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Fate of faculty representation on board in the hands of trustees

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The Academic Council had rejected a proposal for faculty representation on the Board of Trustees.

Members of the council wanted to discuss the proposal more.

But a council member sided with her peers by bringing it to the faculty for a vote April 7.

"I had actually proposed it last year and the council had done research about it," said English Professor Ann Cassebaum. "It had run its course and the next step was to bring it up."

Faculty approved the proposal by a voice-vote at the monthly faculty meeting.

Trustees have been notified that the faculty want a say on the board, a spokeswoman for President Fred Young said Tuesday.

Incoming board chairman L.M. "Bud" Baker will decide whether to have an executive committee meeting to discuss the matter or wait until the October meeting, said

Susan Klopman, assistant to the president.

Baker was out of town Tuesday and could not be reached for comment.

Of 13 private, four-year North Carolina colleges and universities with enrollments between 1,000 and 5,000, 11 have faculty and/or student representation on their trustee boards.

SGA President Larry Williams said that within the next two weeks he will ask Student Government senators to write a bill proposing student representation on the board.

"I want to do this before I leave," said Williams, a graduating senior. "It's a good thing and it's important. I would like to see it get done."

"I'm not really sure what the procedure is to get this done for students," Williams said. "We may go straight to the board also."

Under the faculty's proposal, faculty would have a non-voting position on the board.

The proposal was drawn up by

the Faculty Governance Committee, a sub-committee of the Academic Council. Members of the committee are Ann Cassebaum, Ric Holt, Jane Wellford and Bill Hightower.

The council discussed the proposal at its February meeting. Suggestions were made to reword the proposal, said communications Professor Don Grady, chairman of the Academic Council.

Grady said that because of schedule conflicts, the council could not meet in March. Members decided to discuss the proposal over E-mail.

Fine arts professor and council member Mike Sanford said, "Things of this much importance need to be discussed much more seriously, and E-mail was not sufficient enough."

Grady said the council defeated the proposal by E-mail. He declined to reveal how the council members voted.

"She (Cassebaum) was
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Reach for the Stars!

Terrence Vincent sits on the shoulders of Williams High School student Joey Schoeneck during the Special Olympics April 12.

Students plan to "Take Back the Night"

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Tonight's third annual "Take Back the Night March" will call special attention to date rape, said organizer Melissa Herron.

"It's not really (designed) to blame Elon College for the fact that it's not safe for a woman to walk around alone at night," said Herron, a junior at Elon.

"Rather, it's to protest that no matter where we go, we will live in constant fear of the night and the potential for violence at any time."

Herron added, "The march is a chance for everyone in the community to reclaim the night. And for the first time this year, we will

be able to walk around the campus community without the fear of being hurt, or looking over our shoulders."

The march was started at Elon in 1991 by Silvia Pasintino because, according to Herron, Pasintino wanted to do something to help friends that had been victims of date rape.

"She (Pasintino) didn't think that the college was doing as much as needed to be done," Herron said.

Many other universities have independently held similar events over the past couple of years to promote awareness of this much overlooked crime.

The march will start at Scott Plaza, near Fonville Fountain, at 6:30 p.m. today, where a live band will play until 7:20 p.m. The band

will be followed by speakers from the community, and the march around campus is scheduled to begin around 8 p.m.

The crowd, which included more than 300 people last year, will then walk back to the fountain where the final activity will be the open-mic session.

During the open-mic period, victims will share their personal experiences with date rape with the crowd.

"After being in an atmosphere where people are very supportive, a lot of people like to talk about their own experiences," Herron said.

Herron added, "This march is designed to call awareness to, and protest, the lack of safety on campus, especially for women."

Former Prime Minister speaks at Elon's spring Convocation

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Margaret Thatcher, the former Prime Minister of Great Britain, will speak at Elon during the spring Convocation on April 28. The main purpose of this semester's convocation will be to honor academic excellence, said Pat Kinney, director of College Relations.

During Convocation the Class of 1995 and all Dean's List students will be honored with a procession before Thatcher presents a speech about the challenges of the 21st Century.

A North Carolina businessman

and philanthropist Frank H. Kenan and Thatcher will both receive honorary degrees from Elon.

"We are trying to reach a new level of excellence," said Susan Klopman, assistant to the president. "Our guest really exemplifies this type of excellence."

Thatcher is scheduled to arrive at 9:55 a.m. on campus, where she will meet the Model, Moseley and Koury families and officially dedicate the buildings that Elon named after them.

Convocation starts at 11 a.m. in Alumni Gym. Students can purchase their tickets in Mosley 209.

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