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Only One Trustee Votes Against Tuition Hike

BY BRONWEN CLARK
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The Board of Trustees voted Friday morning almost unanimously in favor of the academic enhancement fund, raising tuition by \$400 beginning in the next academic year.

Cressie Thigpen was the only trustee to

cast a vote in opposition to the hike. Thigpen is the law partner of N.C. Rep. Dan Blue, D-Wake.

"At end of the day the trustees have the responsibility to the excellence of the University," Chairman of the Board of Trustees Billy Armfield said. "I feel we've responded sincerely to the authors of the state constitution, and I feel we've re-

sponded to students. There will be no additional financial burden."

The vote came after Student Body President Calvin Cunningham introduced a motion to delay action on the proposal until the board could further study the implications of the tuition increase.

"I think students at this university have said unequivocally to the board and to me that they want to wait on this issue," Cunningham said. "There are a lot of questions on this campus as to what this plan means."

Trustee Walter Davis, however, said he thought waiting on the issue would bring legislative ire.

"This didn't come easy in the legislature, it came after five years of work," Davis said. "I implore the board not to delay this decision. It would be very bad for students and very bad for the University. I think the most important thing is the \$400 for the legislature. It is definitely to our benefit to pass this now."

Davis said he thought the legislature would look upon the University more favorably in the short session if the board passed the proposed \$400 hike.

"Remember the golden rule: Those who have the gold, rule. That is how it is in the legislature," Davis said. "We have to do our part. I'm thinking about the next session and the long session."

Cunningham's motion to delay a vote on the proposal failed, with only Cunningham and Thigpen voting for it.

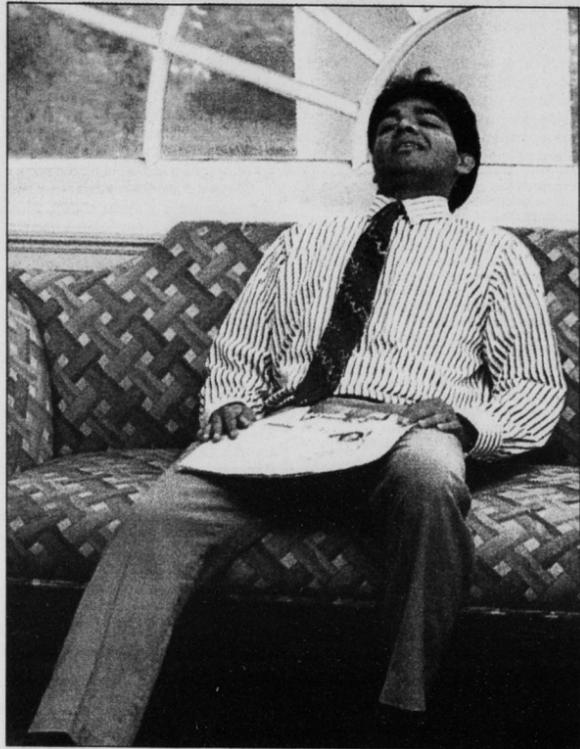
Annette Wood, chairwoman of the business and finance committee, said that while the trustees had listened to arguments both for and against the increase, in the end the legislation offered the University an opportunity too good to pass up.

"We feel that this is a unique opportunity to pursue further excellence for our University, as it is our responsibility to do everything possible to enable our University to be in the top ten near term and number one long term," Wood said.

The plan passed Friday by recommendation of the business and finance committee calls for tuition for both undergraduates and graduate students to be raised by



Campus Y Freshman Representative Reyna Walters and Committee Coordinator Mary Shahbazian walk out of the Morehead Faculty Lounge after the Board of Trustees passes the \$400 hike by a 9-1 vote.



Student Body Co-Secretary Mohan Nathan, who actively opposed the increase, sprawls out on a couch in the lobby outside Friday's BOT meeting.

\$400 beginning in fall 1996. Law students will face an additional \$600 increase in the 1996-97 academic year, MBA students will face a \$1300 increase in 1996-97 and another \$1300 increase in 1997-98, and pharmacy students will be hit with a \$2600 increase next year.

45 percent of the money will go to student aid, 45 percent will be allocated to faculty salary increase, and the remaining 10 percent will go to the libraries.

Thigpen, who cast the only dissenting

vote, said he did not think the academic enhancement fund was the best way to increase faculty salaries.

"I thought the legislature should appropriate the money, it is their responsibility," Thigpen said. "We're not in dire economic times, there is a surplus in the state, they're giving cuts to the rich, yet still trying to tax kids. I fear it might be setting a very bad precedent."

"I think any institution would like to add money to increase salaries, but I hope

other institutions realized this is a special case."

Cunningham said the issue had put him in a difficult position in campus politics.

"It puts me in an awkward situation," he said. "I don't expect students to agree with me, but I do ask them to respect my judgment. It is a very difficult and awkward situation. I really do think that it is in the best interests of the students and the

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Interim Provost Richardson to Stay Extra Year

The chancellor announced Friday that he wants to keep the professor's experience.

BY JAMES LEWIS
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Richard Richardson, Burton Craige professor of political science, will stay on as the interim provost through June 1997, the chancellor announced at Friday's Board of Trustees meeting.

Chancellor Michael Hooker, who took over in July, said he asked Richardson to extend his stay as interim provost for one year to help with Hooker's transition into the University community.

"I now find that Provost Richardson's knowledge of the professional schools and

the college, his experience in General Administration, and his relationships with faculty and students are such that it is in the best interest of the University to remain as interim provost for an additional year," he said.

Richardson was appointed to the post after Provost Richard McCormick resigned July 15 to take a position in Washington state.

Richardson said Hooker asked him about three weeks ago to consider staying on another year.

"He asked me to because he felt things were in such a transitional state that he needed me to help," Richardson said. "He made a pretty convincing argument, and I want to be helpful to him and the University."

He also said he accepted the offer to give some institutional continuity to the

provost's office. McCormick only stayed in the office three years.

Hooker said Richardson was a valuable resource as he navigated the University through uncharted waters.

"When I say Dick and I are sailing in uncharted waters, Dick doesn't have a chart either, but at least he's familiar with the vessel," Hooker said. "That helps enormously."

Hooker said the search for a permanent provost, which was set to begin this fall, would now begin this time next year.



DICK RICHARDSON said he would not apply for the permanent position.

Richardson said he would not apply for the permanent position but added that he would be available to advise the search committee.

"I said from the beginning I did not want to do that," he said. "I will certainly try to advise the committee about what I perceive the requirements of the job."

Richardson, who usually teaches an introductory course in political science and several advanced courses, said he missed contact with students.

"While I miss the students, I figure this is what I should be doing," he said.

He added that he might try to pick up some smaller teaching duties next year if his job permits.

"I felt this job was so demanding and important that I can't," he said. "I just can't right now because I am so irregular about where I am."

UNC Police Investigating Arson in Old West Blaze

BY KERRIN LAZ
STAFF WRITER

Officials are still investigating a suspicious fire which occurred early Friday morning in Old West Residence Hall.

According to police reports, a piece of cloth was lit on the window ledge of the first-floor laundry room. Police estimated damages to the landmark at \$2,000.

University Police Capt. William Dunn, who is in charge of the investigation, said officials could not determine if the fire was intentionally set until the results came back from laboratory tests.

"The test results from the lab haven't come back yet, so as of now, we are saying

it was a suspicious fire," Dunn said.

Dunn said he did not know when the lab report would be back.

Arun Subramanian, president of Old West, said he had been walking through the opposite entrance of Old West when he heard a beeping sound.

"It wasn't as loud as a fire alarm, but it was loud enough for my friend and I to hear," he said. "So we went to see what was going on and saw smoke coming from underneath the door."

Subramanian said he tried to extinguish the fire with a cup of water he had been carrying but wasn't successful. Shortly

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Candidate's Grassroots Campaign Gets Under Way

BY WENDY GOODMAN
CITY EDITOR

As election fliers and signs begin cluttering yards and public places throughout Chapel Hill, town residents will not be seeing the name or face of one town council candidate — Jim Protzman.

Protzman, an incumbent town council member, said he had decided not to spend as much money on billboards and fliers in his re-election campaign. He said he would instead focus on direct contact with voters in his campaign.

"I decided it is more effective going around in neighborhoods talking to people, meeting in forums and having my volunteers telling people to vote for me," Protzman said Sunday. "It is pretty much a pure grassroots program."

Protzman said he thought that in this type of campaign, people would get to hear him focus on the issues, instead of just seeing the amount of money he was willing

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to spend. "I originally thought I would have to spend a fair amount of money to clarify my positions," Protzman stated in a press release.

"With one-on-one dialogue, with people talking to people, I believe my point of view will be well represented. I'm working for kids and families, economic diversity, and good relations with the University."

Protzman amended his filing with the Board of Elections on Friday, saying he would spend no more than \$1000 on the campaign. His campaign is now in agreement with spending limits proposed for municipal candidates by the Sierra Club and the Orange County Greens.

In August, Protzman said he would not comply with the spending limits. His new low-cost approach is not a change of heart, he said. Instead, he simply realized he did not have enough time to devote to a full-fledged campaign.

"If I had more time, I would spend more money," Protzman said. "I'm sending back thousands of dollars this week to people who sent me money. It breaks my

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No-Show: NOW President Patricia Ireland canceled her scheduled appearance at Saturday's N.C. NOW convention held in Durham.
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Beginning TUESDAY

The DTH begins profiling candidates for local offices with looks at three of the people running for seats on the Chapel Hill Town Council.

Weather

TODAY: Cool, rainy; high near 60.
TUESDAY: Showers; high 60s.

'Dancing' the Night Away at Seeds of Sheba

BY CAROLE GEIGER
STAFF WRITER

Escaping to the Caribbean or traveling to Africa on a whim might seem a bit out of reach for a student's budget, but a weekend night at Seeds of Sheba at 115 Graham St. can affordably offer the sights, sounds and tastes of African and Caribbean culture.

"Taste of The Tropics" comes to life on Friday nights as DJs play dance music from the Caribbean. "We play more dance hall reggae and soca on Friday nights," said Jah Musa, owner of Seeds of Sheba. He said last weekend's DJ was Special K from Trinidad.

Soca and calypso are both native to Trinidad; the melodies include the sounds of flutes, drums, guitars and saxophones, along with rhyming verses. Most people are familiar with the famous English song "Day-O" or "Banana Boat Song."

"Danse Afrique" is the theme on Saturday nights as guests groove to a mixture of African, roots reggae, dance hall reggae and Calypso music.

Josiah Kurgot, a 1993 graduate of UNC and sponsor of Josiah Productions, which puts on "Danse Afrique," said the point of the night was to expand Americans' horizons. "I want to reach out to the Americans and introduce them to African music," he said. On one night, he said, there were people from 22 different countries present.

Kurgot is from Kenya and started "Danse Afrique" last February after people asked him to establish an African dance club. "Danse Afrique" originated at Cres-



Carrboro residents Edwin Chukwurah and Carolyn Williams groove to Calypso tunes Saturday night at Seeds of Sheba, located at 115 N. Graham St.

cent City Music Hall, but the crowd grew too large and had to be moved to Seeds of Sheba.

Chikoma Kazunga, a third-year graduate student of public health from Zambia, said he loved the music because it evoked feelings of Africa for him. "We want to get everyone to come, not only Africans," Kazunga said.

The music played includes dance hall

reggae from Silver Cat, roots reggae from Bob Marley and The Whalers, calypso from Mighty Sparo, soca from artists Baron and Leon Caldero, and African artist Koffi Olamide Tchatcho from Zaire.

On Oct. 23, Josiah Productions will host Kenyatta Day at Seeds of Sheba in celebration of the national holiday. The

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There is no such thing as a secret on a university campus. If you think it is, you're fooling yourself.

Charles B. Reed, chancellor of the State University System of Florida