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## Leaders begin Carolina North zoning

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Now that the University-formed Leadership Advisory Committee has finalized guiding principles for Carolina North's construction, University and town staff will collaborate again to create a zone, or a specific set of regulations, for the University's satellite campus.

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The Chapel Hill Town Council examined a proposed process to develop the zone at Monday's business meeting. The Town Council would use the new zone to evaluate any Carolina North plan or proposal the University sends forward.

Chancellor James Moeser's Carolina North Leadership Advisory Committee, formed with town and University representatives, wrapped up its work last week.

Ken Broun, chairman of the committee, law professor and former Chapel Hill mayor, said he will prepare the final draft of principles that, with each committee member's stamp of approval, will be sent to Moeser. He said Moeser will have the final version of the principles by

the end of next week.

The principles, including a commitment to public transit and a consideration for air quality, will be referenced in creating the new zone. Foy projected energy conservation measures might be embedded in the regulations.

"There will be a continued forum or vehicle for the University to get feedback from the committee as we now move into the phase where we actually begin to get into the land use planning," said Jack Evans, executive director of Carolina North.

Mayor Kevin Foy, Town Manager Roger Stancil, Moeser and key

University staff, including Evans, met Friday to formulate a potential process for developing the zone at the request of the council. The group decided to begin the process soon.

The plan that came out of the meeting includes two groups — one to oversee policy, composed of council members and University trustees, and a separate, more technical group of University and town staff.

The policy-forming group would guide a consultant, who would work with the technical group to create a zone that is in harmony with policies and principles of value to the University and town leaders.

"The thought is that something is less likely to go off the rails at the end if you have the policy makers in the beginning," Foy said.

Council member Jim Ward said he wanted all of the council to be involved in creating the zone.

Evans said it is too premature to guess who will serve on the groups.

The Leadership Advisory Committee's guiding principles, a report from the town's Horace Williams Citizens Committee and the Land Use Management Ordinance all will be used to steer the consultant and the working group.

"The next step is the zoning and

you have to build in the principles or the zone won't work," said Julie McClintock, chairwoman of the Horace Williams citizens committee, who also served on the LAC.

A similar process was used about six years ago when a zone was created for the University's main campus.

"It's been used before and seemed to work," Evans said.

The difference between now and six years ago is the addition of a consultant. The facilitating consultant, hired by the town, will help

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## Nation readies for Bush address

Health care, war to top speech agenda

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The war in Iraq and health care insurance are expected to top President Bush's priority list in today's State of the Union address at 9 p.m.

The president is expected to defend military policies he announced earlier this month in his most recent national address, which included a decision to commission more than 20,000 additional American troops to Iraq.



President George Bush likely will defend his Iraq war policies.

"He intended this to be a two-part address," UNC political science professor George Rabinowitz said. "He understood there would be a lot of criticism after the first address, and this is a second one to follow it up."

"I think he's in a political environment where he's rapidly losing credibility, and it's going to be reflected in his speech by being more defensive and less proactive."

Joseph Glatthaar, UNC history professor and chairman of the curriculum in peace, war and defense, said Bush's latest approval of military commanders such as Lt. Gen. David Petraeus as commander of the Multi-National Force in Iraq are measures meant to bring like-minded military commanders into power.

"(Departing Gen. George) Casey had always opposed a troop increase," he said. "Now they're putting in other people that are more supportive of troop increase."

Glatthaar also said he does not expect Bush to announce a troop withdrawal date, a move that many Americans and Democratic congressional leaders favor.

But with the 2008 presidential election approaching, Rabinowitz said Bush will try to appeal to a broad base that will regain the American public's favor.

"Either Iraq has to turn for the better ... or Iraq has to be sufficiently near closure where it doesn't seem like the whole election will be focused on Iraq policy," he said.

Bush also is likely to introduce the controversial topic of health care policy to deflect attention from the war, said Tom Ricketts,

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## BIRTH OF A SUMMER BOOK

Committee picks freshman reading

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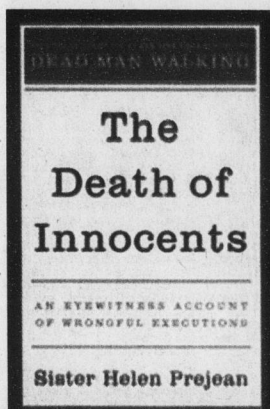
Incoming freshmen have just been assigned their first homework assignment.

The University's summer reading selection committee unanimously decided Monday to recommend "The Death of Innocents: An Eyewitness Account of Wrongful Executions," by Sister Helen Prejean, as the 2007 summer reading book.

The book tells the stories of two men who Sister Prejean claims were wrongfully executed. Sister Prejean, a nun, followed the men from appellate hearings to the death chamber.

"I think everybody was most excited about this (book) because it is an issue that's very topical," said Doug Kelly, chairman of the committee and professor in the Department of Statistics and Operations Research.

"It's on a controversial topic by someone who takes a definite point of view," Kelly added. "But it leaves open the possibility of discussion of all points of view."



Committee members said they were impressed with how the author presented her case against the death penalty in a nonconfrontational way.

"Students who are for the death penalty will be forced to defend their position," said junior Allison Rose, a committee member. "But I don't think the book is in any way offensive."

Past selections have been met

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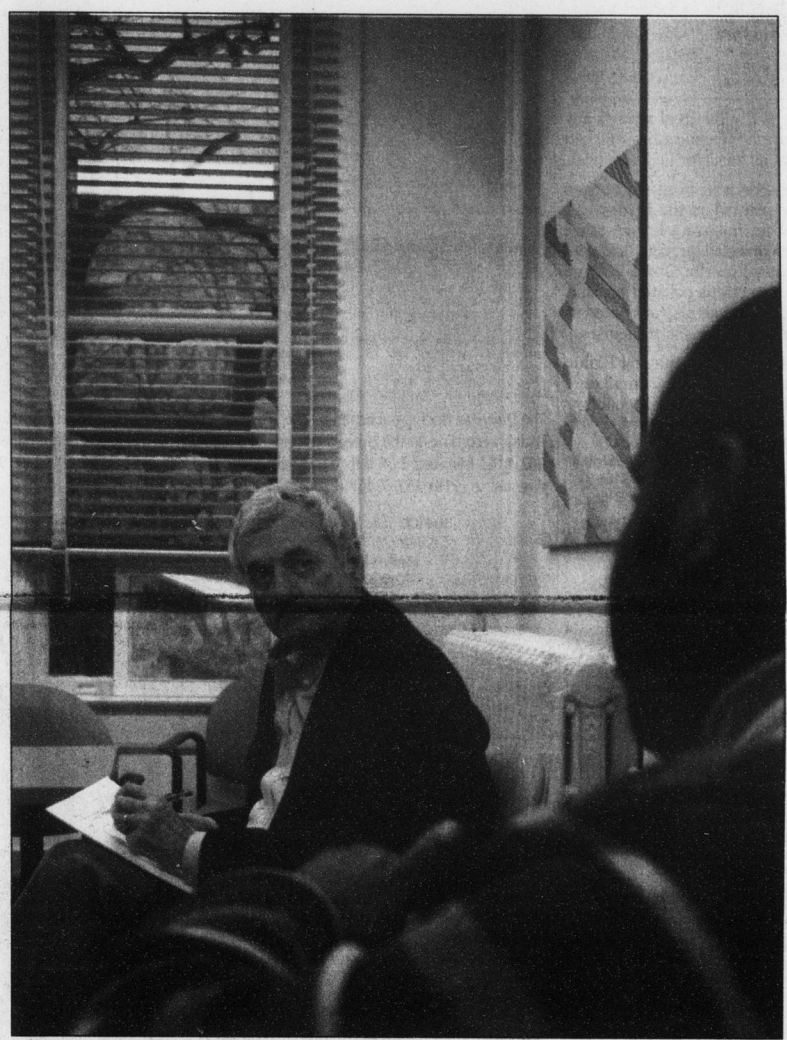
### Past summer reading selections

**2006:** "The Namesake": The first work of fiction chosen by the committee. The novel follows the path of an Indian immigrant family as they adjust to life in the United States.

**2005:** "Blood Done Sign My Name: A True Story": Students discussed an account of the culture of white supremacy and black uprising and the circumstances surrounding a racial murder, in 1970s Oxford.

**2004:** "Absolutely American": The book chronicles young West Point cadets as they experience the military academy and the aftermath of Sept. 11, 2001.

**2003:** "Nickel and Dime: On (Not) Getting By in America": The selection of a journalist's account of the low-wage workforce prompts disagreement from a state legislator over the book's merit.



Doug Kelly, a professor of statistics and operations research and chairman of the committee to select the next summer reading book, discusses the chosen book with committee member Demetrius Brown.

## Textbook rental plans vary across the nation

BY AMY EAGLEBURGER  
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As prices skyrocket across the country, administrators, students and retailers are attempting to take the air out of textbook inflation.

With its textbook rental proposal, the UNC system's Association of Student Governments unveiled its attempt at just that.

Its suggested program would include only large, introductory course books and is only one incarnation of the diverse rental systems that exist at less than 1 percent of universities nationally.

### A faculty friendly style

In late 2004 the California State Assembly passed legis-

lation encouraging all in the University of California system to pursue a textbook rental program as part of a wider prescription for price relief.

California State University-Fullerton's launch of its textbook rental program came fast on the bill's heels in spring 2005. But Steve Magana, senior textbook director for Titan Shops, CSU-Fullerton's student store, said the plan already was in the works for three years before the legislation.

The initial offering included only two course books. Since then, the list has expanded to 21 titles, Magana said. As a rental, the cost of one book is spread out across two years and offered to students at 35 percent of the

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## Hikes pressure middle class

UNC following national trend

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For students living on tight budgets, the prospect of another tuition increase could spell future financial woes.

As tuition increases nationwide, many have raised concerns about the heavier burden that the middle class must carry.

These students, who often don't qualify for large need-based awards but also can't afford to pay the full out-of-pocket cost, could be among the most hard-pressed if Board of Trustees members move to approve the hikes they are considering this week.

As it stands, undergraduate tuition could increase \$250 for residents and \$1,250 for nonresidents. The \$250 is about a 6.5 per-

cent increase for residents — the most officials can raise resident tuition, according to UNC-system guidelines.

With many families' debt increasing as college costs rise, even a seemingly negligible \$250 increase can make a big difference.

"It doesn't sound like that much, but it really is when you factor in all of the other expenses that you have day-to-day," said junior Erin Franklin of Knotts Island. "That'd be like three extra shifts per week that I'd have to pick up to help out."

Franklin said she works four nights per week to help pay for food and housing.

"A tuition increase would be a huge increase on my whole family," she said. "They're trying hard to make ends meet."

As a result of rising tuition, some middle-income families are struggling to manage funds to keep up with increases, said Charles Clotfelter, a professor

of economics and law at Duke University who studies the economics of education.

Resident tuition has risen \$500, or about 17 percent, in the past four years. During the same period, nonresident tuition increased \$3,300, or 22 percent.

UNC's increases have been on par with the national average.

During the past four years, the cost of tuition and fees combined has grown 24 percent for both resident and nonresident students.

In the same period, tuition and fees at four-year public institutions rose about 26 percent on average, according to the College Board.

Though UNC is not alone in raising tuition and fees, many students still oppose proposed increases.

Kate Finneran, a junior from Wildwood, Mo., said she disagrees with the proposed increases because it puts the brunt of the load

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**FINALLY, MEXICAN FOOD**  
A Chipotle spokesman says the chain is on track to open a location in Chapel Hill in the former VisArt Video space by May or June.

### this day in history

**JAN. 23, 1951 ...**  
A federal court in Virginia announces it will hear a lawsuit challenging the UNC School of Law's barring of black students. The suit was ultimately successful.

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