

FEE DEBATE

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unmatched, but that is going to come at a cost," said Dean Bresciani, committee member and interim vice chancellor for student affairs. Campus leaders were barraged by requests to elevate student fees this week, prompting them to probe the legitimacy of such hikes. "It's a dangerous precedent to replace state funding with student fees, which is where the extensive review process comes in," Bresciani said. While part of the increase is the result of annual inflationary factors, Tepper stressed that students would not just be paying more to

sustain the same programs, but rather would be getting more bang for their buck through "service oriented" additions. The Counseling and Psychological Service will be one of the foremost beneficiaries, paid for in part by the \$16 increase in the student health fee. "It's really a new day for student mental health," said John Edgerly, director of CAPS. The new funds will decrease the two to three week wait students currently face when making an appointment and will provide CAPS with more flexibility to hire additional staff during peak times. "The wait times are such that it

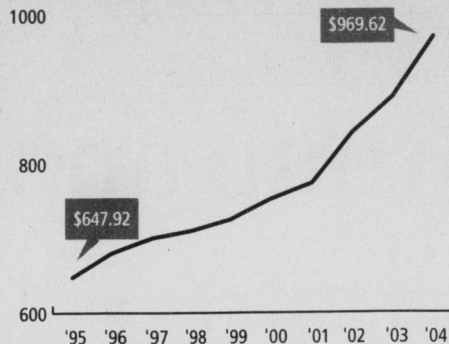
is not good for (students) in not getting adequate treatment, but it is also affecting their lives and daily activities," said Dan Herman, committee member and Graduate and Professional Student Federation president. A \$19 increase in the technology fee was more contentious. Student leaders said they were careful to evaluate how quickly improvements, such as an online calendar, could be integrated into campus life. The Stelcor Calendar would function as an online calendar through which students could download their class schedules and assignments. "My prediction is that within a year, every student on

campus will be using it," said John Oberlin, the assistant vice chancellor for information technology. The technology fee also will be used to decrease walk-in assistance waiting times and to launch a program to enable students to communicate online with tech support. If the new student fees receive final approval, fees will reach \$1,234.12 for undergraduates — an amount far lower than that at other system universities. UNC-Chapel Hill's 2003-04 student fees ranked as the fifth least expensive out of the 16 system schools.

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UNC-CH STUDENT FEES CONTINUE TO INCREASE

Student fees have increased by 50 percent since 1995. The increase does not include debt service, transit or student information registration fees, because they were not computed in the past.



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gram will offer space in a 10-bed inpatient facility and a comprehensive and specialized approach to treatment of anorexia nervosa, bulimia nervosa and related conditions to any individual older than age 14. The program, with in-patient, out-patient and day-patient facets, will be a partner for Counseling and Psychological Services in the fight against eating disorders on campus. "Given the large number of students that we see each semester, we do not have sufficient clinical staff to provide ongoing eating disorders treatment," said Allen Hamrick, CAPS associate director. Some students said the program is an important addition to campus. "It's definitely needed at a high-pressure university like Carolina, where the atmosphere may encour-

age such disorders," said Sarah Prodan, a junior biology major. Colleen Carbott, a junior communication studies major, said students with eating disorders might not realize they need to seek help. But junior Sarah Jafari-Namin, a psychology major, said the program's campus location might attract more patients. "It will make it easier for young people, male or female, to go and seek help." During an interview, McLamb said the program's respectful, client-centered energy will allow patients to overcome any social stigma. "The shame and the quiet and the embarrassment is the disease. It's not who they are," she said. "Getting help is the first step to recovery, and that is reclaiming your life."

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utive officer of the NROTC Piedmont region. Thompson was transferred over the summer. Assistant Dean of Students Melinda Manning said the ROTC program is important for the many students who use the scholarships to fund their education. But she said she wishes the military would welcome everyone. Even with isolated incidents such as the ROTC expulsion, leaders are positive about the GLBTSA's influence on campus, and they are working to raise awareness of what they deem to be problematic issues. "On the whole, more student leaders coming onto campus are accepting, but there's definitely room for improvement," GLBTSA co-chairman Trevor Hoppe said.

The GLBTSA has made plans to work with organizations such as the Black Student Movement, Campus Y and Young Democrats this year. Zach Howell, a sophomore from Charlotte who is a member of GLBTSA, said he never experienced homophobia until he came to UNC. The worst discrimination he has faced is derogatory comments yelled from passing cars and left on answering machines. Despite room for improvement, Hoppe said, UNC's acceptance of the LGBT community is "fantastic in comparison" to other schools. The GLBTSA's Coming Out Week events offered a chance for openly gay students, those thinking about coming out and allies to talk about their experiences and find support.

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Care Services fees were withdrawn from consideration before Thursday's meeting. Prior to Thursday, the committee had approved other student fee increases on four separate occasions. In September, the committee recommended increases in the athletic fee, student debt services fee, UNC ONE Card fee, student information system registration fee, student transit fee and the student dining debt service fee, in addition to others.

At a Sept. 29 meeting, increases were recommended for the campus recreation fee and Carolina Union operating expense fee, among others. On Monday the committee approved the renewable energy fee and increases to the health services fee. If the increases are approved by Moeser, they will go before the UNC Board of Trustees and then the UNC-system Board of Governors for final approval.

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SPEAKER

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number one. He wasn't my vote — I nominated someone else — but I was just one vote out of 400." Part of Leamon's election platform last year was to suggest Chambers for speaking at Commencement. Leamon defended the committee's reinforcement of that platform. "As a committee we made a decision, we're proud of the decision and we stand by the decision," he said. Several seniors interviewed Thursday said they regret not having an active role in the decision-making process. "I kind of wish I had been more

involved," senior Stephanie Crowder said. "I could have volunteered my opinion." Crowder said she would have preferred the selection of a more high-profile speaker. "I guess I do feel a little betrayed," Crowder said when comparing Chambers to Cosby. "They could get more of a national figure since this is such a well-known school, but I'm not opposed to having someone from UNC speak," she said. Leamon said the committee faced little opposition when selecting Chambers for their recommendation. He said Chambers' North Carolina connection makes him the best choice for a Commencement speaker.

"This is a man of stature — very acclaimed, very distinguished," he said. "The thing about Julius Chambers is he is one of our own. He's a testament to what this state can produce. We're being represented by one of our best." Leamon defended the committee's decision despite some negative reactions from the senior class. "I'm more than satisfied," he said. "I realize there'll be nay-sayers, there will always be nay-sayers. Some people were opposed to having Bill Cosby as a speaker." Allison Lewis, senior class secretary, said many of the student marshals were excited about the selection and eager to get the senior class equally enthusiastic about Chambers.

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GEORGE LEAMON,
 SENIOR CLASS PRESIDENT
 "There is no following Bill Cosby. I think (Chambers) will have a lot of interesting things to say," she said. "Wednesday when we heard, for the most part everyone went out and got educated on who he was."
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