

Airport's fate sealed in budget Officials to update campus directories

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The University's plans to close Horace Williams Airport have hit some turbulence within the N.C. General Assembly.

The House and Senate budgets differ on the issue, directing the airport along different paths.

The latest House version allows for a one-year study to decide whether the location is needed by N.C. Area Health Education Centers.

AHEC uses the UNC-owned airport to transport doctors across the state to treat patients.

The Senate's budget proposal allows for the continued use of the airport while AHEC transfers to Raleigh-Durham International Airport.

UNC officials maintain that the transfer is necessary to achieve the University's goal of creat-

ing Carolina North — a multiuse research facility two miles north of the main campus.

The airport lies in the heart of the area planned for development and is the flattest area of the 963-acre Horace Williams tract.

But closing the airport could lengthen travel time for doctors by 15 or 20 minutes, experts say.

The debate concerning the airport's future now resides within the budget discussion of the joint conference committee.

During the next few weeks, the committee will decide whether to keep the airport or close it to construct the new campus.

Rep. Bill Faison, D-Orange, said maintaining the airport is necessary for patients.

"I think the airport is a very important part of Chapel Hill," he said. "I think that the people who are wishing to close it are signifi-

cantly misguided."

House Majority Leader Joe Hackney, D-Orange, said it is crucial to keep AHEC functioning.

"The most important thing is the maintained viability of AHEC," Hackney said. "It needs to be assured."

The current campus does not fill all of the University's needs, said Tony Waldrop, vice chancellor for research and economic development.

"Researchers are scattered in lease space," he said. "We think it would be better to bring them all together in one University space."

Senate Majority Leader Tony Rand, D-Cumberland, said that there are merits to both arguments and that there should be some give and take.

"I'm not in favor of closing

the airport, but I am in favor of Carolina North," Rand said.

"It's always a balancing situation."

There should have been another way to resolve the issue, said Sen. Ellie Kinnaird, D-Orange.

"I think Carolina North ... cannot be stopped," she said.

"My disappointment is that they found 10 sites close to Chapel Hill-Carrboro, and they didn't use them."

The issue should have more time to be discussed in greater detail for the General Assembly to fully understand the problem, said Rep. Bill Owens, D-Pasquotank, co-chairman of the conference committee.

"A decision that big, you should make an educated decision."

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Will revise e-mail policies in August

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In an effort to establish a more streamlined online communication system, UNC's Information Technology Services department is introducing two new campuswide initiatives this fall.

Beginning in August, ITS will change how students, faculty and staff can contact one another by providing a revamped online directory search engine and establishing firmer policies regarding the distribution and creation of University e-mail accounts and Onyens.

"We're trying to create a more reliable means of communication across the University because before there wasn't one," said Megan Bell, acting assistant director of ITS communications.

The first of these changes, the revamped online campus directory Web site, will effectively compile the University's mass of previously individual directories into one centralized search engine.

The move is aimed toward offering a uniform means of searching for and updating personal information, including telephone and e-mail contacts and privacy settings.

The new online directory also will offer more specific search tools, affording users the opportunity to scan for the contact information of students, faculty and staff by department, in addition to searches by last name that are used now.

The refurbished online campus

directory comes as the result of a collaborative effort between the directory steering committee and the ITS project team.

The second of the ITS department's summer renovations is an attempt to "improve the relay of information" across campus, Systems Accountant David Pass said.

The improvement will come in the form of new University procedures regarding the assignment of Onyens and Onyen-based e-mail addresses to incoming students, faculty and staff.

In previous years, new faculty and students were only assigned PID numbers upon enrollment and hiring and were not required to create individual University e-mail accounts.

This oversight meant many students and staff who neglected to set up University accounts would not receive campuswide e-mails, and therefore would not be aware of important information such as campus security and meningitis alerts.

This fall, however, such problems will be remedied as incoming students will be assigned Onyens and University e-mail accounts along with their PID numbers.

Other University departments that maintain individual e-mail systems, such as the Kenan-Flagler Business School and the UNC School of Medicine, also will be linked via a trusted domain process to ensure that security guidelines are met and that important information is communicated across campus.

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Rollergirls spice up life on wheels

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Last Saturday the Lincoln Theatre in Raleigh hosted an event no different from any other celebration, except for the ladies in attendance. Adorned with both tattoos and tiaras, they were being honored for their ability to block punches and elbow their way through a sweaty pack of roller skaters.

The Carolina Rollergirls, an all-female roller derby team new to North Carolina, celebrated the end of its inaugural season with "The Blood-Spillin' Cotillion," an awards ceremony and dance party.

The team's 30 players, ages 21 to 44, came out dressed to the nines in a mix of evening gowns

and punk accessories.

Awards were presented for "Most Devoted Derby Bitch" and "Scrumptious Rumpbutts" — translating into best volunteer and nicest butt, respectively — as well as more traditional categories.

Roller derby is an extreme sport in which two teams skate in a pack while one player from each team tries to wrestle her way to the front. The sport reached its heyday in the '60s and '70s and is now experiencing a resurgence of interest with all-female leagues sprouting up all over the country.

The new generation of female players often adopts alter egos and revealing uniforms to complement their aggressive playing

techniques.

Laura Weakland, known as Celia Fate on the rink, started the Carolina Rollergirls two years ago after seeing the first female league play in Austin, Texas. "It was the coolest thing I'd ever seen."

Fate began skating with friends back in Raleigh, and soon the Carolina Rollergirls were born.

Divided into two teams, the Rollergirls played three bouts this year to sold-out crowds at the Skate Ranch in Raleigh.

Many women, particularly the mothers on the team, find roller derby a positive outlet for everyday stress.

"The moms are the ones to watch out for," Fate said. "They come out with a little aggres-

sion."

The matches have become a family affair, with husbands, boyfriends and children cheering on their loved ones and providing first aid when necessary.

Cecil Sheppard said he and his wife taught their daughter Brandy Sheppard — known to her teammates as Roxy Rockett, the season's MVP — how to skate when she was three years old.

"Her eyes just light up when she talks about it. I'm glad to see her happy."

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Court ruling limits papers' rights

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First Amendment experts and university media advocates across the country say a recent court ruling puts campus communities' right to information in jeopardy.

In a 7-4 decision, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit ruled that university administrators at schools that provide funding to student newspapers can review and censor content prior to publication.

The case, *Hosty v. Carter*, originated from the Illinois-based Governors State University where in 2001 the school newspaper editors sued the institution. They claimed that Patricia Carter, dean of student affairs and services, violated their First Amendment rights when she threatened to pull funding if she was not granted editing privileges.

The ruling frees Carter of wrongdoing and asserts that the 1988 Supreme Court case *Hazelwood School District v. Kuhlmeier* also applies to universities.

Both are dangerous and could spur unwanted effects that stretch beyond the 7th circuit borders of Illinois, Wisconsin and Indiana, said Kathy Lawrence, president of College Media Advisers.

"The danger of course is that other circuits will look to this one,"

she said. "This is an attractive idea to some college administrators." But movement is afoot that could prevent that from happening.

The ruling will be appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court, and others are rallying behind the cause.

Mark Goodman, executive director of the Student Press Law Center, said the organization is drafting a formal response to the ruling and constantly advising students.

The center first began advising the Governors State University students in 2000 and filed friend of the court papers in the case and argued on the journalist's behalf.

Lawrence said her group will be among several organizations that would file similar papers if the Supreme Court hears the case.

She said she is shocked and saddened by the case because of the crucial role student newspapers play on college campuses — informing readers and arming them with the knowledge they need to make key decisions.

"Anytime you have a circumstance that makes those students think twice ... then you have something that runs counter to every single thing our democracy was established to protect," she said.

To avoid that result, Richard Roth, Society of Professional

Journalist regional director for Illinois and Indiana, said he's ready with advice for students and will encourage newspapers to seek independence.

Goodman said controversial student organizations that receive university funds likely will be the first to be censored by administrators.

"It's probably just a matter of time before some college officials start demanding the right to review a college newspaper as well," he said.

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while maintaining the campus's 260-acre footprint necessarily leads to higher density, but it would remain still lower than the core density of Southern Village, said Kathy Buck, the group's treasurer.

Another feature of The Village Project's proposal is the Horace Williams Rainbank, a rainwater reservoir filled with water harvested from rooftops that would double as a recreational area.

Should the reservoir prove techni-

cally unfeasible, a broad promenade for walking and bicycling could be built instead, Carnahan said.

Group members said they have worked on this plan since last July and have sought to reflect the concerns raised by nearby existing neighborhoods.

The group presented its suggestions to University officials early this month. Tony Waldrop, UNC's vice chancellor for research and economic development, said in an interview Monday the suggestions on light-rail transit were especially interesting.

"We will look at the ideas they presented and see which are viable," he said.

Waldrop had reservations about some other proposals, such as the possibility of cutting parking spaces to fewer than 6,000 while increasing housing units to 8,000.

"That's less than one parking space per household," he said, adding that researchers and other University employees would also need parking.

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He also is said to have attended his school's prom April 30.

Investigations began after an out-of-town relative contacted local law enforcement after not being able to get in touch with the family for more than a week.

The bodies were found wrapped in blankets inside the house. Shotgun shells were found on the floor nearby.

Further details about the investigation were revealed later in a warrant dated May 26.

Lauren Sapikowski, Adam Sapikowski's sister, told investigators about a "secret hiding place" in his room. She said the space might be hard to find with someone who is unfamiliar with the room and could contain a box with information.

Adam Sapikowski's girlfriend said he gave her a key, but she did not know what the key unlocked.

The warrant also revealed that Adam Sapikowski "has an extensive knowledge of guns and was a member of a gun club."

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would block money needed to fund increases in the number of students in public schools, a 12 percent increase in Medicaid and increases for community colleges and universities.

"This is not a good idea," Hoyle said. "I would say it is reckless."

Berger responded, saying the increase in taxes does not go toward additional funding for education and Medicaid.

A motion to table the amendment passed by a 26-20 vote blocking the amendment from the resolution.

Sen. Hugh Webster, R-Alamance, also made comments of disapproval while on the Senate floor.

"It's not a continuing resolution; it's a tax increase," he said.

The attempt to amend the resolution was expected, said House Majority Leader Joe Hackney, D-Orange.

"That's just political posturing," he said.

The continuing resolution eventually passed the Senate by a 29-20 vote and has been sent to the House for concurrence.

As for the final budget, Senate President Pro Tem Marc Basnight, D-Dare, said that it still is too soon for specifics and that it could be quite some time before it reaches fruition.

"We hope to get it completed as soon as possible."

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