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FSAC says no to Vandenberg's proposal

By CHIP WILSON
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The Food Service Advisory Committee voted Monday afternoon to reject proposals from Student Government that would have kept the Fast Break in the Carolina Union, reduced service at Chase Cafeteria to the evening meal and limited the proposed student fee to \$8.

The panel, composed of faculty, staff and student representatives, met to consider the proposals issued by Student Government on Monday, March 22. That report was drafted as an alternative to the earlier FSAC plan for refurbishment of the financially troubled food service at UNC.

In accord with the suggestion from John Temple, vice-chancellor for business affairs, the FSAC members considered each Student Government suggestion individually, after discussing the proposals with Student Body President Mike Vandenberg.

James Cansler, associate vice-chancellor for student affairs and FSAC member, said during the meeting that he supported the provisions in the Student Government report that upheld the original FSAC proposals to renovate the upper floor of Lenoir Hall, and to initiate a limited room and board plan for selected residence areas.

But Cansler added that the Student Government proposal did not correlate with the FSAC report. He moved that the committee reject the provisions that would have kept the Fast Break in the Carolina Union and limited meal service at Chase Cafeteria to supper.

Brent Clark, a student member of the FSAC, argued against Cansler's motion in support of full renovations of Lenoir Hall.

"The thing that alarms me most is the thinking that we have to go all or nothing," Clark said. "We have to move more slowly, because we don't know what changes to anticipate in student life-

styles. I support the Student Government plan (to keep the Fast Break in the Union) because it will cut costs."

The FSAC members voted 4-3 against keeping the Fast Break in the Union, and voted 5-2 to reject the Student Government proposal to discontinue full meal service at Chase.

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Specifications for a room and board plan in certain residence areas were also approved. But committee members changed the suggested status required for exemption from "upperclassmen" to "continuing resident" of an area with a mandatory meal plan.

Student Government's proposal to hold the per-semester student fee to under \$8 met with criticism by FSAC members who said renovation costs could not yet be determined.

"We don't know how much the renovation will be until we get the bids in," said FSAC chairman Ron Hyatt. "We don't know what the operational costs will be."

The panel voted by consent for a statement to the University administration asking that the fee remain "as low as possible."

In effect, Monday's action by the FSAC rejected the statement issued Sunday by the RHA Board of Governors opposing any room and board plan and suggested the complete closing of Chase Cafeteria.

"Eighty-five percent of the (RHA) report dealt with operational policy that we aren't considering now," Hyatt said. FSAC members should still read it and offer their opinions at the next meeting, he added.

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Mike Vandenberg

Halberstam examines TV media

By CHARLIE ELLMAKER
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"Television has the capacity to create its own realities," David Halberstam, Pulitzer Prize winner and best-selling author, told an audience of 750 last night in Memorial Hall. Halberstam delivered the postnote speech of the 1982 Carolina Symposium.

In his speech titled "The Media: The Powers That Be," Halberstam depicted the television medium as a force that tends to create issues out of the most visually exciting events, regardless of its newsworthiness.

"The marriage of Prince Charles and Lady Di was for television a massive celebration," he said. "The entire network television medium left for London, not because the event was important, but because television covers (that type of event) well. TV news conforms to the norms of entertainment."

Yet the important issues such as the economy, unemployment and federal administrative policies merit only one minute on the nightly news, he said.

Halberstam graduated from Harvard and went on to work as a foreign correspondent in the Congo, Vietnam and Poland for *The New York Times*. He received the 1964 Pulitzer Prize for his coverage of the Vietnam War in 1962 and 1963.

"Another aspect of television news is that it makes issues larger than they really are," Halberstam said. "During the Iranian situation, TV made the hostages out to be heroes. They weren't heroes; they



Author David Halberstam speaks in Memorial Hall Monday ... his speech concludes the 1982 Carolina Symposium

were victims." Television's focus on the visual news such as the Ayatollah and protesting Iranian students takes attention away from the crucial issues on which the medium should focus. He said "1980 was an election year, and yet all of the coverage was on Iran. Carter played up the crisis

because the Ayatollah was an easier foe than Ted Kennedy." In this sense, television news is inherently biased, for the medium constantly looks for the "action" angle on every story, Halberstam said. This often leads

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Supports student fee

Rha board votes unanimously to oppose mandatory meal plan

By PAM DUNCAN
Staff Writer

The RHA Board of Governors voted to oppose any mandatory meal plan at UNC, to support a University-wide fee to cover food service renovation costs and to approve the renovation of Chase Cafeteria at their meeting yesterday afternoon.

Members of the board voted unanimously against any portion of the student body being put on a mandatory room and board plan.

They approved the motion by RHA President Scott Templeton to support a "University-wide fee to cover the minimal renovation-costs of campus food service, which would be open to adjustments for Granville Towers residents, residents of fraternities and sororities and off-campus residents."

Board members voted to support the renovation of Chase Cafeteria rather than see it closed permanently, after agreeing on the need for food service on South Campus.

Templeton said that previous support by some members of the Governing Board for the proposal that Lenoir Hall be renovated and Chase Cafeteria be closed was based on the misunderstanding that renovations could begin on Lenoir Hall this year.

"We didn't realize that renovations on Lenoir could not begin for probably another year, when the art department moves into their new facility," Templeton said.

The majority of the members of the board supported a suggested fee which would place the burden of financing the food service renovations more on the student body as a whole than on 2,000 randomly-picked students.

The board members suggested that a fair proposal would be

to calculate the smallest amount of money needed to complete only the most necessary renovations, and then to spread those costs, in various proportions, over the entire student body.

An alternative idea which the board considered was the use of coupons or meal books, which would give students an alternative to the mandatory board plan.

Templeton said that in a meeting with James Cansler, associate dean of student affairs, "Cansler was surprisingly receptive to the idea of a campus-wide fee."

"We don't have enough accurate figures and details of our own to figure it (the fee) out," Templeton said. "But they (the administration) said they would be willing to look at it."

Templeton said that no real decision would be made on the mandatory board plan at the meeting of the UNC Board of Trustees on Friday.

"They will only make a preliminary decision on whether or not to recommend the board plan to the UNC Board of Governors," Templeton said.

Members of the RHA Board of Governors suggested that RHA use the data derived from the food service survey being administered this week to determine students' feelings on the food service proposals and to provide some factual basis for RHA's proposals.

The survey is an attempt to find out how many meals students would eat if a good food service was available on campus, how many students would be willing to live in areas with mandatory meal plans with reduced rents and how students would prefer to pay for the proposed food service changes.

The survey is being administered during several residence hall elections, including those for dormitories in Olde Campus and Scott Residence College, Templeton said.

Counseling

New group offers abusive men opportunities for attitude change

• First of two parts.

Editor's note: Since domestic violence has been recognized as a major problem, counseling for battered women has become readily available. But what about counseling for the abusive man? The first part of this two part series explores the problem of domestic violence in Orange County and one man's efforts to help abusive men change their attitudes.

By SHARON ANN KESTER
Special to the DTH

When a woman decides to leave an abusive husband, she may find safety and freedom in shelters—he may find another woman to abuse. Or, as in the case of the man who promised his wife a home in the country if only she would come back, he may start beating her again.

Today, six years after wife beating surfaced as a pervasive social problem, more abused women are seeking help, while their husbands, for the most part, remain untouched by the treatment process.

But if Geoffrey Willett, a Hillsborough, NC resident, has his way, that situation will change soon. Change: A Men's Counseling Service on Domestic Violence, is Willett's proposed answer to the question, what can be done to get at the root of domestic violence in North Carolina?

Given the success of Emerge, the national organization in Boston, Mass., on which Change is based, Willett said he is confident the answer is a viable one.

Since Emerge began in April 1977, approximately 800 men have been treated, says Emerge coordinator Kenneth Busch. Doctors. Lawyers. Government officials. Policemen. "The stereotype of the abusive man does not fit," he said. "He cuts across all ethnic, racial and socioeconomic lines."

Although no formal follow-up study will be available for six months, Busch said most of these men are no longer violent or are considerably less violent—the exception being those men who had not been cured of their alcohol or drug addiction before undergoing treatment at Emerge.

Emerge began when counselors working with battered women in Boston shelters expressed the need for a service to work with the men who had done the battering.

Connie Renz, director of the Orange-Durham YWCA Coalition for Battered Women, also has expressed that need here. She said because of staffing problems and poor coordination between the Durham County courts and area mental health centers, the coalition could deal with the men only in a preliminary fashion—that is, court-mandated counseling, during which men are urged to think about domestic violence and their responsibility for putting an end to that violence.

"But that's not enough," Renz said. "We need a more thorough treatment program for abusers. It's essential to any comprehensive program on domestic violence."

The coalition, which has been in operation since 1978, receives approximately 100 calls per month from two crisis lines—Hassle House in Durham and Helpline in Chapel Hill. Each month, volunteers work with an average of 80 women, who are referred from a variety of sources, including the police, magistrates, doctors, therapists, lawyers and social workers.

Kathy Wayland, assistant director of the coalition, explained the coalition's counseling approach to date, as one of providing short-term supportive counseling to the battered women and educating them about issues directly related to the battering. These issues include the long-term effects of violent relationships on the women and their children, examples of how other women and their children, examples of how other women cope with violence, information on the roles and responsibilities of law enforcement officials and suggestions about negotiation strategies that might help stop the battering.

Jennifer Baker Fleming, founder of the national Women's Resource Network, said this approach has been seriously undermined by the counselors' focus on the woman's behavior and what she can do to avoid provoking her husband's violence. "The search for provocation is the implicit acceptance of the idea that a man has the right to beat his wife if circumstances warrant it," she said.

Of this "right," Willett said: "There is a need to get

rid of society's notion that a marriage license is a hitting license, and the best way to do this is by working directly with the men."

That should not pose too much of a problem for Willett, who, as a member of a men's group (unrelated to the wife-battering issue), worked through the hurt of pent-up emotions brought on by the male role stereotype. "The group permitted, even encouraged, us to cry," he said. "It's coincidental that, at the time I was a member of this group, the Women's Center in Chapel Hill was recruiting counselors to work with battered women," he said. "When I told Connie (Renz) that I preferred to work with the men, her jaw dropped. She thought it was a great idea."

Willett then did some research and discovered the unique Emerge approach to domestic violence. He attended an Emerge workshop, during which personal and social causes of violence against women, techniques for gaining community support for services to men who batter, treatment issues and counseling techniques and strategies for getting men to come in for counseling were addressed.

"I was absolutely floored," Willett said of a portion of the workshop that featured three men who had beaten their wives. "Here were three men who obviously had been into the typical male role—drinking with the boys on Fridays—touching each other and talking sensitively about women."

Based on what Willett learned at Emerge, he explained that soon after leaving an abusive husband, the wife will write him a note saying she is safe, stating her reasons for leaving and suggesting that he participate in a counseling program.

"Success at this stage is facilitated by the fact that the time of the wife's departure is a panic-stricken one, and he is most vulnerable," Willett said. "Often when a battering husband offers to get counseling, he is taking the step to get his wife back home. But somewhere between this initial intent and the second Emerge session, his attitude changes."

In the second part of the series, the actual treatment process for abusive men is explained further.

News Briefs

British fleet sails for Falklands

LONDON (AP)—A British fleet primed for war sailed for the Falkland Islands on Monday and Britain's foreign secretary resigned, bowing to national outrage and humiliation over Argentina's seizure of the islands.

After Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said "we have to regain the islands," the aircraft carriers *Invincible* and *Hermes* put to sea with a send-off from tens of thousands of cheering, flag-waving Britons—some of them in tears.

The carriers will lead an armada of 40 warships in a bid to reclaim the remote colonial outpost, inhabited by 1,800 British sheepherders, which was taken Friday by an Argentine military force.

Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington resigned, saying he assessed the situation wrongly "and therefore I am responsible." He was replaced by former Defense Secretary Francis Pym, a leader of the House of Commons.

Reagan criticizes Soviet actions

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Ronald Reagan soundly condemned the Soviet Union on Monday for its actions in Afghanistan, but also held out hope that he and President Leonid Brezhnev can meet this summer to talk about arms control.

"I think it would be well if he and I had a talk," Reagan told reporters in the Oval Office, just before joining a motorcade to the hotel where he was shot a year ago. He brought with him a speech highly critical of the Soviets.

"We will not remain silent when, in Afghanistan, yellow rain is dropped on innocent people, solemn agreements are flagrantly broken, and Soviet helicopters drop thousands of 'butterfly' mines which maim and blind Afghan children, who pick them up thinking they are toys," the president said in his prepared remarks.

N.C. forest fires under control

Winds died down and humidity increased Monday, helping weary firefighters narrow the number of uncontrolled forest fires to three in Eastern and Central North Carolina that have claimed 35,000 acres of land.

For state forestry officials, it was the third day of battling with 186 fires that broke out over the weekend. The officials were optimistic there would be few new outbreaks because of predicted rain.

"It's looking better all the time," said Dane Roten, senior staff forester for forest fire control. "Still, we've got lots of mopping up to do because even after the fires are contained it can take a long time to put them out."

Court endorses debate freedom

WASHINGTON (AP)—In a ringing endorsement of "robust political debate," the Supreme Court said Monday that candidates enjoy broad free-speech rights even when making promises they cannot keep.

The justices ruled unanimously that a Kentucky politician's 1979 election could not be set aside because he promised to cut his salary if elected.