



BC announces smallest tuition increase in years

The Brevard College Board of Trustees has announced a 2.4 percent increase in tuition and fees for the 2011-2012 academic year.

The additional cost is much lower than it has been in the past seven years. "This is the smallest increase since I've been at the college," said John Hardt, Dean of Faculty and Vice President for Academic Affairs, at Thursday's open campus forum.

The tuition and fee increase is nearly half the previous year's of 4.2 percent, and almost a third of the rise just three years ago of 6.9 percent.

Tuition for 2011-2012 will be \$22,700 annually, a 2.7 percent increase over this year's cost. Room and board in East Jones and Beam residence halls will be \$7,950, a 1.7 percent increase in room and board.

Full details about 2011-2012 tuition and fees can be found on the BC Web site, www.brevard.edu/tuition.

While the board approved the tuition and fee schedule, it did not consider the operational budget. "The administration is

currently working with the Board on establishing the operational budget for 2011-2012," said President Drew Van Horn in an E-mail to faculty and staff on Wednesday.

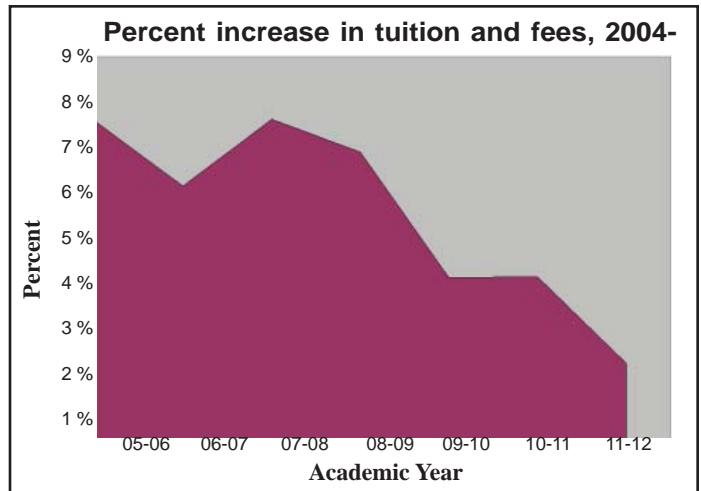
"We do expect to see reductions," said Hardt. "We do not know what type and where yet."

In the search for the next president of BC, the Board of Trustees appointed trustee Donald Moore, Jr. as Chairman of the Transition and Search

Committee. According to Van Horn, faculty, staff, students and alumni will be represented in the committee.

Moore said further information will be shared with the campus community over the coming weeks.

Van Horn was not on campus to conduct



Thursday's forum, as Hardt and Deborah Hall, Vice President for Business and Finance, answered few questions to a largely silent audience.

No new information could be shared about the Board of Trustees meeting beyond what Van Horn sent to faculty and staff Wednesday.

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BC receives Connestee Falls scholarship funds

Brevard College recently received a check for \$10,000 from the Connestee Falls Scholarship Program to help support local Transylvania County students attending Brevard College.

"We are extremely appreciative of the support given to Brevard College and our students by Connestee Falls over the years," said President Drew Van Horn.

Three local residents, Amanda Chapman, Jeremiah Morgan and Jessica Page, currently receive assistance from the scholarship fund for the 2010-2011 academic year.

"Connestee Falls residents place a very high value on education and we are pleased to be able to help local students annually with these scholarship funds," said Bill Watson, chair of the Connestee Falls Scholarship Program and member of the Brevard College Board of Visitors.

Began in 1987, the Connestee Falls Scholarship



(left to right) Bill Watson, Jessica Page, Amanda Chapman and President Drew Van Horn.

Program has benefited many talented and deserving students from Transylvania County. Brevard College alone has been the recipient of more than \$100,000 since the inception of this program. These scholarships have provided academic support to more than 65 students during the past 20 years.