

Moeser Eyes Condition of Music Library

The recent chancellor-elect, already known for a musical past, expressed an interest in the music library.

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In 1983, Hanes Art Building went up as an addition to the Ackland Art Museum, giving visual art students studio space and a new art library.

Fifteen years later, drama students moved out of campus basements into a state-of-the-art facility.

But the Department of Music still waits to be saved from fire-hazard classrooms in its cramped, crumbling building.

Although music faculty members said they did not expect the chancellor-

elect to play favorites, they were excited to have a sympathizer in their midst.

"Obviously, the fact that he's a musician means a lot to us, and we're proud to have our discipline represented at the very top of the administration," department Chairman John Nadas said.

James Moeser, who will soon step up to the University's helm, has been an organ professor and the dean of fine arts at Kansas University and studied music at the University of Texas and the University of Michigan.

His wife is currently a professor in the music department at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

In an informal conversation Saturday with UNC associate music Professor Brooks Smith, the chancellor-elect showed interest in the music department's needs. He asked specifically about the music library - a collection

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BROOKS SMITH

Music Department Associate Chairman

now crammed onto old shelves in the flood-prone basement of Hill Hall.

"He was quite interested in it and wanted to know how it compared to music libraries across the country," Smith said. "The issue of the library is on his mind."

However, Smith said he did not believe Moeser's interest resulted from his background but from a motivation to improve the university as a whole.

"He will support the music department's major needs because they are major needs, not because he is a musician," Smith said.

UNC music Professor Thomas Warburton, who was a colleague of Moeser's during graduate school, said he did not think Moeser would embrace any particular interest but would understand the music department's problems.

"The performing facilities on this campus, including Memorial Hall, are in terrible shape," Warburton said. "I sat in Hill Hall auditorium during the rain one day, and there was water dripping on the floor."

UNC Orchestra Conductor Tomu Kalam, who conducts concerts in the auditorium, said he would celebrate the Moeser's arrival.

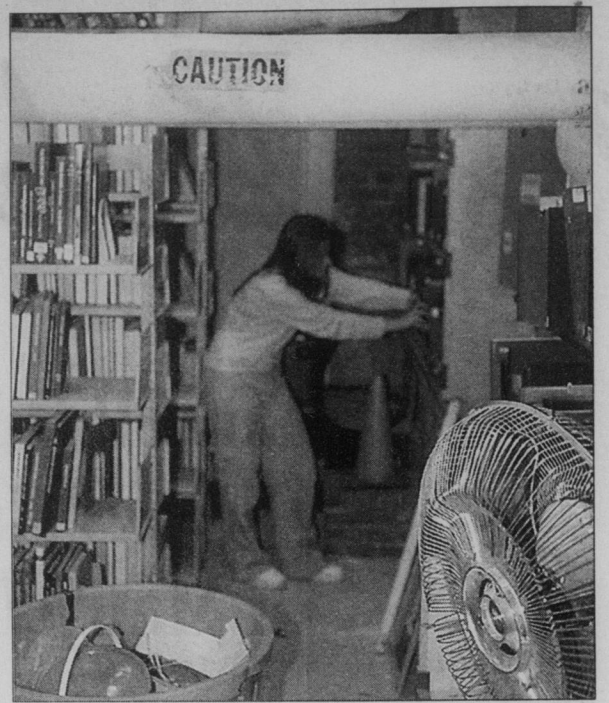
"We're going to have somebody at the top who is sympathetic to what we're trying to do and knows the issues we're dealing with," he said.

If he can find the resources to revive Hill Hall's organ from its three-year rest due to need of repair, Kalam hopes to use the organ in a concert this fall to honor the new leader.

Nadas said hopes for the department included the desire for a performing arts complex, but the crumbling library holds first priority as the department has been working for years toward a new home for its books and rare music.

"(Electing a chancellor) is the last piece in the puzzle to build the new library," he said. "The fact that he's already taken notice is a good sign."

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The UNC Music Library is housed in the basement of Hill Hall, where students must duck under pipes and avoid occasional puddles.



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Anne Cates, chairwoman of UNC's Board of Trustees, chats with Chancellor-Elect James Moeser at a press conference.

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The list also included Carol Christ, provost and executive vice chancellor at the University of California-Berkeley and Andrew Sorensen, president of the University of Alabama.

Haupt and Christ immediately withdrew their names from the running.

Stevens said the December leaks had hindered the search, prompting speculation that the committee had to broaden its list of top picks for the chancellorship.

Sorensen and Floyd remained coy on their candidacies, never removing their names from the list, while vowing to remain dedicated to their current work.

It was several months before Sorensen officially dropped out of the search on March 6, prompting speculation that the search was nearing its end.

That same week, rumors circulated across campus that U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Donna Shalala would take UNC's helm. But Shalala herself dispelled the rumors and said she had turned the search committee down three months before her name

had surfaced in the media.

Some began to question whether the committee would find a new leader by the fall semester when Stevens slated committee meetings through May 25, four days beyond Broad's May Commencement deadline.

The possibility of Moeser's candidacy filtered into campus conversations after he emerged as one of six finalists in the University of Florida president search, an open process because of the state's Sunshine Law. Floyd also appeared on the UF list.

A week later, the announcement of a

new chancellor became imminent when the BOT called an emergency meeting Thursday to vote for its picks.

Whispers began circulating around campus that Floyd, a seemingly natural choice for the post since Hooker died, would become the next chancellor.

But by Thursday evening, officials at both the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and UNC confirmed that Moeser would inherit South Building's top post.

The board officially forwarded two recommendations to Broad on Thursday, but Cates said Friday the trustees had unanimously recommended Moeser for the job.

The Board of Governors' unanimous approval of Moeser's appointment came after Broad officially recommended him Friday morning.

Stevens said the Florida announcement was not related to Moeser's appointment and that he had been under consideration for several months.

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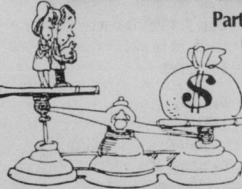
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raising), he said. "Maybe it's the No. 1 priority for the next administration."

But before he can set sights on boosting UNC's bank account, Moeser must shape his Cabinet. He said he would immediately launch an intensive search for his second-in-command - a provost to succeed Dick Richardson, who will retire in June.

"I will pledge my full energy to starting immediately," he said. "We will start tomorrow."

But before Moeser became entangled in his priority list, he received plaudits from both UNC and system officials, who called him a seasoned administrator and remarkable fund-raiser.

"James Moeser brings to the University a passionate commitment to academic excellence and diversity, proven strategic planning skills and a deep understanding of the ties that bind all great universities to the citizens that support them," said UNC-system President Molly Broad.

Former Student Body President Nic Heinke, the sole student on the search committee, said that firm commitment to making UNC students citizens of the state was Moeser's biggest selling point in his eyes.

"He's not the one of these people who wants to see a public university become private," he said.

Interim Chancellor Bill McCoy, who received a standing ovation for his year-long stint at the South Building post, said Moeser's appointment would allow UNC to thrust forward in its quest to become the top public institution in the country.

"Hearing him speak underscores that he is going to be an excellent person for this campus," he said.

After a formal lunch with BOG members and UNC's academic deans, Moeser and his wife, Susan, were whisked across campus Friday afternoon to a public reception at the Morehead Building to meet members of UNC's largest constituency - its students.

Following a brief speech, Moeser circulated the room easily, shaking hands with students and faculty members who came to garner first impressions of their new leader.

Moeser, who served as provost at the University of South Carolina before he took the Nebraska helm, joked about his changing perceptions of the term 'Carolina.'

"I've had a conversion, a new theology of what Carolina means."

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