

Fayetteville State Students Lobby to Keep Name

By STEPHANIE POOLE
Staff Writer

Loyal supporters of Fayetteville State University successfully rallied Thursday to oppose a potential university name change, winning the necessary votes to stop its consideration.

About 200 students, along with some faculty and alumni, mobilized for the event, said Arkeem Fleming, Fayetteville State Student Senate president pro tem.

Fleming said the Fayetteville State student government sponsored the rally to express concerns over a proposed bill

in the N.C. House.

The House proposal calls for a study to examine the feasibility and possible benefits of changing the name of Fayetteville State to the University of North Carolina at Fayetteville.

Rep. Bill Hurley, D-Cumberland, proposed the bill in June. He said the idea to change the university's name had been discussed for years in the county.

"If there is any way the school could benefit, it is certainly a good idea," he said.

Fleming said students were upset that the name change was proposed without any campus consultation.

"We, as a student body, find it offen-

sive that (the N.C. General Assembly) didn't include us at all," Fleming said. "We have been educating students since August on the issue."

A Fayetteville State student government-sponsored advertisement on the university's Web site encouraged students to come to the rally and discourage the Board of Trustees and the General Assembly from considering the name change.

Fleming said there was no legitimate reason to change the university's name.

He said that Fayetteville State's name has been changed in the past but that previous changes were the results of

improved accreditation — like the jump from college to university status.

"I find it personally offensive that the name change alone would make us more prestigious," Fleming said. "I feel as if I am being told that I am not as good at FSU as I would be at UNC-Fayetteville."

But Hurley — a UNC-Chapel Hill alumnus — said the UNC name would bring clout to the entire area because of the reputation it brings with it.

"UNC has a magic connotation in education circles across the country," Hurley said.

It is possible that a name change could bring tangible benefits, such as an

increase in funds, he said.

Hurley added that since UNC-Pembroke changed its name to include the UNC title four years ago, there has been a 40 percent enrollment increase.

But Lauren Wyke, Fayetteville State director of public relations, said the university has been experiencing enrollment growth on its own — citing a 9.5 percent increase in 2001 in on-campus enrollment and another 8.4 percent on-campus increase in 2002.

Fleming added that when UNC-P changed its name, it lost a significant number of minorities. UNC-P's population used to be comprised primarily of

Native Americans, but now that group represents less than 20 percent of the student body, he said.

Board of Trustees members, who were at the rally, later voted not to conduct research into a name change. They also approved a second motion to keep the Fayetteville State name.

Wyke said the rally was key in decision-making. "It showed there's a lot of alumni and student sentiment," she said. "The Board of Trustees responded to that in choosing to keep the FSU name."

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UNC-G Faculty Pool Donations To Assist University Employees

By LAURA YOUNGS
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After state budget cuts slashed pay raises for staff members at public universities, the faculty at UNC-Greensboro decided to take action.

Faculty members have put together a plan for raising \$250,000 to assist staff members in a time of economic stress.

"(Staff members) were totally speechless but overwhelmingly happy," said Karen Patrick, administrative officer for the UNC-G College of Arts and Science.

Faculty members include professors and teaching assistants, while staff members include maintenance workers and food service personnel. The state budget approved by the legislature last week allows for no pay raises for either group.

Campus-initiated tuition increases this year are being used to fund raises for faculty, but university staff are not eligible for such measures.

To compensate for this, faculty members at UNC-G are turning to their co-workers for one-time gifts to make the burden of budget cuts easier for staff members to bear.

The program was announced in August at Convocation, but plans were not confirmed until after the state budget was set.

"The primary reason (for the program) ... is to give relief and show solidarity," said Ben Ramsey, president of the UNC-G Faculty Senate.

About 100 faculty members have committed to the program so far. Those involved hope to have the money for staff by December, Ramsey said.

The UNC-G Faculty Senate plans to allocate the money from a central gift trust fund that is separate from the university's budget.

A move like this is unprecedented at UNC-G and ideally will bring the campus together, Ramsey said.

He said he thinks some individuals see a line drawn between faculty and staff.

"I think that there is that perception," Ramsey said. "We'll get people to realize that the division is not as strong as they think."

The program has drawn praise from faculty leaders outside of UNC-G as well. "It's a wonderful move, and it's hard to argue with the desire to give raises to the staff," said Dan Noland, a UNC-Wilmington English professor and president of the UNC-system Faculty Senate.

Ramsey said that although the move was altruistic, he does not want employees at other schools to feel obligated to do the same thing.

Faculty leaders at other UNC-system universities are trying to create alterna-

tives for their employees, but most schools do not have definite plans because budget cuts were not finalized Sept. 20.

Budget cuts, combined with rising medical insurance costs and parking permit fees, have resulted in less disposable income for staff and faculty, said Sue Estroff, chairwoman of the UNC-Chapel Hill Faculty Council.

Rick Niswander, vice chairman of faculty at East Carolina University, said the university has had to implement certain measures — such as restricting hiring — to absorb budget cuts.

But Gates said most faculty and staff members are maintaining a positive attitude, despite financial hardships.

"We're certainly concerned and sensitive to the problem," Gates said.

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Sunday, September 29, 2002, at 7:00pm

Solemn Evensong for the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels

Magnificat and Nunc dimittis in C Major
by Charles Villiers Stanford;

Duo seraphim
by Jacob Handl;

Factum est silentium
by Richard Dering;

Improvisation sur le "Te Deum" (organ)
by Charles Tournemire

The Chapel of the Cross
304 E. Franklin St.
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Campus Calendar

Today

noon — The Orange County Chapter of the American Red Cross and Hinton James Residence Hall are sponsoring a blood drive until 4:30 p.m. and hope you will give the gift of life. Donors will receive a coupon for a free Chick-fil-A sandwich and a coupon for \$5 off Domino's pizza. Please contact Justin Rao at jrao@email.unc.edu to schedule an appointment.

5:30 p.m. — Got a bike? Come to CRITICAL MASS! Join the Student Environmental Action Coalition, assemble and ride as a massive group together down Franklin Street to promote clean transportation, get exercise and have fun! We meet the last Friday of every month at 5:30 p.m. at the sundial behind Morehead Planetarium.

For the Record

In the Sept. 25 article "Carrboro Votes to Annex 2 Tracts," Carrboro resident Donald McDonnell was incorrectly identified as Donald McDonald.

In the Sept. 26 article "ACT Members Meet to Discuss 5-Year Transportation Plan," it was incorrectly reported that Derek Poarch, ACT chairman and director of the Department of Public Safety, proposed implementing a night parking plan to balance potential debt in the future.

Poarch suggested that committee members discuss the feasibility of keeping pay operations lots that close at 5 p.m. open later into the night.

In the Sept. 26 article "How to Improvise a Punchline," UNC senior Bill Cochran was incorrectly identified as Ben Cochran.

The Daily Tar Heel regrets the errors.

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'THE DAILY SHOW' COMES TO UNC



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"The Daily Show" correspondent Mo Rocca interviews freshman Andrew Wasserman on Thursday in the Pit. The show came to campus to film a segment mocking recent media coverage of UNC's summer reading program, pretending all UNC students have converted to Islam since reading the book "Approaching the Qur'an."

Wildlife Center to Close, Reorganize

By LAURA HINSON
Staff Writer

The Wildlife Rehabilitation Center in Mebane will close to reorganize its veterinary services after weeks of criticism directed toward management by its employees.

On Sept. 3, employees of the Wildlife Center, which is run by the Animal Protection Society of Orange County, approached the Orange County Commissioners to voice their concerns about management problems within APS.

Stacy Hughes, a wildlife assistant at the rehabilitation center, made several complaints about management problems in her statement to the commissioners.

"Over the last few months, the quality of care provided by the APS has steeply degraded," she said in her statement. "We are greatly concerned that there has been mismanagement of infectious disease."

Hughes also said there is documen-

tation of how management has not adhered to a consistent policy to guide employees in protecting healthy animals and in controlling the spread of disease.

Two months before the commissioners' meeting, APS had come under criticism when recently hired Executive Director Laura Walters fired wildlife veterinarian Bobby Schopler.

The center was then left with no veterinarian to care for the injured wildlife brought there.

Employees and volunteers rallied behind Schopler, citing Walters' actions as unfair and ungrounded, said Christy Dixon, a former volunteer at the center.

Dixon said that the remaining employees at the center were trained in some areas of wildlife care but that they were not trained veterinarians.

"The care went down immediately after Dr. Schopler left," she said.

Walters said she will be searching for someone with the right expertise and background to take over the clinic when it is reinstated.

The APS will lease the facility for an undetermined amount of time to a private veterinarian who will oversee and provide care for the APS animals and wildlife, but the center will not accept more animals for treatment until the practice is established.

Anne Rogers, a home wildlife reha-

bilator, said she is concerned about what is going to happen to the animals.

"I really worry about it because there aren't many people left who (rehabilitate) at home," she said.

Rogers said she is concerned with the fact that Walters would fire a veterinarian with wildlife training and eliminate all the trained employees.

Walters refutes the rumor from employees and local news affiliates that she is firing all the employees from the center.

She said APS is transferring the responsibility of the center to the independent veterinarian, who will use his discretion to decide whether to keep the employees.

She also said that although some people seem to think the animals at the clinic will be abandoned, this rumor is not true.

"We are taking care of the animals that we have," she said. "They will be placed out when the time is right."

Walters said the reorganization will help the APS better serve all the animals.

"This is a good opportunity to make some changes and do what is best for the animals."

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Zack Underwood, Sophomore Communications major, OL 2002:
"I still see people today who come up to me and say, 'Hey, you were my Orientation Leader.' That's an amazing feeling and I believe that in the end it's the ultimate reason that I did the whole OL thing."

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