

## UNC-C to Seek Funds Lost in Budget

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RALEIGH — The administrators of UNC-C will go back to the legislative well on March 4, asking the General Assembly to restore some \$5 million that the Advisory Budget Commission slashed from the campus' requests for the 1969-71 biennium.

UNC-C Chancellor Dean W. Colvard and the chancellors of the other three university campuses made their "top priority" requests Monday at a meeting of the Consolidated University trustees at N.C. State. They will make the requests again before the House and Senate appropriations committees.

UNC-C's key items included an office of university development, a master of arts in teaching program, "faculty leadership" positions to add experience to a basically young faculty, programs in architecture, business administration and engineering technology and a language laboratory.

In capital improvements, Colvard strongly supported two new dormitories, a earth-life science building, a health services center and outdoor physical education facilities. The dormitories would be paid for out of student charges and not be constructed "until there is a clear demand for the 1969-71 biennium and the additional funds will be available."

UNC-C will be asking some \$1.8 million in new programs and \$3.7 million for capital improvements. Its original request was for about \$4 million in new programs and \$25 million in capital improvements. The Advisory Budget Commission proposed some \$655,000 for programs and \$390,000 in capital improvements.

Colvard recommended that the architecture, business administration and physical education programs be started in the 1970-71 academic year. The original request was that they start this fall.

## Track Team Is Optimistic

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Another conference champion, McAfee in the 880 yard run, highlights the middle distance runners. Joining him are cross-country runners Eddie Frias and Woody Frick along with freshman Jerry Anderson.

Although the 49ers will be going with two freshman in the sprints, Walt Pearce and Bob Jones, it appears now as if they won't be hurting themselves at all. Pearce ran a 9.9 100 yard dash in high school and might pose a conference threat. Jones is a versatile sprinter, and possibly will be used in the hurdles.

An impressive array of field men complete the team. Ben Basinger returns as the conference champion triple jumper. Dave Lorenz and Ed Echeverra will share the javelin and shot-put activities, with Echeverra possibly throwing the discus too.

Potentially, the most explosive athlete on the team is pole vaulter Greg Eckerd. In practice, Eckerd has vaulted a foot over the conference record. With the aid of a special, custom-made pole, he might soar to unequalled heights this season.

After finishing second last season in the conference behind Lynchburg and fifth in the NAIA, the 49ers naturally hope to improve on these positions. As a result, Coach Harvey Murphy has scheduled meets against strong track schools, in an attempt to prime the 49ers for the tournament meets.

Following the Catawba meet comes a meet with Atlantic Christian and St. Andrews at Laurinburg on March 26, one with Davidson on March 29, Western Carolina on April 4, and one with Lynchburg and High Point at Lynchburg on April 10. All meets are away.



## Ben Basinger UNC-C MVP Enrollment Goes Up by 26.5%

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Ben Basinger and his 49er teammates travelled up to the Dixie Conference tournament with something to prove.

And they were not going to be denied.

For Basinger it was a matter of pride. Just previous to the start of the tournament, the all-conference team was announced. Basinger, the only possible candidate from UNC-C for a first team position, was denied a spot and was relegated to one of six second team berths.

The 6-6 junior was obviously miffed at his lack of recognition. "I'm going up to Greensboro to show the mistake those guys made."

Indeed he did.

Basinger did not settle for three respectable games. He put on a sterling offensive and rebounding show, assuring himself a spot on the all-tournament team and earning the coveted most valuable player award for the tourney.

Team leader Jerry Anthony summed up the sentiments of the entire team as they prepared for the tournament.

"We knew that with our basketball talent we were a much better team than the second place tie we achieved during the regular season."

"The team knew what it had to do and we just went out and did it. We played our own tempo and didn't panic when pressed."

For coach Harvey Murphy the championship was very sweet.

"I wanted this one very badly. I'm very pleased for the boys. They couldn't have played better."

Enrollment for the spring semester at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte shows an increase of 26.5 percent over the spring semester of 1968.

University officials said that this will likely be the largest percentage increase among the state's four-year institutions. UNC-C's 16.7 percent increase in the fall led the state.

Enrollment this semester is 2,308 as compared to 2,351 for the fall semester. This is the first time that the spring enrollment has so closely approached the fall figure. In the past there has been a substantial drop in enrollment from fall to spring.

The spring enrollment includes 52 persons taking UNC-C courses at the Celanese Corp. plant in south Charlotte.

In addition, a number of students are taking work on the UNC-C campus with credit given by other institutions. They include 186 students in teacher education graduate extension courses from UNC-CH, 34 students in social work graduate extension course from UNC-CH, and 15 in graduate education extension work from N.C. State University. Another 33 students are taking a review class for the North Carolina Engineering Registration Examination.

## What's Happening

Today: 11:30 - James Farmer Lecture in the Parquet Room. The Negro in America: What Must Be Done

11:30 - Civinettes in U-231

11:30 - Circle K in U-233

11:30 - Flying Club

Tomorrow: 9-5 Foreign Policy Conference in Parquet

Friday: 11:30 Dirty Movie U-209

Saturday: NCEA Conference in

Parquet Room all day

March 19: Union Lecture by W.B. Yeats' son

March 24-28: Union Arts Festival

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