

October Report recaps progress

'Carolina: Best Place' project tops list

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The student body president's annual October Report was presented to Student Congress on Wednesday, two weeks later than expected.

The 112-page report, which highlights the administration's progress during the past six months, builds upon the J.J. Raynor administration's Summer Report, which was released Sept. 10.

Student Body Secretary Andrew Daub said the report embodies two themes of student government this year: ownership and transparency.

The document also included updates on all of student government's ongoing projects.

Most prestigious is the "Carolina: Best Place to Teach, Learn and Discover" project, a campuswide discussion that seeks

to gain student and faculty input about how to improve the UNC experience.

Raynor and Trustee John Ellison held open forums on campus and are beginning to visit each residence hall. The report said they hope to hear from 2,000 students by the end of the semester.

"We're creating an open dialogue about how we want to change UNC," Daub said.

"I think that is going to be the big gem looking both forward and backward."

Raynor said the goal next semester will be to address the concerns expressed at these forums.

Daub said that project has not been their only success in the past two months. He listed Halloween as another student government highlight.

"A lot of the feedback we

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received was that the changes we made were by and large quite successful," he said.

During the Halloween celebration, student government worked with town officials to ensure that SafeRide routes were still available.

They also stationed about 25 "spotters" throughout campus to help students in need get home or get medical help.

Other highlights of the report focused on transportation and safety.

The safety and security committee is working to get more blue lights approved and installed by the town in a timely manner.

Raynor said the town recently approved nine blue lights on McCauley Street.

Raynor's plan for a late-night bus route from Chapel Hill to Carrboro also is in the works.

According to the report, the C2C, fashioned after the P2P, could begin running as soon as next semester, provided that the necessary money is secured without increasing student fees.

The October Report was supposed to be released to Student Congress at its first meeting after Oct. 14, as mandated by the Student Code.

Raynor said there was confusion regarding the deadline. Most recent administrations also have missed the deadline.

Although her administration has accomplished many of its platform planks, Raynor said those achievements are just the beginning.

"You don't live by your platform," she said. "You have to go above and beyond your platform. You have to be responsive to needs since platforms are static documents."

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Charanga Carolina plays at the FedEx Global Education Center during the Latin American coffee tasting event sponsored by Counter Culture Coffee. The ensemble of UNC students produces a sound that fuses both European light classical and Afro-Cuban music.

Employees hold fundraising forum

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Delegates to the Employee Forum seem to agree on what they want to get out of the University's upcoming fundraising drive.

No members expressed any concerns during the first reading of a resolution laying out employees' top priorities for the campaign at Wednesday's forum meeting.

Forum leaders said that points to a high level of support.

"There was not one drop of conversation," forum Vice Chairwoman Brenda Denzler said. "No conversation is probably a good thing."

The resolution lays out 10 funding requests for the University's next private donation drive.

When the forum drafted a similar resolution before the last fund-

raising drive, Carolina First, none of its requests were funded.

The Employee Forum requested its priorities for that campaign about one year before it began, which ended up being too late, Denzler said.

UNC completed Carolina First — an 8-year, \$2.38 billion fundraising drive — in December.

This time, with planning for a \$4 billion drive still in its infancy, the Employee Forum hopes to submit its request early, Denzler said.

Matt Kupec, vice chancellor for University advancement, announced the planning for the new campaign, currently called Carolina Big, to the Board of Trustees in September.

The biggest items on the Employee Forum wish list ask for money to provide free tuition for children of

employees and the creation of an affordable housing program.

Other requests include money for a skilled trades apprenticeship program and to further subsidize and expand carpooling programs for employees.

The resolution will be brought up again for a vote at the next Employee Forum meeting in December.

"Everybody was satisfied with it," forum Chairman Tommy Griffin said. "I'm looking at a unanimous passing next month."

It would then be presented to University administrators for consideration.


Denzler said the dearth of discussion at Wednesday's meeting was because the priorities were developed with employee input, and most had seen the proposal already.

A draft of the resolution was distributed over the forum listserv, and feedback received was overwhelmingly positive, Denzler said.

Griffin said that forum delegates might address more concerns at the December meeting after having more time to think about the proposal, but that he does not anticipate any serious challenges to it.

"I don't see no problem with it passing at all," he said.


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