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## Congress urges SBT to freeze BSM funds

BY JOHN SWEENEY  
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Student Congress voted overwhelmingly last week to ask Student Body Treasurer Marc McCollum to freeze the funds of the Black Student Movement, one of UNC's largest student organizations.

The 4-1 vote came after the revelation that the BSM had failed to pay back about \$1,800 in student fee money allocated by congress for fund-raising purposes. Such funds are usually treated as seed money that should be repaid when fund raising concludes.

The BSM was not specifically named in the bill, but that group and cONcEpt of colors are the only two organizations that have incurred such debts.

Director of the Student Activities Fund Office Howard Brubaker said the



Speaker of Student Congress **JAMES HOFFMAN** said the BSM could look to outside sources to repay its debts.

debts could be traced back to the fall semester, when a new accounting procedure went into effect. Brubaker said he believed the BSM's leaders had gotten confused about the new procedure, leading to the failure to repay the debt.

"There hadn't been any particular problems with the BSM before that," he said.

Speaker of Student Congress James Hoffman said congress was not seeking to punish the BSM for its debt, but instead sought to insure that student fees were appropriately handled.

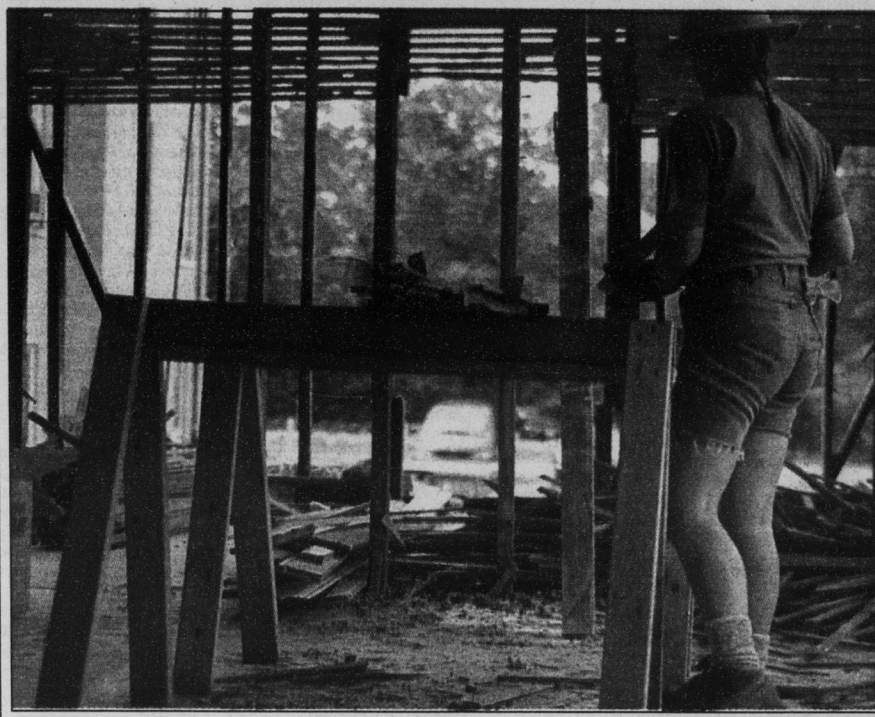
"I'm not wanting to damage either of those groups," Hoffman said. "We're just wanting to make sure that everything is taken care of and students' money is put back where it's supposed to be and this doesn't happen in the future."

The resolution is not binding, and McCollum has not complied with the request. A proposed change to the student code could force him to do so, though.

But Student Body President Mo Nathan said congress had moved too quickly in its efforts to address the problem. Nathan said McCollum was already discussing a payment plan with

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## BRINGING DOWN THE HOUSE



Bobbi Billings works on dismantling the historic McDade House. The deconstruction is expected to be completed Thursday, and the house is to be reconstructed at a yet-undetermined location.

## BCC leaders bolster efforts to raise funds

Organizers hope to alter public perceptions of the Black Cultural Center.

BY T.C. ROSE  
SPECIAL TO THE DTH

Fund raising for the Sonja Hanes Stone Black Cultural Center has taken a new turn.

Officials failed to raise the needed \$7.4 million in the last few years for the center's construction.

Now they are seeking broader sources of revenue and more diverse audiences.

"The biggest goal here is to increase people's awareness of what the BCC is all about," said Sally Brown, director of fund raising for the BCC and a prominent Chapel Hill developer. Brown, who is also the wife of UNC's football coach, took over the fund raising efforts earlier this year.



BCC Director **GERALD HORNE** said he thought those people who had paid attention had not bought into myths concerning the BCC.

The center still needs over \$4 million to meet its goal. Brown said she will target more alumni for smaller individual donations.

If 200 people gave \$20,000, the goal could be easily reached, she said. To get more people involved, she said some myths about the center should be dispelled. It will not serve as a place for blacks to hang out, she said, as the center will offer several educational programs for all races.

Margie Crowell, UNC Director of Development, agreed that some people had formed false notions about the center's purpose. "I think there have been a lot of misconceptions about what it is, and they don't want to give money to such a thing," she said.

BCC director Gerald Horne said the

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## Legislation could change Student Code fundraising laws

Congress members say they need more control over allocated funds.

BY JOHN SWEENEY  
EDITOR

The recent concerns raised by Student Congress members over debts incurred by the Black Student Movement have highlighted deeper problems with the Student Code, officials on both sides of the debate say.

According to the code, congress may allocate funds to student organizations who may then use the money to generate more funds.

The "seed money" must then be paid back.

The BSM's debt has risen to \$1,800, which congress members and executive branch officials say is indicative of a problem. Director of the Student Activities Fund Office Howard Brubaker said such occurrences are rare. But congress members say they are unhappy with the lack of power they have over funds once they are allocated. According to the code, the student body treasurer has authority over funds that are in student groups' accounts.

"It makes no sense to me that (congress has) authority to appropriate all this money but then we have no control over it," Speaker of Student Congress James Hoffman said.

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**JAMES HOFFMAN**  
Speaker of Student Congress

"We should have little more bite to our bark."

A proposed change to the code would address those concerns. The bill, introduced by Rep. James Dasher (Dist. 21), would change the code to require the treasurer to freeze the funds of any stu-

dent organizations that become delinquent in repaying debts.

Congress passed the bill by a vote of 2-1-2. That decision is only binding until the beginning of the new school year, when the remaining members of congress return to campus.

But Student Body President Mo Nathan refused to sign the bill into law.

"I'm vetoing the proposed code change because I believe it does not grant the flexibility needed to resolve the problem," he said. "It's just common sense to allow the group and the student body treasurer the agency to review the debt and how the group can quickly pay off the debt."

Both Nathan and Hoffman agreed the veto would probably be overridden

at the next congress meeting.

Hoffman said he believed congress would in fact find a more flexible solution when the fall semester rolls around, one that gives congress come oversight without forcing the treasurer to take immediate action.

"We need language that allows flexibility with the situation, because there are some groups where, if you freeze their funds, it will destroy the group."

Nathan suggested a plan wherein the group's leaders would meet with the treasurer to come up with a payment plan that would be public knowledge. Should the group continue to fail to repay its debts, he said, congress should take that into consideration during the subsequent budget hearings.

## New UNC athletics director boasts administrative talents

Following a national trend, the University selected Dick Baddour, who has not served as a coach.

BY HARRISON RAND  
SPORTS EDITOR

John Swofford's more-than-successful 17-year stint as athletics director would be a tough act for anyone to follow.

After all, UNC has been no lower than sixth in the Sears Directors Cup since it was established in 1993-94.

And the reason for Swofford's departure was to take on an extremely demanding position as ACC commissioner.

But who better to fill Swofford's shoes than his right-hand man in the athletics department since 1986, Dick Baddour?

No major immediate changes need to be made in such a successful athletics program, but improvement



UNC Director of Athletics **DICK BADDOUR** served as John Swofford's right-hand man for the past few years.

will certainly be a goal of Baddour's.

"Baddour brings up an interesting and good blend to the department," UNC football coach Mack Brown said. "Every AD takes on his own personality, as does the CEO of a business, and I'm sure he will bring his own touch with him."

Baddour does not have any previous coaching experience, which used to be more crucial to finding a job as an athletics director in the past.

Baddour is an administrator at heart. And a solid one at that.

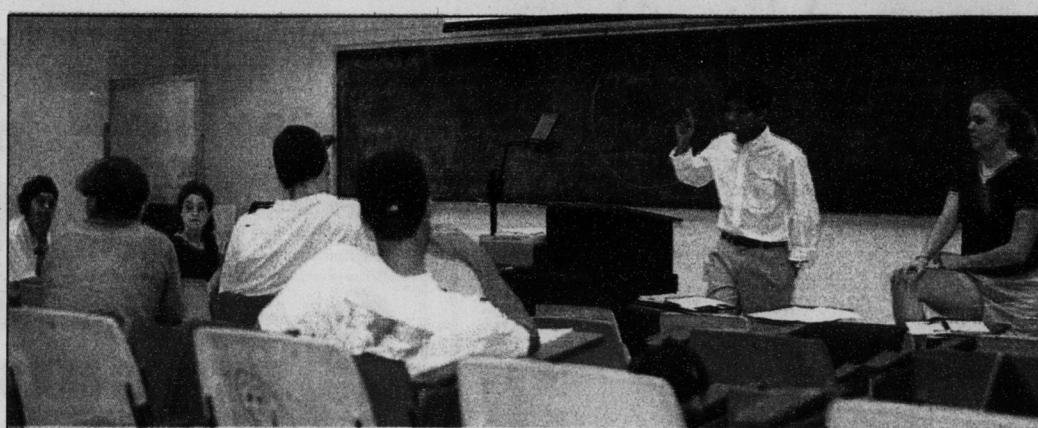
He was the assistant director of UNC's Office of Undergraduate Admissions from 1971 to 1983 and has served as the assistant dean for administration and student affairs at the UNC's School of Law.

"Most coaches would like to work for a former coach, but being (an AD) is more businesslike now," UNC basketball coach Dean Smith said. "More importantly, he has the experience in the department and the respect of everyone here."

Any athletics director is responsible for making sure that his department meets the university's budget demands. Big revenue sports must sell an allotted number of tickets to help support some of the smaller, non-revenue sports at the university.

That does not mean, however, that big-revenue sports receive all of the attention from the athletics department. After all, college athletics are about

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Student Body President Mo Nathan spoke with concerned students about a possible tuition increase for out-of-state students. Nathan urged students to take action to fight the proposed increase.

## SBP, students decry possible tuition hike at meeting

BY NAKITA ROWELL  
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Student Body President Mo Nathan organized an all-campus meeting Monday to address the possible tuition increase.

Kristina Morris, co-chair of external relations for student government, said, "Last year we were promised that tuition would not go up."

"We're going to make sure that (the N.C. House of Representatives sub-committee of higher education) knows that this is not something we will take lightly."

In-state students could experience a 3 percent increase this year and a 2 percent increase each following year if the increase, approved by the House, goes into effect. Out-of-state stu-

dents may face a 5 percent increase this year and a 2 percent increase the following years.

Kobi Snitz, a member of the Graduate Assistant Concern Committee, said Chancellor Michael Hooker should not ignore the situation.

Hooker spoke about the proposal Tuesday.

He said, "This is the wrong time to propose a tuition increase."

"When the tuition goes up, that sticker shock will



Former ASG President **JOHN DERVIN** said North Carolina lawmakers misunderstood UNC students.

drive students away and that will affect the quality of our student body in the long run."

Nathan said tuition increased a total of 129 percent between the years 1989 and 1996. He said contacting state senators is the first step to voicing students' concerns.

John Dervin, former president of the Association of Student Government, said, "What scares me is that these people are so removed from what it's like to work your way through school."

Dervin said the stereotype of a UNC-system student is a financially well-off Chapel Hill student. "One-half of all students in the UNC system are working at least 20 hours a week."

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Only three more issues of The Daily Tar Heel are left this summer, but it's not too late for you to get involved. We're always looking for interested writers, photographers, graphic artists and designers.

Sign on now and get a big head start on all those people waiting for the fall semester. If you'd like to check us out, stop by Suite 104 in the Student Union or call editors Joseph Rolison and John Sweeney at 962-4086.

*If the answer is "Jerry Brown," the question must have been very strange.*

Patrick A. Lewis