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College, a for-profit institution with a history of questionable practices.

The UNC system was charged by the N.C. General Assembly with licensing non-public institutions of higher education in the state.

James Anderson, chancellor for Fayetteville State University, said these new institutions could attract students away from the UNC-system schools because of their funding advantages.

"I'm being hindered in terms of my online enrollment growth and then I'll be penalized for that because we won't grow," he said.

Board member James Deal said the system has to evaluate these programs fairly.

"We can't not license programs because they compete with us, we just need to understand that," he said.

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ties to work with colleagues across campus, in academic affairs and others," he said.

The homecoming will be of a different sort for Shuford, who grew up in North Carolina but attended N.C. Central University and UNC-Greensboro.

Shuford, who is filling the role Winston Crisp served before his promotion last year to vice chancellor for student affairs, has more than 20 years of experience in student affairs leadership between roles at UNC-Greensboro and Bowling Green State University.

Originally from a small town near Salisbury, Shuford said she was attracted to the opportunity at UNC because of Chapel Hill's proximity to family members. She added that her experience in dealing with the budget cuts in Ohio will be valuable as she confronts similar challenges at UNC.

"It was just an opportunity to have a different experience at this point and time in my professional career," she said.

Crisp said her strong diversity and student life background makes her a qualified choice for the position, which covers programs such as CTOPS, as well as campus health and LGBTQ issues.

"She really brings a package of substantive experience that is exactly what we're looking for to balance off the strengths of everybody else," he said.

Crisp said her diversity as a black woman did play a factor in her hiring. Some officials criticized the executive vice chancellor and provost search last year, which produced four white males as finalists.

"We're looking for the best mixture and the best package and certainly diversity is a part of that," he said. "A part of inclusivity and accessibility is students being able to look around and identify faculty and staff that they can identify with."

Shuford said she was excited to hone her commitment to diversity back in her native southeast.

"It looked like they were doing some program that could help transform students lives and experiences," she said.

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In his binder, Mackorell has compiled a list of 1,326 names of past scouts. To gather the names, he went to the Oconeechee Boy Scout Council headquarters in Raleigh to make a copy of each year's charter from the troop's official recognition in March 1912 to 1999.

Troop 39, formerly known as Troop 1 and later Troop 5, is one of the oldest continuously chartered troops — if not the oldest — in the nation. The Boy Scouts of America just celebrated its 100th anniversary last year.

The troop was started by C. Walton Johnson, a senior at UNC in 1912, and has strong ties with the University. Its chartering sponsor institution was the Campus Y, and in its inaugural year, Johnson took the scouts on their first camping trip to what is now the Forest Theatre.

The troop also had a close relationship with the UNC faculty, Mackorell said.

"It became known as the 'Wonder Troop' because if a kid — let's say he wanted to work on a biology merit badge — he wouldn't do a thing but go over to the professor," Mackorell said. "The professors just bent over backwards to work with them."

UNC journalism professor Jock Lauterer said he remembers getting his bugling merit badge by playing tunes he knew by heart for the head of the music department.

Even the troop's neckerchiefs were changed from black to a design that reflected its ties to the University.

"One half is Carolina blue, and one half is Carolina white," Lauterer said. "It's obviously an UNC-affiliated troop. I've never seen a neckerchief like it."

Some of the scouts went on to be students and professors at the University — Caldwell and Abernethy halls were named after

past scouts, Mackorell said.

"The troop was such an integral part of Chapel Hill because that was, you may say, the only youth organization," he said. "They didn't have Little League and all that, so most of the guys were in scouting."

In 1971, Troop 39 began recycling glass for the town on Plant Road. The troop later built another recycling center on Airport Road — now Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard — where the scouts recycled glass, paper and aluminum for 27 years.

Former scout Mike Hoffer said he remembers weekends working at the center with his patrol of 10 scouts.

"You'd go out there with your patrol on Saturday morning and greet the people coming in and take their glass to crush it up and send it off," said Hoffer, who opened a hardware store years later with a fellow troop member.

The money the troop made recycling was used to pay for transportation and supplies for trips. Each month the troop goes camping, "rain, sleet, snow or shine," Mackorell said.

"I've been camping when it was so cold that the eggs froze, and the water in the canteen froze solid," Mackorell said.

During his time as master, one of Mackorell's former scouts, Thomas Giduz, helped set up an exchange program with a troop in Bristol, England, that still exists today.

Current Scoutmaster Sammy Rape said he enjoys watching the boys apply survival and hiking skills on exchange trips to England and Switzerland.

"Spending time with them and hanging out and getting to know them and watching their development and their leadership skills develop is just a great experience," he said.

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recently.

In 2004 and 2005, UNC-Asheville was fined for the same reason.

East Carolina University in Greenville was fined last year.

Farmer said there have been instances where universities admitted extra out-of-state students for their tuition money, but he stressed the University was not using that strategy.

"I really want to stress that we are not one of those schools," Farmer said.

"This was something we couldn't control and we are just dealing with the effects."

Chancellor Holden Thorp said

the University is prepared to pay the fine in accordance with the policy.

"There is no way to fix this now, but we're OK with paying the \$158,000 fine if that will make everything easier," Thorp said at the meeting.

Although the fine will cut into UNC's already stressed budget, Farmer said the University can handle the repercussions and understands the problem.

"We take our obligation to the Board of Governors very seriously," Farmer said.

"However, that's not to deny that we have a problem in the current year."

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Suicide bomber in Afghanistan killed district governor and six other people

KABUL, Afghanistan (MCT) — A suicide bomber killed a district governor and six other people Thursday in a northern province of Afghanistan that has become increasingly emblematic of the Taliban movement's ability to strike far from its traditional strongholds in the south and east.

The Taliban claimed responsibility for the attack in the district of Chardara in Kunduz province, where the insurgency is well-entrenched. A spokesman, Zabiullah Mujahid, called the slain official, Wahid Omarkhel, an "active member of the stooge government" who was closely connected to "foreign invaders."

Assassinations like this one make it extremely difficult for the Afghan government to recruit and retain qualified officials in areas

that are considered Taliban strongholds. Insurgents routinely send "night letters" warning those connected to the central government or the Western military to quit their jobs or risk being targeted.

Omarkhel was known to have cordial ties with NATO forces in the area and had been threatened previously, associates said. The U.S. Embassy condemned the killing, calling it a "senseless and cowardly act against a committed civil servant." Both NATO and the administration of President Hamid Karzai say it is essential to extend the reach of government services in order to win people's loyalty. But in districts such as Chardara, the insurgency has created what amounts to a shadow government, complete with Islamic courts and a system of tax collection.

Gas leak death toll reaches five

ALLENTOWN, Pa. (MCT) — While authorities Thursday confirmed three deaths in Allentown's massive gas explosion and fire, families said Thursday that the death toll is five, including a 4-month-old baby.

About a dozen people were injured and more than 350 were forced to evacuate from surrounding blocks and the Gross Towers seniors apartment complex when an apparent gas leak ignited at 544 N. 13th St. The home is owned by 74-year-old Beatrice Hall and her 79-year-old husband, William. The Halls' daughter-in-law, Michelle Hall, confirmed the couple were among the dead.

Manuel Cruz, 42, who lives at 542 N. 13th Street but was working on Long Island, said the dead included his mother, daughter and grandchild. Cruz, reached Thursday afternoon by cell phone, said his neighbor had called to break the news.

Egypt president will not step down

CAIRO, Egypt (MCT) — Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak refused to step down Thursday but said in a nationally televised speech that he would hand more authority to his vice president, a move that drew rage and bewilderment from hundreds of thousands of protesters packed into Cairo's Tahrir Square.

The nation was anticipating an address that would mark the end of Mubarak's 30 years in power but instead was told he was going nowhere.

Protesters shouted "leave, leave," and chants of disapproval echoed across the Nile at the prospect that the 17-day standoff with the government was not over.

"For the benefit of this country," Mubarak said.

"I have decided to assign the tasks of the president to the vice president according to the constitution."

Suicide bombing at training school

PESHAWAR, Pakistan (MCT) — The death toll in a suicide bomb blast at a military training school in the northwest city of Mardan rose to 31 Thursday in an attack that underscored militants' ability to strike sensitive Pakistani installations despite a series of army offensives aimed at uprooting the country's home-grown insurgency.

The attack occurred at the Punjab Regiment Center, an army training camp, just as cadets had assembled on the grounds and were going through their morning exercises. Zeeshan Haider, a local police official, said a teenage boy dressed in the school's uniform appeared on the grounds and detonated the explosives-laden suicide vest he was wearing.

The blast injured 42 other cadets, several critically, authorities said. The Pakistani Taliban claimed responsibility for the attack, according to the Associated Press.

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