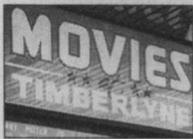


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Student Seminar Created to Study Qatar

Student Body President Justin Young is looking into giving students academic credit for serving on the new committee.

By STEPHANIE HORVATH
Assistant University Editor

A student seminar has been formed, in response to a proposal by student government officials, to advise Chancellor James Moeser on the formation of a UNC satellite campus in the Middle Eastern nation of Qatar.

Moeser announced the creation of the committee in Friday's Faculty Council meeting, saying it was the result of a proposal by Student Body President Justin Young and

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Student Body Vice President Rudy Kleysteuber.

Young said he met with Moeser on Thursday to discuss the idea and that the chancellor said he was supportive of the concept. "He was definitely very enthusiastic about this opportunity," Young said. "He seems to be changing around and getting more student involvement."

Young said the purpose of the seminar is to study the nation of Qatar in depth, to examine the issues surrounding the development of a campus there and to advise the chancellor.

"We really sort of wanted to get a balanced introduction to the Qatar proposal and evaluate its merits and drawbacks and just hope the chancellor gives it due consideration," Kleysteuber said.

But advising the chancellor is only one part of the seminar, Young said. "Ultimately, the goal is to study the issue but also advise the chancellor on what should be done."

Students first publicly expressed their opin-

ions on the proposed campus at a Nov. 14 forum sponsored by Campus Y and student government. Many students voiced concerns at that forum, and some felt students had not had adequate input in the process to this point.

The details of the seminar are still being finalized, Young said. Business Professor Bob Adler and chemistry Professor Holden Thorp have been asked by Moeser to facilitate the seminar.

Young said he has been working on creating a curriculum for the seminar and finding out if students can earn academic hours for participating. Meeting times, the duration of the seminar and the seminar's starting date are all still being worked out, Young said.

Moeser has said he plans to make a decision about whether to pursue a satellite campus in Qatar before the end of the calendar year. Young said he hopes to have the seminar formed and meeting before the chancellor makes his decision regarding Qatar.

Young said he hopes some students in the

seminar also will have the chance to visit the nation. He said he is also exploring the possibility of having video conferences with the Qatar Foundation, the organization that approached UNC about forming the campus.

Student government is now taking applications for the 25 spaces in the seminar. Twenty of those spaces will go to undergraduates, seven of whom must be business majors, and the remaining five positions will go to graduate students, two of whom must be from the business school. Applications are available at <http://www.unc.edu/studentgovt/executive/qatar>.

Young and Kleysteuber also will participate in the seminar, and two additional positions are open for student journalists. Applications are due Nov. 27, and students will be chosen by a student government selection committee.

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Bin Laden Still Running From U.S. Officials

The Taliban offered to surrender its last northern stronghold Sunday if the alliance spares those loyal to Osama bin Laden.

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Terrorist mastermind Osama bin Laden and his al-Qaida network are on the run in Afghanistan and their Taliban supporters are in disarray, but the American-led military campaign to crush them is far from over, senior administration officials said Sunday.

Secretary of State Colin Powell and Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz, in separate talk show interviews, both said they have no reason to believe bin Laden has escaped Afghanistan.

"I have seen no intelligence or information to suggest" he has left, Powell said on ABC's "This Week."

The revelation came even as the Taliban offered on Sunday to surrender their last northern stronghold if Arab and other foreign fighters loyal to Osama bin Laden in the city are spared, an anti-Taliban commander said. The Northern Alliance, meanwhile, agreed to a conference on neutral ground to plan a multiethnic government.

The offer to surrender Kunduz came after U.S. bombers unleashed their heaviest strikes so far on the city. Warplanes also were reported in action near the Taliban southern stronghold of Kandahar and areas of eastern Afghanistan where bin Laden is believed to maintain camps and hide-outs.

The Taliban's envoy to Pakistan said Saturday that bin Laden had left Afghanistan, but that has not been substantiated. Later, the diplomat said he meant only that bin Laden was outside areas under Taliban control.

Powell, Wolfowitz and national security adviser Condoleezza Rice all suggested bin Laden's room to maneuver is shrinking, his options narrowing.

"It's getting harder for him to hide as more and more territory is removed from Taliban control," Powell said. "I don't

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Hike Could Give Policy Test Run

UNC-CH was the first school to approach the BOG about a tuition increase in 1999 and could be the first again.

By ALEX KAPLUN
State & National Editor

In 1999, UNC-Chapel Hill became the first UNC-system school to take advantage of a newly approved Board of Governors policy concerning tuition.

Two years later, history could repeat itself.

In November 1998, the BOG approved a policy allowing individual campuses to request a tuition increase if an "exceptional situation" arose.

Less than a year later, UNC-CH became the first UNC campus to take advantage of the policy after the Chancellor's Committee on Faculty Salary and Benefits determined that a tuition increase was necessary to raise faculty salaries, which had fallen behind those of peer institutions.

After the UNC-CH Board of Trustees approved a five-year plan to increase tuition by \$1,500, several other UNC-system schools also petitioned the BOG for tuition increases.

By last spring, the BOG had approved tuition increases at 11 of the 16 UNC-system universities, prompting some BOG members to argue the board was not following its own policy on tuition.

This fall - after negotiations between UNC-system administrators and members of the N.C. General Assembly - lawmakers passed a state budget that included a provision calling for changes in the BOG's tuition policy.

The provision states that individual campuses can request a tuition increase "without regard to whether an emergency situation exists." The BOG approved the policy change at its October meeting.

UNC-CH could once again be the first to take advantage of the new policy. The UNC-CH BOT voted Friday to create a committee to examine whether there is a need for a campus-based tuition increase.

No other UNC-system school has begun formal discussions of a campus-initiated tuition increase. "Campus-based initiatives can be built to support the needs of an individual campus," said UNC-CH Chancellor James Moeser said at the BOT meeting Thursday.

Sen. Howard Lee, D-Orange, vice chairman of the Senate Education Committee and one of the negotiators of the new management flexibility provisions, said legislators wanted a tuition

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Members of the Ausemon dance group (above) and a dancer for the Bhangra Elite (below) perform Friday at the annual Masala Fashion Show. Ausemon is composed of young Iranians from the Triangle who represent the Persian Cultural Society.

Masala Event Draws Crowd of 500

The event highlighted the cultures of many of UNC's lesser-known student groups with songs, dances, skits and other performances.

By MIKE CALLAHAN
Staff Writer

The crowd of more than 500 students, faculty and community members that filled the Great Hall of the Student Union on Friday night was treated to a feast of cultural fashions, songs and dances at the Masala Fashion Show.

Masala, an umbrella organization whose members include many of UNC's multicultural groups, first organized the show in 1995. But organizers said this year's show is much different than the first. "It has expanded and become something more than just a fashion show," said Nitasha Menon, Masala co-president. "It has evolved into a cultural show."

The Asian Students Association took the stage first amid a thick cloud of fog while Petey Pablo's "Raise Up" blasted from the auditorium's speakers. After a precisely coordinated dance routine, students took the runway wearing traditional costumes of East Asian countries including China, Korea and Vietnam.

The fashion show also gave many lesser-known groups a chance to display their culture. The Persian Cultural Society took advantage of the show to perform the bandari, a traditional Persian dance from the southern region of Iran. The arm swinging and hip shaking of the bandari drew loud applause from the audience.

Menon said the opportunity to learn more about some of the smaller cultural groups on campus is one of the benefits of the fashion show.

"It is a chance for all of Masala's member groups to perform and to show the UNC community a little about their culture," Menon said.

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UNC Hospitals Pass Inspection, Keep Medicare

After a re-evaluation of security procedures, officials advised CMS to reverse its decision to revoke UNC Hospitals' Medicare plan.

By DANIEL THIGPEN
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State officials said Friday that the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services in Atlanta has decided not to terminate UNC Hospitals' Medicare agreement.

The decision comes after a new inspection of the hospital's security protocol.

The hospital's Medicare and Medicaid reimbursements were slated to be terminated Nov. 18 after a N.C. Department of Health and Human Services inspection in October found security problems within the hospital's psychiatric unit.

The state determined that these problems contributed to the Oct. 1 escape and suicide of 35-year-old Carrboro resident Arcadio Ariza Cortes, a mentally ill patient committed to the hospital's unit. In its initial study, the state found that hospital staff had mistaken Cortes as a visitor, which allowed him to leave the unit and commit suicide by jumping from the Kenan-Flagler Business School parking deck.

After the state investigation, CMS officials formally notified UNC Hospitals that its Medicare funding would be terminated by Nov. 18. UNC Hospitals officials worked to correct the security deficiencies, submitting two allegations of compliance to the CMS - the second of which was accepted by the center. The hospital's first allegation of compliance did not provide enough detail, said Tom Hughes, spokesman for UNC Hospitals.

Jeff Horton, chief of the mental health licensure and certification section of the state department, said state inspectors reviewed the hospital's security procedures Wednesday.

Horton said that after the reinspection, state officials recommended to the CMS that the hospital's termination be reversed. "(The CMS) indicated they would go by our recommendation," he said Friday.

Hughes said that although the hospital's initial allegation of compliance was denied by the CMS, security deficiencies were corrected immediately.

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All things from eternity are of like forms and come round in a circle.

Marcus Aurelius