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Search Committee names finalists for chancellorship

By Gary Nelson

After Dean Colvard, chancellor of UNCC, announced his plans to retire last spring, William Friday, president of the University of North Carolina system, requested the organization of a Chancellor Search Committee to select a replacement.

Upon Friday's recommendations, the committee was comprised of four members of the UNCC Board of Trustees, four members of the UNCC faculty and former Student Body President Chase Adol.

The committee was given an outline of qualifications sought in a chancellor for the University. Those qualifications included: personal characteristics - candidates should be capable of providing continued intellectual, academic and moral leadership for the University; education - "a sound liberal education received at a recognized college or university, a terminal degree in an established academic discipline earned at a major university or its equivalent in experience"; experience and achievement - candidates should be of broad experience in the academic world and should have achieved recognition beyond the boundaries of their immediate communities."

In addition, the qualification guidelines require the candidates should also provide academic leadership and should have a sound, well-conceived educational philosophy and an understanding of and appreciation for the nature and function of an urban-oriented state university with a multi-purpose mission. Their approach to educational policy should be consistent with that philosophy and understanding.

Given these criteria, the committee then placed advertisements in the "Chronicle of Higher Education," as well as other national publications.

The process then included invitations and nominations for qualified candidates. The committee received approximately 300 prospective candidates. Each candidate was reviewed thoroughly and those who did not meet the qualifications were eliminated. This process continued until the competition was narrowed to some 30 candidates, who were screened once again, until only 15 contenders remained.

The 15 candidates were then interviewed at a "neutral sight" by members of the committee, and the two top contenders were then invited to the university for in-depth interviews on Aug. 1 and Aug. 7.

When interviewed on Friday, Aug. 25, Dr. Ben Romine, director of Planning and University Studies, and a committee member, stated he had no concrete information he could divulge at that time.

However, on the following day, the local radio stations and the *Charlotte Observer* carried stories concerning the two contenders who had visited campus.

According to the *Charlotte Observer*, the names of the two contenders were submitted to President Friday on Aug. 25.

The two candidates are: E.K. Fretwell, Jr., 54, president of the State University of New York at Buffalo and Robert Bersi, 46, president of Western Connecticut State College at Danbury, Conn. The date for a final decision was speculatively mentioned as Sept. 9.

Colvard plans to retire on or before Dec. 31, 1978.



(photo by Kim Burns)

Big WAYS disc jockey Spanky accepting donations for WFAE.

WFAE

Radiothon spurs community

By Kim Burns

"Bob Lacey out here at UNCC on WFAE Day asking Charlotte to reach down into your pockets and give Charlotte its first public radio station for an alternative in radio listening..."

This was the general salespitch of the 12 members of the Charlotte Radio Broadcasting Association, as the individually competitive stations broadcast live from the Cone University Center Patio at UNCC. The radiothon was held to help UNCC's station, WFAE (whose call letters stand for "we're fine arts educational"). Once WFAE raises the \$25,000 needed, they will be eligible to qualify for federal funding from HEW to become a full power, fulltime, national public radio station for Charlotte. They had raised over \$7,000 by the end of the radiothon, Saturday.

The day's entertainment began at 10:30 a.m. with Loonis McGlohan playing the jazz piano. Throughout the afternoon and until 6:30 p.m., various jazz, opera,

folk, bluegrass and classical musicians performed in an effort to show Charlotte the type of entertainment WFAE would be providing for them.

Various local politicians came out to lend their support to WFAE. "I was looking over their program for September and it's great. They need help," Joe Graham Foster, representative in the N.C. House of Representatives, said, "and I'm always interested in anything that would add to the beautification of Charlotte."

Joe Beard, a Republican candidate for the N.C. House of Representatives and a Jaycee, had this to say about WFAE Day: "Well, I am a Jaycee and I'm supposed to be out here manning the phones and since they weren't ringing, I decided to do a little campaigning."

Why would commercial radio station band together to get WFAE its chance to go public?

"Obviously, I think WFAE provides a fantastic opportunity for Charlotte," commented disc jockey H.A. Thompson of WBT radio. "Firstly, it will provide a specialized form of programming in an area that commercial stations don't offer. Secondly, WFAE will provide an excellent training outlet for students at UNCC who want to go into broadcasting. I started out in college broadcasting...kids need more training in public speaking and communication; this is vital for any kind of field they go into."

Spanky, of Big WAYS, expressed his optimism about WFAE, saying "It will make the radio programming that station in Charlotte offer more complete. We are all out here to work for Charlotte, whether we want to admit it or not. WFAE will have fine arts programming in jazz and that type of thing. It's about the only real outlet left in Charlotte where you could start something of this nature."

Another disc jockey, who wished to remain anonymous, said, "WFAE is not a real threat to us as far as taking away our listeners and besides it looks good for the station, so why not help them?"

WFAE will be taking contributions until Sept. 15. They can be sent to the Office of Development at UNCC or called into WFAE at 597-2555. All contributors will be eligible to win a 1978 Buick Regal donated by Scott Buick. Alpine Ski has also donated the use of skis, boots and poles for two persons for a day to be given away in a drawing.

Crackdown on cheating sought

By Nancy Davis

Honor codes aren't just for military schools and small private colleges. UNCC has an honor code which the attorney general's office of Student Body Government plans to crack down on.

Billie Stickell, UNCC's attorney general, took office in April and began implementing a plan to handle honor code cases more effectively. The honor code is only a short paragraph in the Student Handbook, found under the Student Government section.

It reads: "Under the honor code you are on your honor not to cheat, lie or steal; and if you see another student doing so, you are on your honor to report the individual and the circumstance to the appropriate student agency."

In the past, honor code violations have been primarily handled out of court. Stickell said that some professors weren't even aware there was an honor code and handled cheating cases by themselves in their own manner. "I think it's a burden they shouldn't have to bear," Stickell said. "Plus people are afraid to report them."

Stickell plans to contact the faculty to make them aware of the honor code and to encourage them to refer violations

to the attorney general's office. "We will be strict and it will be handled in a serious manner," Stickell said. "To me it is not a game."

The attorney general's office is also stressing the students' right to "due process." She explained students deserve a hearing if found needed but her office will not prosecute if the situation doesn't warrant one. Stickell and Student Body President Larry Springs are working hard to make students aware of the court process and to encourage them to use it.

"There are two jobs of the attorney general's office," Stickell said. She explained the jobs as (1) to prosecute and investigate any complaints against students, but (2) to also protect the rights of students. "Occasionally we will have to prosecute and investigate student cases, but if the rights of a student are violated, we will defend them...even against the administration."

Presently, Stickell has an associate attorney general, Michael Davis, who served as attorney general at North Carolina A & T. She is also in the process of hiring an investigator to help her. In describing the type of person she was looking for to fill that position, she said, "someone with an assertive

manner...knows something about law."

Even though Stickell's staff is small and her goals seem big, she says she is receiving much support from the students. "I wish I could say that of the administration," she said. In order to investigate a case, Stickell must see certain student records. Because of the Buckley (student privacy of records) Act, she must go through the dean of students, who must accompany her, in order to gain access to the files. Student government is not recognized as an agency and Stickell feels that most administrators are content keeping it that way.

Stickell is trying to investigate cases of students owing money to UNCC. However, she says she won't be able to do a thorough job, because the students are protected, adding that she can't even find out the parents' names of a student.

After this week, Stickell, a 30-year-old business administration/political science major, will be in the student government office beside the Candy Store from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. She encourages all students who think they need her services to contact her, but stresses she or her staff will be unable to help unless a complaint is signed.