

Who might be up their sleeves?

The search is almost over. Most likely, at least.

After about five months of closed meetings and interviews, the chancellor search committee today has reached the end of its list of scheduled meetings.

Since members started meeting in September, they have released a position description detailing what they say they want in the next chancellor. Some of the concepts are based on the open forums held in November. Some are based on the community's e-mail suggestions.

The Daily Tar Heel took the position description, the information from the forums and dozens of conversations with University community members and did its own research.

When UNC picked Chancellor James Moeser in 2000, it was ranked No. 27 by U.S. News & World Report. Moeser

had been the chancellor of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, a second-tier school.

Looking at peer institutions and slightly less-than-peer institutions, the DTH considered sitting leaders in higher education who fit the bill.

Our list is below.

And though it's by no means comprehensive, this list can provide an idea of the kinds of people who the search committee might be considering.

The goal wasn't to find the next chancellor before the search committee did. The aim was to say that he or she might be listed below, and that, at the very least, these are the people who arise from the characteristics that the committee wants.

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Key points in the position description

- ▶ Experience with fundraising
- ▶ Background in research
- ▶ Plans for faculty retention
- ▶ Dedication to public education
- ▶ Vision for international leadership

Desired qualities noted at public forums and in DTH interviews

- ▶ Sitting provost, president or chancellor at a public university
- ▶ Tie to UNC or North Carolina
- ▶ Minority
- ▶ Vision for handling enrollment

Expectations learned from past chancellor selections

- ▶ In place at current position for five or more years
- ▶ Desired age is in the 50s

Etta Pisano



How she fits the bill: Pisano is a professor of radiology and biomedical engineering at UNC and N.C. State University's joint biomedical engineering program. She also is director of the UNC Biomedical Research Imaging Center. Pisano was nominated for chancellor by UNC's Association for Women, Faculty and Professionals.

On being a potential candidate: Pisano could not be reached by deadline.

Title: Vice dean of academic affairs, School of Medicine, UNC
U.S. News & World Report school rank: 28

Mary Sue Coleman



How she fits the bill: After getting her doctorate degree in biochemistry from UNC, Coleman held administrative positions at UNC and then at the University of New Mexico. For seven years, she served as the president of the University of Iowa. Since being selected as the school's president in 2002, she helped the school surpass its \$2.5 billion fundraising goal.

On being a potential candidate: A University of Michigan spokesman said he had authority from Coleman to say she is not a candidate.

Title: President, University of Michigan
U.S. News & World Report school rank: 25

Bill Roper



How he fits the bill: Before coming to UNC, Roper served as the senior vice president of Prudential HealthCare. He then served as the dean of the UNC School of Public Health from 1997 to 2004.

On being a potential candidate: Roper could not be reached by deadline.

Title: Dean, School of Medicine, UNC; CEO, UNC Health Care
U.S. News & World Report school rank: 28

Janie Fouke

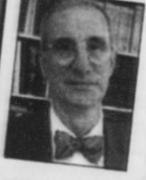


How she fits the bill: Fouke has ties to both UNC, where she earned degrees in biomedical mathematics and engineering, and the state of North Carolina. Before rising through the ranks of higher education, she served as a public school teacher in Scotland. Before her post at the University of Florida, Michigan State University.

On being a potential candidate: "Some people think that the chancellor position at Chapel Hill is the dream job in the nation right now."

Title: Provost, University of Florida
U.S. News & World Report school rank: 49

Geoffrey Feiss



How he fits the bill: Feiss was a faculty member at UNC from 1975 to 1997, during which time he also served as chairman of the geology department and senior associate dean for the College of Arts & Sciences. He has also been the dean of the faculty of arts and sciences at the College of William and Mary.

On being a potential candidate: "I have absolutely no interest in being a chancellor or president at any university, but I'm flattered to be thought of in that group."

Title: Provost, College of William & Mary
U.S. News & World Report school rank: 33

J. Bernard Machen



How he fits the bill: Machen spent six years at UNC, serving as a professor and an associate dean at UNC's School of Dentistry. After serving as provost at the University of Michigan and president of the University of Utah, Machen moved to the top spot at the University of Florida in 2004. Among other initiatives, Machen began a fundraising campaign aimed at recruiting and retaining faculty that has brought in about \$200 million.

On being a potential candidate: Machen could not be reached by deadline.

Title: President, University of Florida
U.S. News & World Report school rank: 49

Elson Floyd



How he fits the bill: A native of Henderson, Floyd holds a Bachelor of Arts, a master's and a doctorate degree from UNC. He spent 15 years at UNC and the UNC system in administrative positions and also has been president of the University of Missouri system. He was considered as a candidate for the search that led to Chancellor James Moeser but was determined to be too early in his career at the time.

On being a potential candidate: Floyd told the Washington State University Board of Regents that he rejected an approach from UNC's chancellor search committee.

Title: President, Washington State University system
U.S. News & World Report school rank: n/a

Donna Shalala



How she fits the bill: When UNC was looking for a chancellor in 2000, Shalala was rumored to be one of the candidates. In addition to serving as president of the University of Miami, she was chancellor of the University of Wisconsin-Madison, one of the country's biggest public universities. Shalala, one of few women presidents, has been involved in the political arena with health affairs and has handled a budget of about \$6 billion.

On being a potential candidate: She could not be reached by deadline.

Title: President, University of Miami
U.S. News & World Report school rank: 52

John Edwards



How he fits the bill: A graduate of the UNC School of Law, Edwards became the director of UNC's Center for Poverty, Work and Opportunity after running for vice president in 2004. He also served North Carolina as a U.S. Senator from 1998 to 2004.

On being a potential candidate: Edwards could not be reached by deadline.

Title: Former N.C. senator, two-time presidential hopeful
U.S. News & World Report school rank: n/a

Carol Garrison



How she fits the bill: A UNC alumna, Garrison has had significant experience in higher education administration, including as a professor at UNC. At the University of Louisville, Garrison served as chief academic officer, funds for the university. It's been about six years since Garrison was appointed to her current post.

On being a potential candidate: Garrison could not be reached by deadline.

Title: President, University of Alabama at Birmingham
U.S. News & World Report school rank: Third tier

MaryAnn Fox



How she fits the bill: One of Fox's strongest ties is that she was chancellor of N.C. State University before taking the same post at the University of California at San Diego. San Diego is a major research university and maintains a budget of \$1.9 billion, close to UNC's about \$2 billion. Fox also served as vice president for research at the University of Texas at Austin.

On being a potential candidate: Fox could not be reached by deadline.

Title: Chancellor, University of California at San Diego
U.S. News & World Report school rank: 38

Michael Adams



How he fits the bill: Adams became president of the University of Georgia in 1997 to increase the university's standing as a public research institution. Adams has overseen initiatives similar to those completed during Moeser's tenure, such as a \$1 billion construction project and the Archway to Excellence Campaign, a \$500 million fundraising drive. He also has served as chairman of the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges and of the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

On being a potential candidate: "Michael Adams will continue to serve in his role as president of the University of Georgia," said Thomas Jackson, vice president for public affairs for the University of Georgia.

Title: President, University of Georgia
U.S. News & World Report school rank: 59

Mike Smith



How he fits the bill: Smith received his law degree from UNC and then joined the faculty in 1978, becoming dean of the School of Government, which was at the time called the Institute of Government. In 2006, UNC's Board of Trustees appointed Smith to a newly created position — vice chancellor for public service and engagement, an area noted as one of the most important for the future of the University.

On being a potential candidate: Smith said he declined to comment.

Title: Vice chancellor for engagement and public service and dean of the School of Government, UNC
U.S. News & World Report school rank: 28

Carol Christ



How she fits the bill: A former provost at the University of California at Berkeley, Christ was a candidate for the 2000 chancellor search at UNC. After withdrawing her name from the pool after it became public, Christ became president of the Lynch & Co.'s Board of Directors.

On being a potential candidate: Christ could not be reached by deadline.

Title: President, Smith College
U.S. News & World Report school rank: 17 (for Liberal Arts Colleges)

James Ramsey



How he fits the bill: Under the former UNC Chancellor Michael Hooker, Ramsey served as vice chancellor for finance and administration for a year. Since 2002, he has been at the University of Louisville, which has a hospital and is undergoing several similar projects to UNC.

On being a potential candidate: "I have nothing but respect for (UNC). It's a great school, and I would be very flattered, but I have not pursued it in any way. I'm a native of Kentucky, and we've got a lot of work to do here."

Title: President, University of Louisville
U.S. News & World Report school rank: Third tier