

UNC: Policy, Not Law Governs Pit

University counsel Susan Ehringhaus says UNC is not responsible for assisting vendors in selling products.

By SHANNON SNYPP
Staff Writer

Although a UNC official claimed that an online bookseller violated state policy by setting up a table in the Pit last week, University counsel Susan Ehringhaus said Monday that only a campus policy had been violated.

Jon Curtis, assistant director of student activities, claimed that Varsitybooks.com, an online textbook vendor, was violating both the Chancellor's Facilities Uses Policy and the N.C. Umstead Act last week by advertising in the Pit through a hot chocolate stand.

The stand was operated by a Varsitybooks.com employee.

However, Ehringhaus, who also serves as assistant to the chancellor, said the act was not connected with the state's Umstead Act, which protects merchants from competition by the state.

Curtis said he was not aware that the action was not connected with North Carolina's Umstead Act.

John Jones, director of Student Stores, said a misunderstanding transpired between the information desk at the Student Union and Varsitybooks.com concerning the table in the Pit.

"When the desk looked at the list of organizations scheduled for the Pit that day, they should have realized that the business could not advertise on the UNC campus," he said.

The Chancellor's Facilities Uses

Policy originated at UNC in 1981 and prevents outside vendors from coming on campus to advertise and leave fliers, Ehringhaus said.

Part of the reason for the policy, she said, was that since UNC was a public university, the state was not responsible for assisting the vendors in selling their products.

"This facility is paid for by the state, and the state does not have the responsibility to provide space for businesses," she said.

Another reason for the policy is to keep vendors from selling to the students and employees who are here to learn and to work, Ehringhaus said.

"The students and employees are a captive audience to these vendors on campus, and the policy prevents the vendors from abusing a

captive market," she said.

Jones said Student Stores received many calls from vendors looking for ways to advertise on campus because they were permitted to advertise at N.C. State University and other state campuses.

However, the Chancellor's Facilities Use Policy prevents businesses from doing so at UNC.

Jones said he supported the policy because it helped to control the amount of advertising that was brought onto campus.

"If the University didn't have the policy, there would be fliers and other forms of advertising all over campus," he said.

As it is, he said, the campus still had business fliers that violated the policy, but there was no way the school could regulate all of the advertisements on campus.

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Police Arrest Woman For Assault With Rifle

The suspect threatened an animal protection worker after approaching him as he worked near Carver Street.

By MATT LECLERCQ
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Chapel Hill Police charged a suspect Monday for threatening an Animal Protection Society worker with a rifle over the weekend.

Vanessa D. Byrd, 40, of 303 School Lane was charged with felony assault with a firearm on a government employee, according to police reports.

She was released on a written promise to make a first appearance in Chapel Hill District Court today.

APS workers had responded to a complaint about Byrd's animals three days before the incident and left a notice

on her door to call APS, said Jonathan Gilmore, APS director of field services.

Animal Control Officer Warren Porter, who had been on the job for one week, was investigating an unrelated complaint Friday near Carver Street, several blocks from Byrd's property.

While Porter was speaking to a resident, Byrd approached him, pointed a rifle at him and told him to keep off her property, according to police reports.

Local APS workers had never run into a problem like this, Gilmore said, adding he was pleased charges had been filed. "Obviously we wouldn't be able to do our jobs and conduct investigations if we have people pointing guns at us."

Porter said Friday's incident was the first time he had been seriously threatened. "I'm going to definitely be cautious around that neighborhood."

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Campus Calendar

Wednesday

noon - The African & Afro-American Studies Department will present its third colloquium, "Colonialism, Witchcraft & the Diaspora," a discussion by Dr. Timothy McMillan in Union 209. For more details, please call 966-5496.

noon - 3 p.m. - The Anthropology Club invites you to have tea and cocoa with peers and faculty members in the Anthropology Lounge.

3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. - Alpha Phi Omega, a co-ed national service fraternity, invites you to drop by for pizza and to learn about joining our fraternity. Second floor Union Lobby.

3 p.m. - The Institute of African American Research invites all members of the campus and triangle community to join them for conversation, food and drinks to kick off the new semester. IAAR, 134 1/2 Franklin Street.

7 p.m. - WXYC 89.3 FM, Carolina's student-run radio station, is holding an interest meeting for students interested in DJ positions in Hamilton 100.

7 p.m. - A benefit evening with Lee Smith for local heart transplant patient will be held at the Horace Williams House in Chapel Hill. \$20 sug-

gested donation. For reservations and more information call 484-9684.

7:30 p.m. - "Einstein, Bill Gates and the Buddha: The Power and Limits of Reason in the Search for Truth." Ken Felder, former manager of Natural Language Processing at Microsoft, will hold an interactive lecture on the complicated relationship between science and religion in Bingham 103. Cost is \$5 for students and \$8 for non-students.

Thursday

6:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. - Alpha Phi Omega, a co-ed national service fraternity, invites you to informal rush to meet brothers, ask questions and learn more about our fraternity in Fetzer 106.

7 p.m. - The UNC Psychology Club will be having its first meeting of the semester in 112 Davie Hall. New members are welcome to attend.

Friday

8 p.m. - Singer-songwriter Christine Icaue from Asheville will be performing at Presbyterian Campus Ministry at 110 Henderson St. Tickets are \$5. Call 967-2311 for more information.

Items of Interest

■ Pauper Players announces audi-

tion for BROADWAY MELODIES '99 on Monday and Tuesday. Sign up for an audition time at the Union Desk.

■ The Campus Y will be having Y Horizons in the Great Hall from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday for students to sign up for membership. There will be someone there to provide information and answer questions about each committee.

■ The BCC Ambassadors is searching for students interested in co-chair positions. The group is dedicated to educating the UNC community about the Black Cultural Center and the drive for a free standing BCC. Applications will be available beginning Friday at the Union Front Desk and the BCC. For more information, contact Ange Marie at 962-9001 or Bethany at 969-7027.

■ "Cellar Door," the undergraduate literary magazine, is accepting submissions of fiction, poetry and photographs. Entry forms are available at the Union Desk, and are due Jan. 28.

■ Class of '38 Fellowship application deadline is March 4. Four \$3,000 fellowships are given to sophomores and juniors interested in an independent study project abroad that is tied to personal and/or career aspirations. For more information stop by the Union's International Center or call 962-5661.

Board Revamps School's Focus

Officials had planned for Mary A. Scroggs Elementary School to operate on a year-round schedule.

By JEFF CRAWFORD
Staff Writer

Although the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Board of Education is cancelling the year-round schedule and longer academic day once planned for Mary A. Scroggs Elementary School, the school will be open for the 1999 school year, officials say.

School leaders had envisioned Scroggs Elementary as a model school where children would learn through revolutionary teaching practices, particularly in language arts and math, Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools Spokeswoman Kim Hoke said.

Plans for the school involved a longer class day, year-round schooling and a level teacher pay scale that would reward hard-working teachers with

extra pay, she said, adding that some of these plans had been cancelled.

Plans for the length of school day, year-round schooling and the flattened pay scale had been scrapped, she said.

"The longer school day would have required additional funds that we didn't have," she said. "There wasn't a compelling interest in the community for this to be a year-round school."

Hoke said the pay scale proposed for the school would not have been attractive to experienced teachers because it was a flat-rate scale that wouldn't reward for experience.

"We were not getting experienced teachers who wanted to teach at Scroggs," she said.

The original plan allowed for all teachers to receive the same pay initially and earn extra money depending on the number of extra projects they chose to undertake, she said. The actual plan that will be implemented is the same as in the rest of the school system, which pays based on teaching experience.

Another idea the school board scratched permitted a limited number of

parents to enroll their children in the school by choice, rather than by residential districting. The original plan allotted for 100 to 150 spaces for students whose parents specifically selected Scroggs, Hoke said.

"The school board found it increasingly difficult to determine how parents would go about choosing," Hoke said.

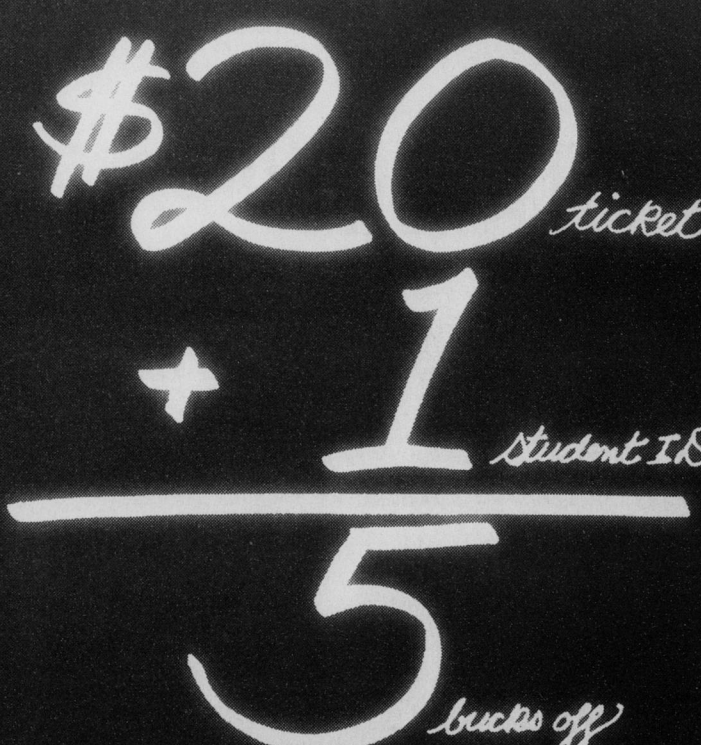
A new redistricting plan was drawn up with the elementary school included like other local schools, she said.

Although the more extensive plans for the school have been altered, officials said they still planned to put priority on language arts and math.

The revised plan calls for two hours in the day devoted for language arts such as spelling, reading and writing, while one hour will be devoted to math, Hoke said.

The school is scheduled to be complete in May and is adopting specific methods of teaching to be ready for the 1999-2000 school year.

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Carolina Hurricanes 1999 Schedule

MON.	1/4/99	Ottawa Senators	7:00 PM
THU.	1/14/99	Florida Panthers	7:00 PM
SAT.	1/16/99	Washington Capitals	7:00 PM
MON.	1/18/99	Toronto Maple Leafs	7:00 PM
THU.	1/28/99	New York Rangers	7:00 PM
WED.	2/3/99	New Jersey Devils	7:00 PM
SAT.	2/6/99	Florida Panthers	7:00 PM
THU.	2/18/99	Washington Capitals	7:00 PM
SUN.	2/21/99	New York Islanders	5:00 PM
WED.	3/3/99	Boston Bruins	7:00 PM
MON.	3/8/99	Buffalo Sabres	7:00 PM
WED.	3/10/99	Pittsburgh Penguins	7:00 PM
FRI.	3/12/99	Calgary Flames	7:00 PM
WED.	3/24/99	New York Islanders	7:00 PM
FRI.	3/26/99	Toronto Maple Leafs	7:00 PM
SUN.	3/28/99	Tampa Bay Lightning	1:30 PM
TUE.	4/6/99	New Jersey Devils	7:00 PM
WED.	4/14/99	Washington Capitals	7:00 PM
SAT.	4/17/99	Ottawa Senators	7:00 PM

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