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## Tuition panel nears recommendations

### PRICE STUDY HAS LITTLE SAY IN TASK FORCE'S DECISIONS

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The findings of a price-sensitivity report on tuition increases at UNC reveal that the market could withstand tuition increases that far exceed previous considerations. Based on the study, the University has room to increase in-

state tuition to the level of its competitors without consequence — a fact that surprised many Tuition Task Force members.

The group tackled the study Thursday night as it finalized recommendations on tuition increases to send to the Board of Trustees.

Officials said they would never

mandate increases of such high levels because of the University's mission to provide an accessible education for North Carolinians.

"We have significantly more headroom for raising in- and out-of-state tuitions than I sense the philosophy and ethos of the University would support," said Provost Robert Shelton.

The task force decided to recommend a preferred minimum yield of about \$9.25 million from tuition increases. These numbers could

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break down to increases of \$300 for in-state students and \$1,000 for out-of-staters. The task force suggested that about 40 percent of the total yield be devoted to need-based financial aid, with the remaining \$5.5 million equally divided among faculty salaries, teaching assistant salaries and the size of the faculty.

"We are trying to glean information about the priorities of faculty, staff and students, both undergraduate and graduate, so we can write the most comprehensive and informed report," said Student Body President Matt Calabria.

Task force members said boosting teaching assistant salaries is the top priority after need-based aid. Because such increases require less funds, the priority will receive proportionally more funding.

Because the elasticity study only

reflected the opinions of undergraduates, the report will include a suggestion for relatively modest increases to graduate and professional school tuitions until a study of these students is conducted.

"My fear is that the perceived room for undergraduate tuition increases might be applied to graduates when we have no idea of the effect on graduate students," said Parker Wiseman, vice president for

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### TO THE BEAT OF HIS OWN DRUM



DTH/GILLIAN BOLSOVER

Yuri Lane, the human beatbox, performs his musical, "From Tel Aviv To Ramallah," on Thursday evening in the Student Union Auditorium. In the musical — during which Lane uses vocal percussion to imitate the sounds of a band, a DJ with turntables, a city street and a television — he speaks of the joys and suf-

ferings of both Israelis and Palestinians. He received a standing ovation from the crowd. The event was sponsored by the Carolina Union Activities Board and N.C. Hillel. The musical debuted at Theater J in Washington, D.C., last November. Lane will perform the musical in Philadelphia next Thursday at the Tribe12 Launch Party.

## Supplier violates code of conduct

Rights groups urge UNC licensees to end relations

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A University committee decided Thursday to evaluate whether Gildan Activewear, a major supplier of blank T-shirts, will remain a supplier to UNC licensees.

The Licensing Labor Code Advisory Committee considered the results of recent investigations by the Worker Rights Consortium and the Fair Labor Association, which revealed several violations of the University's code of conduct.

Gildan, which supplies T-shirts to more than 55 universities, was cited by the groups for violating workers' rights. The company reportedly denied workers their right to freedom of association, in addition to harassing employees and refusing to pay them.

UNC, a member of both labor rights associations, recently condemned the actions of Gildan. The FLA announced that it will retain Gildan's membership but that the company will remain under special review.

"There are issues here that captivate all of our attention," said Jack Evans, committee member

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## Hispanics become unknown quantity

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The growing Hispanic vote and its potential impact in North Carolina presented a quandary this election season as no definitive count of Hispanic voters in the state is available, campaign officials said.

Until 2001, North Carolinians could not identify themselves as Hispanic when they registered to vote. The designation, which is considered an ethnicity, was not included in the list of races on voter registrations.

Thus by Tuesday's election, only 23,571 registered voters in

the state were officially identified as Hispanic, while estimates of the state's total Hispanic population range from 400,000 to 500,000.

In contrast to the low official numbers, N.C. Democratic Party leaders estimate that Hispanics living in the state actually contribute about 150,000 votes.

Javier Castillo, chairman of the Pitt County Republican Party and the first Hispanic chairman for an N.C. Republican Party chapter, said he himself is evidence the Hispanic vote is undercounted.

"I'm not registered as Hispanic,"

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## Bush to push agenda of strength

Must lead nation in war on terror

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President Bush's re-election could mean four more years of determination to change unfriendly regimes in the Middle East, some experts say.

Much of the international world disapproves of Bush's foreign policy and would have preferred to see a more negotiating president in Sen. John Kerry, said Tom Barry, policy director for the Interhemispheric Resource Center.

"If Kerry had been elected, you would've immediately seen a sigh of relief around the world — the citizenry and the leadership," he

said.

Bush has expressed his limited willingness to bargain in conflict. "The philosophy is that there can be no constructive engagement with the enemy," said Barry, who is also the director of Right Web, an online study of powerful right-wingers.

Bush's pre-emptive action in Iraq heightened international tensions and put "enemy" nations on the defense, he said.

Lee Edwards, distinguished fellow in conservative thought at the Heritage Foundation, said Bush's actions do serve as a warning, but not as an invitation to battle.

"(Leaders) know that after due deliberation, debate and discussion, (if) we say some action must be taken ... we'll do what we say we'll do," he said.

But Barry said the administration wants to eliminate Middle Eastern governments that do not support the United States and Israel, now headed by a more radical and militaristic government than America has supported in the past.

Iraq was first, and Syria and Saudi Arabia likely will be next. But Barry said measures less drastic than invasion — support of internal opposition, which was the policy of President Reagan's administration, as well as military threats — could be used.

"Whether that's a credible or worthy goal is not so much the issue as that it's creating more problems for the U.S. than not," he said.

Edwards laughed at the prospect of a Bush plan to use military force to make the Middle East amiable and a giver of oil, but he didn't discount it.

"I don't know," he said. "I think we've made two very strong statements, and I don't think there's any more that has to be done. We support Israel ... and we're sticking in there until Iraq is (done). ... I think that's understood by everyone."

Edwards said Bush plans to

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"Guess this means we are all being watched."

I reckon this Broad just got busted." MICHAEL MCKNIGHT, FORMER UNC STUDENT, IN E-MAIL

## Hearings Board upholds rulings in case

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The University Hearings Board unanimously voted Thursday to uphold an Honor Court ruling that charges senior Chase Foster with two infractions of the Honor Code.

The decision by the five-member panel marked the end to a months-long process that was conducted behind closed doors. Foster opted to open Thursday's proceedings to the public, a decision that hasn't been made in four years.

About 50 people attended the appeals hearing, during which Foster sought to overturn two charges brought against him:

misusing University property and using the name of a member of the University community without authorization.

Foster created a UNC Onyen e-mail alias that included the name of UNC-system President Molly Broad, according to documents from the Sept. 20 Honor Court hearing.

The Court sanctioned Foster with a written warning and instructed him to send a letter of apology to Broad. The infractions will appear on his record for 10 years.

Junior Adrian Johnston, Foster's

defense counsel, explained during the hearing that Foster had created the alias last semester for satirical purposes.

"Mr. Foster neither sent nor received e-mails through the alias," Johnston said. "The only manner in which he used it was in posting it to his (America Online Instant Messenger) profile."

Kris Wampler, a representative in Student Congress, noticed an unknown screen name had visited his profile. Without knowing it was Foster's, he checked the visitor's profile and saw the alias, Foster's cell phone number and

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DTH/LEAH GRONNING

Senior Chase Foster (left) and Junior Adrian Johnston, his defense counsel, react after hearing the final verdicts on Foster's appeals plea to the Undergraduate Hearings Board.

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