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We must also have the best available instructional, laboratory, computer and research equipment."

Hardin also addressed a question concerning a statement he made last semester about attracting North Carolinians back to UNC to teach. He proposed Monday an appointed committee structure that would create a pool of potential senior professor candidates. The committees would look first for people with some ties to the region, he said.

The pool would be "a roster of people who might be worthy of being lured back," Hardin said. "So when searches come up, we don't start from ground zero."

Hardin said in the question-and-answer period that he was not

interested in a drastic change in the structure of the UNC system as a way to increase funding. "We already are favored. We are funded differently from other schools."

"If it is not feasible for the state to increase the differential in funding, I've offered an alternative — to give us running room and the budgetary and managerial flexibility we need to do a better job."

The University must also educate North Carolina's people and legislators about the importance of UNC as a research university, Hardin said. "We must intensify our efforts to enlarge public and legislative understanding of the necessity for maintaining excellence on this flagship campus."

## Homeless

and concerned town and University officials — created a shelter task force to find an alternative shelter location. The task force suggested a new shelter be constructed on Airport Road.

The IFC refused to move the shelter because its members said the downtown location was essential to the shelter's success. The Airport Road location was also near the Chapel Hill Police station, which IFC officials said would intimidate some of the shelter's clients.

Mickey Ewell, owner of Spanky's restaurant, said he did not support the present location of the homeless shelter.

"I really don't have a problem with it being downtown. I have a problem with it being in the building it's in."

The old municipal building is not an appropriate shelter site because of the building's historical value and because it would take more than \$1 million to renovate, Ewell said.

Another problem, Ewell said, is that downtown is not an appropriate environment for a homeless shelter.

"People have this idea of a shelter being a home-type place with grass and trees. Outside that building it is all asphalt and concrete."

"So people must leave there, sit in front of the building or sit on benches in front here (on Franklin Street)." Ewell said this causes problems for downtown businesses.

Homeless people come in and loiter while merchants are in the stores by themselves, he said. When the people refuse to leave, the merchants have to call the police.

There are alternative uses of the old municipal building, which is worth more than \$500,000, Ewell said.

"It's not that the shelter doesn't have a place in the community, it's just that there are a lot of useful things

that building could be used for."

The building could be used as a visitor center or for some other function to benefit the town, Ewell said. Continuing to house the homeless there will cause other problems.

"If your property is next to the shelter, it is not as nice (as if it were next to something else). It certainly would lower the property value."

The town is likely to extend the IFC's lease on the building for two more years until 1992, and Ewell said he would probably not pursue the issue further.

"It (the shelter) will be right in the middle of town with great visibility, so you (the homeless) can be seen and loved by all."

Moving the IFC Community Kitchen to the shelter will cause other problems as well since the IFC feeds more people than it shelters, Ewell said.

Debbie Dibbert, co-director of the Downtown Commission, said that in a recent survey, 53 out of 482 people expressed concerns about the homeless and the "punks" who loiter on the streets in Chapel Hill.

Dibbert said the commission acknowledged that businesses and residents were concerned, but she said it did not plan to take action on the homeless issue at this time.

"It makes us aware it's a concern to keep an eye on. I don't think it's something to take an initiative on."

The sense of security in downtown needs to be increased by making police foot patrols more visible, Dibbert said. The commission will work with the Chapel Hill Police on the loitering problem in the downtown area.

Narinder Dahiya, manager of Kinko's Copies, said he did not have any real problems with homeless

## Gorbachev-Castro talks concentrate on ideology

From Associated Press reports

HAVANA — Presidents Mikhail Gorbachev and Fidel Castro went behind closed doors Monday for marathon talks expected to air their ideological differences and highlight the problems of Third World nations. A Soviet spokesman, asked whether Gorbachev would offer to

forgive Cuba's massive debt to the Soviet Union, said that subject was not discussed specifically.

The spokesman, Gennady Gerasimov, said Gorbachev's initial discussions with Castro and the Cuban Communist Party's Central Committee were held in a "friendly atmosphere."

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people loitering, even though the store is open 24 hours.

"On a rare occasion we have had someone come in a little drunk late at night and we ask them to leave, and they are usually cooperative."

"Sometimes we see people early in the morning going through our dumpster. That's because we share our dumpster with Pizza Hut," Dahiya said. "As far as real problems, we've never seen any."

Sally Jessee, chairwoman of the Public-Private Partnership's shelter task force, said the task force was formed in October 1988 and had several goals.

The task force's objectives were to evaluate the present shelter site, to evaluate possible alternative sites, and to educate and involve the community on the homeless issue, Jessee said. The task force suggested the Airport Road site and several others.

A final decision on the findings of the task force did not come to a vote because the IFC did not want to pursue the option of a different site for the shelter, she said. The IFC had the final decision on the location.

A new shelter located on Airport Road could be designed to serve the needs of the homeless adequately and accommodate a growing homeless population, Jessee said. The task force also suggested the Airport Road site because its location one mile from town would be convenient for shelter guests.

Having a permanent site would also be a benefit, Jessee said. "They have a short-term lease on a renovated building. It is expensive, and we hope to be able to recoup those expenses."

Business people appreciated being included in the discussions on the issue, she said.

"We certainly found that businesses were supportive and were concerned about the issue. They were not blind to the problem and were all willing to help."

The general consensus among businesses was that the Airport Road site was a better site, Jessee said.

The present location does not lower the property value of nearby businesses, because most of these businesses operate during the day and the shelter only operates at night, Jessee said. But when the Community Kitchen is added to the present site, it will have a much larger effect.

Jessee said she thought businesses had a legitimate concern. "(But) I don't think that outweighs the necessity to have it. It has to be someplace."

The Community Kitchen will attract more people to the downtown area, Jessee said. "If it didn't, the program would not be successful."

The task force plans to continue to work with the IFC on the homeless issue. Jessee said she hoped the two groups could work on increasing available temporary housing like short-term rental and boarding houses and providing jobs for the homeless.

The IFC is receiving bids for the renovation of the old municipal building and will consider working with the task force on these ideas once that process is finished in a month or two, Jessee said.

Ewell said the task force's idea of moving the shelter to another site failed because many influential people in town wanted it in the present location.

"It's a political and an ego thing. There are a lot of people with clout in this town, and it is their ego as much as anything else to keep it there."

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## Witness says North acted under Reagan's direction

From Associated Press reports

WASHINGTON — A witness on Monday quoted the late CIA Director William Casey as saying President Reagan had designated Oliver North to handle the Nicaraguan Contras' military needs in the event of a congressional ban on official U.S. aid.

Vincent Cannistraro, a defense witness in North's trial, said Casey made the statement in the spring of 1984 during a meeting at the CIA attended by CIA official

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Duane Clarridge; Joseph Fernandez, the CIA station chief in Costa Rica; and a Contra leader who was not identified.

The witness said at the outset of his testimony that he was knowledgeable about activities of the CIA in support of the Contras in the two years before the ban on aid went into effect.

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anything differently as president. "You always hope you can do more. You have to know how to focus yourself, or you run around from issue to issue."

When Martin took office last year, his aim was to make sure student government projects got more attention. He also wanted to follow in the steps of former Student Body President Brian Bailey by building working ties with the administration. "I wanted to enhance those feelings."

Douglas Dibbert, director of the General Alumni Association, worked

with Martin during his term and said he had been a very positive force. "I have had a chance over a long period of time to watch student government. Kevin has to be one of the more thoughtful and accomplished (student body presidents) in terms of making the most out of his time in office."

Martin contributed to the committees he was a member of as student body president, Dibbert said. "He understood the potential for student involvement and drew alumni and students closer together."

## Day care

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least 120 children on a daily basis, Harris said.

The present center, which has been operating since 1953, can care for 64 children and has a waiting list of more than 120 students, he said.

Multiple centers spread throughout different parts of campus would make it easier to accommodate all the children who need day care, Harris said. Parents confident that their children are receiving quality care nearby will be more productive students and workers for the University, he said.

"Day care is a terribly important issue just in a business sense to attract and keep not just students, but employees."

"The job of the University is to say, 'We want the best for our community. We realize we have to provide a building and high-quality day care for children on and around campus,'" he said.

Changing the makeup of the

University day-care committee — now composed of administrators — to include students, staff and faculty parents of children in need of day care would be another step the University could take to improve the day-care situation on campus, Harris said.

Concerned parents and other day-care advocates have been circulating a petition outlining goals they hope the University will adopt, said Gloria Faley, co-chairwoman of the Victory Village board of directors. The petition will not be presented to the administration Friday but will be submitted at a later date. Anyone may sign the petition, which will be at a table in the Student Union and other community events in the next month.

The presentation will occur Friday about 11:15 a.m., and anyone advocating University-supported day care is welcome to participate, Bridgers said. The presentation is part of the National Week of the Young Child celebration, she said.

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