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Faculty concerned about emphasis on UNC athletics

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UNC is placing too much emphasis on "big-time" athletics over academic areas, faculty members told the Chancellor's Advisory Committee during a closed meeting Wednesday.

Townsend Ludington, committee chairman, said that faculty members see the controversy surrounding former UNC football coach Dick Crum's resignation as the culmination of a generally increasing presence of athletics in University life.

"It's a time to take a look at ourselves," Ludington said. "The faculty doesn't want this to just slip by."

Four UNC professors spoke at the

meeting, voicing the concerns of other faculty members. Several resolutions were passed at a December faculty council meeting that expressed dissatisfaction with the role the athletic department was playing at the University.

The resolutions focused on "a lack of openness" in the athletic department, especially in its financial dealings and its relationship with the Educational Foundation (also known as the Rams Club.)

Ludington is scheduled to meet with Chancellor Christopher Fordham on Friday to convey the faculty's concerns. Fordham will then decide what action to take.

The advisory committee will perform a general study and write a report, but plans are not yet concrete. The committee members will probably be decided in February, Ludington said.

Time is necessary to develop the plans because the report should be constructive, not "back-biting and attacking," Ludington said.

"However the Crum situation was handled, the events are behind us," he said.

The advisory committee will probably consist of a senior group of faculty, Ludington said.

The possibilities for the format of the investigation include open discus-

sion between groups like the administration, the athletic department, the Rams Club and the UNC Board of Trustees.

He said that faculty members wish that the Crum controversy had never occurred, but the circumstances of the resignation rather than the event itself are the present focus of concern.

The resignation's effect on UNC's academic reputation is fading as it moves out of the headlines, and the committee is more concerned about its effect on academics.

"I suspect the farther you go from Chapel Hill, the less it damages credibility," he said. "That's not what we're trying to respond to."

Funding debate

Student Congress rejects anti-discrimination bill

By JUSTIN MCGUIRE
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After heated debate, Student Congress voted down a bill Wednesday that some members felt would have eliminated their opportunity to debate the funding of the Carolina Gay and Lesbian Association (CGLA).

The bill would have prohibited the congress from considering the race, creed, sex, sexual preference, national origin or handicap of members of a group as criteria when deciding whether to allocate student fees to that group.

Groups applying to the congress for funding are required to turn in a written statement that guarantees

that the group does not practice discrimination based on these criteria.

James Mock (Dist. 6), co-author of the bill, said he wanted to make the Student Code, the set of rules that governs the congress, consistent with this policy.

But several congress members said the words "sexual preference" should not be included. David McNeill (Dist. 19) proposed an amendment to the bill that would have eliminated the words, but the motion failed.

Traditionally, the decision to grant funding to the CGLA has stirred controversy and debate. McNeill has circulated a petition that would place the question of CGLA funding on the

ballot during the February elections.

Gene Davis (Dist. 18) said if the bill passed it would be impossible for those who oppose funding the CGLA to debate the issue at congress budget hearings.

"You're prohibiting the debate," he said. "The principle of democracy is that everyone has a voice. Please don't take away the voice of the students."

Student Body President Brian Bailey agreed that it would be dangerous to limit the debate. "For us to sit around and say, 'We can't talk about this,' won't allow us to let our hair down and really look into these groups," he said.

Curtis Small (Dist. 5) said the bill would not affect debate on legitimate topics. He said it would only eliminate arguments that are irrelevant to the funding question.

"Nobody is trying to constrain anybody's reasonable objection to something," he said. "This is merely a way of improving the budget process. It doesn't constrain your right to debate — it constrains your right to harass."

Bobby Ferris (Dist. 14) said the bill should be defeated because members could not reach a consensus.

"If there's this much discussion on a bill, it should be failed for that reason," Ferris said.

Panelists reflect on desegregation

By JENNY CLONINGER
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Movie theaters, hospitals, schools, barber shops, restaurants, bus stations, churches. Black people don't have to think twice about entering them today. Twenty years ago, things were different.

Nell Painter, UNC professor of history, said that the racial struggle of the 1960s seems far removed from the 1980s.

Most students see it as the "blurry past of 'before me,' so it seems in the unthinkable past," Painter said. "Obviously, things are better now."

But she pointed out that racism and prejudice are not extinct. "The ideal of progress is just that — an ideal. You don't always go forward. We've

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— Nell Painter

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Painter's remarks were part of "Then & Now: Segregation in the United States," a panel discussion that included UNC faculty, alumni and representatives from the Chapel Hill community.

The discussion was sponsored by the Campus Y's Students for the

Advancement of Race Relations as part of the University's seventh annual Martin Luther King birthday celebration.

Painter offered suggestions for changing the racism and prejudice that still exist today.

"We should become anarchists," she said. "One of the things that makes it possible for bad things to happen is for people not to protest

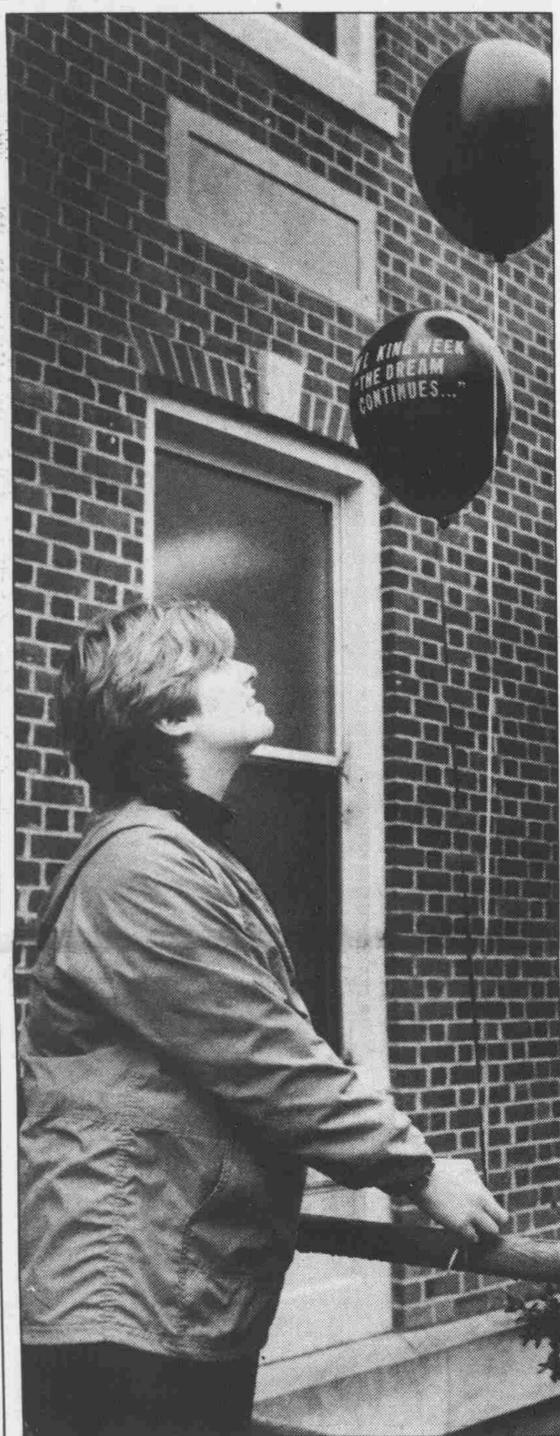
— not to resist. People in general tend to want to go along.

"It's easy not to go against things, especially in the South. When citizens see things going wrong, they should keep their eyes open and change the things that are wrong."

Daniel Pollitt, Kenan professor of law at UNC, opened the discussion with an overview of the history of segregation, emphasizing the sequence of events that led to desegregation in the Chapel Hill area.

He said marches, sit-ins and meetings were held in Chapel Hill, with eventual victories. Some violence occurred, he said, but it was not as widespread and intense as in places

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The dream continues

Sophomore Susana Dancy adjusts balloons placed on campus in commemoration of Martin Luther King's birthday.

Officials continue investigation of 'KKK' carving incident

By MARK FOLK
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Although a student has accused University officials of not doing enough to resolve a December incident in which "KKK" was carved into two black students' door, officials said the incident has not been forgotten.

"The investigation is definitely still going on," said Lt. Walter Dunn of campus police. "But we haven't been able to come up with any leads yet."

Robin Cox, a senior from Hinesville, Ga., found the letters "KKK" carved into the door of her room on Dec. 3. She said she feels the University hasn't done enough to find the culprit.

"Before the break, I felt that the investigation was moving really smooth," Cox said. "But now, I think it's being slid under the carpet."

Clare Aselin, assistant area director for the Cobb/Joyner area, said the investigation was delayed because of Christmas break.

"Yes, the investigation is going at a much slower pace," said Aselin. "The break has prevented us from

pursuing the incident as rapidly as we would have liked."

Cox said she is disappointed with the investigation process because she thinks she knows who carved the letters.

"I'm almost 99 percent sure that some girls on the hall did it," Cox said. "If you can solve a murder, rape or break-in, I'm sure that this can be solved."

Cox said she suspects some of her hallmates because of conflicts over noise on the hall. She said she continually had to ask a few of them to be quiet last semester.

"It shouldn't be my job to ask them to quiet down all the time," Cox said. "A lot of tension has been caused because of this."

The hallmates whom Cox named said Wednesday they feel they have been accused unfairly. One of them, who asked not to be identified, said they were blamed because of the noise problems.

"It's not fair that they can sit there and accuse us when all they have against us is the noise problem," she said. "I just hope that the police can

find out who did this so that we can get the apology we deserve."

Another student, who also asked not to be identified, said that while there may be a slight noise problem, there are no racial problems.

"The reason they complain so much about the noise level on the hall is because they want it completely quiet," she said. "I really feel that they are trying to turn a noise problem into a racial one."

Collin Rustin, associate director of university housing, said he is aware of the noise problems on the hall. A hall meeting is planned for Thursday night to address the problem.

"We're trying our best to control the noise level on that floor," Rustin said. "A residence hall should be a place where one can rest and study without being disturbed."

Anyone found guilty in the case could be required to perform community service or relocate to another residence hall. Officials could also place the culprit's housing contracts on probation or terminate their contracts.

Rierson announces candidacy for SBP

By JUSTIN MCGUIRE
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Sandy Rierson, a junior political science and history major from Summerfield, has announced her candidacy for student body president.

Rierson said she will focus her campaign on making student government more efficient and more effective in getting results.

"If I become president, I'd like for people to say at the end, 'Student government did these things, and made my four years here better,'" she said.

Improving communication within the executive branch is an important objective, Rierson said. She said she wants to have the president, executive assistants and committee heads meet regularly to discuss events and issues within the branch.

Fighting cuts in student aid and helping students find financial aid sources are also significant issues, Rierson said.

"We need to stay really visible and keep the issue in the press,"

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she said. "But we need to take other action as well."

Rierson said she wants to expand a program that helps students find part-time employment to finance their educations.

Students should be allowed to work as academic advisers within a certain major to help more inexperienced students, Rierson said. "The advisory program at UNC is lacking a lot," she said.

Another academic issue is improving communication between professors and students to make more perspective courses available, Rierson said. She said the University should increase the number of available spaces in existing courses, or offer more courses.

Rierson said she would like to continue to improve relations between the University and the town of Chapel Hill. Having a student liaison on the town council



Sandy Rierson

and creating a campus-wide voting district for state, federal and local offices could help accomplish this, she said.

Rierson is president of the UNC Young Democrats and is a member of the Carolina Contact steering committee. She has worked with the North Carolina Student Legislature and was an executive assistant to former Student Body President Bryan Hassel.

I shall always consider the best guesser the best prophet. — Cicero