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## Rollout of price study sees delays

Trustees fail to move ahead with talks

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Members of the University's governing board were expecting Thursday morning to learn how tuition increases, similar to the landmark proposal they passed last year, impact enrollment.

But the price sensitivity study that could significantly alter the course of action for future tuition talks didn't even make an appearance.

"The schedule was too optimistic; it was just too fast," said Jerry Lucido, vice provost for admissions and enrollment management. "We could have provided a broad statement about the methodology if it was necessary, but no one would have wanted that."

While hundreds of interviews have been conducted and the data-collecting period is complete, officials said, tuition statistics are still being calculated.

Officials expect the study, conducted by higher education consulting firm Art & Science Group LLC, to be ready for discussion by the board's November meeting.

"A lot will depend on the results of the study," said Richard "Stick" Williams, chairman of the BOT. "If the study suggests that there is not a whole lot of wiggle room, then it certainly will affect if we ought to

consider it."

The tuition price sensitivity study will provide officials with a two-sided look at the effects of such increases.

One aspect of the study will show how the cost of education affects potential students' decisions to apply to the University. The second analyzes the decision-making process admitted students use when deciding which university to attend.

"We did not want to do a live experiment with the tuition increases, so we are studying what happens with the market-based approach, what the effects are," Lucido said.

This year, in-state students are paying \$3,205 and out-of-state students are paying \$16,303 for tuition. These rates reflect last year's increases of \$250 for in-state students and \$1,500 for out-of-state students.

When trustees approved the increases last January, they also passed a philosophy to guide future tuition discussions.

The philosophy calls for tuition for in-state students to remain both accessible and affordable. To accomplish this goal, tuition

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## Dalzell faces new charges

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Andrew Douglas Dalzell was scheduled to make his first court appearance Thursday at the Orange County District Court in Hillsborough.

But Dalzell, who is charged with one count of second-degree murder in the 1997 disappearance of Deborah Leigh Key, did not appear in court.

A Carrboro police arrest report for Thursday shows that Dalzell was being placed under arrest at noon, the same time he was scheduled to appear in Hillsborough.

According to reports, Dalzell was arrested Thursday and charged with six counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor — a



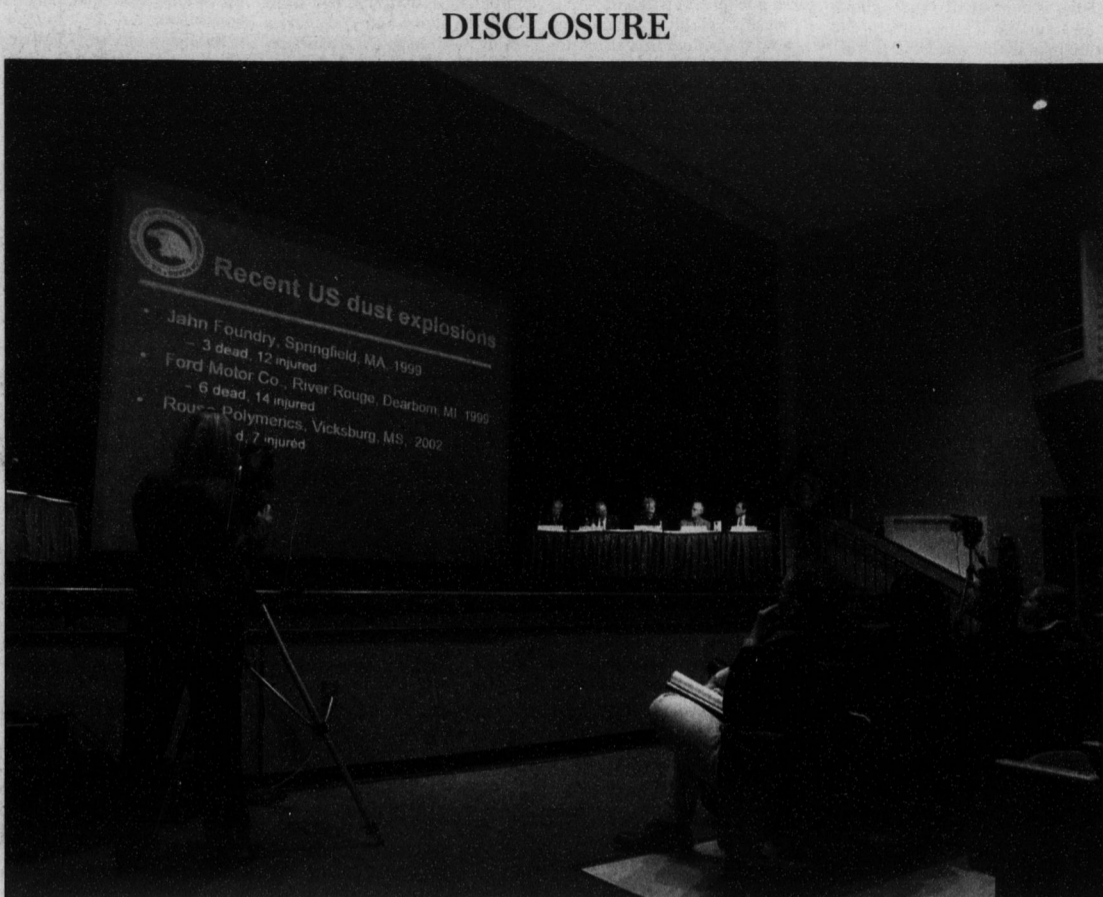
Murder suspect Andrew Dalzell was charged with 6 counts of third-degree sexual exploitation.

felony crime.

District Attorney Carl Fox said charges of third-degree sexual exploitation stem from "possessing visual representations of minors engaging in sexual acts."

Dalzell was placed under arrest at the Orange County Jail, where he was already being held, and placed under a \$20,000 secured bond.

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After releasing a report indicating that West Pharmaceuticals didn't do everything it could to prevent the 2003 Kinston plant explosion, leaders of an investigation into the incident held a public meeting in the town Thursday night. There were no public comments made by former plant employees.

## STATE SHAKEN BY KINSTON REPORT

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KINSTON

Leaders of the investigation into the West Pharmaceuticals plant explosion held a public meeting Thursday after releasing a report indicating that the plant didn't do everything it could to prevent the disaster.

Lead Investigator Stephen Selk said the Jan. 29, 2003, explosion occurred when ACumist, a combustible dust used by the plant, accumulated above a suspended ceiling and ignited. The dust had accumulated to between 1/4 and 1/2 of an inch, he said, and national fire codes only allow 1/32 of an inch.

"If the average thickness was 3/8 of an inch and it was all ACumist then the total accumulation would be approximately one ton," Selk said, describing the accumulation as a "sleeping giant."

The ACumist was used as a paste on rubber materials that were then dried using fans, producing the dust and blowing it above the ceiling tiles.

Patsy Gates, an employee of West Pharmaceuticals Inc., worked with ACumist and said that she and the other employees had no idea the material was combustible.

"We would scoop up dried powder," she said. "It looked like lightning bolts because of so much static electricity."

Gates attended the meeting intending to speak in support of West Pharmaceuticals

but decided to remain silent after hearing the report. No public comments were made.

"Now I still don't blame West, but I feel differently now knowing that they didn't take precautions," Gates said after the meeting. "They should have told us. They knew."

Gates, who has worked for the plant for 17 years, was not in the room during the explosion but witnessed the immediate aftermath.

"The girl that died, she didn't die instantly," Gates said through tears. "She was trapped under heavy beams, and I had to leave her. It

was either one of us or both of us. "It's hard to look into the eyes of someone and leave them."

Six people died in the explosion, which could be heard and felt for miles, and another 37 were injured. Ten of the victims were airlifted to the N.C. Jaycee Burn Center at UNC Hospitals.

North Carolina adopted International Fire Codes in 2002, which require state and local fire departments to determine what industries should do to avoid combustible dust hazards.

The report on the Kinston explosion, issued by the U.S. Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board, recommends that the N.C. Building Code Council amend its use of the international fire code and comply with stricter national guidelines.

"It cannot be said that these provisions were provided for at the West Kinston plant," Selk said.

In a statement released Thursday, West Pharmaceuticals officials denied the report's apparent conclusion that they were remiss in their obligations before the incident.

"West has always considered workplace

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## UNC tops sales list for 4th year

Colorful line, marketing help to sell merchandise

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For the fourth consecutive year, UNC has ranked as the Collegiate Licensing Co.'s strongest performer, with its trademark licensing revenue totaling \$3.7 million for the fiscal year.

This year's revenue marks the second best in the program's history — \$140,500 less than last year, the best in the program's history.

UNC policies regulate the use of logos and trademark language.

When businesses receive approval to use these marks, the University receives a portion of the proceeds and allocates 25 percent to the Department of Athletics and 75 percent to general scholarships.

"UNC has a mature licensing program and a strong partnership with Nike and Jordan brands," said Derek Lochbaum, director of trademarks and licensing.

He added that the partnerships with Nike USA and Jordan Brand allow for the creation of UNC paraphernalia, which can be found in abundance

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Freshman Stephanie Santiago shops for UNC apparel in Student Stores on Thursday night. UNC's trademark licensing revenue hit a total of \$3.7 million for the 2003-04 fiscal year.

## Task force mulls use of tuition cash

BY DANIELLE HARTMAN  
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Although they set out to discuss a comprehensive report about the effect of tuition increases on the University, officials at Thursday's Tuition Task Force Meeting instead spent time discussing the best uses for revenue generated through possible hikes.

Provost Robert Shelton, co-chairman of the task force, had announced during the group's last meeting that the results of a price sensitivity study, conducted by the higher education consulting firm Art & Science Group LLC, would be available for discussion.

But the discussion eventually took a different direction when the anticipated Thursday completion of the report was delayed.

"We have so much to look at, it wasn't particularly harmful not to have the report," said Student Body President Matt Calabria, co-chairman of the task force.

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After discussing several pages worth of financial information and demographic statistics, task force members made proposals on how to best spend revenue.

Calabria urged the task force members to consider using additional funds to improve the caliber and quality of classes offered to students.

He and Student Body Vice President Alexa Kleysteuber contended that many students become

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