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## **Group Prepares Judiciary Counsel**

#### Monday's Student Judicial **Review Committee meeting** marked the first time that outsiders participated.

#### **By JESSICA SLEEP** Staff Writer

Members of the Student Judicial Review Committee say focus groups, surveys and the recent hiring of a new staff member are bringing them closer final recommendation Chancellor James Moeser about student judicial improvements.

Committee Chairwoman Marilyn Yarbrough said that at their most recent meeting Monday, members interviewed officials from the Honor Court and the judicial system.

The meeting marks the first time outside participants have been involved in the committee's proceedings.

Yarbrough said that during the course of the meeting, Judicial Programs Officer David Gilbert and Honor Court Chairwoman Marcela Vasela related their experiences with the judicial system and gave their opinions about its strengths and weaknesses. The committee also decided to create

Web surveys for students, teaching assis

tants and faculty, Yarbrough said. She said the surveys will contain no more

than 15 questions, and there will be a separate survey for each group. "We want to get a sense of what peo-ple know about the judicial system,"

Yarbrough said. "We'll ask questions like, 'Are you aware of the Honor Code?' and ' Do you feel there's enough emphasis placed

Student Body Vice President Rudy Kleysteuber said the committee also decided to create small focus groups that will discuss issues

surrounding the judicial system like the fairness of the standards of proof and sanctions used. Kleysteuber said the focus groups will be composed

of five to 20 participants who have directly

directly experi-enced the judicial system, such as students who have been witnesses or facul-ty who have filed charges.

Kleysteuber said that although the focus groups will not be open to the public, the committee plans to hold pub-

lic forums at a later date. "These discussions will give people

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an opportunity to express their concerns about the judicial system," he said. Yarbrough said the focus groups will take place March 5, 6, 19 and 21. She said the March 5 session will involve fac-ulty members, and the March 19 forum, involving students, is scheduled to be held at Lenoir Dining Hall during lunchtime

She said the committee has not yet decided who will participate in the March 6 and 21 focus groups. With the January hiring of graduate

student Heather Dichter to assist members in research

and organization, "We've been reading a lot of Yarbrough said she believes the articles about student judicial systems, and we're getting a sense

of the concerns people have." MARILYN YARBROUGH **Review Committee Chairwoman** 

reading a lot of articles about student judicial systems,

and we're getting a sense of the concerns people have." Yarbrough said the committee will make its recommendation and report to

the chancellor by the end of the semes-

"We'll take all day early in May to sit

down and formulate recommendations," she said.

Kleysteuber said he is also confident members will have enough time to

complete their assessment of the judicial system. He said, "UNC-Chapel Hill stands alone in its honor system, and our analysis will center on what we think is best for our school."

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#### **Campus Calendar** Today

11 a.m. - The Carolina Electronic Music Symposium and UNC Dance Marathon present a day of music and breakdancing in the Pit. The event will last until 4 p.m. and showcase many of UNC's most talented DJs and breakdancers.

noon – The Sonja H. Stone Black Cultural Center will be hosting the film "Boma Tervuren, The Journey" in Union 208-209. The film is the third in a series being presented this month as part of the

1 p.m. – The **Curriculum in Medieval Studies** is hosting a lunchtime colloquium called "Notes from the tory Professor Stanley Chojnacki. Cookies and beverages will be provided. 4 p.m. – The **International Center** 



Diaspora Film and Discussion series.

Marriage Court: Honor, Fathers and Children in Quatrocento Venice" in 569 Hamilton Hall. It will be hosted by his-

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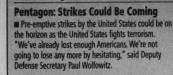
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**Developments in the War on Terrorism** 

#### **Bush Seeks to Assure South Korea**

■ President Bush sought to assure South Korea on Tuesday that he is not rushing toward military confrontation with communist North Korea, which he has branded part of "an axis of evil." He also plans to renew an offer to negotiate with North Korea.

a question and answer opportunity for all sophomores and juniors interested in learning more about this \$3,500 award to pursue their own project abroad for the summer of 2002. It will take place in Union 210. For more information, contact the International Center, 962-5661.

6 p.m. - Theta Nu Xi Multicultural sorority, Inc. would like to invite all interested women to an information ses-sion this evening in 302 Dey Hall. For information, contact Alicia East at east@email.unc.edu.

6:15 p.m. - Come to the Habitat for Humanity meeting until 7 p.m. in 103 Bingham Hall. We will discuss upcoming chances to serve and the upcoming Spring Break trip to Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

6:30 p.m. - Sex, love and romance around the world: Join the United Nations Organization for an explo ration of these themes in your favorite foreign films in 213 Graham Memorial. 7 p.m. – Tonight on **Carolina Week**:

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Marathon is struggling to raise money this year and why teacher applications are up. Today on Channel 2 in the residence halls and Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

on Channel 8 in Orange County. 7 p.m. – On the top floor of New West, **The Hill** will be holding its first interest meeting. The Hill is a new polit-ical review just beginning on campus

that is looking for writers and staff. 8 p.m. – Come to **"Who's sleeping in your bed?"** a discussion of feelings, thoughts and stereotypes toward intimate relationships often considered out-side the mainstream in today's society, specifically interracial dating and LGBT relationships. The discussion will be held until 9 p.m. in the Teague Basement.

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