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Legislators Leave Unfinished Budget

■ The N.C. General Assembly ended the session without a new budget.

BY JOHN SWEENEY
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The North Carolina Senate and House of Representatives left Raleigh Friday night without deciding on a new budget, leaving new UNC-system projects in doubt and system leaders wondering if they will see new funds this year at all.

While the Senate supported a budget that would increase spending on UNC-system schools by more than \$44 million, the House's proposed budget would have cut funding by more than \$6 million.

Since the legislature approved a two-year budget bill in 1995, the UNC system will not actually lose any money because of the legislature's inability to compromise. Instead, the budget deadlock means

no money will be added to or taken away from the figures established last year.

Some of the projects that were not funded included \$17.8 million program to enhance the international competitiveness of UNC-CH and N.C. State University, a \$4.5 million program to provide health insurance to graduate teaching and research assistants and \$750,000 fund for distinguished professorship endowments.

Student Body President Aaron Nelson said Monday he was extremely disappointed by the General Assembly's failure to pass a new budget.

"The Senate acted boldly in defense of



Association of Student Governments President JOHN DERVIN called the walkout a "slap in the face."

the University," Nelson said. "It's a shame the House couldn't find a way to do the same."

"I think it shows a lack of commitment to education and higher education in this state if they would rather give nothing than give something," Nelson said.

Association of Student Governments President John Dervin called the actions of the House in particular "a slap in the face to the people of North Carolina."

Despite those concerns, there is disagreement among University leaders over how the budget stalemate will affect UNC-CH or the system as a whole.

Chancellor Michael Hooker said a lack of new funds would probably not have any tangible effects on UNC during the coming year.

"There's just dissatisfaction, but nothing beyond that," Hooker said.

Nelson said he believed the University would feel the effects of the deadlock very soon, especially in issues involving graduate students and faculty.

"Our graduate students do not have health care," Nelson said. "We do not have sufficient tuition remissions. I think a lot of people are going to be looking at this school, but they'll see a legislature that doesn't care."

"We're going to lose a lot of good students because of this," he said.

Nelson added that many faculty members would leave the UNC system to search for higher salaries.

"Our faculty are going to get tired of the lower salaries," Nelson said. "They'll be tired of a General Assembly that doesn't want to pay and go to private schools that do."

Dervin said the deadlock could have more lasting effects on the UNC system and the state as a whole if actions weren't taken soon to address budget concerns.

We have to be able to plan in advance a number of years," Dervin said. "Without a budget, the system's entire future is up in

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Five Athletes With Ties to UNC Trek to Summer Olympics

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For head coach Dennis Craddock and the UNC men's and women's track programs, 1996 just keeps getting better.

Afterschool-record finishes by the men's and women's track teams in the NCAA Outdoor Championships, the program placed four former UNC athletes and a former assistant track coach on the U.S. Olympic team at last week's Track and Field trials in Atlanta.

"After we won five ACC championships last year and did so well, I just said to myself, 'We'll never see another year like that,'" Craddock said. "This year we won three ACC championships and then come back and finish fourth and fifth in the nation. We were the only college in the

U.S. to finish two teams in the top five of the outdoor national championships.

"Then we go to the Olympic trials and have (five) people make the team. It's been just great."

Sunday witnessed alumus Allen Johnson blast the rest of the field in the men's 110-meter hurdles, claiming first place and a spot on the team. Johnson finished with a time of 12.92 seconds, which tied the American mark and was one-hundredth of a second off of world-record time.

Johnson, who won the hurdles championship at the 1992 NCAA Indoor Championships for the Tar Heels, also won the 1995 World Championships in the 60- and 110-meter hurdles. Yet, some weren't sure if Johnson would claim the Olympic spot.

"Some were writing him off because

Red, White and Carolina Blue

Five track athletes with ties to UNC claimed spots on the U.S. Olympic team at last week's Olympic Trials in Atlanta.

Athlete	Event	Trials Finish
C.J. Hunter	shot put	3rd place
Allen Johnson	110 hurdles	1st place
Lynda Lipson	javelin	3rd place
Joan Nesbit	10,000	3rd place
Tisha Waller	high jump	1st place



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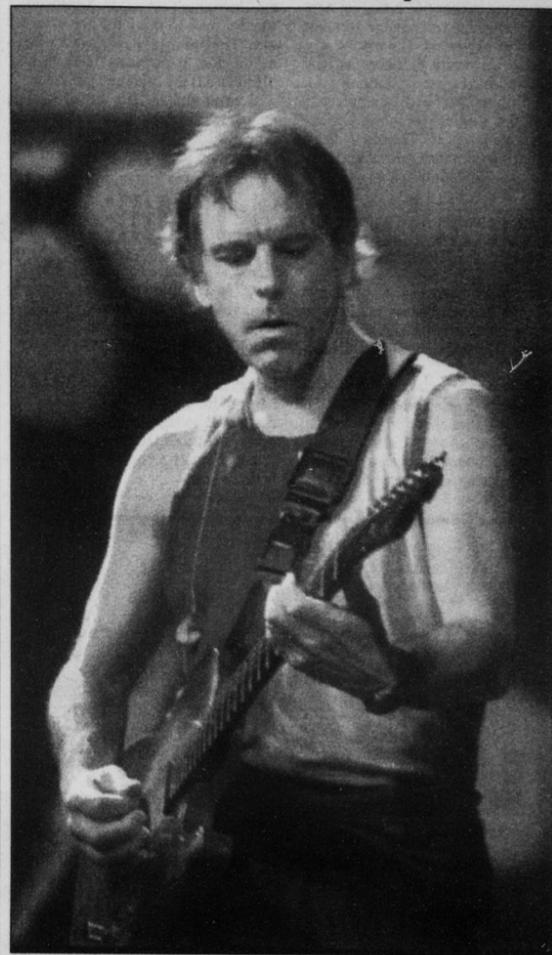
some of the other guys in the trials and semifinals had run so fast," Craddock said. "Here's a guy that won the world indoor and outdoor hurdles championship last year. Sometimes I don't think they give

him enough respect. Allen Johnson is king of the hurdles."

Assistant coach Joan Nesbit also earned

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Will Not Fade Away



DTH/KATHLEEN OEHLER

Bob Weir takes the stage Sunday at the Further Festival at Raleigh's Walnut Creek Amphitheater. The former Grateful Dead guitarist joined Mickey Hart and Bruce Hornsby on some legendary Dead tunes.



Photos by Kathleen Oehler

Eternal Flame

Burning through the streets of Chapel Hill and Carrboro

BY TANYA K. MERRITTE
STAFF WRITER

Moving. Wonderful. Overwhelming. These were just some of the words used to describe the Olympic Torch as it passed through Chapel Hill and Carrboro Sunday afternoon on its way to Atlanta for the Centennial Games.

Thousands of people gathered on Franklin Street to cheer the torch's arrival and the five local citizens selected to carry it. The citizens, called Community Heroes, were chosen because of their contributions and service to the community.

Chuck Stone, a University professor of journalism and mass communications, said he had mixed



feelings about carrying the torch.

"There were many feelings," he said. "Pride, surprise, humility, embarrassment."

Stone said he had first questioned whether he deserved to carry the torch. He said he could think of members of the University community who were "far more worthy" than he. But as the moment drew nearer, Stone said the intensity increased and he was proud to be included in the event.

Stone also said the crowd was a factor in the thrill. "There is no way to anticipate the tremendous outpouring of affection, especially from the kids," he said. "There's nothing special about me, but the kids

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Lighting up the spectators' lives

BY ANDREW HOLTON
STAFF WRITER

Thousands of people eagerly braved the sweltering heat Sunday to tap into the spreading national wave of Olympic spirit and see Chapel Hill's five Community Heroes carry the Olympic flame through the streets of the town.

"It's a fantastic event," said Mike Loveman, flame relay volunteer and Chapel Hill Parks and Recreation director. "It's nice to see so many people here supporting the community and the Olympics."

The flame passed through Durham and Chapel Hill on the 59th day of the torch relay parade that covered over 15,000 miles and passed within two hours of 90 percent of the nation's population. The flame's route through Chapel Hill spread from the Erwin Road —

U.S. Highway 15-501 vicinity through Franklin Street.

Flo Miller, assistant town manager for Chapel Hill, and organizers in the area have been planning for the torch's arrival for well over a year.

The first two legs of the Chapel Hill relay were run by Art Cleary and Dr. Carl Henley. Cleary carried the torch from Dobin Hills Apartments on 15-501 to the Omni Europa.

Cleary passed the torch to Carl Henley, a University professor in the School of Social Work.

At 1:10 p.m., after several community performances and pre-Olympic fanfare, Chapel Hill Deputy Fire Chief and Community Hero Myrtle Smith carried the torch through a parted sea of excited citizens gathered around a stage adja-

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Pick the DTH Up Wednesday Next Week

Because of next week's July 4 holiday, The Daily Tar Heel will come out on Wednesday instead of its usual Thursday publication date.

So don't miss the exciting follow-up to our largest mail-home issue ever.

Today's paper is being mailed out to an additional 7,000 incoming freshmen and transfer and graduate students.

You'll notice the paper has an extra B section. Carolina Compass should provide helpful information about the University, the town and entertainment activities.

We also welcome back returning summer school students. If you've gotten bored of Chapel Hill in the summertime, come by Suite 104 of the Student Union and pick up an application to work for the DTH. We're always looking for a few good writers.

And They're Off!

(Or Are They?)

■ At press time, it was still uncertain whether UNC basketball players Dante Calabria (left) and Jeff McInnis were drafted Wednesday in the NBA Draft.

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University Officials in No Hurry to Defer Rush; Shorten Process to Two Weeks Instead

BY JEANNE FUGATE
EDITOR

Before students rush into joining a Greek organization, University officials want them to think about it — and other issues — carefully.

Chancellor Michael Hooker announced Monday that significant changes in fraternity rush procedures, including reducing the fall rush period and expanding mandatory education periods for pledges, would take place this fall.

"Clearly, changes need to be made," Hooker stated in a press release.

Shortly after the May 12 Phi Gamma Delta fraternity house fire that killed five UNC students, Hooker suggested delaying the rush process, which normally takes place at the beginning of both fall and spring semesters, until spring semester.

But with the fall semester only two months away and rush plans well under way, Hooker has decided to wait for his Task Force on Greek Affairs' study on the effects of delaying rush.

"We thought (moving rush) would cause significant confusion, since information already has been distributed to incoming students," he stated.

Director of Greek Affairs Ron Binder said the chancellor's committee had already been discussing the delay for at least one year. But he said the discussion needed to be broader.

"The issue of deferred rush is an idea that needs to be studied and that requires consultation and consensus," he said. "Studying it in the fall will allow greater time to accomplish that."

Binder said the committee would talk with national representatives of the fraternities and sororities, alumni and students in making a decision.

"It's a big decision to move rush and we need to be sure exactly what we're getting into," he said.

The task force should complete their study by the 1997-98 school year. Hooker mandated other changes, including shortening the rush period from three weeks to two. The period will begin on Aug. 19 and end on Sept. 2.

"For the most part, students would appreciate that," Binder said.

Binder said his office would be working to make sure that organizations could still make sound decisions. He will work to organize a biography of everyone who goes through the rush process.

The second change would emphasize

the national and local fraternity policies regarding alcohol consumption.

"Everybody's national policy states very clearly that alcohol is not to be present at any recruitment function," Binder said.

Binder said the groups in the Interfraternity Council were the only ones that typically did not adhere to the policy, but he was going to scrutinize them more closely. "Some of our groups do a very good job with this already," he said. "What we're asking for now is everybody to be at the same place."

The final change would expand the required education sessions to include information on fire safety and substance abuse.

Prospective Greek members already must attend sessions on date rape and risk management.

Chapel Hill Fire Chief Dan Jones has agreed to help with the fire safety session, which will take place in the current seminar about risk management.

"There's definitely going to be an effort to provide some fire safety education," he said.

Tentative plans call for the session during Greek rush orientation and freshman orientation. Jones said he had also discussed the possibility of training a student team in fire safety techniques that they could relay to their peers.

"We're committed to it, and I know the

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What demon possessed me that I behaved so well?

Henry David Thoreau