

Outsourcing Steering Committee looking for employee involvement

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EDITOR

The Outsourcing Steering Committee opened its second meeting to more than a dozen members of the public and press Thursday morning.

"I think this is an excellent opportunity for the University system," Committee Coordinator Bruce Runberg said of the University's first open committee meeting of this sort.

The UNC-system General Administration has charged all 16 campuses with gathering information about the costs of 51 different services over a three-year period. The University will completely outsource 19 of those services. Another 24 services will be partially outsourced.

By Sept. 13, the committee must relay

information about seven of the 51 services to the administrative office. A full plan for looking into the remaining services must be completed by Oct. 11.

Student Body President Aaron Nelson, the student representative on the outsourcing committee, said their study should not rely on previous figures. MGT of America, a Florida-based firm hired earlier this year, concluded that privatization could result in cost-savings for the UNC system based on systemwide figures. "I think it's very important that the University do the study," he said.

Runberg said the committee would be working to generate numbers specific to the University, as directed by the General Administration's plan.

"Every one of the 51 services has to be evaluated," Runberg said. "If it is de-

ecided that it might be of merit to compete the work of that subject, then the services would be advertised."

By the end of next week, committee members also hope to give all faculty and staff a letter explaining in more detail the committee's purpose and possibility for interaction. "The employees that are involved will have opportunities to participate along the way," Runberg said.

Associate Vice Chancellor for Human Resources Laurie Charest is chairwoman of the Employee Relations Support Team, a subcommittee of the outsourcing committee. Charest said the support team planned to invite a housekeeper and a representative of heating, ventilation and air conditioning to sit on the subcommittee because of the concerns expressed in those communities.

Women's Caucus develops application

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The Women's Caucus formulated an application Thursday that will be used to choose undergraduate representatives to the Advisory Board on Women's Issues.

The Board was created last semester at the recommendation of the Chancellor's Task Force on Women. The group's first task will be to create the proposed Women's Center.

Dara Whalen, a graduate student in the School of Public Health and a member of the Board, said selecting the undergraduate representatives as soon as possible was imperative.

"They want to work, and they want to work fast," Whalen said. "They want to work toward the Women's Center as soon as possible."

Marion Traub-Werner, a sophomore and co-chairwoman of Women's Issues Network, said the Caucus waited to select undergraduate representatives because they wanted to reach a more diverse group of students.

To achieve this goal, the Caucus developed an application with short-answer questions and a cover sheet with background information on the Center, the Board and the Caucus.

"We want anyone to be able to apply for this," Traub-Werner said.

The Caucus also discussed ways to publicize the group's activities. The group discussed the possibility of making a World Wide Web page and putting the application on the web.

Sophomore Alyssa Wilson, a member of the Women's Issues Network, said the group needed to focus on publicity. "If we're going to make it accessible, we can't fault people for not coming to us," Wilson said.

Applications can be picked up at the Union Desk this afternoon and are due Sept. 16.

GRICE

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began to participate in the annual Race for the Cure in Washington, D.C. They have gone together every year since.

Although willing to go to the Washington race, Grice started to wonder why his family had to travel so far to participate in the race and he began to look into establishing an annual race in North Carolina. He contacted the national foundation office for an application, and started the application process last year when he decided to undertake the huge task alone.

A lot goes in to planning a race of this magnitude. Corporate sponsors must be found, a race route must be arranged and security and volunteers must be coordinated.

Fortunately for Grice, a small committee of women had

already started working on the project, and he decided to join their efforts to bring the race to Raleigh.

Grice is now vice-chairman of the race committee and will be organizing activities for a new group, Men for the Cure.

"Men are the fathers, husbands, brothers and sons of the women who get breast cancer," he said. "This disease has a tremendous impact on both sexes and both need to be involved."

Being a man fighting a mostly female disease never slowed Grice down. "I was much more worried about my age than my being male," Grice, who is the youngest member of the group at age 20, said. "I realized that my age could be a problem, that some people might not take me seriously."

Some of the women Grice worked with were concerned as well. But Jeanne Peck, chair of the Race for the Cure Committee, said she was impressed with Grice and his work. "Initially I watched for people's reactions to Matthew's age because I was afraid that it might be a problem," Peck said. "But there was never a problem because Matthew presents himself so well."

Others seem equally impressed with Grice. "This is an especially personal issue with him because of his mother's recovery and he takes this commitment very seriously," said Gregg Sullivan, program associate of the Wesley Foundation where Grice is an active member.

In addition, Grice is head manager for the junior varsity boys' basketball team, a Ronald McDonald house volunteer and co-editor of the Wesley Foundation's monthly newsletter.

But his commitment to the race seems to have edged out any competing activities, perhaps because the roots of his interest lie deep within his own family. "We all had to make sacrifices during the ordeal, and I think it made me grow up faster but it also made my family even closer," he said.

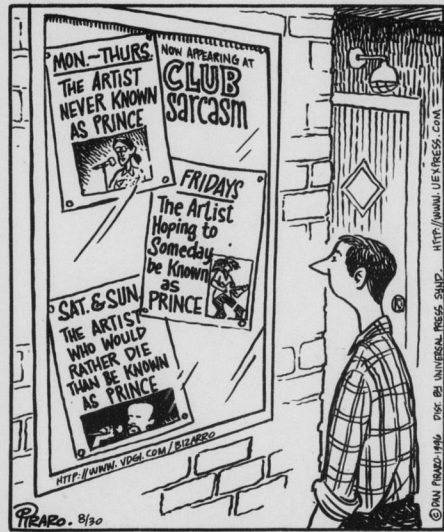
Not just Grice's family will benefit from his work. On June 7, 1997, this affair will become a reality for many families when the mothers, daughters, fathers, sons and friends of breast cancer victims begin to cross the finish line. Grice and his mother will be among them, survivors racing for the cure.

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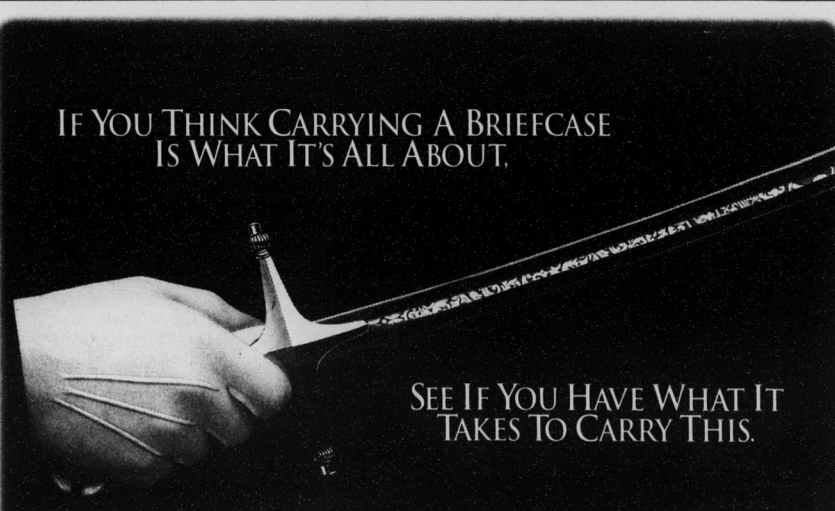
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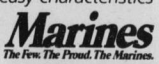
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