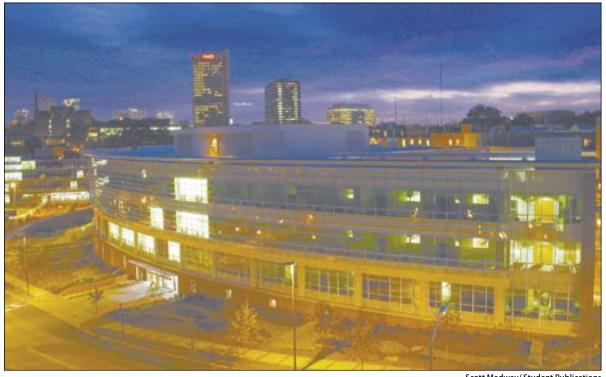
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Tech earns low campus sustainability grade



Scott Medway/ Student Publications

The Klaus Advanced Computing Building is currently the pinnacle of sustainable, green building on campus. Tech scored high in green building, but lost ground on the issues of financial management and shareholding.

By James Stephenson
News Editor

In a study conducted by the Sustainable Endowments Institute of 100 of the nation's leading colleges and universities, Tech received a "C" grade on overall sustainability of the institute.

The grade was broken down into seven categories: Administration, Climate Change and Energy, Food and Recycling, Green Building, Endowment Transparency, Investment Priorities and Shareholder Engagement. While the report assigns grades for each indicator, the final cumulative sustainability grade distribution is as follows: Four schools earned level "A" grades, 22 earned level "B" grades, 54 earned level "C" grades, and 20 earned level "D" grades.

For the administration indicator, Tech received a "B". According to the report, "Tech has made several public commitments to sustainability, including

explicitly stated goals to reduce hydrocarbon emissions, material consumption, water runoff, and the use of natural resources.

The Institute for Sustainable Technology and Development works on both curriculum and campus initiatives to promote sustainability. Green building efforts have produced a LEED Silver-certified building and more are expected."

For the climate change and energy indicator, Tech also received a "B". According to the report, "The Institute's Operations Department has embraced sustainability, applying a multitude of energy conservation efforts, a comprehensive recycling program, and alternative transportation endeavors. Researchers are developing higher-efficiency solar panels, alternative fuels, and an offshore wind farm."

For the food and recycling indicator, Tech received a "B".

See **Grade**, page 7

Committee chooses Sakai over WebCT

By Craig Tabita
Assistant News Editor

The way students interact with their courses online at Tech is changing, with WebCT soon being dropped in favor of a new open-source course tools system called Sakai. It will begin a pilot run in the summer and begin full implementation in the fall.

"It will be a change so people will have to get acclimated to a new system, but I think it offers great potential and I'm really excited," said Donna Llewellyn, director of the Center for the Enhancement of Teaching and Learning (CETL). "People always want to collaborate online, and this provides a really nice platform. It has discussion forums, chats, wikis, email, as well as course management tools, so I'm hoping the campus likes it."

Tech's license for the Campus Edition of WebCT, which was part of a University System-wide contract through the Board of Regents, is set to expire in December 2007, necessitating a search to find a replacement. The decision came down to Sakai and WebCT's upgraded Vista edition.

"We got an extension to stay on the WebCT Campus Edition while we evaluated what we were doing," Llewellyn said. "We had a committee that evaluated over the summer whether or not to go with Vista, and since we're already paying for WebCT we didn't want to go with another licensed, proprietary solution because they're all pretty much the same. There's really only one other large open source solution, called Moodle, but we decided it wasn't ready."

"All accounts are that Vista is not user friendly and not stable, so the decision was to go with the open source solution Sakai," she said. When the license expires in December, WebCT will cease to be available for live teaching, though it will be archived for a period of time, according to Llewellyn.

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AA changes season tickets

By Randy Darnowsky

Contributing Writer

The second phase of the Athletic Association's (AA) plan to prevent the organization's bankruptcy was announced Tuesday. The AA is creating a Tech Fund in which certain season-ticket holders would be required to give an annual donation in order to keep their seats.

"Right now, our ticket holders and donors are giving on annual basis to Alexander Tharpe fund. That's our annual giving mechanism. What we hope to do is not ask for those gifts any longer. All annual money coming in will be based on the number of seats and locations

of those seats in the football stadium and basketball arena. We looked and we said that it's

Components of Financial Strategy

- Tech Athletics: Fiscal responsibility.
- The Tech Fund: Donorbased premium seat program.
- Institutional Support:
 Appropriate annual financial investment
- Student support: Generate funds consistant with peer schools.

much more of a constant stream of revenue with that mechanism as opposed to annual giving," said Dan Radakovich, director of Athletics.

According to Radakovich, the plan is to reach a larger group of people.

"By utilizing only 18,000 seats in the football stadium and somewhere around 4500-4600 seats in the basketball arena, based on ticket sales from 2005, we will make more money in that way than continuing with an annual giving program, the way it is today. That will free up the Alexander Tharpe fund to do things on a large scale, for example, facility gifts, endowments and building our endowment base, which will be important for us to

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AASU conducts trivia challenge

The Tech Black Graduate Student Association (BGSA) in association with the African American Student Union (AASU) is conducting a campus-wide Black History Trivia Competition throughout February. A different black history trivia question is mailed out each weekday together with answers to the previous day's question. To join go to http://lists.gatech.edu and subscribe to the list blackhistory trivia.

BGSA hosts [GT]² symposium

Graduate students across the country are invited to attend the Tech Graduate Technical Symposium, also known as [GT]², hosted by the Tech Black Graduate Student Association (BGSA). This national research conference assembles diverse graduate students from across the country and will be held March 15-16. More than 2700 dollars in prize money will be offered.

Free shuttle runs to Ga. Dome

Free Student Shuttles will run to the Tech-UConn basketball game at Georgia Dome before tip-offat 1 p.m. Student Shuttles will pick up students at the Student Center bus stop on Ferst Drive and drop offat the Georgia Dome, where students will enter through Lower Gate C. Shuttle runs from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Robert Combier / Student Publications

The stadium is near empty prior to the Tech-Duke game played Nov. 18 at Bobby Dodd Stadium. By making donations mandatory, the AA could potentially drive away season-ticket holders.

There is already enough financial aid out there - 17% They should offer it to out-of-state students-39% By Hillary Lipko / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS This week's question received 93 responses. I don't care if they offer it or not - 5% It is a great idea - 39%

What should the AA do with the Coliseum's name?

Tell us at www.nique.net



Dude, I'm getting a Dell

An officer responded to a burglary report Jan. 8 at Caldwell Residence Hall.

The victim stated that he left his room with his roommate at 8 a.m. that morning and returned at 3:30 p.m.

When he entered the room, he discovered that both his and his roommate's Dell laptops had been stolen. The first laptop, a silver Dell Precision Notebook, was valued at about 3,000 dollars while the second, a silver Dell Latitude Notebook, was valued at about 2,000 dollars. The laptops have not been recovered.

From the files of the GTPD...

Campus Crime

Tech Football is on fire

At 12:55 a.m. Jan. 15, an officer responded to a fire alarm at Bobby Dodd Stadium.

After checking the location, the officer declared it a false alarm. He succeeded in silencing the alarm, but could not reset it.

Cellphone theft ring

An officer took a lost property report from a student Jan. 31. The student stated that her blue and silver LG cell phone was last seen on Jan. 26 at 7 p.m. in the Woodruff parking lot. She discovered that her phone was gone at approximately nine the next morning. The estimated value of the phone is 70 dollars.

Rusted flower not

On Jan. 16 between the times of 10:30 and 10:40 p.m., a flower pot in the lobby of Eighth Street Apartments was discovered broken.

The value of the missing pot is unknown. There are no suspects at this time.

Cellphone theft ring strikes again

On Jan. 22, a student filed a report for a lost cell phone. The student was in a meeting at the College of Management since 12 p.m. and noticed his phone missing around 3 p.m.

This week's campus crime information written by Kenneth Baskett

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ONE HOUSE AT A TIME

Corrections

In last issue's front page article "GTCR Pro-life display missing" it was stated that the display was stolen during Monday night. In fact, the display was stolen Tuesday during the day between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Additionally, the College Republican Campus Activism Coordinator's name was incorrect. The correct spelling of his name is David Hotle.

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If you're against the fee increase you're not a yellow jacket...

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Build a dome atop TECH and heat all of campus!!! It's TOO cold!!!

did ANYONE notice that clough's response to the "office park campus" question was void of any kind of real answer?

The Office is the greatest show of all time!

That's what she said...

Remember NFL: for great justice, move more Calvin.

There is no boy or girl Buzz; Buzz is a real bee.

I really really want to say something right now, but I shouldn't.

Ack! My printer is jammed! Pineapples!

Coach! Coooaaach! I cain't play no more! I got the wind knocked outta me!

Now Nick can go back to leading his boring, meaningless existence

e.d. at such a young age = TOOL

To Robert -- I have a crush on you. -Secret

girl who sits to my left in calc - you're beautiful.

psst. the gov't wastes money, I know because I work for the

Pro sports 2 -> Moms 0 You can't spell "Truth" without

"Ruth"
Seriously, tone it down.

I can't wait to get a windmill tattoo on my thigh!

I am so freakin sick of you instate, HOPE scholarship-beneficiaries crying about a fee increase. Good lord! Look at how much

See page 3 for more Slivers!



Each week, elected members of the houses of the Student Government Association (SGA) meet to consider allocation bills and talk about campus issues. Here are summaries of those meetings.

Undergraduate House of Representatives

UHR votes for spring concert funding

By Emily Chambers Contributing Writer

The Undergraduate House of Representatives (UHR) meeting was Tuesday. Six bills were passed, as well as one resolution from the floor.

The first bill brought before the house was the joint allocation to the Student Center Programs Council Concert Committee. The committee was requesting funding for this year's Sting Break concert, where they hope to have The Killers perform. The bill passed in full, with 32 of the representatives casting votes in favor, and only two votes in opposition.

The second bill was the appointment of council representatives. This bill passed by unanimous acclamation. After the bill passed the four representatives were sworn in by Vice President Paul Byrne.

The third bill brought before the house was the joint allocation to the Equestrian Team. They were requesting funding for new helmets, saddles, boots, and competition shirts for new members to the team who did not yet have the proper equipment. The bill passed.

The fourth bill brought before the

Bills passed

- Joint Allocation to the Student Center Programs Council
- Joint Allocation to Equestrian
- Appointment of Council Representatives
- Joint Allocation to African American Student Union (I)
- Joint Allocation to African American Student Union (II)
- Joint Allocation to Medical Students Association
- Resolution to Reform Wellness Elective

house was the first of two brought by the African American Student's Únion. This bill was requesting 1,118.50 dollars to help fund the Onyx Ball at the end of African American History month. The house amended the bill, which had allowed for only 500 dollars for the Ballroom rental, to include the full cost of renting the Biltmore Ballroom, as there appeared to be no cheaper locations

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Graduate Student Senate

Senate passes two AASU bills

By James Stephenson News Editor

The Graduate Student Senate (GSS) met Tuesday. Five bills were passed and nothing failed.

The first bill brought before the senate was the joint allocation to the Equestrian Club. The organization was asking for funds for new riding equipment for the club.

Among the pieces of equipment were helmets and boots for the

A question came up in the senate as to whether or not the helmet and boots would be considered personal items because it is difficult to share those items because of varying head and foot sizes.

A motion was made to pass by unanimous acclamation, but the motion failed because of the concerns about the helmet and boots. Ultimately, the bill was brought to a vote and passed the senate.

The second bill brought before the senate was the joint allocation to the African American Student Union. The organization was asking for funds for its annual Onyx Ball to be held in the Biltmore Hotel.

The Joint Finance Committee (JFC) recommended amending the bill down to 1,118.50 dollars to reflect the prices currently available on campus for the items in the bill.

The major point of contention was that the JFC recommended lowering the venue cost to 500 dollars, which is the cost to rent the Student Center

The organizational representative said that they tried to book the Student Center Ballroom, but were not able to. Also, the organization wanted to hold the event in someplace 'fancier' than the Student Center. The bill was amended according to the JFC recommendation. A motion



By Simon Zhu / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Senators discuss a bill during a meeting in this stock photo. During Tuesday's meeting, the senate passed every bill they voted on.

was made to restore the full amount of the requested funds for the venue, but the motion failed. The bill passed the senate.

The third bill brought before the senate was also the joint allocation to the African American Student Union. In this bill, the organization was asking for funds for its Black Leadership Conference.

The requested funds were to provide for the speaker fees for Calvin Mackie, Robert Green, and Sonya Sanchez. According to JFC recommendation, the bill was amended to 11,413.75 dollars and passed the senate.

The fourth bill brought before the senate was the joint allocation to the Medical Students Association. The organization was asking for funds for travel expenses to Nashville,

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Tenn. to tour the Vanderbilt Medical School.

The JFC recommended reducing the bill to 697.20 dollars in accordance with JFC policy on

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you pay per semester compared to us out-of-state students! Why was there so much old news in the technique last week? fanaticism...as opposed to mediocrtiy??? no thank you. that's right, i said it, you have e.d., you tool

Boys from West Palm are hot.

Thanks for untripling the dorms. oh wait, they never should have been tripled in the first place.

People who know origami know everything.

3 shots of gobble, yes please

lets get naked

it it raining outside

will peyton choke again i love poop

at least Patrick Nix is gone thats better then nothing

did you take my A card

i'm gonna get some You should have made it in the shape of a cute little bunny that can eat you.

jena rocks my socks

Matthew had a girlfriend. Once.

I can't help girls hold on too much

James change the poll

I went to the High to get High on art, but they only had one Rembrandt and a little Raphael sketch. boo

Princess snacks are delicious Wikipedia, will you marry me?

I thought all the High was open till midnight...it's barely worth \$7 to see a bunch of old sketchs by no name artists that were in a dingy basement.

Why are there so many freaking people in my dining hall on a monday night?

my penis can draw better than the Louvre at the High I thought they were going to play French hip-hop at the High il n'y avait musique "rap" Á "Louvre Atlanta"

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HTS professor appears on NOVA documentary

By Corbin Pon Staff Writer

Being one of the most renowned chemists of the twentieth century, Percy Julian had his life and accomplishments recognized in the NOVA presentation "Forgotten Genius." It will tell the story of the first African-American Ph.D. scientist to work in industry as a researcher. An award

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Willie Pearson

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winning chemist, his career was marked by both breaking the color barrier in science and significant innovations in the area of chemistry.

Willie Pearson, professor at the School of History, Technology and Society, became involved with the NOVA project and was a member of the program's advisory committee. Pearson's research

background is in Sociology of Science, which involves the study of the production of Ph.D.'s in science and engineering. He became interested in African Americans in chemistry prior to the 1950's, and last year published a book on African American chemists Ph.D.'s.

"Given my general background in Sociology of Science, I was contacted by NOVA [asking] if I would be willing to serve on an advisory committee. Particularly, to assist them with their proposal to the National

Endowment for the Humanities," Pearson said.

On the advisory committee, Pearson partnered with chemists and historians to uncover and contextualize Julian's impact on science, history and society.

"There have been very few writings on Percy Julian, when you consider [he] was a very successful chemist, regardless of his race. He owned his

own chemistry company, headquartered in both Chicago and Mexico City, and was a generous philanthropist," Pearson said.

Many of the areas where Julian was successful can still be seen today. He worked with developing the foam used to put out fires and made contributions to the steroid

cortisone. Some of his later work also involved using soybeans to create synthetic hormones, including estrogen and testosterone, in industrial sized quantities.

"What was very interesting was that he employed minorities and especially African Americans. During that time, African Americans and other minority groups could not work in scientific jobs. So you can imagine, here he is hiring people with degrees from respectable institutions, and they're getting a chance to do their



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Willie Pearson, who will appear in NOVA's documentary "Forgotten Genius", consulted the NOVA team as part of its advisory board.

science," Pearson said.

Julian graduated from DePaul University in Indiana in 1920 as part of the Phi Beta Kappa honor society, and received his M.S. from Harvard University in 1923. He would graduate at the top of his class, but ended up pursuing his Ph.D. at the University of Vienna, instead of Harvard, because of discrimination.

"[Julian's] life away from science was interesting, fascinating and beset with challenges. He had to deal with issues of race and racism," Pearson said. Even though Julian garnered success and award for his accomplishments, he was not immune from racial struggle. He had his house firebombed, just because he lived in a white neighborhood.

"One of the problems with finding information on some of the African American scientists is the lack of papers that have been left and locating the information left by other people," Pearson said.

"It's ironic that there has been no formal biography written about [Julian], but there is a lot of stuff written about Booker T. Washington... who didn't have a Ph.D. Here is [Julian] with a Ph.D in chemistry, who published in the main chemistry journals of his time," Pearson said.

"Overall I think [NOVA] did a magnificent job from a technical point of view and from a writing point of view. In the end, the fact that his story is finally being told, after all these years, is just remarkable," Pearson said.

UHR

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that could accommodate the event. After this amendment the bill was passed with 33 votes for, three votes against, and two abstentions.

The fifth bill, also brought by the AASU, was for 11,413.75 dollars to help fund the Black Leadership Conference. The requested funds were to provide for the speaker fees for Calvin Mackie, Robert Green, and Sonya Sanchez. There was an attempt to amend the bill to remove 300 dollars, as the AASU revealed that they had potentially raised enough money to cover that portion of the costs. However, chair of Joint Finance Committee Claudia Jones reminded everyone that any additional money could be returned to the SGA after the event, and the amendment failed. After this, the bill passed with 35 votes for, two votes against, and one abstention.

The final bill from old business that was brought before the house was the bill from the Medical Student Association. They had originally requested 1,600 dollars to travel to Nashville and tour Vanderbilt Medical School, but based on previous SGA policy about travel expenses the bill was amended to 697.20 dollars. This bill passed with 28 votes in favor, nine votes against, and no abstentions.

The final bill dealt with was a resolution from the floor. A bill was presented to form a committee to evaluate the creation of a mandatory physical fitness class. The proposed class was presented as a potential addendum to or modification of the current HPS 1040 wellness requirement. With 24 votes in favor, nine votes against, and three abstentions, the bill passed the house.



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hedge against inflation in the years to come," Radakovich said.

The AA wants to change their focus, while utilizing Tech's two major aspects, which are the football stadium and the basketball arena, to maintain annual revenue.

However, not all season-ticket holders are going to be required to pay an annual donation.

"Certainly our visitor tickets, student tickets and other tickets won't have annual contributions attached to them. So, their season tickets would be purchased for the face value of the tickets," Radakovich said.

The tickets requiring the donation are sideline seats in football, as well as lower seats and mid-court seats in men's basketball.

[Season-ticket holders are] just another leg on our three-legged stool: our ticket holders, alumni taking on our revenue needs as we forecast into the future, the students have stepped up with great leadership and we've

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Sakai was developed in a collaboration that included Indiana University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the University of Michigan and Stanford University. It was launched in 2004 with its first funding coming from a 2.4 million dollar grant from the Andrew Mellon Foundation.

Many other schools, including the University of California, Berkeley, Virginia Tech and Yale University, are already running Sakai, and more are in the process of rolling out their implementations.

As an open source project, its source code can be freely reviewed and modified in response to specific

needs and user requests.
"We no longer have to go to a vendor and be held over a barrel. We can hire programmers and make it work for us. It's definitely an advantage that we can make it fit what we need," Llewellyn said.

not very user friendly for some things. It had very sophisticated tools for been working with the institute to increase more revenues also. A fourth leg is our own efficiency inside the department, and we're attempting to do that each and every day and we already have some significant savings, permanent savings, that we have acquired," Radakovich said.

"We already have some significant savings, permanent savings that we have acquired."

Dan Radakovich

Director of Athletics

According to Radakovich, the actual price of the season tickets will not go up this year.

The other aspect of balancing the budget is the contribution from the institute.

"The contribution from the institute is an ongoing process. We've come really close to finalizing

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a couple pieces of it.

"Once it was recognized that it was a problem and discussion started with the institute to see how we can combine resources and utilizing things the campus already has that in some ways we've been duplicating as a stand-alone enterprise," Radakovich said.

In a related story, the Atlanta Journal-Constitution (AJC) reported that the AA is looking to sell the naming rights of Alexander Memorial Coliseum.

'That article was a little out front. We're looking at a lot of different revenue options to help our future. There's been an initiative for a number of years of trying to find a naming partner with Alexander Memorial Coliseum."

"As I said to the AJC, it's a very long process and we're not even at the first stage yet. We look at all opportunities to increase revenue within the department so that we can keep our prices competitive, that would certainly be of help, but we're not anywhere close as it comes to finalizing any kind of deal as it relates to that," Radakovich said.

thewinningentrywillbeannounced online quizzing and homework, but for collaboration it was sort of clunky on February 15 and an iPod awarded so people would often turn to things to its submitter. Llewellyn suggested the system will be referred to by the Although Sakai costs nothing winning entry and labeled as "powto use, most of the schools that curered by Sakai", as is the case at most

of the peer institutions currently

using Sakai.
"We'll use the contest winner or some variation of it. We didn't promise to use it in case there's copyright infringement, or we find out that it means something we don't want it to mean," Llewellyn said .

Sakai is named after the Japanese "Iron Chef" Hiroyuki Sakai, so chosen because the project's original inspiration was the University of Michigan's CompreHensive collaborativE Framework (CHEF).

Sakai and WebCT's parent company, Blackboard, is currently involved in a dispute with the United States Patent and Trademark Office, which issued a patent to Blackboard in January 2006 for an "Internetbased education support system and methods." This month, Blackboard pledged not to enforce the patent against open-source systems.

Breaking

lot of things went on outside Athe bubble of Tech in the past week. Here are a few important events taking place throughout the nation and the world.

Apple calls for end to music right protection

Steve Jobs, the chief executive of Apple Inc. is calling on the four largest music companies to license their music for distribution without digital anti-piracy protection, shifting away from a nearly four-year-old philosophy that helped steer the iPod music player to worldwide success.

According to NewYorkTimes. com, Jobs's appeal, expressed Tuesday in a letter posted on Apple's Web site, arrives as the company, whose iPod dominates MP3 player sales, faces a slew of lawsuits in Europe over so-called digital rights management.

France, Sweden and Germany are among the countries that have accused Apple of hurting customers by locking rival players out of its iTunes service.

It is a striking move for Jobs and for Apple, whose resurgence as a dominant technology company was built on the success of the iPod and iTunes. Introduced in 2003 as the iTunes Music Store, the service charges users 99 cents to download songs from the major labels. Its promise of copyright protection, called Fair Play, helped persuade the four major labels to allow online sales.

Hackers pull off significant attack

Hackers briefly overwhelmed at least three of the 13 computers that help manage global computer traffic Tuesday in one of the most significant attacks against the Internet since 2002.



According to ABCNews.com experts said the unusually powerful attacks lasted for hours but passed largely unnoticed by most computer users, a testament to the resiliency of the Internet. Behind the scenes, computer scientists worldwide raced to cope with enormous volumes of data that $threatened \, to \, saturate \, some \, of \, the \,$ Internet's most vital pipelines.

Experts said the hackers appeared to disguise their origin, but vast amounts of rogue data in the attacks were traced to South

The attacks appeared to target UltraDNS, the company that operates servers managing traffic for Web sites ending in "org" and some other suffixes, experts said. Company officials did not immediately return telephone calls from The Associated Press.

Among the targeted "root" servers that manage global Internet traffic were ones operated by the Defense Department and the Internet's primary oversight body, ICANN.

Tuesday's attack was less serious than attacks against the same 13 "root" servers in October 2002 because technological innovations in recent years have distributed theirworkloadstoothercomputers around the globe.

Astronaut arrested for attempted murder

NASA astronaut Lisa Nowak was ordered released Tuesday on an additional \$10,000 bond on an attempted murder charge in Orlando, where she allegedly tried to subdue a purported romantic rival with pepper spray and kidnap her from an airport parking lot.

Partners Program which costs 10,000 dollars per year and gives support to the nonprofit Sakai Foundation that

coordinates the project. "The problem is that WebCT is

CETL's contest to give a name to Tech's WebCT replacement recently attracted 830 entries, out of which

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According to the report, "The Institute composts yard waste and has an award-winning recycling program, which includes a regional recycling day, during which over 74 tons of used equipment were collected in 2005; an annual student move-in/move-out collection and re-use program; and the publication of 'The Green Purchasing Guide.' Georgia Tech encourages its food service provider to purchase products locally."

For the green building indicator, Tech received a "B". According to the report, "The Institute relies on the principles of sustainability in its campus strategic plan and its campus and landscape master plans. The new management building is LEED Silver-certified, a new construction project is seeking LEED Silver certification, and 10 other buildings were designed following LEED standards."

The goal of the Tech Master Plan is to have the entire campus composed of sustainable, green buildings as well as eco-friendly growth.

For the endowment transparency indicator, the report gave Tech an "F". According to the report, "The

Institute has no known policy of disclosure of endowment holdings or its shareholder voting record."

For the investment priorities, the report gave Tech a "C". According to the report, "The Institute prioritizes investing to maximize profit and has not made any public statements about investigating or investing in renewable energy funds or community development loan funds."

In the last category, shareholder engagement, Tech scored an "F". The reason for this grade, according to the report, is that "the Institute has not made any public statements about active ownership or a proxy voting policy."

The data in the report was compiled by independent studies as well as through a campus sustainability policy survey.

The Cambridge-based research institute announced that the report's highest cumulative sustainability grade of "A-", was received by Harvard University, Stanford University, Dartmouth College, and Williams College.

The study indicates that some leading schools are taking proactive steps on both campus and endowment sustainability initiatives. Other schools are shown to have a less consistent commitment.



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Tech square is a part of the sustainable growth in the Master Plan. The Management Building at Tech Square is LEED silver-certified.

Sustainability Report Card	
Administration	В
Climate Change and Energy	В
Food and Recycling	В
Green Building	В
Endowment Transparency	F
Investment Priorities	С
Shareholder Engagement	F
	Courtesy of the Sustainability Endowments Institute

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travel expenses. The bill passed the senate.

The fifth bill brought before the senate was the joint allocation to the Student Center Programs Council. The organization was asking for funding of its Sting Break event this spring.

The organization has tentatively booked the Killers to perform on campus for the student body. JFC recommended funding the bill in full and the bill passed the senate.

In his report of the president, Mitch Keller, graduate student body president, said that the parking fee will be going up for the fall semester.

The announcement received a negative reaction from the senate who feel that the fees are already too high.

Keller also announced that the search for an OMBUDs person, a type of representative of the graduate students within the administration is going well. Keller said that he would be meeting with Charles Liotta, the vice-president of research and the dean of graduate studies, to discuss possible candidates for the position.

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