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BOG approves O'Connor as provost

By JENNY CLONINGER
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The UNC-system Board of Governors approved Chancellor Paul Hardin's appointment of Dennis O'Connor as provost of UNC at the board's meeting Friday.

O'Connor has served as acting provost since Samuel Williamson left the position in July to assume the presidency of The University of the

South in Sewanee, Tenn. O'Connor had served as vice chancellor of research and dean of the graduate school for about one and a half years.

Williamson resigned last spring, when former Chancellor Christopher Fordham was nearing the end of his tenure at UNC. Rather than appoint a new provost for Hardin's administration, Fordham chose O'Connor to serve as acting provost, said

Student Body President Kevin Martin.

"Chancellor Fordham obviously didn't feel he was in a position to appoint someone since he was leaving," he said.

A national search to fill the position wasn't necessary, Martin said, because O'Connor had been hired recently through a national search. "I

think a search is normal, but not necessary," he said.

O'Connor said he is excited about his job. "I'm delighted that, having consulted widely, the chancellor saw fit to offer me the position," he said. "It's always nice to be told you're doing a reasonably good job. This is going to be a great place to be for the next few years."

O'Connor said he would concentrate on unifying the campus this year. He listed several programs, like continuing education, research services and computing services that could be implemented well across UNC's schools and departments.

"I think there's going to be a feeling that it's coming together," he said. O'Connor relates well to students, Martin said, and will fit well into the

Hardin administration. The two new administrators should bring fresh outlooks and new energy to UNC, he said.

"It will be interesting having two people who are both new to campus," he said. "I think he and Hardin have a very good relationship, and that will be very important over the next few years."

NAACP challenges local station

By TAMMY BLACKARD
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The NAACP has challenged the license renewals of 22 North and South Carolina broadcasters, including Chapel Hill radio station WCHL, saying they have not hired enough minority employees.

The National Black Media Coalition (NBMC) in Washington conducted a study of all media renewal applications in the two states and found a number of stations had no or very few black employees, said Dennis Schatzman, executive director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in North Carolina.

"Since the NAACP is the largest civil rights organization in the country, the NBMC asked us to join with them in challenging the stations," Schatzman said.

The challenges were filed with the Federal Communications Commis-

sion (FCC) Nov. 1.

"The commission has rules that stations with five or more employees cannot discriminate on the basis of race, national origin or sex," said Rowland Martin, assistant director for minority enterprise at the FCC. "The licensee has to have an ongoing program to recruit minority or female employees."

The FCC requires a licensed station to employ at least half the proportion of minorities in the general population.

"Let's say minorities are 10 percent of the work force," Martin said. "In the station, 5 percent of their work force must be minorities."

Orange County has a 24.5 percent minority population, Schatzman said. WCHL in Chapel Hill was one of three stations that was granted an extension by the NAACP.

"Any time a station is challenged,

it has 30 days to respond," Schatzman said. "The stations have an opportunity to convince petitioners that they are wrong or that the station can come up with a plan to use minorities better."

"The Chapel Hill station is working on a better EOE (equal opportunity employment) program," he said. Officials at WCHL refused to comment.

Martin said the FCC looks at more than just the number of minorities a station has employed when considering a license renewal.

"The actual numbers are not the determining factor," he said. "The bottom line is the effort the station is putting out."

"If our enforcement branch is satisfied with their effort, the station will not necessarily be found in non-compliance with regulations. On the other hand, if a station has more than enough minorities and women, it

could be found in non-compliance. Just because a station hires minorities and women doesn't mean it can discontinue its EOE program," Martin said.

The problem is not new, Schatzman said.

"We have a problem in North Carolina (that) people refuse to deal with," he said. "White people generally feel black people are inferior, so they either don't look for them or claim to have none available. It's a fact of life. The FCC has got to do something."

The N.C. stations cited were WKRR in Asheboro, WBTV in Beaufort, WLOE in Eden, WNNC in Newton, WTRG in Rocky Mount, WLVA in Statesville, WRRF in Washington and WRCM in Jacksonville, Schatzman said. WZZU in Burlington, WGBR in Goldsboro and WCHL were granted extensions.

Student press covers variety of issues

By WILL SPEARS
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UNC's student-produced publications, plagued by the same printing and publication problems of professional newspapers, aren't making money.

But they are succeeding in their goal of exposing their readers to a wide variety of views, according to the writers and editors of publications such as The Phoenix, a weekly, and Carolina Critic, Catalyst and The Black Ink, all monthlies.

The reasons behind the issues

The Phoenix is a "weekly news magazine covering current issues," assistant editor Donna Leinwand said. It includes essays, features, and movie, theater and music reviews, she said.

The Phoenix began publication in the late 1970s, managing editor Ed Davis said. It was founded by a student who lost the election for DTH editor.

The student lost the election as a result of the "insider, back-stabbing politics of The Daily Tar Heel," Davis

said. The student's father financed the publication of The Phoenix so his son could edit it, he said.

Leinwand said, "We don't cover day to day things. We don't necessarily cover what people did; we cover why they did it."

The Phoenix has a circulation of 7,000 issues per week, an increase from last year's circulation, Davis said.

But there is a circulation problem at The Phoenix, Leinwand said, because the paper does not have a formal distribution system.

"We don't have a truck to take the papers around," she said. "We have to get up Thursday mornings and put them out. It works if everyone does it, but there's always somebody who has a big test that morning and doesn't get around to it."

The Phoenix is funded by student activities fees, advertising and fundraisers, associate editor Timothy Elliott said.

Because The Phoenix is funded by Student Congress, money is not a concern, Leinwand said.

The Phoenix makes some money

from advertising, Leinwand said. But because the advertising staff comprises students, not professionals, the advertising is sporadic, she said.

"In the past, editors decided not to cater to advertisers," Elliot said. "The advertising staff was basically let go. This semester we're trying to build our advertising back up."

'Journal of Student Opinion'

Newer additions to the student publications game are the Carolina Critic and the Catalyst, both about a year old.

The Carolina Critic, billed as a "Journal of Student Opinion," is generally conservative in tone, said Bob Lukefahr, Critic editor. The paper began last fall and "provides a forum for students on the left and the right to express their views," Lukefahr said.

Other campus papers do not deal with complex issues as completely as the Critic does, he said.

"There is a whole host of students on this campus that are dissatisfied with how complex issues are dealt with in other publications," he said.

Surveys disclose students want 24-hour study area

By JAMES BENTON
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UNC students feel there is a need for a 24-hour study area on campus, according to two student government surveys submitted to University officials Friday.

The surveys were submitted to Donald Boulton, vice chancellor and dean of student affairs. Boulton said Sunday he will present the survey data to Chancellor Paul Hardin and the chancellor's administrative committee Nov. 21. The committee will then take action on the issue.

Student government's Academic Affairs Committee conducted two surveys during the last week of October to get students' opinion and demonstrate their support for creating a 24-hour study area on campus. In a random telephone survey on Oct. 26, 226 students were asked about the need for the study area, among other issues. Another committee survey questioned 291 students on the study

area question alone.

Results indicated that 75 percent of students in the first survey, and 82.1 in the second survey felt there was a need for a 24-hour study place. In the first survey, 37 percent of the students, along with 34.5 percent in the second, said they would use the proposed study area at least once a week.

Sandy Rierson, executive assistant for academic affairs, met Friday with Boulton to discuss survey results and proposals for creating the area. Proposals include opening a 24-hour study area on a trial basis before final exams next month.

The meeting went well, Rierson said.

"I think our survey was very thorough, and the results were predictable," she said.

Boulton said night activity on campus and in Chapel Hill makes security a main concern in creating a 24-hour study place.

"When you open a building in

the evening, you are taking a big risk with security," he said.

If the area is approved, Rierson said, monitors will be needed to check student ID cards. Monitors would also have to have some means of communication with University police officers, she said.

Another concern in establishing of a 24-hour study area is the area's location. Boulton said the Department of English didn't like the fact that Greenlaw Hall was named as a possible site for an all-night study area. "They were not positive at all about that," he said.

Rierson said she was unsure of the location of a trial study area, but said it could be in the Student Union. Boulton agreed that he was unsure of a location for the area. "There are options for a location but I just don't know where," he said.

Establishing a 24-hour study area has been discussed for years,

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By JUSTIN MCGUIRE
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A slight decrease in the number of black students enrolled in UNC's graduate and professional schools during the last year signals an ongoing problem the University must address, students and administrators said Friday.

The 1988 UNC Affirmative Action Office's Minority and Female Presence Report, released Nov. 5, said that from 1987 to 1988 the percentage of blacks enrolled in UNC's graduate school decreased from 5 percent to 4.5 percent. Black enrollment in professional schools decreased from 9.4 percent to 8.8 percent.

Students and administrators disagreed about the decrease's significance but said the numbers reflect an overall problem.

Carlton Barber, president of the Alliance of Black Professional and Graduate Students, said he thought the decrease was significant. "There's a lot of work the University can do to increase the numbers," he said.

The University should make a more substantial effort to recruit black graduate students and should institute programs to attract and retain black professional and graduate students, he said.

"I don't see any University program that specifically addresses recruiting and retaining black graduate and professional students," he said. The Alliance works with the Uni-

versity on minority recruitment, he said. The group sponsors a program in which black graduate or professional students are paired with black freshmen to act as mentors, Barber said. The Alliance also works with the University to sponsor a minority graduate school fair each year, he added.

Harold Wallace, vice chancellor of University affairs, said the decrease is a sign that the University has to make more aggressive efforts to get blacks into the graduate and professional schools.

"My experience has been that once you see that decrease, you've got to put more aggressive programs in there to arrest the decline," he said.

The entire University community — not just offices, individuals or programs — must address the problem, Wallace said.

The University knows the problem exists and is working on programs, he said.

"I'm convinced there is a recognition (that) we need to marshal efforts towards that problem," Wallace said.

Leon Herndon, a second-year medical student and co-president of the Student National Medical Association, said the University is probably moving in the right direction in graduate and professional minority recruitment.

"My assumption is that things are getting back on the right track," he said.

With the help of the administration, the UNC School of Medicine is making efforts to increase minority recruitment, he said.

"Blacks make up 12 to 15 percent of the population, and that number needs to be reflected (in medical school)," he said.

The medical school invites black students who have expressed an interest in medicine for a weekend of activities to familiarize them with UNC's opportunities, he said.

According to the report, the number of blacks in UNC's School of Dentistry has increased. Kenneth Day, the director of admissions and student affairs for the school, said the school sponsors several programs for minority recruitment.

"We are making every effort toward recruiting black dental students because they (black dentists) are underrepresented in North Carolina," he said.

The school works with Project Uplift and the Black Pre-Professional Health Society to recruit students, Day said. The school also has a faculty member who helps with recruitment, he said, and school representatives visit the historically black colleges in the UNC system to recruit students.

The school also works with programs in high schools, and dental school officials sponsor seminars with

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'88 front-runner

John Hinton, an assistant track coach at UNC, wins the Footfalls Road Race Sunday. His finishing time was 31 minutes, 57 seconds.

DTH/David Minton

Minority enrollment should be increased, students say

Hey Rocky ... watch me pull a rabbit out of my hat! — Bullwinkle