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## DEVELOPING RELATIONSHIP

Carolina North requires town, UNC partnership

BY KAYLA CARRICK AND WHITNEY KISLING  
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It's been a bumpy road. Fourteen years of questions and disagreements have led the University and the town to where they are today: still in the planning process of Carolina North.

For the University, every time the plans start to move forward on the satellite campus — set for a 963-acre tract of a land just north of UNC — something throws a kink in the process, causing officials to reevaluate their ideas.

Roger Perry, chairman of UNC's Board of Trustees, said University officials feel "a sense of urgency" to move things along.

For the town, the approval process is just getting off the ground. Today the Chapel Hill Town Council will officially review the 50-year plan for the satellite campus, as well as receive community input on concept plans for the Innovation Center.

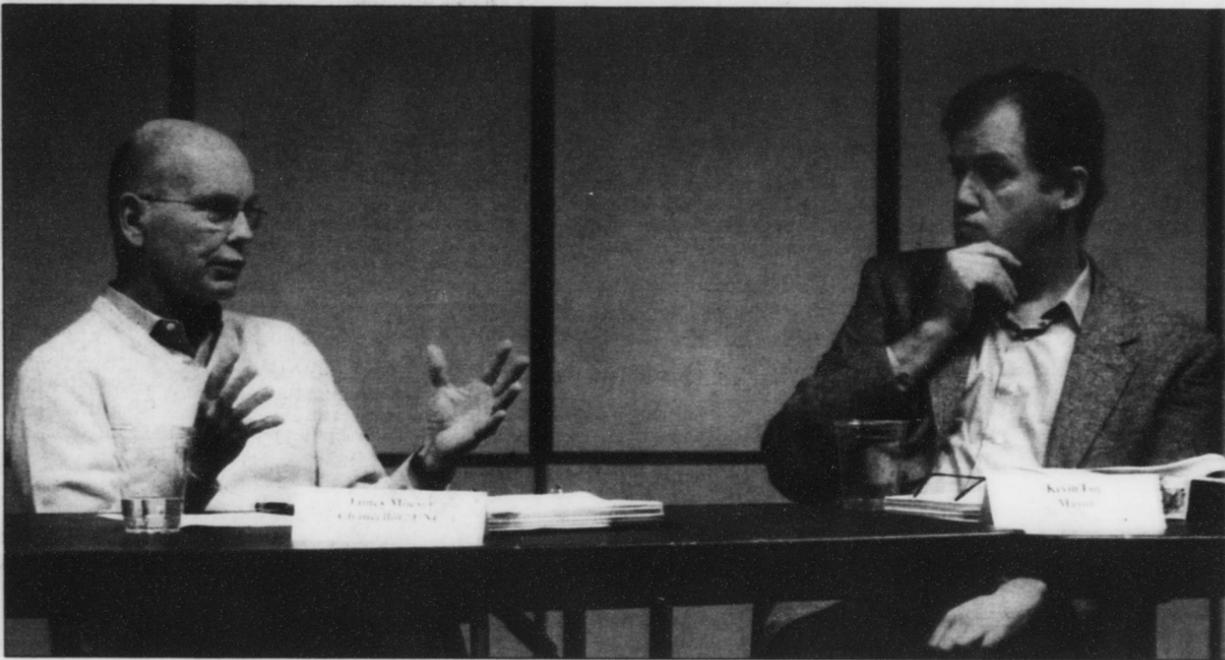
"From having worked with us before, the University knows how long it could take," town council member Laurin Eastham said. "We're not on anybody's timeline."

And as development moves forward, the infamous town-gown relationship will become more important than ever.

This year campus and town leaders say that relationship has become stronger. Council members sat down to talk with Chancellor James Moeser and several trustees last week to discuss Carolina North — a move that council members say is "historical and unprecedented."

But if history is any indicator of the future, that relationship is still hanging precariously

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Chancellor James Moeser and Chapel Hill Mayor Kevin Foy discuss plans for Carolina North, the proposed 1,000-acre satellite campus, at the town council planning session on Jan. 13. Town council members and University officials discussed issues such as sustainability, transportation and land development.

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ATTEND THE PUBLIC HEARING: 7 p.m. Chapel Hill Town Hall www.townofchapelhill.org

## Research campus meant to increase corporate funds

BY KATIE HOFFMANN  
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UNC is beefing up its game plan for research. As federal research funds decline across the country, universities are changing the way they pay for their research and development — relying more heavily on corporate partnerships.

But because UNC has little ability, for several reasons, to strike corporate partnerships, the University is starting to drop behind its peers.

And University officials are hoping Carolina North, its proposed satellite research campus, will be its ticket to corporate competitiveness.

### Flattening budgets

UNC ranked in the top 20 U.S. research universities for 2006, according to the Center for Measuring University Performance.

The center leaves out one increasingly important

research aspect in its rankings — corporate-sponsored research.

UNC received 73 percent of its research funding this year from federal organizations, primarily from the National Institutes of Health and the National Science Foundation.

But that well is running dry. Federal funds for nondefense research and devel-

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**Shifting GROUND:** For more coverage of Carolina North, see pages 6 and 7 and go online at dailytarheel.com.

## Athletes receive several UNC perks

Apparel, lottery among benefits

BY ANDREW RYAN COSGROVE  
STAFF WRITER

Depending on skill level, a student athlete has the chance to become a nationally recognized figure, a representative for sports apparel or even the next Michael Jordan.

But no matter how they play on the court or the field, UNC student athletes see a few extra benefits for just being on the team.

"There are certain benefits that a student athlete receives in an NCAA-sanctioned university that is a fact of life," said Larry Gallo, senior associate director of athletics.

For UNC varsity athletes, that includes a separate ticket distribution, a special dining hall and priority registration.

But some athletes say they are treated just like any other student.

"I think a lot of people misunderstand how varsity athletes are treated," said Marissa May, a 2006-07 varsity softball player.

May said that athletes get the same resources as other students, but their busy schedules mean those resources are parceled differently.

### Basketball ticket lottery

Student athletes enter into a separate men's basketball ticket

### Perks for varsity athletes:

► Dining hall in the Kenan Football Center for football players. The hall is open for breakfast for all students.

► Separate ticket distribution system for men's basketball games.

► Priority registration, beginning for fall 2008 semester.

► Athletic apparel from the NCAA for victories in postseason play, such as regional or conference championships.

lottery, allowing them to sign up on Mondays before a home game.

There are about 100 upper-level athlete tickets, said Clint Gwaltney, associate athletic director for the Smith Center and ticket operations.

With about 800 varsity athletes from 28 sports, there is a 12.5 percent chance of getting a ticket.

The student body lottery has 6,000 slots for about 28,000 students. According to fall 2007 enrollment statistics, students have about a 21 percent chance of winning.

For some games a portion of the athlete tickets are set aside for those honored during halftime.

For high-profile games, the athlete lottery system takes into account grade point average and academic

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## STUDENT ELECTIONS 2008

## Signature requirement may weed out a few

BY KELLEN MOORE STAFF WRITER

Dormstorming is done and petitions are in, but student government candidates can't breathe a sigh of relief just yet.

After tallying the petitions, the Board of Elections found some potential candidates might lack the required number of signatures to continue in the race.

Stephen Barber and Rachel Moss, candidates for senior class officers, now

have 24 hours to get more signatures — or be forced to drop out of the race.

And additionally, The Daily Tar Heel's tally found Josh Criscoe and Megan Compton, senior class officer hopefuls, also failed to gain enough signatures.

Morgan Nagy and Jenn Rimbach, senior class officer candidates, dropped out before petitions were due Tuesday.

Many signatures had to be thrown out because they appeared on more than

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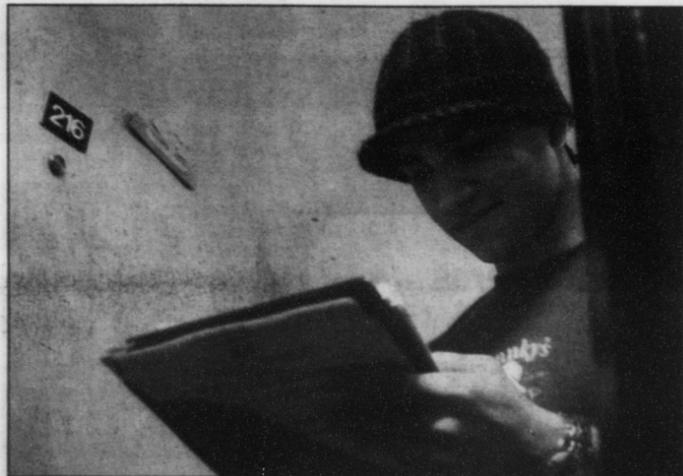
Meet the candidates for 2008 student elections.

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one list or twice on the same list.

With the election less than three weeks away, candidates who did gain enough signatures can prepare for the next phase of campaigning, which includes speaking to groups of students and discussing specific platform goals.

Contact the University Editor at [udesk@unc.edu](mailto:udesk@unc.edu).



Freshman Greg Veintimilla stands in the door of his Craige Residence Hall room to sign a petition in support of J.J. Raynor's campaign, which dormstormed Craige on Jan. 17.

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### DTH unofficial signature count

Student body president:	
800 needed	collected:
Kristin Hill	869
Logan Liles	919
J.J. Raynor	2,023
Carolina Athletic Association president:	
800 needed	collected:
Andrew Coonin	831
Residence Hall Association president:	
350 needed	collected:
Michael Miller	373
Graduate and Professional Student Federation president:	
100 needed	collected:
Cindy Spurlock	107
Senior class officers:	
350 needed	collected:
Stephen Barber and Rachel Moss	257
Josh Criscoe and Megan Compton	332
James Shelly and Pinar Gurel	386

## announcement

### WE'RE HIRING

The Daily Tar Heel is hiring new staff for the spring semester. Applications are due by 5 p.m. today and are available in Union suite 2409. The DTH is hiring staff for its writing, online and visual desks.

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### INTERNS WANTED

The town of Chapel Hill is looking to hire interns in three different town departments. Interested students must apply by Friday.



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### HEELS TAKE ON MIAMI

The No. 5 men's basketball team will take on ACC opponent Miami on the road at 9 p.m. tonight. The game will be televised on Raycom.

## this day in history

### JAN. 23, 1981 ...

Chancellor Christopher Fordham is released from the hospital after more than a month. He was admitted after complaining of muscle weakness on his left side.

## weather

Partly cloudy  
H 46, L 31

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