Welcome Back.

I think I’ve seen this film before, and I didn’t like the ending.

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UNC made national headlines once again this summer, as it was revealed that the Board of Trustees chose not to take action on Nikole Hannah-Jones’ tenure application.

Hannah-Jones was set to join the Hussman School of Journalism and Media faculty this summer as the Knight Chair in Race and Investigative Journalism. The Knight Chair is typically a tenured position — both of the previous Knight Chairs at UNC received tenure upon hiring. But Hannah-Jones was offered a fixed, five-year contract with the option to renew for tenure at the end.

Hannah-Jones is known for her work on The 1619 Project, which aimed to reframe U.S. history by placing the consequences of slavery and the contributions of Black Americans at the center.

The Board’s non-action sparked activism from the UNC community, with many organizations holding demonstrations and releasing statements in support of Hannah-Jones over the next two months.

Eventually, the Board held a special meeting and voted to approve the tenure application — but the damage had been done. Hannah-Jones announced the following week that she would be joining the faculty at Howard University instead.

Here’s a timeline of how the events unfolded:

**Timeline: How UNC's tenure controversy unfolded**

**April 26:** The Hussman School announces Hannah-Jones will join its faculty as the Knight Chair in Race and Investigative Journalism. The Pulitzer Prize winner and MacArthur “Genius Grant” recipient received her master’s degree from the school in 2003. “This is the story of a leader returning to a place that transformed her life and career trajectory,” Susan King, dean of the journalism school, said at the time.

**May 19:** NC Policy Watch reports that the Board of Trustees chose not to take action on approving Hannah-Jones’ tenure due to political pressure from conservatives who object to her work on The 1619 Project.

The non-action sparked backlash from the UNC community. The Chapel Hill-Carrboro NAACP and the Carolina Black Caucus organized a rally at the Board’s meeting the following day.

**May 29:** Members of the Carolina Black Caucus protest during the Board of Trustees meeting on May 29.

**May 29:** Hannah-Jones’ legal team gives the University a deadline of June 4 to offer her a tenured position or face a federal lawsuit. The Board of Trustees did not meet by this deadline.

“The look forward to continued dialogue with her counsel,” Joel Curran, UNC’s vice chancellor for communications, said in a statement on June 4 — the only information the University shared at the time.

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June 9: Newspaper publisher and megadonor Walter Hussman, the namesake of UNC’s journalism school, tells The Daily Tar Heel he was concerned that Hannah-Jones and The 1619 Project would overshadow his “core values.” “I really was hoping that the core values was going to be the one thing that really distinguished the school in the minds of the public,” Hussman said.

June 20: Student Body President Lamar Richards submits a formal meeting request to the Board petitioning for a special called meeting by or on June 30 to discuss and take formal action on Hannah-Jones tenure case. A special meeting had to be called within 10 days if at least five other trustees also submitted requests.

Five days later, the Board confirmed it would meet on June 30.

June 21: Hannah-Jones’ legal team writes in a letter obtained by NC Policy Watch that she will not join the UNC faculty unless she is offered a tenured position. In a letter to the UNC community two days prior, Faculty Chairperson Mimi Chapman called the Board of Trustees out for remaining silent on the situation and called for clarity regarding the decision for a fixed-term path for Hannah-Jones.

June 23: Faculty Chairperson Mimi Chapman calls for clarity regarding the decision for a fixed-term path for Hannah-Jones.

Trustees out for remaining silent on Hannah-Jones’ legal petitioning for a special called meeting request to the Board.

Lamar Richards submits a formal written request to the Board of Trustees meeting on May 20.

Protesters stand inside the Board’s special meeting on June 30 before the vote on Hannah-Jones’ tenure.

July 6: Hannah-Jones announces during an interview on "CBS This Morning" that she declined UNC’s offer and will join Howard University instead. "To be denied it and to only have that vote occur on the last possible day, at the last possible moment, after threat of legal action, after weeks of protest, after it became a national scandal, it’s just not something I want anymore," she said during the interview.

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Breaking down the tenure process at UNC

By Nicole Moorefield
University Editor

The UNC Board of Trustees’ decision to not take action on offering Nikole Hannah-Jones a tenured position sparked outrage in the UNC community. But what exactly does it mean to have tenure?

Defining tenure

The UNC Center for Faculty Excellence defines tenure in its new faculty guide as “a status granted to a teacher after a trial period that gives protection from summary dismissal.”

Seth Noar, the journalism and media representative on the Appointments, Promotions and Tenure Committee and a professor in the Hussman School of Journalism and Media, said tenured positions offer a lifetime appointment at UNC but also academic freedom.

Chairperson of the Faculty Mimi Chapman said professors at UNC typically fall into two categories: those who are on a tenure track and those who are fixed-term.

As of 2019, 1,384 UNC instructors were tenured and 4,252 were on the tenure track, while 1,906 were on fixed contracts, according to the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System. Chapman said those on a tenure track are professors who either have tenure or who are working toward it, while fixed-term professors have a predetermined contract with UNC.

In recent years, universities have become more reliant on those fixed-term faculty — leaving fewer tenured positions available.

At Hussman, there are two tracks that tenure candidates usually follow. Francesca Dillman carpenter, a tenured professor at the journalism school, said the research track is what is most commonly associated with perceptions of academia — a “publish-or-perish” culture. The professional track has a number of required courses the candidate must teach per year. She said tenure is granted differently with different expectations for the two tracks.

Tenure process

For professors on a tenure track, the process is long and involved. It usually takes five years, but Noar said this has started to change at UNC to allow flexibility. They are now focusing on “meet-the-mark criteria,” so if a candidate is ready before the five-year period is up, they can be put up for tenure earlier.

Chapman said the beginning of a typical tenure process starts with an assistant professor. Throughout those initial five years, their progress is reviewed by their department to make sure they are on track. Noar said.

At the end of the five years, the tenure candidate compiles a tenure dossier — a collection of their research during their time at UNC. Chapman said.

This dossier includes examples of their work from over the years, including book chapters and articles. Noar said for the journalism school, the dossier includes three pillars: teaching, research or professional/creative activity and service.

Carpenter said if the candidate is on the professional track, the dean’s office sends the dossier to four external reviewers from peer universities or other well-known professional institutions, making sure there are no conflicts of interest.

Additionally, the chairperson or dean of the department typically writes a letter in support of the candidate, Noar said.

The dossier and letters are then submitted for review. The process varies slightly by department, but because Hussman is its own school, it has its own promotion and tenure committee that reviews tenure appointments. Chapman said these committees are typically made up of tenured professors. The committee members will read the candidate’s packet and vote on whether or not they want to advance the candidate to the next step.

If the appointment passes the vote, it goes to the dean of the school.

After the dean’s approval, the candidate’s file moves to the University level. The materials are sent to the Appointment, Promotion and Tenure Committee.

Noar said the APT committee doesn’t have its own set of guidelines for what a candidate should look like but rather looks to make sure that the departments and schools are applying their own guidelines.

If the tenure applicant passes this step, the dossier and letters move to the provost, who then sends them to the Board of Trustees to vote on.

Carpenter said when the candidate reaches the Board of Trustees — who governs the UNC System — it is technically out of UNC.

Implications of tenure

Noar said the job security that comes with tenure has implications beyond salary.

Noar said when candidates are on tenure track, they are more likely to undertake projects that will be shorter-term and bring more reliable revenue, but with tenure, professors can take risks and take on bigger projects.

Another benefit of tenure is the academic freedom that it brings. Noar said tenured positions allow professors to go home after class.

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The Knight Foundation endows professorships for professional journalists across the country under the Core Values Program, which is written on the wall of the Hussman School of Journalism and Media, as pictured on March 9, 2021.

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Unvaccinated students required to get tested weekly

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Towards the end of the spring semester, Barzin said the positivity rates were dropping quite low to the

point where there would only be one positive case per week.

He said as UNC prepares for fall, it has continued to use the same logic and look at the guidance and guidelines available.

He explained that UNC is trying to stay as current as possible with the recommended guidelines to understanding where the prevalence of disease rates could be highest.

Across the country, Barzin said positivity is most prevalent in the unvaccinated population. That is how they decided to exclude vaccinated individuals from the testing program for the fall semester.

Although vaccinated students will not be required to participate in mandatory testing during the semester, the testing program is open to anyone who wants to get tested voluntarily.

UNC sophomore Sophia Sheradi said she'd like to voluntarily get tested at least once a month to feel safe.

"Looking from a numeric standpoint, I understand why they’re not required because with the vaccine the percentage of getting COVID is significantly lower," she said. "But I think I’m in the minority who would actively seek out testing to make sure I don’t have COVID which kind of makes me nervous."

UNC students can go to ConnectCarolina and update their vaccination status. Once students attest to being vaccinated they will be excluded from the testing program.

There is also an option for people who prefer not to disclose, and they will be involved in the testing program.

"We’re going to look at the number of students that are unvaccinated, look at what is a reasonable cadence based off of best recommendations," Barzin said. "So we’re still trying to formulate the best response in terms of the correct cadence as to how many times a week students would be tested."

UNC sophomore Emma Brown said she believes it also serves as a good incentive for other students to get vaccinated.

"I am vaccinated, so for me personally I am happy that I don’t need to participate in the same asymptotic testing as last semester," she said. "I’m still nervous for the University as a whole though since the vaccine is not required."
By Praveena Semasundaram

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They called themselves members of the “underground bunker.” It was a group of faculty members of color that included American studies professor Sharen Holland and others she did not name. Holland said they met every two weeks without pay in the basement of Provost Bob Blouin’s office while it was being reconverted during the summer of 2019.

Blouin assembled the ad hoc committee to discuss diversity, equity and inclusion at the University — laying some of the groundwork for strategic initiatives that would become part of the Carolina Next plan. The first of the plan’s eight initiatives, called Build Our Community Together, focuses on DEI at UNC.

“Even though we weren’t really sure what we could count on from leadership, we were stepping up in good faith and giving our time,” Holland said.

That work continued into the pandemic, when professors Kia Caldwell and Malinda Maynor-Lowery wrote the “Roadmap for Racial Equity,” a plan calling for sustainable action on DEI over the course of three years. Holland signed it alongside many faculty members of color. Though Holland still works at UNC, the same cannot be said for other faculty of color who are leaving the University following the list of Trustees’ initial decision to not offer tenure to Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Nikole Hannah-Jones.

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The UNC Board of Trustees voted 9-4 to approve Nikole Hannah-Jones’ tenure application in a special meeting Wednesday.

“The Board’s decision comes after Chairperson of the Faculty Richard Stevens submitted a formal meeting request for a special called meeting to discuss and take formal action on Hannah-Jones’ case,” Hussman said in a statement that he has received from students, faculty, and the general public over the past month.

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Hannah-Jones declines UNC’s offer

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Nikole Hannah-Jones will not join the UNC faculty this fall, she announced on July 6 during an interview on “CBS This Morning.”

Hannah-Jones said the interview would be the inaugural Knight Chair in Race and Journalism at Howard University.

"One of my few regrets in life is that I didn’t go to Howard as an undergraduate and I’ve long wanted to be a part of the Howard family," she said. She said she’s raised $5 million in resources to help build investigative reporting and journalism at Howard and other historically Black colleges, with a goal to raise $25 million — the same amount Walter Hussman donated to the UNC Hussman School of Journalism and Media.

The announcement comes after the Board of Trustees voted 1-9 to approve her tenure application during a special meeting last week, following months of activism from students, faculty and other community members.

Hannah-Jones was initially offered a five-year, fixed-term contract as the Knight Chair in Race and Journalism at Howard University, resubmitted the tenure application with the same position or face a federal lawsuit.

"It’s been extremely difficult," she said. "I don’t think anyone can say that I was credentialed enough to teach 16-year-olds how to do journalism at the University of North Carolina," she said. "So, I don’t think anyone can say that there was any other reason other than, political appointees did not like the nature of my work, and that is illegal discrimination."

To this day, Chancellor Kevin Guskiewicz, Provost Bob Blouin and the Board have not told her why her tenure application had not been taken up in November or January, she said. She said despite the trustees saying in public statements they needed more information about her credentials in order to offer her tenure, they voted to approve her application with the same information they had in November.

"If I thought they were thoughtful about her decision to go to The New York Times, the awards she won and the recommendation letters from others in the field showed that she was qualified for the position, she said during the interview.

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The Committee on Appointments, Promotions and Tenure, which consists of tenured professors at the University, resubmitted the tenure offer to the Board at the end of May. Hannah-Jones’ legal team gave UNC until June 4 to offer her a tenured position or face a federal lawsuit.

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UNC-Chancellor Kevin Guskiewicz as pictured at the June 30 Board of Trustees meeting, during which the Board voted to grant tenure to Nikole Hannah-Jones. The Faculty Council fears that recent events may lead to Guskiewicz’s removal.

Jill Shippee shines at track and field championships

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A number of examining athletes, and three relay teams of three athletes and three relay teams who qualified for the NCAA East Preliminaries at the end of May, seven students moved on the compete at the highest level — 127 feet 9 inches — and the distance, held at the University of Oregon in Eugene.

North Carolina’s dedication and consistency were evident in the throwing, with every thrower shining amongst tough competition. Rain did not deter Tobby and Jesse Hunt finished 18th and 21st respectively in the men’s 5000-meter. Landy’s finish in the 5000-meter while graduate student Thomas Ratcliffe set a school record, placing 7th and earning first-team All-America honors in the 5000-meter. Women’s javelin thrower Madison Wilhout placed 16th, while teammate Daniel McArthur placed 18th in men’s shot put.

The throwing team’s performance was highlighted by Shippee, who finished 3rd in the hammer throw on her way to earning first-team All-America honors. Shippee threw the hammer 227 feet and 9 inches (69.42 meters) for a lifetime best. The demonstration ended with a chant led by Faye. “It is our duty to fight for our freedom. We must love each other and support each other. We have nothing to lose but our chains.”

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Acting UNC Police Chief Rashheem Holland (left) is facing backlash after a student said he punched them June 30 before the vote on Nikole Hannah-Jones. "We are not inclusive in our decisions," she said.

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UNC-NAACP protests acting UNC Police Chief

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The UNC chapter of the NAACP held a demonstration in protest of Rashheem Holland becoming the acting chief of police following David Perry’s resignation on July 12.

According to an Instagram post by the UNC NAACP, the purpose of the demonstration was to stand in solidarity with those victimized by the Board of Trustees meeting and to condemn Holland’s promotion.

Calls for Holland’s termination began after he was appointed interim campus police chief following former Chief David Perry’s resignation last week. The board later released a statement condemning Holland’s promotion on July 6 and released a statement condemning Holland’s performance.

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The demonstration began with remarks from UNC NAACP President Jarriah Faye, who said students at the June 30 protest were informed that the Board of Trustees meeting would go into closed session. As a result, students were pushed and punched, she said.

“T’m not surprised because they are known for harassing students specifically harassing Black students,” Faye said. “On north campus, where the majority of Black and brown students reside, they are always overreacting to their presence.”

Faye then listed a few demands put together by UNC-CH NAACP, BSM, Carolina Black Caucus and others.

These demands included the dismissal of Holland from Campus Police, alerting students when white students while they nonviolently protested during the June 30 meeting.

The event was held outside of South Building facing Puck Place. Around 35 people, including students, faculty and staff, attended.

The UNC Faculty of Color and Indigenous Faculty Group recently made statements that are not in support of a leadership change. Other groups, including Carolina Black Caucus and the Employee Forum, are also meeting to consider the issue, according to Chapman.

After meeting in closed session to discuss details of why the BOT wishes to remove Guskiewicz, the Faculty Council reentered open session to discuss possible actions.

During open session, the Faculty Council passed a resolution affirming their support of Guskiewicz and emphasizing the need for faculty voice during the chancellor hiring process.

The Faculty Council discussed the issue of shared governance — that the Board of Trustees had not consulted the Faculty Council for any of their recent decisions — and that an immediate change in leadership would have impacts on not only UNC’s campus but also the state of North Carolina, before Chapman said someone told her they were alarmed after attending the Faculty Council meeting.

She also named other concerning BOT actions, such as members wanting to re-examine tenure.

UNC Hussman School of Journalism and Media associate professor Deb Aikat, who serves on the Faculty Council as an elected member of the UNC Faculty Executive Committee, abstained, with 12 others, during the resolution vote, saying it was a preemptive move based on rumor. He also noted that comments from faculty of color regarding the resolution were being ignored.

Matters such as Nikole Hannah-Jones’ tenure application, he said, did not receive as much of a response from the Faculty Council. Amid all of the news coming out of UNC recently, Aikat said it was important to continue amplifying the voices of faculty of color.

Several faculty members who are of color started reaching out to me and saying thank you for speaking up,” Aikat said. “We are not inclusive in our decisions.”

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Field hockey wins third-straight national championship

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Lavelle announces she won’t run for reelection

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Carrboro Mayor Lydia Lavelle will not run for reelection when her term ends in December, she announced.

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dropping that initial point, losing the 3-5 loss to Pepperdine snapped the Tar Heel's historic 69-match win streak and cost them a ticket to the finals. We headed into Orlando understanding that "Me and everyone else thought we would get blown that thing and it’d be from the team, so to lose in the semifinals was really tough." But there was also an upturn on the team’s loss to the semifinals — the singles and doubles competition began after just one day of turnaround.

No. 38 ranked Jones lost in the first home indoor match ever in the history of the program,点儿 the following day with Scotty. Despite losing the match, Scotty maintained a positive mindset to soak in her final days as a UNC women's tennis player. "I feel like you know what? I'm just going to go out in the doubles and I'm going to have fun and I'm going to enjoy this," Jones said. "I never knew what day could be my last day." Jones and Scotty were a relatively new pair, only debuting their partnership in February. Scotty had an aggressive style from the baseline complements Jones' quick, smart moves at the net, giving the pair instant chemistry on the court. In singles, the No. 4-ranked duo fell behind in the initial set but fought back to snatch a win, advancing to the quarterfinals. They finally settled in and played confidently through the remainder of the match, earning two straight-set victories against Virginia Tech.

"They moved together, they covered for each other, personality-wise they just did a great job of understanding what they needed to do point by point to get the win," said Scotty. Then came the doubles finals — the Tar Heels' last chance to take down their 12th P5 title. Opponents were none other than Texas' rookie duo of Ka'ulana Solano and Riley Smiler. According to the same pair that UNC lost its last doubles point to in February and UNC's doubles team, Sara Daavettila and Cameron Morra, lost in the round of 16. Jones and Scotty fell behind 3-0 in the opening set but fought back against Scotty, battling to win the set to tie the score 3-3. Those turned a force, win a set, force a tie-breaker.

"Before the tiebreaker, (Coach Kalas) said, 'Brave team, these are the ones that come out with the win in the breakers,'" Jones said. "And me moving on match point was basically my way of being bold, and it did pay off in the end." With that, UNC secured the program's second-ever NCAA doubles title. In their 2020-2021 season, the Tar Heels went 30-4 and finished as ITA No. 2 team in the nation, the best program in history.

Even after a long season with a target on their back, the senior duo managed to persevere through an NCAA tournament marked by tough tennis, injuries and shocking losses.

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DTH FILE/ NICK PACINCI/ CRONSTAD TERRY/ Graduate student Makenna Jones (right) brought home a national title for UNC women's tennis.

### UNC Athletics' New Coaches

Danna Durante, gymnastics

On June 25, UNC named its new gymnastics head coach, Danna Durante, who comes into the program with 20 years of college coaching experience. Durante is the fourth only head coach in the program.

She credits former UNC coach Derek Galvin for the effort that he put into improving the program over his 30 years with the team, and she hopes to continue to take the program into a more competitive program in the future. Galvin retired in June 2020, with associate head coach Marie Denckl filling in as interim coach.

An elite gymnast by the age of 14, Durante was a member of the U.S. National Team and qualified for the Olympic Trials for the 2000 Games, but ultimately didn't make the cut for the Olympic team.

She believes that the team can win the EAGL, its conference, and make a strong presence in the NCAA Championships. UNC has won five conference championships, the latest coming in 2021.

A 20-piece confidence supporting gymnastics means a significant amount to Durante, who said she believes in the importance of empowering students through a strong team. "This is something that I believe that the ACC and Power 5 brand gives more potential for gymnastics at UNC and as a whole."

### Aimee Neppel, women's golf

After longtime head coach Yan Mann announced her retirement in April, UNC athletic director Bubba Cunningham set out to find the next head coach of the women's golf program and ultimately found one in a familiar face: former assistant coach Aimee Neppel.

Neppel named a long coaching under big names and competitive programs, but credits her experiences at UNC under Mann as crucial in her growth as a coach and opportunity to return to North Carolina.

Nepp played college golf at Missouri State as a freshman, where she later began her coaching career as an assistant coach from 2013-2016. Nepp went on to spend one season at Vanderbilt University as an assistant coach before heading to UNC.

After spending the 2017-2018 season as an assistant coach at UNC, Nepp had the opportunity to become a head coaching position at Florida Atlantic University. She spent two seasons as the head coach in Boca Raton, where she had an impressive record.

### Erin Singleton, sports writer

For Erin Neppel — the newest UNC rowing head coach — returning to her alma mater is surreal. A Tar Heel through and through, the class of 2001 graduate is one of the most decorated rowers in the program's history.

Twenty years after her time at Chapel Hill, Nepp has come full circle for Nepp.

In her undergraduate career at UNC, Nepp was a Second Team All-American in both men’s and women’s races each of the ACC and All-Region status in her final two seasons. She also competed in the NCAA tournament six times in her career as an assistant coach. Nepp believed that the program’s rowing program's history to earn All-American status.

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North Carolina's women's soccer team lost 11-10 in Chapel Hill to improve their record to a perfect 20-0. The team met its match in the Virginia Cavaliers. After UNC senior William Perry scored the fourth and final first half goal for North Carolina, the Cavaliers scored the opening goal of the second half and went on to score five more goals, ending a game in a matter of minutes.

Women's soccer loses in semifinals

The North Carolina women's soccer team lost 11-10 in Chapel Hill to the Virginia Cavaliers. The game was decided when junior attacker Scottie Rose Growney's shot was saved with 1:53 left in the game. This put the ball in Boston College's possession, which with the shot clock, allowed the Eagles to run out nearly the rest of the time in the game.

The loss ended the Tar Heels' perfect season, and the team returned to Chapel Hill without a championship to show for it. With the extra eligibility year, many of the starters from this year's team will be able to return. However, for players like senior attacker Katie Hoog and sixth-year defender Caroline Wakefield this was their last game in Carolina Blue.

UNC fans cheer on the Tar Heels in the Dean Dome on March 6, 2021.

By Lucas Thomae

No. 1 men's lacrosse loses in Final Four

The North Carolina men's lacrosse team entered the NCAA Tournament as the No. 1 seed after beating Duke in its final regular season game to share the ACC title with Duke. After easily defeating Monmouth 16-4 in the first round in Chapel Hill, the Tar Heels had a scare against Rutgers, winning in overtime 12-11. In the semifinals in East Hartford, Conn., UNC faced a familiar opponent in the Virginia Cavaliers. The Cavaliers scored six consecutive goals in eleven minutes and eight seconds later, the ACC title game ended 12-11. UNC was unable to get a last-second shot off in front of Virginia's cage – UVA 12, UNC 11.

UNC athletics announces group licensing program

Carolina Athletics announced a group licensing program specifically targeted towards current UNC athletics on Tuesday, which is the first of its kind for current NCAA athletes. UNC worked with boutique brand agency The Brandy Group to create the program. Carolina Athletics who opt-in to the voluntary program will have the opportunity to market themselves in groups of three or more within the same sport, or groups of six or more across multiple sports. This isn't the first time UNC has licensed their athletes to go out on their own and secure brand deals or start social media campaigns. But the group licensing program seems to fill a particular niche; merchandise sales. Presumably, gone are the days of officially licensed jerseys with no name on the back and a generic number. Now, both the University and participating athletes will be able to profit from the jerseys of Tar Heels past and present.

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Chapel Hill, Carrboro host inaugural Juneteenth celebration

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