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## Search Committee Rejects Student Proposal

By MATTHEW SMITH  
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A proposal that would have allowed students a greater voice in the selection of UNC's next chancellor has been struck down by the search committee. The proposal called for the finalists to anonymously submit responses to student-generated questions and then to have those responses published in The Daily Tar Heel. Students would have also had the chance to offer feedback to the search committee based upon candidates' responses.

Bill Bowen, director of Heidrich & Struggles, the Richmond-based search firm hired by UNC to find chancellor candidates, recommended at last Thursday's meeting that the committee reject the proposal, Heinke said. David Jernigan, author of the proposal and member of the Student Advisory Committee to the Chancellor, said he questioned whether the search committee and Student Body President Nic Heinke — its lone student member — could adequately represent all UNC students. "I am really disappointed," Jernigan said. "This has always been a University

for the (students), and by not including them in the process, we may be sending students the wrong message." Heinke and search committee Chairman Richard Stevens said they accepted the decision to nix the proposal after Bowen cited several logistical problems. Bowen said getting responses to the student-generated questions from the candidates, editing them to keep from revealing who each candidate was and turning them over to the DTH would have taken too much time. When early signs indicated that the search process would remain closed, the SACC adopted the proposal to keep stu-

dents involved, said Kate Randolf, SACC member and co-drafter of the proposal. Now students can only send questions to the SACC listserv, which will eventually be passed to the committee for consideration. Kea Parker, a junior from Berea, Ky., said students were being shut out from one of the most important decisions facing UNC. "This perpetuates the idea that decisions are made without student opinion," she said. But Stevens said Heinke's representation and student-generated questions would be a feasible substitute to the proposal.

Jernigan said it was now more important for students to submit questions via the SACC listserv so their views were represented. "It's an opportunity to be involved in perhaps the most significant processes of the University," he said. But Parker said these questions might not be enough to give students the true advocate they needed. "You can't tell from someone's resume if they are going to be able to interact with students well," she said. "Students should have some kind of a voice in this process."

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## 500 Tickets Remain for Basketball

Students can claim up to two tickets each for the Michigan State and UCLA basketball games.

By ARMAN ANVARI  
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Students can grab the basketball tickets that went unclaimed at this weekend's distribution beginning at 8 a.m. today.

About 500 tickets for the Dec. 1 game against Michigan State University and the Jan. 15 game against the University of California-Los Angeles will be handed out on a first-come, first-serve basis. Each student can claim two tickets per game, provided they have two UNC ONE Cards.

After an error in last Wednesday's The Daily Tar Heel prompted confusion among some students about when they could get bracelets for the distribution, CAA officials said they were concerned that frustrated students could cause disruption Saturday.

Many students were turned away by CAA officials when they tried to claim bracelets between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. Thursday. "We were prepared for whatever was going to happen," Miller said. "We followed our policy the whole time, and we're going to continue to follow our policy in the future."

The most pressing concern for the CAA was that some bracelets had been stolen Thursday evening after students pulled them out of Smith Center ticket windows with coat hangers and keychains, Pruitt said. "I think our entire staff was kind of cautious about (the ticket distribution process) because we didn't know how the reactions that some students had on Thursday afternoon might come into play on Saturday."

But CAA officials said there were no problems with Saturday's distribution process, which lasted only about two hours.

"The distribution went very well this weekend," said Lauren Miller, the CAA's ticket distribution coordinator. "We were done by 8:15 (a.m.)."

Tickets remain in large part because many students checked into line but decided to leave, anticipating a long morning of waiting, Pruitt said.

However, because the CAA has increased the number of lines and computers to expedite the distribution process, students who arrived late were turned away because the distribution ended so quickly.

Freshman Paul Schroegenstein from Minneapolis, said "Once the line got going, it went really fast."

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## Student Leaders Fear Tuition Hike

Faculty salary committee members can recommend state support, tuition increases or a combination.

By KATIE ABEL  
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Student leaders fear that a University committee could recommend today a tuition increase as the sole answer to solving the faculty salary woes plaguing UNC.

Provost Dick Richardson said the Chancellor's Committee on Faculty Salaries and Benefits could come out of today's meeting with some type of proposal. "This is all discussion on the same topic," he said.

For the last month, the committee has been examining ways to beef up UNC faculty paychecks to compete with peer universities.

The group could propose a tuition increase, state support or a mix of the two to acquire proper funding. Any tuition increase would take effect next fall if approved by the legislature.

The committee was formed after UNC's recent drop in national polls from third to fifth among public universities and the loss of top professors due to low faculty salaries.

Richardson said the Board of Trustees asked the committee to submit a recommendation in time for a special Oct. 28 board meeting, in which members would assess the feasibility of the committee's proposal. But Graduate and

Professional Student Federation President Lee Conner said there had not been enough debate on the issue yet. "Yes, we need the money but we have to balance the issues."

Student Body President Nic Heinke said raising tuition alone would just solve the problem temporarily. "It really bothers me that we're settling for a quick fix," he said. "It didn't work four years ago and it's not going to work now."

Heinke and Conner said that if the committee proposed an outright tuition increase, they would immediately hold forums and encourage students to voice opposition to the BOT through e-mail.

"We are only going to have 17 days (before the Oct. 28 BOT meeting), but we are going to get this out there to students," Conner said.

Heinke and Conner two weeks ago submitted a report to the committee stating that any tuition increase must be combined with state support but said they received no response from other committee members.

BOT Chairwoman Ann Cates said it was critical for UNC to develop a recommendation early so incoming students would be aware of any impending tuition increase. "We need to let students who are applying here and their parents know how much it is going to cost before they accept," she said.

Cates said a tuition increase was inevitable, especially because legislators would be unable to provide any significant funding to bolster salaries during the upcoming year.

"We already know that there won't be much money coming from the legislature," she said.

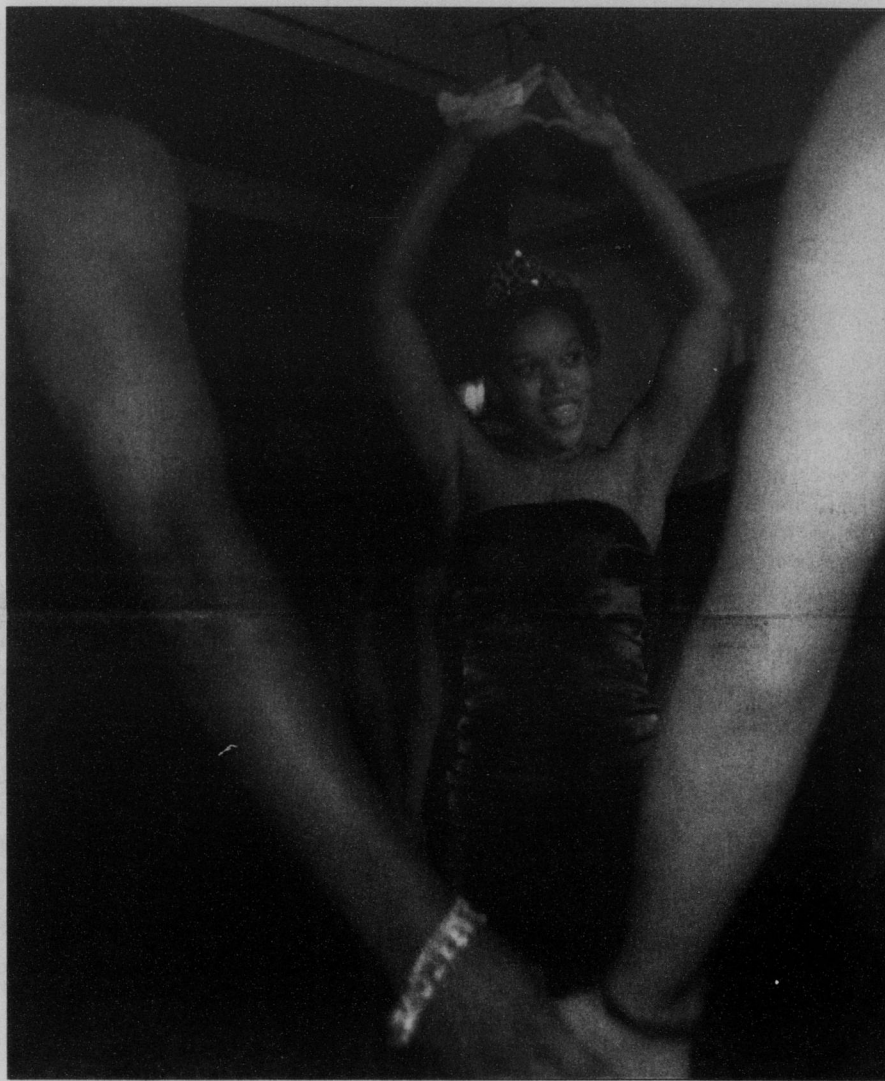
But Conner said the legislature would not make final allocations until May. "Until we know whether the (Hurricane Floyd) aid bill passes, we don't know how much legislative support we are going to get."

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Student Body President Nic Heinke said raising tuition was a short term plan.

## CIRCLE OF FRIENDS



DTH/GREG WOLF

After being crowned Ms. BSM, Niccole Cosby is surrounded by fellow Black Student Movement members holding hands and singing. The Black Student Movement's Coronation Ball was held Saturday night at the Sheraton Hotel. See Page 6.

## Joining the Cellular Craze

With numbers of beepers and cellular phones on the rise, students are starting to bring them to their classes.

By JERMAINE CALDWELL  
Staff Writer

The craze of getting connected has filtered from the big screen to college life.

The "Clueless" girls Cher and Dionne walk out of classrooms talking on their cellular phones only to end up side-by-side conversing with each other. Countless tennis matches and other events are filled with the warning, "Please be sure to turn off all cellular phones and pagers."

Inevitably, the trend has made its



DTH/LAURA GIOVANELLI

A UNC student uses her cellular phone and beeper to keep in close communication with family and friends.

way to UNC. The wireless communication wave can aid students in emergencies or even socially.

"Its main purpose is in case of an emergency when I'm on the road," said Robin Hunt, a freshman from Winston-Salem, of the cellular phone she has owned since she began driving

at age 16. Unexpected emergencies seem to be a common and practical reason to own a cell phone or beeper. Prices can range from \$50 to \$300 and can have monthly fees of \$10 to \$50 depending

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## Elections Today To Fill Congress

By KAREY WUTKOWSKI  
Staff Writer

Special elections will take place today to fill 10 vacant Student Congress seats in both graduate and undergraduate districts.

The elections are being held at three polling sites around campus. Students who are represented by districts with vacant seats can vote from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. outside the Student Union, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in front of Peabody Hall and from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in front of the medical bookstore.

Vacancies exist in all graduate school districts except those representing the School of Law, business, physics and astronomy, applied and material sciences, marine sciences, geology, chemistry, biology, math, statistics, operations research, computer science, the School of Public Health, the School of Nursing and the School of Pharmacy.

All other graduate students can vote for a representative in today's election.

On-campus undergraduates living in Alderman, Kenan, McIver, Spencer, Stacy, Graham, Alexander, Connor, Winston, Joyner and Aycock residence halls can vote today as well.

Off-campus undergraduates who live in the area west of Columbia Street, south of Jones Ferry Road and south of N.C. 54 and those who live in the area east of Columbia Street and Airport Road and north of East Franklin Street can cast their ballots too.

"The seats are vacant because people either resigned or no one was elected to those seats during earlier elections," said Mark Kleinschmidt, speaker of Student Congress.

Kleinschmidt said vacant seats had not been a significant disruption to Congress in the past but could affect one

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## INSIDE Monday

### The Dark Side

UNC administrators and students took a late night stroll through campus to pinpoint areas that need to have more lighting so grounds can be safer for students. See Page 5.

### Hitting the Mark

Local high schools have requested that the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Board of Education consider dropping the class ranking system. See Page 2.

### We're Sorry

Due to a factual error in Wednesday's paper and a misplaced correction the following day, the DTH confused some readers about CAA's ticket distribution. We're sorry for any inconvenience.

### Today's Weather



Rain;  
Low 70s.  
Tuesday: Cloudy,  
High 60s.

Money isn't important, but it's the only way to keep score.

Anonymous