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SG may attack tuition hike

by Norman Black, Staff Writer

The recent hike in out-of-state tuition at North Carolina public colleges and universities may be challenged by the Student Government at UNC in Chapel Hill.

On July 21, Student Body President Joe Stallings met with a lawyer, Wade Smith of Raleigh, to discuss possible litigation against the newly enacted law.

"Mr. Smith advised me that before any case could be brought to court, it would be necessary to see

how the State Attorney General interpreted the bill," Stallings said.

The bill, which was ratified on July 13, has several portions which are not easily interpreted.

For instance, one portion of the bill allows the Advisory Budget Commission to adjust the tuition rates for students with special talents who are recruited by the University, with the exception of athletes.

At the present time, no one seems to know exactly who this includes.

"The Attorney General obviously has a lot to do. We have no idea when he will act on this bill, but it has to be before the opening of school in September," Stallings said.

In the meantime, Stallings is attempting to raise enough support among N.C. legislators to reconsider the bill during the special session in October.

"I hope to convince enough legislators to reconsider this bill and strike it from the books," Stallings said. "I want to get the

administration, faculty and students together and talk to individual legislators. Every segment of the University has a vested interest in this matter."

Stallings also plans to send letters to some of the currently enrolled out-of-state students to get their opinion of the bill, and to find out how it will personally affect them.

The bill passed by the General Assembly will add \$850 to the present out-of-state tuition over the next two years, and will affect some 13,000 out-of-state students.

On Franklin

Joanna had made friends with the dog. She was having fun feeding paper to the dog when thunder from an approaching rain storm scared her back to her mother. Mrs. Hardwick decided Franklin Street would not be very pleasant in the rain and prepared for the walk home. The rain began as Mrs. Hardwick and Joanna ran for shelter to wait out the storm. (Photos by Johnny Lindahl)



Sitterson to stay active during added semester

by Bill Lovin, Staff Writer

J. Carlyle Sitterson will remain one more semester as chancellor because he believes "it will be best for the University."

"President Friday and I agreed that it would be unfair to place an inexperienced person in a position that is now so uncertain," said Sitterson Wednesday.

The role of chancellor may change radically under Governor Scott's proposed restructuring plan for North Carolina higher education and this could affect the choice of Sitterson's successor.

"We're just one campus of a multi-campus system and the nature of the change and its effect on us, if there is any, is impossible to predict," he said.

"It's possible that the chancellor could become more of an outside figure in the state. Some of the power vested with the president could be given the chancellor or some taken away. The office of the chancellor is now a tenuous one."

Sitterson said he would not hesitate to make decision and appointments that he felt necessary — though he is a "lame

duck" chancellor.

"I am the chancellor and must continue to act as such, regardless of the future appointment of a new chancellor," he said.

"In various significant personnel positions I've made decision — moving along as if I'd be here indefinitely. I'm not going to rush but I don't intend to hesitate."

Sitterson said that during his additional semester as chancellor he wants to seek a resolution of the conflict between graduate students and student government.

He also hopes to begin an evaluation of the University's future growth and restrictions caused by budget cuts made by the General Assembly.

Sitterson expects his last semester as chancellor to be a quiet one, without the tension of previous years.

"It's difficult to predict things about the lull in campus tensions. It doesn't mean we won't have dissent."

Students have just found other ways to express themselves, other ways to manifest dissent."

Stallings robbed

Yesterday morning Student Body President Joe Stallings opened his office and found that he had been robbed.

"It had to have happened sometime between 6 and 8 p.m. on Tuesday night," Stallings said. "I left my office at 6 and I know the door was locked then. But a member of my staff found the door open at 8."

Stallings reported that the burglars made off with "a rather expensive watch, a transistor radio, a small clock, and two uncashed checks totalling over \$50."

"During my campaign, I said my door is always open. Well, someone took advantage of it last night," Stallings said.

