

Outreach Proceeds Sans Director

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Officials from the Carolina Center for Public Service say the group is effectively helping those who are in need after recent terrorist attacks, despite vacancies in the group's leadership.

CCPS Associate Director Rachel Windham left her post Friday, nearly three months after Nick Didow resigned as the CCPS's director. The center currently is searching for a replacement for Didow to lead its third year of operation.

In July, Ned Brooks - who previously was associate provost for health affairs before his retirement this summer - began serving as interim director, a position he

will hold until a new director is found.

The CCPS is in the process of looking for a director, but group officials say these search efforts and Windham's departure have not affected the center's quick response to the terrorist attacks earlier this month. "As far as responding to the relief effort, I'm very proud of what we've done," Brooks said.

Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Cindy Wolf Johnson, who is heading the search, said the process for finding a new director is not hindering any of the group's current efforts. "It has not affected (the relief effort) at all," she said.

Wolf Johnson said the search committee has been screening director candidates at a national level. Of the many applications received, three candidates now have been chosen to come to campus for interviews in October.

Brooks declined to comment Tuesday on the identity of these candidates, but Wolf Johnson said she hopes the new director will start in early January.

Brooks and Wolf Johnson said they are anxious to have a new director. "The center has been strengthening its focus all along and a new director will continue to bring that forward," Wolf Johnson said.

But in the meantime, Sandy Alexander, a program officer for the CCPS, agrees that the director search has not hindered the CCPS's immediate response to the terrorist attacks.

Alexander is one of several CCPS members who is on the newly formed UNC Disaster Relief Task Force, which is working to unify relief efforts on campus in the wake of the attacks.

Alexander said that with such an emotional tragedy, members of the center are supporting each other. He said the CCPS is still getting out the word about service opportunities on campus, mostly through its Web site. "Everyone on campus is doing the best they can in this situation," Alexander said. "We look forward to having a director, but there has been a lot of support."

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Weekend No-Fly Zones Not Yet Set

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The Federal Aviation Administration issued no-fly zones over sporting events nationwide last weekend, but no decision has been made about whether similar restrictions will be continued this weekend.

The temporary flight restrictions, which are still in effect, divert planes flying below 3,000 feet within three miles of all collegiate, professional and high school sporting events.

Temporary flight restrictions usually require a formal request and an evaluation by the FAA.

But last weekend there were so many requests that the FAA issued a blanket no-fly zone.

Derek Poarch, director of the UNC Department of Public Safety, said the University did not request a no-fly zone for this past weekend's football game against Florida State University, but the FAA chose to issue one anyway.

Christopher White, a spokesman for the FAA Southern Region, said the restrictions were issued in response to the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks in New York, Washington, D.C. and Pennsylvania.

But White said situations would dictate the effectiveness of the flight restrictions in preventing any future terrorist attacks.

White said the restrictions were issued for security reasons, but there is no cause to believe college sporting events are targets.

Commercial flights usually are not affected by the regulations because their flight paths are generally above the 3,000 foot zone.

Exceptions to the restrictions were made for military, medical and police aircraft.

White said no-fly zones normally are used for emergency situations, such as natural disasters, and rarely have been used for sporting-event security in the past.

"They are usually only for emergencies," he said. "Things like this are not why they were developed."

If a security zone was violated, White said the air traffic controller would attempt to contact the pilot in violation, but individual cases would dictate the repercussions.

"Each circumstance would be different," he said. "A pilot may lose his license."

Cmdr. Don Sewell of the Department of Defense in Washington, D.C., said that if there was serious concern, stronger actions could be taken to protect the area.

"There are operational procedures that go into effect when an aircraft violates a no-fly zone," he said.

The new flight restrictions were issued in conjunction with numerous other security measures, including discontinued curbside check in, reduced access points at airports and more regulated airspace over military bases and major cities.

But Sewell said that there are limits to the military's ability to enforce no-fly zones.

"If a person has the desire to attack, our job is to defend the best we can," he said. "But it will not necessarily prevent them from doing so."

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EMS, Police Given Permission to Display Flags

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Emergency Management Services employees have been given the go-ahead to display flags on nametags and vehicles despite prior instructions from supervisors about uniform restrictions.

The Uniform Committee - which includes deputy directors from Orange

County fire services, emergency medical services and the 911 center - made the decision Friday after re-evaluating EMS' uniform policy.

The decision came after employees were told to remove flag ribbons from their uniforms and vehicles, which were done in support of the Sept. 11 victims in New York and Washington, D.C.

Modified employee nametags will have two flags crossed at the staff overlaying the Liberty Bell, which bears the slogan "liberty and justice for all," said Nick Waters, director of EMS.

"The nametag will become a permanent part of the uniform," Waters said.

Flag decals for vehicles also have been approved. Both the nametags and the decals are in production.

Waters issued a memo to employees shortly after Sept. 11, emphasizing that uniform policies would remain intact despite the terrorist attacks.

The memo stated that flag pins and ribbons on uniforms and vehicles violated policy, Waters said.

He also said employees would need to follow the regular procedure for getting approval of changes to the uniform.

Since issuing the memo, Waters said he has not received any formal requests from employees to change the uniform

policy.

But even though there were no formal requests, the Uniform Committee decided that a permanent change to the uniform would be the best way to allow employees to express support.

Other agencies, such as the Chapel Hill Police Department, waived certain restrictions to its dress code immediately following the attacks.

Jane Cousins, police spokeswoman, said some police officers are wearing flag ribbons or pins and flying small flags from patrol vehicles.

"Officers who choose to may add (ribbons or flags) if they want to, if it doesn't interfere with their duties or offend anyone," Cousins said.

"It is left to the individual decision of each officer, and every officer is wearing a black ribbon over the badge."

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Campus Calendar

Today

10 a.m. - Learn about your opportunities to see the world! Come to the Study Abroad Fair until 4 p.m. in the Great Hall. Raffle prizes and information about hundreds of programs will be

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noon - The Sonja Haynes Stone Black Cultural Center will hold an Around the Circle on "Homosexuality in the African-American Community." It's an examination of the black gay

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The Association of English Majors is hosting a graduate school information session in Gaskin Library on the fifth floor of Greenlaw Hall. Dr. Jessica Wolfe will answer questions about how to choose a school, how to apply, etc.

5:30 p.m. - The UNC Rotaract Club will host "Pearl Harbor and the WTC: A Forum on the Similarities, Differences and Lessons to be Learned." It will be held in 305 Dey Hall.

6 p.m. - The Wesley Foundation will host dinner and a discussion on Jesus at The Wesley Foundation, 214 Pittsboro St.

Committee meetings will be held after the discussion.

7 p.m. - Feminist Students United! will hold a Speak Out on date rape in Ehringhaus Green Room. Come share your anger, fears, rants, poetry, etc., in a safe environment and learn about campus resources.

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