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difficulties Young faced. "Justin was able to keep the broad perspective of the University's best interests in mind, while still representing the student's interest." Shelton also said Young did a solid job interacting with administrators. "He had his views, and we didn't always agree, but he always tried to move the agenda forward instead of being an obstructionist," he said. Like Young, Student Body Vice President Rudy Kleysteuber said he thought Young's biggest disappointment was the outcome of the tuition proposal.

Kleysteuber also lamented the number of issues that cropped up and took attention away from achieving platform goals. "There was a lot more that he could have done, but that can be attributed in a large part to the glut of other issues that reared their respective heads." Young said he thought his biggest flaw was an inability to maintain adequate organization within student government. "I don't think I was firm enough internally, within our Cabinet, in getting people to move on certain issues," he said. "Sometimes I was a little soft." But Young said he is proud of the heightened attention students are giving to legislative involvement, especially through the Carolina Lobby Corps organization, one of his platform promises.

The legacy he said he leaves is a strengthened student voice, referring to Thursday's BOT rejection of the night parking proposal as a key victory. Overall, Young saw the student body presidential experience as a fun and special opportunity to represent students, despite the high level of responsibility. "Even though I got beat up a little bit, there are very valuable lessons to learn in the process," he said. "It can be an overwhelming thing, but I think I turned that around and made the position an empowering thing." *The University Editor can be reached at udesk@unc.edu.*

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Outgoing Student Body President Justin Young made diversity a main point in his campaign last year. "More diversity means better representation for the entire student body," he said. Young said his Cabinet - which included two black women and the first openly gay student body officer - helped the student body president connect to the campus. Nic Heinke, student body president from 1999 to 2000, also said diversity was a critical factor when he chose his Cabinet members, who he described as

a white woman, a minority woman and an out-of-state man. "I realize there are some limitations to being a white guy," he said. But Heinke said it is important to have a Cabinet that is not only diverse ethnically but also representative of students with learning and physical disabilities and all socioeconomic levels. "Too often we box diversity into color and gender," he said. Heinke said the student body president's Cabinet should embody a variety of backgrounds because those officers serve as the sounding board for critical issues. "It's not so much having a Cabinet that looks diverse in a snapshot," he said. "It's about having a Cabinet that has a diversity of ideas and thoughts and opinions."

Reyna Walters, who was the last female student body president before Daum and served from 1998 to 1999, said having minority students in leadership positions encourages an underrepresented portion of the student body to become active on campus. "Because I was the first black woman, and the second woman ever, it encouraged a lot of women of color, and women in general, to run," she said. Walters said diversity among student leaders helps people realize that all students can make a difference, regardless of their backgrounds. "When you have a student body president who understands the importance of diversity, it opens doors for those who have been shut out of student government," she said. Lee Conner, 1999-2000 Graduate and Professional Student Federation president, said that although diversity is important, it is just one of many factors in selecting Cabinet members. He said having a diverse GPSF Cabinet helped him to look at issues from different angles. But Conner said his first concern was to find qualified candidates. "Our number one emphasis was to fill the positions with quality people whether they were black, white, green, brown or purple," Conner said. "Then we looked for diversity of gender, race and ethnicity, sexual orientation and academic discipline."

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were not in support of it. It's up to the administration to present an alternative." Payne also said he disagrees with the possibility of UNC-CH using money from a student fee to fund something that would not benefit the entire student body. "I'd always rather see the fee go to the users of the service." Payne emphasized that the process of considering fee and tuition issues at the appointed time is beneficial to students. "There's a set timeline to allow interested parties on campus to have input," he said. "The only hope that students' voices will be heard is to follow the procedures." Payne said that if the BOG were to reconvene to consider a fee increase for UNC-CH students, it would probably have negative effects in the future. "It would be a bad precedent," he said. "Over the past two years we've seen that going outside of the norm - especially in our two research institutions - opens up a can of worms that you just don't want."

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with Baker as the two look to challenge Stephens for the starting job. Baker said Durant's return won't affect him. "It's still the same situation for me," Baker said. "I'm still going out to practice every day working to be the number one quarterback." Bunting said that performance will ultimately determine who starts the season but that Durant will have to work hard. "He's got to make a commitment to being part of this program again," he said. "What we're expecting is he'll follow through with that. Based on what he's told me, these last five weeks have been the most miserable five weeks of his life. He never wants to feel that way again."

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