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## Student Leaders Prepare for Tuition 'War'

By JOHN O'HALE  
Staff Writer

As a historic vote on a proposal to increase tuition draws closer, student government is preparing a massive campaign to rally the campus to combat the proposed increases.

Student Body President Nic Heinke and Graduate and Professional Student Federation President Lee Conner left a Monday meeting of the Chancellor's Committee on Faculty Salaries and Benefits in shock after administrators approved the plan, which would sharply

raise tuition to help increase faculty salaries.

But after a few short hours, they began devising a counterattack that aims to pull students together to fight the proposed increases, which will be voted on Oct. 28 by the Board of Trustees.

Before midnight, Conner and Heinke wrote a petition protesting the tuition increases and sent an e-mail to dozens of campus groups, encouraging them to take their fight to the BOT meeting

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Of Possible  
Tuition Increase**  
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"We're at war with tuition, not with the faculty," Heinke said.

The tuition plan, endorsed Monday by all members of the faculty salaries committee except Heinke and Conner, would increase in-state undergraduate tuition \$1,500 and



GPSF President Lee Conner gathered about 500 petition signatures within one day.

both out-of-state undergraduate and all graduate tuition \$2,000.

Student government began taking its fight to meetings of various student groups Tuesday, including The Daily Tar Heel's Association of Student Leaders, Interfraternity Council and the Panhellenic Council, Conner said. "I'd guess we have over 500 signatures, which isn't bad for a single day," he said.

Conner said the remainder of the week would be spent educating students on the proposed increases and would culminate with a rally Sunday to motivate students to attend the BOT meet-

ing.

Leaders will continue to push for students to sign the petition and will run a half-page advertisement in the form of a petition in Thursday's issue of the DTH that students can sign and cut out. Conner said the GPSF had also created a Web site where students could send e-mail to all members of the BOT, as well as the Board of Governors.

Students can access the site at [www.unc.edu/student/orgs/gpsf/tuitionincrease.html](http://www.unc.edu/student/orgs/gpsf/tuitionincrease.html).

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## Professors Divided On Hike

Some UNC professors say financial matters are more likely to drive away faculty members than students.

By SHAHRZAD REZVANI  
AND GEOFF WESSEL  
Staff Writers

A day after a University committee voted on a major tuition increase to boost faculty salaries, many professors said Tuesday that such a move was essential even at the expense of digging deeper into students' pockets.

"I understand the need to keep tuition down as a former undergraduate student," said American literature Professor Julius Raper. "But as a starving faculty member, I should speak for the other side. I support the raise as long as they keep the increase for in-state people reasonable."

Most professors, like Raper, tended to favor the tuition increase, saying UNC's tuition is now low enough that most students could afford the increase. "The average UNC student comes from a family that's middle class and can afford to pay for it," said economics Professor David Blau.

Professors said financial considerations were more likely to drive away faculty than students. "For a lot of people, staying at a university depends on the amount of pay," said English Professor Joseph Flora.

The issue came to the forefront after UNC fell from third to fifth in a national ranking and the loss of several top professors due to comparatively low salaries. Monday's vote sparked more debate on the issue.

Most faculty members said there was need for more competitive salaries to draw in recruits because many professors would be retiring soon. "I think (recruiting) should be a real concern for the University administration and also for students as well," said linguistics Professor Randall Hendrick.

But faculty members said that while low tuition costs were important, higher faculty salaries were a higher priority for coming years. "Within 10 years, decisions we make today are going to

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## Salary Woes Nothing New at UNC

By KATHLEEN HUNTER  
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UNC leaders past and present said Tuesday that a recently proposed tuition increase started the next chapter in the University's continued attempt to competitively fund faculty salaries.

Former officials greeted the news with both applause and concern, underscoring the tension that has characterized the issue for years at the University.

Monday's proposal comes four years after a \$400 tuition increase, largely aimed at funding faculty salaries, that marked the first time the N.C. General Assembly allowed individual campuses to boost tuition for such purposes.

The proposal, which will go to the Board of Trustees on Oct. 28, recommends aiding the University's ability to compete with its peer institutions in the arena of faculty salaries through a combination of private donations, state funding and tuition.

But differing philosophies over how faculty salaries should be increased are nothing new at the University.

Over the course of the University's history, increasing faculty salaries has been an issue of great concern. But means of providing increased pay have varied as UNC has fallen behind the pack in its race to maintain salaries.

Bill Friday, who served as UNC-system president from the system's incep-

tion in 1972 until 1986, said he saw faculty salaries as a top priority during his administration.

But Friday said he always relied upon annual state funding allocations, instead of tuition, to pay for salary increases.

"We did not use tuition as a means of raising salaries in those days," he said.

At that time, Friday said salaries at the University were competitive with other institutions.

He said U.S. News & World Report's 1985 ranking of the nation's top research institutions placed UNC ninth, even considering stiff competitors such as Harvard University and Yale

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## Round 1 of UNC's Faculty Salary Woes

In 1995, UNC-Chapel Hill leaders, for the first time, raised tuition to address the issue of faculty salaries. Then-UNC-system President C.D. Spangler feared the move would make UNC-CH elitist.

**Summer 1995** — Faculty members at UNC-system institutions faced a 2 percent increase in their salaries. Board of Trustees member Walter Davis suggested a proposal that would let UNC-Chapel Hill and N.C. State University, the state's two premiere research institutions, a one-time opportunity to autonomously raise tuition. The tuition increase would be used to boost faculty salaries, financial aid and library funds.

**August 1995** — N.C. General Assembly passed the statute, giving the two schools' Boards of Trustees freedom to set their tuition increase rate.

**September 1995** — Debate over the proposal divides students and draws harsh criticism from UNC-system officials. Student leaders were also split, with then-Student Body President Calvin Cunningham coming out in favor of the tuition increases.

**September 1995** — Amid student criticism, the Board of Trustees approved the proposal, which raised undergraduate and graduate tuition by \$400. It also increased professional students' tuition by as much as \$2,600. Forty-five percent of the increase went to raise faculty salaries.

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UNC seniors Laura Morton, left, and Jane Pope peer into Michael Jordan's restaurant, 23, on Tuesday. The new establishment, located on Franklin Street, was hosting a dinner for selected guests.

## Media Get Taste Of Jordan Eatery

With the opening of 23 set for Thursday, managers and chefs added final touches to the menu and restaurant.

By JASON OWENS  
Assistant City Editor

A sense of nervous excitement filled the air Tuesday night on the ground floor of 200 W. Franklin St., as new dishes were unveiled at a private dinner for the media at Michael Jordan's new restaurant, 23.

The owner, management team and staff of 23 collaborated to present the new restaurant — unveiling a 140-seat dining room complete with a basketball theme and a 50-seat bar-lounge with televisions that play highlights from Jordan's career at the University and with the Chicago Bulls.

David Zadikoff, co-owner of 23 with Jordan, said the restaurant would focus on combining aspects that would appeal to students as well as local residents.

"It is not a cookie-cutter-type place," he said.

"We're trying to match what we do with where we are and where we are with what we do."

While the final touches to the menu were made and the last table was set, there was one noticeable absence Tuesday night — Michael Jordan.

Jennifer Snyder, account manager for Paperclip, the Chicago-based public relations firm representing 23, said Jordan planned on being at the grand opening, but could not make it because the opening was postponed due to devastation caused by Hurricane Floyd.

"He was planning on making it to the original opening date," she said. "He is very excited about the restaurant and will be here as soon as his schedule allows."

Even without Jordan, the grand opening will go on as planned Thursday.

The staff is composed of a range from veteran restaurant workers to college students who serve a diverse menu that officials have previously labeled as "American cuisine."

"There are a fair amount of students and professionals," Zadikoff said.

"I think it is wonderful; the attitude of the students is very fresh and positive."

While the restaurant does not have the atmosphere of the typical sports bar, Jordan's Chicago Bulls' allegiances are well-represented by the bathroom's crimson red-tiled walls set against jet-black floors and a private dining room coated Carolina blue. Jordan memorabilia will also be featured around the dining area.

Jay Daly, general manager, said 23 would televise some sporting events, but the dining room would focus strictly on the dining experience. "We won't have Monday Night Football," he said. "At dinner, what we're looking for is a serene-type atmosphere."

Elizabeth Joyner, a UNC senior from Rocky Mount who serves at 23, said employees and planners had been working extensively in preparation for Thursday's opening.

"We had seminars — learning what was in the food, the wine list," she said. "We spent a week preparing and cleaning."

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## 'BOLO' Suspect to Face Rape Charge Despite Earlier Ruling

By KATIE ABEL  
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A Hillsborough grand jury has indicted the man arrested for an Aug. 15 campus assault on a charge of attempted second-degree rape, overturning a judge's earlier ruling that there was not enough evidence to pursue the charge.

Jesus Alvarez Ramos, 23, will now stand trial in Orange County Superior Court for the attempted rape charge, along with a first-degree kidnapping

charge in connection with the assault of a UNC sophomore.

He will also be tried for attempted first-degree rape for another campus assault that occurred Aug. 17.

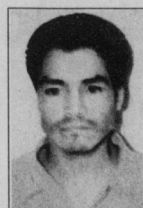
Pretrial motions are set for Nov. 8, although a court date has not yet been scheduled, said Kayley Taber, assistant district attorney for Orange County.

The grand jury formally indicted Alvarez Ramos on all three charges late last week.

The victim of the first attack, a sopho-

more who wishes to remain anonymous, said she had received no word of the jury's ruling until The Daily Tar Heel contacted her Tuesday.

"I definitely feel relieved," she said. "But they really haven't told me anything since



Suspect Jesus Alvarez Ramos

that first hearing."

The victim recalled details of the assault, which occurred near Grimes Residence Hall, in a September probable-cause hearing.

Taber said the district attorney's office decided to lobby for the attempted second-degree rape charge because officials felt District Judge Patricia DeVine was in error when she dismissed the charge in the earlier hearing.

"We felt there was enough evidence for the rape charge and took that to the

grand jury," Taber said.

Taber said only Lt. Archie Daniel, the University Police officer who arrested Alvarez Ramos, presented evidence to grand jury members.

No other witnesses were allowed in the courtroom, she said.

Amos Tyndall, the suspect's appointed attorney, could not be reached for comment Tuesday.

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Where there is money, there is fighting.

Marian Anderson

**Carolina, Speak Out!**  
A weekly DTH online poll  
**Do you support a tuition hike to increase UNC faculty salaries?**  
Go to [www.unc.edu/dth](http://www.unc.edu/dth) to cast your vote.

## INSIDE Wednesday

### Last Appeal

Lawyers are pushing for a stay in the case of an inmate who is scheduled to receive a lethal injection Thursday at Raleigh's Central Prison. See Page 9.

### Preference Politics

Activists became angry when a proposal seeking to expand current hate crime legislation to include sexual preference failed to pass committee in the U.S. Congress. See Page 2.

### O.J. Flashback

The lawyer, who represented the Goldman family during the O.J. Simpson civil case, spoke on campus about his experiences. See Page 2.

### Today's Weather

Rain;  
Low 60s.  
Thursday: Sunny;  
Low 60s.