

Bush official-to-be still has faculty status at university

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Although he has not taught there for six years, George Bush's chief of staff designee John Sununu remains on the faculty of Tufts University, receiving free tuition for his children at the university and financial aid for his other children.

Sununu, a three-term New Hampshire governor, began teaching in 1966 in the mechanical engineering department before leaving the Medford campus in the fall of 1982 to campaign.

Under an employee benefit plan, two of Sununu's eight children

received free tuition at Tufts. Tuition at the university for the 1988-89 school year is \$11,750, not including room and board.

Two more children, one at Stanford University and one at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, were able to get up to \$2,500 each in tuition assistance.

"He's a professor on leave," said Rosemarie Van Camp, director of communications and public relations at Tufts. "This is something that's common at major universities."

Absences are reviewed annually, Van Camp said in a telephone interview Monday. Sununu receives

no salary, she said.

It is unusual but not unprecedented for a professor to have a leave of up to six years, said Kenneth Astill, an engineering professor at Tufts. The benefit program is meant to encourage public service careers, he said.

"I know of other schools that have better plans," Astill said.

Sununu was an associate professor with tenure while he was active at Tufts, Astill said. Sununu would not have tenure if he returns to teach, Astill said.

Sununu would probably return to Tufts when his White House duties were fulfilled, Astill said.

"I think his objective in life... is to go back into engineering," Astill said. "We'd love to have him — we could use him."

Sununu had intended to return to Tufts and resume teaching after his third term as governor was over, Van Camp said. "He had already arranged an appointment in mid-November to come back and teach" before Bush offered him a job, she said.

Students are not concerned about Sununu's position, said Chris Ball, news editor of the Tufts Daily, the campus newspaper.

"There hasn't been a loud campus outcry yet," he said. "It's not going to be a focal point."
Students will probably be apathetic

about the situation, he said, considering it to be an example of Washington politics.

"There may be some minor criticisms of the university," Ball said. "Any other time it would be overlooked."

The campus reaction cannot be gauged accurately because students were just returning from Thanksgiving break when the story broke, Ball said.

Other problems, such as the faculty shortage at Tufts, are more important to students, he said.

UNC does not have a similar tuition waiver for faculty children, said William Turnier, chairman of the Faculty Welfare Committee.

"There's nothing like that," he said.

"If your kid goes here, he has to pay." University employees are eligible to take one free course per semester, excluding summer school, said Kitty McCollum, assistant director of personnel who are exempt from the Personnel Act.

Turnier said many private schools have tuition waiver programs like Tufts, but that the practice is costly to those schools. "It's a very expensive fringe benefit," he said.

Some UNC faculty members have discussed such a program before as a possible benefit, Turnier said, but it is not a high priority.

"There's no principal interest or emphasis in it," he said.

OPEC officials reach accord, set ceiling on oil production

From Associated Press reports

VIENNA, Austria — OPEC oil ministers ended nearly two weeks of tense discussions Monday with a formal agreement to limit production and pump prices back toward the cartel's benchmark of \$18 per barrel.

But before the day was out, one oil minister indicated his new quota was not official, causing prices to back off after a sharp run-up.

The accord, which ended the winter meeting of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, set an output ceiling of 18.5 million barrels a day for the 13 OPEC members, well under the 22.5 million that analysts estimate the cartel is currently pumping.

The agreement also resolved a key issue in the talks by giving former combatants Iran and Iraq equal quotas of 2.64 million barrels a day.

After the agreement was announced, futures prices for West Texas Intermediate, a major U.S.

brand, jumped as high as \$15.80 a barrel, up more than \$1.80 from its close last week on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

But prices slipped toward the end of the day after the oil minister of the United Arab Emirates said the output level set in the accord was not his official ceiling.

The price of West Texas Intermediate for January delivery still managed to settle up \$1.06 per barrel at \$15.03.

A pickup in crude prices — if it holds — could mean higher gasoline prices at the pump, although oil companies do not necessarily pass along the full increase.

Each one-dollar rise in the price of crude oil theoretically means a pickup of 2.5 cents a gallon in retail gasoline prices.

The agreement takes effect Jan. 1 for six months. OPEC President Rilwanu Lukman of Nigeria predicted prices could reach \$18 a barrel

"maybe by June."

"I wouldn't mind it tomorrow," he told a news conference, "but it's not possible."

He said that if the countries cut their production as required, prices will get a strong lift.

Saudi Arabia's oil minister, Hisham Nazer, predicted the accord "will have a very positive effect on the oil market."

Indonesia's oil minister, Ginandjar Kartasasmita, predicted the \$18 mark could be reached by next winter.

"It's a victory for OPEC," said Issam Abdul Raheem al-Chalabi, oil minister of Iraq.

Iran, which until the agreement had vowed never to permit Iraq an equal quota, had a cap of 2.4 million under the cartel's previous agreement and Iraq, 1.5 million.

Iran retains its 14.27 percent share of total OPEC output under the new accord. Iraq has the same portion.

Arabs protest U.S. decision denying a visa to PLO chief

From Associated Press reports

UNITED NATIONS — If the United States doesn't reverse itself in 48 hours and grant PLO chief Yasser Arafat a visa so he can address the General Assembly, the body will convene in Geneva to hear him, Arab nations said Monday.

"We have a message of peace that we want to bring to the General Assembly through Chairman Arafat," said Zuhdi Labib Terzi, U.N. observer for the Palestine Liberation Organization.

"The United States is imposing some obstacles that would impede easy access, so we have to do it somewhere else," he told reporters.

The Arab nations, outraged by the U.S. decision to deny Arafat a visa, met Monday and decided that a planned session on the Middle East should be moved to Geneva.

Diplomatic sources said the nations had agreed they would first call on the General Assembly to condemn the U.S. move and appeal to Washington to reconsider. U.S.

officials in Washington have said the visa decision is irreversible.

Arab League Ambassador Clovis Maksoud told a news conference that "if... in 24, 36 or 48 hours at the latest, if there is no reversal, we will have no option but to go to a country which respects its obligations to the United Nations."

On Saturday, Secretary of State George Shultz denied Arafat's request for a visa on the grounds the PLO chief has condoned acts of terrorism.

Royalties

to get a letter dictated," she said.

The Oct. 28 BOT resolution also calls for a review of the trademark licensing program at the next BOT meeting on Dec. 9. Student government leaders say the review will be an attempt to channel the Student Aid Office's royalty income to that office regularly.

"We have to make sure that it (royalty income) will be used for student scholarships," said Student Body President Kevin Martin. "We have to restrict the money so that it will only be used for that."

Stuart Hathaway, student government executive assistant for SEA, said he agreed. "We want to make sure that whatever system there is clearly defined," he said. "There's a lot of talk about clearly stating what the use of the money will be."

Student government is still work-

ing on a proposal for the permanent routing system, Hathaway said. "We're still in the stages of gathering and collecting the information that we need," he said.

Student government will be looking for input on the proposal from faculty, BOT members, the Office of Student Aid and the athletic department, Hathaway said. "We don't want to go in on our own," he said. "Everyone's realized the dangers of working separately on it."

Wayne Christiansen, chairman of the faculty committee on scholarships, awards and student aid, said last week the royalty funds would probably be used to reach the annual student aid spending level of \$90,000, while the rest would be kept in reserve.

"We want to make sure we keep enough on reserve in case royalty

income drops a lot in one year," he said. "We need to make sure we have enough to carry over in lean years."

Christiansen said the royalty funds may be earmarked for special scholarships, such as emergency student loans and non-need-based merit scholarships.

He said he hoped to get discussions about the allotment of the scholarship money under way before the end of the fall semester, although he said final exams may make that difficult, because there are four students on the committee.

"We want to do this in a very serious way and it will take us some time and I want to get started as soon as possible," Christiansen said.

Morris said the allotment process would not start until the spring semester, because the scholarships will be for the 1989-90 school year.

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McKinley

student attorney general.

Robert Byrd, chairman of the Committee on Student Conduct, said Monday that the Instrument outlines a system with students as jury members, prosecutors and defense counsels to make the court representative of students.

Students cannot be represented by professional legal counsel at the hearings so the members of the jury, who are likely to be inexperienced in legal matters, will not be at a disadvantage, Byrd said.

No restrictions on the selection of the graduate court's five-member jury are specifically named in the Instrument, he said.

Because Price, the student prosecutor, was disqualified last week,

McKinley will have a new hearing. If found not guilty of the four charges, the hearing process will end.

But if McKinley is found guilty and penalized, he could appeal on the basis that his basic rights were denied, that the penalty was too severe or that insufficient evidence was presented to support the guilty ruling, Byrd said.

He also said the University has the right to prosecute students for charges, such as those McKinley faces, for which students could be tried in civil court.

"If the University's interest is involved in the conduct of the student... then the University can exert jurisdiction in the case," Byrd said.

Brown, the UNC law student, said

the University's judicial code is sufficiently equipped to deal with situations such as the activist's hearing.

"I don't think the Instrument or the proceedings are unsuited to dealing with political protest," Brown said, "but the people who are on the honor court now are unused to dealing with the protests."

Brown cited a past example of UNC student protest handled by the student court. In January 1975, 20 members of the Black Student Movement who had protested a campus visit by the head of the Ku Klux Klan were found not guilty by the student court of behavior that disrupted University functioning.

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