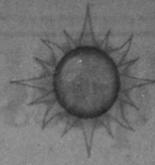


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UNC-System Tuition Advisors Consider 4 Percent Hike

By KATHLEEN HUNTER
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The UNC system's tuition advisory committee Wednesday tentatively recommended a 4 percent tuition increase for all of the system's in-state undergraduates.

The committee is also considering increasing tuition by the same dollar amount for out-of-state undergraduates at each system school.

The increases, which would offset the

system's rising operating cost, would mean all UNC-Chapel Hill students would pay an additional \$75 in tuition beginning the 2001-02 school year.

The committee meets annually to adjust tuition rates based on rising operating costs and fluctuations in the economy.

Wednesday's preliminary tuition discussion comes seven months after the Board of Governors approved special tuition requests at five system schools — including \$300 tuition increases for the

next two years at

UNC-Chapel Hill. The BOG also approved a 2.1 percent across-the-board increase at the same time.

The 40-member committee is composed of representatives from each of the 16 UNC campuses,



ASG President Andrew Payne

including eight students.

The committee will make an official recommendation to UNC-system President Molly Broad after its Sept. 27 meeting. BOG members will hear Broad's recommendation and vote on it at their October meeting.

Gary Barnes, UNC-system vice president of program assessment, led the committee meeting, which was conducted via video conference.

Barnes reviewed the BOG's tuition-setting policy for committee members at

the meeting's outset — citing recent data on the three economic growth indicators UNC-system officials use as guides.

The 4 percent increase would mean that tuition for in-state undergraduates would rise at a slightly higher rate than two of the indicators and slightly lower than the third.

The committee also will make a recommendation on graduate tuition, consistent with guidelines specifying that graduate tuition should be higher than undergraduate tuition but still competi-

tive with similar programs across the country.

The BOG's tuition request ultimately will go to the N.C. General Assembly for approval.

Barnes urged committee members to consider that the state budget will likely be tight again this year when setting a tuition recommendation.

"We are coming out of a legislative session where the legislature pulled out

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Committee Aims to Fill Greek Post

A selection team hopes to begin its national search soon to replace Director of Greek Affairs Ron Binder.

By ELIZABETH BREYER
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As the UNC Greek community comes to grips with the surprise resignation of the director of Greek affairs, officials say an interim director and a search committee will be selected soon.

Director of Greek Affairs Ron Binder announced his plan on Monday to resign in mid-October, pursue another job and move to the Midwest. His tenure of 6 1/2 years will officially end Nov. 1.

Cindy Wolf Johnson, associate vice chancellor for student learning, said she will be responsible for the process of hiring a new head of Greek affairs.

She said her first priority will be to fill the post with an interim director who can take over until a permanent replacement is named.

"We ideally want to find someone who can work with Dr. Binder now before he steps down," Wolf Johnson said.

"We'll look to try to find the best person available and look to find someone with availability as soon as October."

Wolf Johnson said her goal is to name a permanent director by Jan. 1, 2001.

She said a search committee composed of students, faculty and staff will be created as soon as the interim director is chosen. "We'll do a nationwide search to get the best person available," she said.

She said the committee will name several finalists, who will then have the opportunity to participate in public discussion sessions on campus. "There will most definitely be opportunities for students to interview finalists," Wolf Johnson said.

She said that the search will be as open as possible throughout, but that candidates often request their information be kept confidential until the final stage of public appearances.

After the forums, the committee will submit a list of finalists, and Wolf Johnson said she will make the ultimate decision.

She said she hopes the committee will focus on finding a candidate who shares many of the ideals that distinguished Binder while he was in office.

"We want somebody to pick up the great work Binder has done and move it forward," she said. "He has done a great job enhancing the quality of life in the Greek community, and we want somebody who can work as well as he did with the students."

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Efforts to replace Greek Affairs Director Ron Binder should culminate before Jan. 1, 2001.



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Democratic gubernatorial candidate Mike Easley and Republican candidate Richard Vinroot participate in a debate at the N.C. Natural History Museum in Raleigh on Wednesday morning.

Candidates Face Off on Education

Gubernatorial Hopefuls Debate for First, Last Time

By CHERI MELFI
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RALEIGH — Caustic remarks and heated accusations filled the halls of the N.C. Museum of Natural History on Wednesday when Democratic gubernatorial candidate Mike Easley and Republican candidate Richard Vinroot faced off in this year's only scheduled debate between major-party gubernatorial candidates.

The debate, sponsored by the N.C. Education Coalition, an education lobbying group, focused on just one issue — education.

Easley has been the N.C. attorney general since 1992, and Vinroot was the mayor of Charlotte from 1991 to 1995.

Nearly 100 county commissioners, parent-teacher association representatives, college students and other education advocates attended the debate.

While both Easley and Vinroot said their main priority is improving the state's elementary and high school education, the two candidates touted quite different mechanisms to achieve this goal.

Vinroot said he wants to provide poorer children with vouchers,



DTH/MILLER PEARSALL

The gubernatorial candidates field questions from an audience of education advocates during the debate.

or opportunity scholarships, which will give them state subsidies to attend a private school.

"These opportunity scholarships and vouchers will provide

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The Campus Rap Sheet

UNC Director of Public Safety Derek Poarch said the overall campus environment is very safe, but he said last year's increase in property crimes on campus is disturbing.

Violent Crimes	1996	1997	1998	1999
Murder	0	0	0	0
Forcible Rape	0	1	0	1
Robbery	4	4	2	2
Aggravated Assault	13	5	6	5
Total	17	10	8	8

Property Crimes	1996	1997	1998	1999
Breaking and entering	40	6	12	26
Larceny	594	530	468	520
Motor Vehicle Theft	8	10	5	7
Total	642	546	485	553

Arson	1996	1997	1998	1999
	9	3	2	4

TOTAL CRIMES 668 559 495 565
SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Campus Property Crimes Rise

By KAREY WUTKOWSKI
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Statistics released Wednesday indicate the number of violent crimes on campus stayed consistently low last year while property crimes increased.

UNC Director of Public Safety Derek Poarch presented the number of crimes reported at UNC last year to the Campus Security Committee. He also discussed the University community's feelings of safety based on findings in the 2000 Department of Public Safety Survey.

DPS received eight reports of violent crimes last year, including two attacks on women in the fall by an offender dubbed

BOLO by the media and UNC students.

Poarch said this number is quite low considering UNC's size. "I would think we would be looking at 300, 400 or 500 violent crimes if you're looking at a community of 40,000."

But he said the increase in property crimes on campus is disturbing. In 1998, there were 485 reports of property crimes, but in 1999 that number rose to 553.

"Stealing and theft are crimes of opportunity," Poarch said.

He said students need to be informed on how to secure their personal belongings, especially because many more students are toting laptops as part of the Carolina Computing Initiative. "It takes

10 seconds to steal a laptop."

Poarch also released the results of DPS's annual survey, which was conducted in April of this year and reflects the responses of 700 students, faculty and staff.

"By and large, during the daytime, the majority of people feel safe," he said. "During night, things begin to fluctuate, but that's no different from any other campus or city."

He said the survey revealed that police officers need to become more visible on campus, adding that recent hires and a full staff should increase police presence.

The security committee also addressed

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Knowledge of human nature is the beginning and end of political education.

Henry Adams