothby presented the plan, then fielded questions from the audience of about 20 students.

In the forum, sophomore AnnaMalia Ticknor, representing the student organization Forevergreen, submitted a proposal to the administration that the new housing be LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design)-certified. The certification means that the buildings will comply with environmental guidelines set by the U.S. Green Building Council. Construction material, energy use, water efficiency, and indoor environmental quality are all taken into account.

The administration's response was not optimistic. "I have a hard time imagining being able to afford that," Varnell said. "There are a lot of tough decisions to make."

Before the forum, Ticknor expressed her own doubts about the possibilities of the new housing receiving LEED certification. "I don't know if there is a strong administrative commitment ... for having this building certified," she said.

Junior Joanna Kelly, who lives in an apartment near the construction site, worried that the construction noise would be disturbing. Construction would begin at 8 a.m. and end by 6 p.m. daily.

"Shouldn't you have warned people (who applied to live in the apartments)?" she asked Doss. "It's not fair to us. I don't want to live with construction noises." Doss did not offer a response to her concerns.

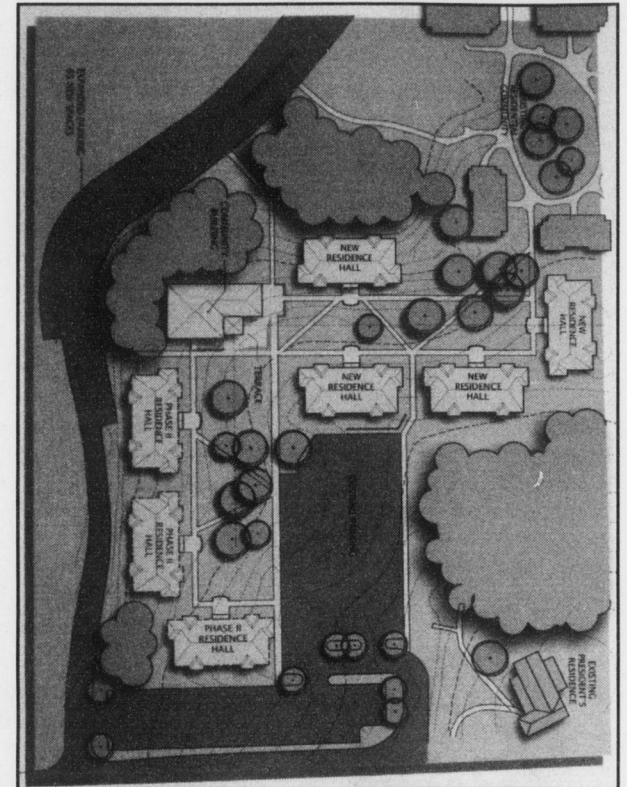
Attendees also discussed the Program Committee, a group being established to make decisions about the new dorm. The committee will be made up of 10-12 people.

No decisions have been made about the members of the committee. It will probably include representatives from Campus Life, Maintenance, Buildings and Grounds, and Academic Affairs, as well as student senators.

"It needs to be representational. It needs to represent a lot of different groups," Varnell said.

Some students worried that student opinions would be under-represented in the committee. Lundquist reassured students that any suggestions were welcome, and recommended attending a focus group on the project to be held sometime in the near future.

Students can express their opinions on the new housing project by meeting with Anne Lundquist,



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### Map of the proposed new housing areas

or by sending their letters to The Guilfordian. As construction gets underway, updates on the project will be posted on the developer's website at [www.capstonebuilding.com](http://www.capstonebuilding.com). ☾

## Community Senate's corner space: weekly update

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Community Senate President

"The measure of a man's real character is what he would do if he knew he would never be found out."

--Thomas B. Macaulay

Welcome to the second Hug a Senator Day, and another opportunity to show our appreciation for these hard-working members of our community we call senators.

To do this I want to quickly run through some recent accomplishments within Community Senate.

Last week, Senate approved and allocated a \$5,000 budget to our new Intramurals program. Director Mike Dixon (x2425) has planned the major items of the program for Spring 2005. Also addressed in that meeting

were two proposals, one for the Guilford College Bike Club, and the other for the Yellow Bike Program (YBP). Decisions on these proposals are scheduled to be made on Sept 29. Please see the Senate Board (located near the Founders stairwell closest to the caf) for the most recent updates.

This week's Senate agenda was dedicated predominately to discussing the Student Loan Fund Auction (SLFA), a first-of-its-kind program created in 1983 by Community Senate that offers low interest student loans. Also on the agenda is a proposal by WQFS and BUS for the showing of a film on Afro Punk.

Looking ahead to next week, I want to remind you of our secondly monthly Town Hall Meeting taking place Oct. 5 at 6:30 p.m. in Boren lounge.

The main topic of discus-

sion will be the proposal for a new dorm (estimated completion date set for August 2005) and a wrap-up of the smoking and party policy discussion.

Refreshments will be served. If you haven't seen us yet, look for your senators in the cafeteria every Wednesday at lunch, where

you can ask questions, talk about policy or just grab some free candy. In the meantime, continue to check the Senate board for updates. ☾



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## Corrections

On page 2 of the Sept. 24 issue, we reported that Vivian Lutian is a new career counselor for the Career and Counseling Center when she is actually working in the Center for Community Learning (CCL).

Also on page 2 of the Sept. 24 issue, the department of Public Safety was misspelled as "Public Saftey."

*The Guilfordian* would like to apologize for these errors.

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