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## Meredith continues to meet VP candidates

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Meredith College is getting ready to launch its biggest capital campaign to date. Students, alumnae, faculty, staff and others will play a key role in its success.

This campaign will mainly be managed by the vice president for Institutional Advancement, which Meredith is currently in search of since current Vice President Murphy Osborne announced his retirement.

The new vice president will work closely with President Maureen Hartford to make sure that Meredith gets the funds it needs in order to continue giving women the best education

possible. The new initiatives set forth by Hartford will allow Meredith to expand its programs and become recognized outside of the South.

Currently, the search is underway for a new vice president of Institutional Advancement. So far, two candidates have visited the campus.

Last week, David Gesue came to Meredith. Thursday, Nov. 30, Kenneth W. Chandler spent the day on campus.

Chandler is currently assisting Wake Educational Partnership with their capital campaign. Previously, he was vice president for Institutional Advancement at Saint Augustine's College here in Raleigh.

One of his main duties was directing all the activities

aimed at raising money for the school. His other main duty was overseeing the activities of the administration involved in fund raising. These groups included Marketing and Public Relations, Major Gifts, Planned Giving and Parent and Alumni Relations.

Chandler has many ties to North Carolina. He received his bachelor of science degree from Guilford College and is working on his Ph.D. from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. He is seeking the degree from Greensboro's School of Education. He received his master's degree in government administration from the University of Pennsylvania.

Chandler said that he sees

the role of vice president for Institutional Advancement at Meredith as one to "help bring the campus together in promoting and making this campaign successful" and "educating the campus about what Institutional Advancement does."

Chandler said that he enjoyed his job, especially meeting people and being successful at fundraising.

He also noted that the key to any fundraising campaign is the people who donate money. As Meredith is a college, alumnae are vital to the school's campaign.

Chandler said that educating people about the campaign is very important. Others present at the meeting agreed.

Chandler was interviewed

Thursday at an open meeting. He talked about his work experience and faculty, staff and students were free to ask questions.

Staff and faculty at the meeting included Vice President for Student Development Dr. Jean Jackson, Carothers and Professor of religion Dr. Bob Vance. The meeting was held in 101 Ledford Hall from 3 to 4:30 p.m.

## Tyndall receives awards

SHERRY SHAPIRO  
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Krystal Tyndall, a senior at Meredith College, received two honorary scholarships recently for her outstanding efforts and dedication to dance education. Tyndall was named North Carolina's Outstanding Dance Student based on leadership application, academic standards and dedication to the field of dance. She was also awarded the Nathan Taylor Dodson Scholarship which has been given annually by North Carolina Alliance for Athletics, Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance since 1969.

The criteria for the Dodson scholarship of \$1,000 is evidence of leadership and contributions to the profession, academics and being a member of NCAAHPERD. The awards will be presented at the North Carolina Alliance for Athletics, Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance conventions in Greensboro, NC, on Dec. 9, 2000.



## Next week's commencement to feature Frye, honor graduates

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Next Saturday, Dec. 16, Meredith College will honor its newest graduating students. In a commencement ceremony beginning at 10 a.m. in Jones Auditorium, approximately 100 students will receive their diplomas.

North Carolina Supreme Court Justice Henry E. Frye will be the featured speaker of the ceremony. Frye was the first African-American to serve in the North Carolina House of Representatives, the North Carolina Supreme Court, and as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

Chief Justice Frye has received several notable awards from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, North Carolina A & T State University, Shaw University, and the University of North Carolina at Greensboro for his distinguished service to the state of North Carolina.

His other awards include the R.R. Wright Award, Association of Black Lawyers' Lawyer of the Year, and the Kelly M. Alexander Humanitarian Award. Frye is a member of the Greensboro Business Leaders Hall of Fame.

Frye, a summa cum laude graduate of North Carolina A&T, received his law degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Katherine Jones, a member of the class of 2001, is graduating a semester earlier than her class. Jones, a biology major, said, "I am excited to be graduating early but sad because I won't be walking with my class." She added, "I'll always be 2001 in heart and spirit."

December graduates who are walking in the ceremony will be allotted six tickets for friends and family members to sit in Jones Auditorium. Overflow seating will be located in Jones Chapel, where the ceremony will be shown on a screen.

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Dr. Susan Wessels, interim dean of the School of Business, said of the selection of Adkins as the Dean of the School of Business, "I am very pleased. He is a dean with extensive academic and business experience."

According to Wessels, Adkins' experience and his knowledge about the accreditation process set him apart from other candidates.

His knowledge is particularly valuable since the business school is investigating the viability of national AACSB accreditation.

Senior business major Leslie Gilliland, SGA president and undergraduate student representative on the selection committee, agreed with Wessels that Adkins' experience working with faculty through the accreditation process is a plus.

"He has a great vision for the school and for the MBA program. I am very excited," said Gilliland.

She added that Adkins also has experience in capital cam-

paigning and raising funds to improve technology and raise the standards of the program.

"I think he will be a great asset, not only to the School of Business but to the whole Meredith community. He is open, fun to talk to and I think students will enjoy him," added Gilliland.

She explained that she considered his outgoing, upbeat personality to be what set him apart from other candidates and that his interaction with students and faculty was well received when he

visited campus.

Wessels explained that some of the goals for the School of Business include raising the quality of the undergraduate and graduate programs, gaining AACSP accreditation, and as a result of this accreditation, making Meredith's program more visible to the business community.

She believes that Adkins can help turn the School of Business' goals into reality.

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**--Leslie Gilliland,  
SGA president**