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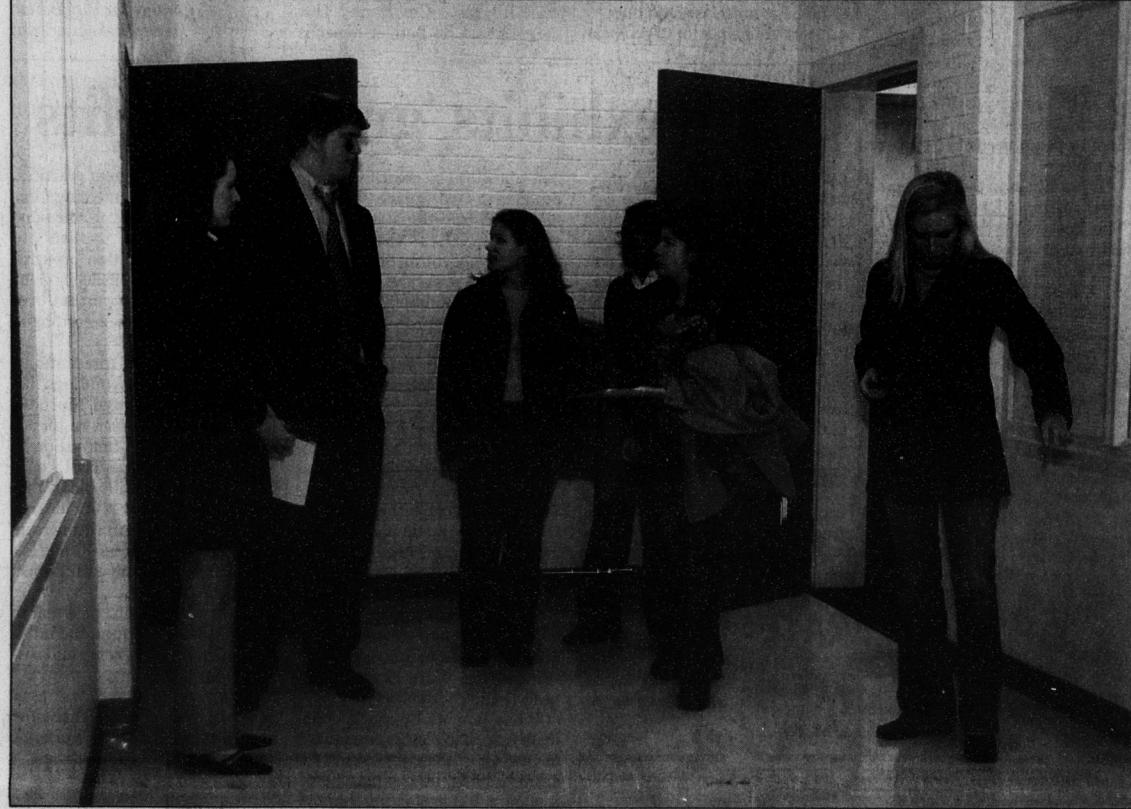
STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT RUNOFF ELECTION

CANDIDATES IN LIMBO AS ELECTION STAGNATES

RESULTS: Uncertified totals show West defeated Calabria by 7 votes

INVESTIGATION: BOE begins soliciting alleged witness accounts

HISTORY: Allegations of cheating have emerged in past races at UNC



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Board of Elections members (left to right) Heather Sidden, Walker Rutherford, Jennifer Hill, Vice Chairwoman Mansa Semenya, Chairwoman Melissa Anderson and Megan Mitchell prepare to announce the postponement of election results Tuesday. Two board members are not pictured.

Probe on alleged violations begins

BY BROOK R. CORWIN

UNIVERSITY EDITOR

"Our first priority is ensuring a fair election. It's not the public's knowledge of what's going on. Basically I'm saying to back off."

MEGAN MITCHELL,
BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Pierre and Senior Class President-elect Jovian Irvin — were contacted. At least eight of the individuals contacted for submissions are associated directly with a campaign.

Once the submission deadline has passed, Anderson and BOE vice chairwoman Mansa Semenya are slated to start studying the information obtained. The full board is slated to meet Friday or Saturday in an open hearing to discuss its findings and to issue a ruling.

The board's decision will determine whether the unofficial results of Tuesday's runoff election, which indicate West won by seven votes, will be certified, whether a candidate will be disqualified or whether a re-election will be held.

The board announced its plans at 12:30 a.m. today through Student Attorney General Jonathan Slain, who will serve in an advisory role to the board.

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Anderson had said Tuesday that four alleged campaign violations were reported in the final minutes of the election, but she would not specify which violations applied to each campaign.

The allegations include campaigning within 50 feet or visible sight of a campus computer lab, operation of a polling site in a public venue for campaign purposes, altering the home page of a campus computer for campaign purposes and sending an unsolicited mass e-mail for a campaign.

The board is withholding details of the allegations against candidates Matt Calabria and Lily West and declined to provide legal justification for that decision. The board also would not comment Wednesday on whether additional allegations have been filed and has told Calabria and West not to comment

on the results.

Computer system in need of review

BY EMILY STEEL

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The results of a routine audit of the University's Information Systems highlight the need for further investigation of the general security of the UNC computer system — a process that could cost several hundred thousand dollars.

The Office of the State Auditor released a report Wednesday that calls for the University to conduct a study that will assess which computer data and programs are vulnerable to hackers and viruses.

"It caught the attention of our auditors of something that needs to be done that wasn't being done," said Dennis Patterson, spokesman for the Office of the State Auditor.

The audit report identified three areas where the University's Information Systems did not meet

regulations: the general security of the system, the access control of the environment and the uses of the system's software.

According to the report, UNC needs to conduct an evaluation to identify the critical, sensitive information that could prevent potential hacking. But Steve Jarrell, interim vice chancellor for information technology, said it could be challenging to fund such a report.

"This is not an indication that anything is wrong," Jarrell said. "We are required to complete a thorough analysis, and just having the money to pay for that is the issue."

The assessment by an outside agency would cost several hundred thousand dollars, an amount that has not been calculated into the

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COURTESY OF UNC SPORTS INFORMATION
North Carolina senior Yuri Sugiyama (left) will make his second attempt at the U.S. Olympic Team in July.

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Alumni of Dance Marathon, which began in 1999, continue to help the cause. PAGE 3

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A strong showing in Wisconsin bodes well for the success of John Edwards. PAGE 3

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The women's swimming and diving team leads in the ACC championships. PAGE 10

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SUGUIYAMA GIVES OLYMPICS 2ND TRY

BY BRIANA GORMAN

STAFF WRITER

Representing the United States in the Olympics is a dream few athletes have the opportunity to turn into reality even once.

Swimmer Yuri Sugiyama is getting a second chance to fulfill this dream.

But in reality, all he really wants to do is enjoy himself.

"I'd say I'm not necessarily intimidated," Sugiyama said. "In 2000, I went and I was 17 then, and I was a little more intimidated then."

"But just my years of experience and already having been to the trials, I'd say it's a little more excitement. It's more fun than anything."

With the ACC championships coming up next week, Sugiyama admits he is more focused on that competition and has not had much time to think about the

July trials.

The Olympics are a comfortable subject for Sugiyama to talk about. He's been familiar with the games since he was six years old, when he began swimming for the Curl-Burke Swim Club in his hometown of Ijamsville, Md.

There he was able to swim with one of his role models, 2000 Olympic gold medal winner Tom Dolan.

"Just to watch him compete day in and day out and watch how he trains and to be able to train alongside of him has really influenced me as a swimmer, competitively and psychologically," Sugiyama said. "And it's really helped me a lot. I try and mimic him."

Dolan's abilities rubbed off on Sugiyama. His first year in college, Sugiyama broke the UNC record in the 1,000-yard freestyle held by former Olympian Yann de Fabrique.

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