



# STUDENT ELECTIONS



## Student Body President Platforms

### Lacey Hawthorne

No greater formula for success exists than proven experience combined with strong vision. It is because I possess both these characteristics that I am uniquely qualified to be your next SBP.

Throughout my term in Student Congress and my experience in the executive branch as student body secretary and as an executive assistant, I have worked to improve food service, student-faculty relations and I am currently leading the University effort to reform advising.



Lacey Hawthorne

As SBP the completion of advising reform will be my highest priority. I also intend to pursue many new ideas for UNC. As an individual I am powerless to implement these ideas, but with your support we cannot and will not be denied. Let's build together.

#### Strengthening our academic foundations

Advising reform: I am leading campus efforts to reform advising by working for: fewer students per advisor, full-time advisors and a stronger link between advising and career services

Implement online registration: Decrease dependency on Caroline.

Carolina career network: A program to match students with young alumni in their prospective career field to facilitate career planning through one-on-one interaction.

#### Serving student needs

Textbook rental (save student money): A common sense change that allows you to save money by renting your textbooks instead of buying them.

Student parking: Fight for equal access to parking for students.

Explore transportation alternatives: Point-2-Point service to nearby apartments and Greek houses, extension of Chapel Hill Transit bus hours and a cooperative effort with local cab companies provide reduced rates for students to discourage drunk driving.

Housekeepers: To ensure a clean living and learning environment for all, I will open communication lines between housekeepers and the administration.

Low-cost remote storage: Not all of us are from the Chapel Hill area. Access affordable storage is a necessity for many of us.

Keep residence halls open: open residence halls over extended breaks, such as Fall Break. Keep residence halls

open longer for those of us with late exams.

Encourage the creation of a 24-hour rape crisis hotline.

Cable: Now that cable is coming, we must have a say in its programming. Increase the number of Internet jacks in classrooms and libraries.

#### Fighting for students

Tuition freeze program: I will lobby the General Assembly to implement a program freezing your tuition rates when you enter Carolina; thus preventing any increases during your stay.

Demand equal enforcement of alcohol laws.

Fight to reduce the open container violation from a misdemeanor to an infraction.

Improve town safety: Better lighting on town streets and bar paths and call boxes at off-campus locations

Housing search engine: I will create an online search engine linked to the University home page which locates housing for students.

Student representation: I will lobby for the creation of non-voting student seats on both the Chapel Hill Town Council and the Carrboro Board of Aldermen.

#### Uniting UNC communities

Council for Common Ground: A conversation on affirmative action: A solution-oriented approach which brings together representatives from both sides of the affirmative action debate to collectively discuss ways of finding a solution. It is time for students to speak with a united voice and find our own solution before the state mandates one for us.

Greek life: Provide student government support to the Greek community in its pursuit of autonomy from the University. Students, not administrators, should run the Greek system.

Learning the ropes: A year-long peer mentorship program coupling interested upperclassmen with incoming freshmen to ease the transition from high school to college.

Support the education drive of the Sonja H. Stone Black Cultural Center.

Faculty-student interaction: Create majors associations which include students and faculty of each department to encourage interaction beyond the classroom.

Graduate speakers bureau: A program to link graduate students with communities needing expertise in their respective fields of study.

If you have any questions please visit our Web page at <http://www.unc.edu/~lhawthor>.

From today until Wednesday, The Daily Tar Heel will present candidate platforms for the Feb. 10 student body elections. Today, we will present the student body president platforms. Senior class president and vice president, as well as Graduate and Professional Student Federation president platforms will run on Tuesday; Residence Hall Association and Carolina Athletic Association presidents' platforms will run on Wednesday. Endorsements by the DTH will begin on Thursday, so watch this space for further developments.

### Danny Siegle

Why do I have to walk to school in the rain while the Point-2-Point shuttles are safe and dry? Why does privately owned Granville Towers get P2P services while my apartment complex does not? If East Carolina University can swing a free student bus system, why can't we? If N.C. State University gets a monorail, do we get a Mystery Mountain? Where is Mr. Toad's Wild Ride?



Danny Siegle

Would you be able to afford a computer with financial aid if it became mandatory? Would you want a computer that would only be useful for Oregon Trail in four years? Should you ford the river or hire an Indian? Should that be Native American? Are you computer illiterate? With direct Internet access to your rooms, would you like to see more student input in our administration? Have you ever e-mailed anyone in the N.C. General Assembly? Do you understand how the University works? Why do you think the SBP can fix your residence hall stove? Wouldn't you prefer to know whom better to contact?

Why do students always use the word like? Why can't people make definite statements and stuff? And what is this stuff? Muffins?

How many advisers have you had at UNC? How often have you been assigned an adviser and found that he was on sabbatical near Lake Titicaca? How many advisers might as well be on sabbatical? When you see your professors on campus, do you wave? Do you recognize them? Why must all freshmen take huge, spirit-crushing classes? Would time off school make you more focused? Where would you like to go? Do you know how to get there? Are internships just like in Dilbert? How does coffee affect the intellectual cli-

mate? Are we experiencing a cold or warm front?

How come we have a Student Union but we're not unionized?

Why do you need a catapult to get from Hamilton Hall to Davis Library? Why do you need to swim to Greenlaw Hall? Should every student be issued a Utility Belt to avoid construction and sinkholes? Why isn't construction more sensitive to student needs? Since when is roasted corn a balanced meal? Why is eating on Franklin Street cheaper than eating on campus? Why is Cafe Asia (named changed to prevent endorsement) so good?

How equitably are student fees distributed? Do off-campus students pay for services they don't have access to? Are on-campus students promised services they don't receive? How hard is it to get toilet paper in Morrison Residence Hall? Do students pay for services they don't want?

If students from Mill Creek Apartments steal Christmas ornaments, does Mill Creek have to have a dry rush?

Why must we choose between the trees of Coker Woods and a black cultural center? Is the University trying to drive a wedge between environmentalists and those that believe in a black cultural center? Why do we want a black cultural center in a location that will flood as much as the Student Recreation Center? How hard would it be to switch two letters in SRC for a quick solution? Why is the University eager to do construction everywhere but the BCC? What's with all these acronyms?

Who oversees University Police? Do they have guns, too? Why does The Daily Tar Heel think it runs the election? Why was the deadline for platforms moved up a day with 16 hours notice? Why don't we just turn in our platforms to them and have them decide? Do we?

If you have any answers to these questions please e-mail [danny@email.unc.edu](mailto:danny@email.unc.edu) or [rntin@email.unc.edu](mailto:rntin@email.unc.edu)

### Anne Neville

Too many times, students fall through the cracks, not knowing where to turn at a large university. Look around you. How many doors are closed? How many of your questions go unanswered? Student government must enable you to find solutions — that's what it is for. My vision of student government is about opening doors, from the time you apply to the day you graduate. These are the key points on our plan of action:



Anne Neville

Increase student interaction with state legislators through Legislative Days and a strengthened Student Ambassador Program, our frontline against any state policies unfavorable to UNC.

Combat future increases, including retroactive increases, which are unacceptable.

#### Student life

Off Campus Housing Department: Administrators must recognize that housing problems do not stop at the edge of campus.

Carolina Culture: I started this program to bring talents of performing groups into the spotlight. We will continue weekly performances on Polk Place.

Bolster student self-governance in the Greek Community.

Support Technology Initiatives with funding that does not unfairly burden students.

#### Academics

Student input: Include students on new faculty hiring committees.

The Black Cultural Center: Continued support of the BCC's mission and fund raising for a freestanding center.

Minor in American Indian Studies: With North Carolina having a high population of American Indians, there is a need for this addition to curriculum.

Continue to support affirmative action policies at UNC. This requires a definitive stance.

Develop more issue-oriented classes like the current Nike Seminar.

#### Town relations

Bike Paths: There is a need for them on and off campus; it's that simple.

Security: Lobby the town to install lights in heavy student traffic areas.

Parking: Fight to keep student parking spaces available and oppose proposals limiting student access to parking.

Town Council Days: Increase interaction between students and town council members to further the already existing relationship.

Student Government is uniquely positioned within the University. We must use our access to help other students and student groups to better achieve their goals. I have the experience, the perspective and the innovation to successfully carry out this platform and begin to open these doors. Please visit our Web site at [www.unc.edu/~neville](http://www.unc.edu/~neville).

### Charlie Roederer

The student body needs a strong leader to forcefully advocate for student interests. I have the experience of tackling problems that lack easy answers. Below are feasible solutions to improve the lives of students.



Charlie Roederer

Renovate study lounges in residence halls.

#### Transportation and parking concerns

We lack a comprehensive system to provide students with easy access to all parts of campus. I insist that students be given improved transportation options including:

Extension of bus hours to serve off-campus students.

Improving accessibility to Kenan-Flagler Business School through more frequent bus or shuttle service.

Ensuring a free U-Bus running in both directions.

Improving bicycle lanes to campus; combating any proposal forcing students to pay for night-time parking permits.

#### Safety matters

The UNC campus is our home away from home, where we should feel safe walking to class in the morning, from the library at night and at all other times. To achieve this I will:

Reduce drunken driving by implementing safe transportation options, similar to systems at Wake Forest University and the University of Texas.

Improve lighting particularly at bus stops, apartment complexes and McCorkle Place.

Add SAFE Escorts' services at other highly used facilities.

#### Technology concerns

Computer facilities fail to meet student demand. The changing technological environment of the 21st century necessitates that all students have access to updated computers. We need:

Extended hours at computer facilities.

Increased state appropriations for technology.

More online campus resources including registration for classes and a complete "Carolina Course Review" cataloging students' evaluations of courses and professors.

A centralized tracking system of all campus events incorporated into an informational Web page to aid in event planning.

#### Establishing a voice in government

As a large portion of the Chapel Hill and Carrboro population, students need to exercise their voices in town and state matters. I plan to mobilize individuals to form a coalition for student rights outside the University beginning by:

Fighting all tuition and fee increases at both University and state levels.

Establishing "Students Vote," a program to register students to vote at Carolina Testing and Orientation Program Session.

Working to reduce the open-container violation from a misdemeanor to an infraction.

Providing a system to distribute comprehensive information and evaluation of off-campus housing.

#### Graduate student issues

Graduate students are an integral part of the University community and deserve more support. I will work for:

Higher teaching and research assistants' stipends and more tuition remissions to recruit and retain higher caliber graduate students.

Increased respect for graduate students.

#### Greek issues

A fraternity member myself, I understand how Greeks are inappropriately blamed for many campus problems. I propose to use the student body president's office to support the Greek community and ensure that realistic standards are established for self-governance. I firmly believe in preserving the integrity of the Greek system at UNC.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at 933-5708.

### Reyna Walters

women's issues.



Reyna Walters

#### Greek issues

Bridge the gap between Interfraternity, Pan-Hellenic and National Pan-Hellenic councils.

Work with the Chancellor's Committee on Greek Affairs to tackle liability and rush issues.

Coordinate on-campus service projects.

#### Other concerns

Affirmative action: continue the objective research started this year and facilitate dialogue between various organizations.

Improve orientation programs to ease international and transfer student transition.

Initiate Research, Information, Development and Dissemination to deal with difficult issues effectively.

#### Student Services

Libraries: create a student advisory committee on libraries to ensure a student voice in the Undergraduate Library renovation; extend weekend library operating hours.

Technology: publicize campus Internet resources, increase computer lab hours.

Student Health: examine after-hour fees and weekend service hours to assess what is fair and reasonable.

Campus Resources: advocate awareness of University Career Services and the Learning Center by sponsoring a series of programs with these offices, expand campus services for sexual assault survivors by advocating interaction between Orange County Rape Crisis Center and Student Psychological Services; create a liaison to Disability Services; develop a consumer guide for out-of-state students.

Safety and Security: advocate

more funding for the campus security officer; work with safety officer to implement more RAD training sessions on campus.

Transportation: fight to maintain student parking spaces; work to increase P2P drivers; open P2P telephone lines to offer transportation to and from Student Health Service.

#### External relations

Local Concerns: improve lighting on poorly-lit streets (e.g., Rosemary and Hillsborough streets); implement a "Town Council Day" to provide a time for students to meet with Town Council officials.

State Relations: improve the Student Ambassador Program; evaluate tactics used in legislative efforts; work to prevent unreasonable tuition increases.

Voter Registration and Education: register voters to prepare for the upcoming election year; provide objective voter education through "GOTV."

#### Academic Affairs

Advising: implement a mentoring program with community leaders for graduate students; bring the advising consultant to UNC; implement graduate/undergraduate mentoring program.

Faculty/Student Relations: encourage more faculty/student interaction on University Day; push the University to hire and give tenure to more people of color and women; implement more "Dinner Discussions" with faculty and students.

Academic Policies: push for revisions of the Pass/D/Fail options; investigate problems in majors and minors; tackle possible curriculum reform options.

Through my involvement in various campus organizations, I have been prepared for the office of student body president.

From joining a sorority to fighting for graduate student health insurance, I have had experiences both outside and inside student government.