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TUITION AND STUDENT FEE INCREASES

\$1,250
NONRESIDENT UNDERGRADUATES

\$500
GRADUATES

\$250
RESIDENT UNDERGRADUATES

\$56.48
STUDENT FEES

TUITION HIKES PASS



Members of the Board of Trustees met Thursday morning in the Chancellor's Ballroom East and West at the Carolina Inn to discuss increases in student tuition. The increases were approved by a 12 to 1 vote in the BOT, but must get UNC-system Board of Governors' approval before they can take effect.

Allred casts lone vote against plan

BY ERIN ZUREICK
UNIVERSITY EDITOR

Facing a packed room of protesting students, the UNC Board of Trustees moved Thursday morning to approve campus tuition hikes.

Increases of \$250 for resident undergraduates, \$1,250 for nonresident undergraduates and \$500 for graduate students were passed at the full board meeting. A student fee increase of \$56.48 also will be added to the campus bill.

Student Body President James Allred, an ex-officio trustee, was the only dissenting vote among the 13 board members — marking the first time since 2004 that a student government leader has exercised the privilege.

Allred's speech to the trustees, which criticized the proposed out-of-state increase as too high and a threat to the University's reputation for affordability, drew a standing ovation from about 200 students who filled

the board's Carolina Inn meeting room.

"I cannot support a decision that will cause Carolina to lose this honor," Allred said.

"And we do not want to be remembered as the board that sold our reputation as America's best value."

Board members bumped the tuition decision to the top of their agenda Thursday to accommodate student interest and allow for student comment.

About two-thirds of the students who attended were out-of-state undergraduates, and their tactics ranged from passionate pleas to clever costumes and signs.

"In all the years, it's one of the better and more creative groups that we've had," trustee Tim Burnett said.

And though trustees tried to ease students' fears that they are not being priced out of the University, members stood firm and said the increases are necessary to catch up with the competition in terms of faculty salaries.

"We examined what the priorities ought to be for campus-

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Students from various campus organizations filled the Chancellor's Ballroom East at the Carolina Inn on Thursday to protest the tuition hikes.

Students protest increase in droves

BY ELISABETH GILBERT
STAFF WRITER

Freshmen Andrew Abernathy and Nate Fennell still were trying to get rid of the last traces of Carolina-blue body paint Thursday afternoon.

The two students were among about 200 who packed the Board of Trustees meeting to protest the proposed tuition increases passed earlier that morning.

They entered the board's meeting room in the Carolina Inn shirtless and covered in paint to register their disapproval while still demonstrating school spirit.

But the measure carried almost unanimously. "It's really hard to cope," Abernathy said after the vote. "They came in with their minds

made up."

Standing students lined the walls of the room, and Abernathy and Fennell were not the only ones who used unusual means to get the board's attention.

One group of students arrived with towels wrapped around their waists, carrying posters that read: "I sold my clothes to prepare for the tuition hike," and "I can barely afford this towel."

Even a student dressed as Spider-man was in attendance, defending against increased tuition. But despite Spidey's best efforts, the crowd left disheartened.

"I think they registered that we were here, but I don't think that it changed anyone's real opinion. It's patronizing," said junior Kirk

Francis, who said he works 40 hours a week, has two majors and a minor and pays his own in-state tuition.

About 10 students addressed the board with concerns during the discussion period.

Among them was Anthony Miller, a junior from Houston who said the annual cost of non-resident tuition is more than his family's yearly income.

"I have more loans than I know what to do with," Miller said in his speech. "I definitely cannot afford to be here. ... I'm doing everything short of begging you not to increase tuition more than necessary."

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Kerr Drug leaving Franklin St. locale

Parties unable to reach agreement

BY ANDY KENNEY
STAFF WRITER

The Kerr Drug on Franklin Street will close its doors permanently today.

The store's closing comes with little warning or fanfare — the only indication of the shutdown on Thursday was an inconspicuous "space available" banner hanging from the building's second-floor windows.

University Mall on South Estes Drive houses the only other Kerr Drug in Chapel Hill.

Diane Eliezer, director of marketing for Kerr Drug, said lease problems led to the store's closing.

The store occupies the bottom half of a two-story building, and the owner of the building is represented by GVA Advantis, a real estate company.

Kerr Drug rented both floors of the building and used the

top floor for storage, said Mac Hammer, the real estate agent for the property.

Eliezer said the business could not afford to lease the entire building, and the landowner was unwilling to rent only half of it.

Eliezer said Kerr Drug and GVA Advantis attempted to reach an agreement in good faith but were unable to find an acceptable solution.

Hammer said part of the problem was that the location at 109 E. Franklin St. doesn't have a pharmacy.

"I think they like to have pharmacies in their stores, and there wasn't enough room in the space," he said.

Eliezer said the Franklin Street store offers only convenience items, not Kerr Drug's core products and services, such as a pharmacy. The Franklin Street store does include a one-hour photo center.

The University Mall location hosts a pharmacy as well as a

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Tar Heels seeking big-time revenge

WATCH IT:
UNC at MARYLAND
7 P.M. SUNDAY
ESPN2

BY NICKI JHABVALA
STAFF WRITER

The No. 2-ranked North Carolina women's basketball team had a week off before its rematch against defending champion and No. 3-ranked Maryland in College Park on Sunday.

So how did they spend their free time?

Lifting weights, studying game film, shooting, scrimmaging a male practice team and to keep their legs fresh, taking a couple of days off.

"We do things different than most teams," UNC coach Sylvia Hatchell said after the team's win against N.C. State on Jan. 21.

"At home, we don't shoot on game day, and our travel day is usually by now."

Following the Final Four loss to the Terrapins last year, Hatchell said her team would learn from the defeat, and from the looks of the Tar Heels' season thus far, it seems the schooling has worked.

UNC's only other loss last year was against Maryland in the regular season, and all three games between the two teams were high scoring — a 98-95 loss in the regular season, a 91-80 win in the ACC Tournament and a 81-70 defeat in the Final Four.

With a 22-0 record and four games with 100 points or more, UNC has amped up its scoring average by 7.7 points from last season and owns the highest scoring margin in the league at +38.9.

Maryland was forced to relinquish its No. 1 spot in the AP poll to Duke after the Blue Devils topped the Terps 81-62 in Durham on Jan. 13, snapping its winning streak at 24 games.

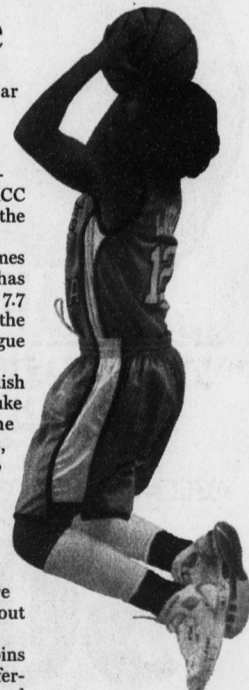
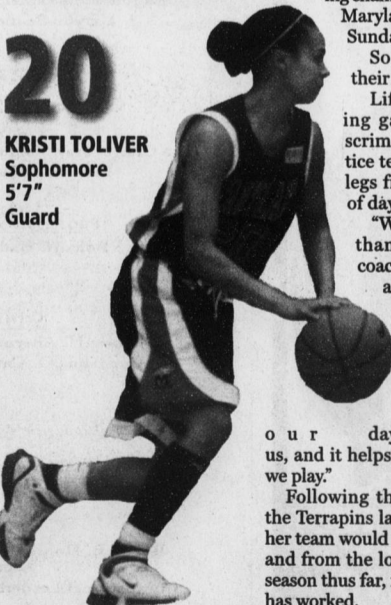
"I hope we can get all the layups that Duke got," Hatchell said in response to the Maryland loss. "Duke got tons and tons of layups against them, so I'm sure Maryland has straightened that out by now."

After the Duke loss, the Terrapins bounced back to cruise past conference foes Virginia, Wake Forest and Clemson, re-instilling Maryland coach Brenda Frese's confidence in the team's defense.

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KRISTI TOLIVER
Sophomore
5'7"
Guard



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IVORY LATTA
Senior
5'6"
Guard

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GODLY WORK Company Carolina puts on the play "Godspell" at the ArtsCenter

GOOGLE TOWN A Google server farm is set to take up residence in Lenoir

BAND AID Seminar to help bands learn how to make it in the music business



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EVENT TO REMEMBER

Actors are eager for tonight's debut of "I am Writing a Memoir," a play written by a UNC student, at the Elizabeth Price Kenan Theatre.

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DIVERSE INTERESTS

Two columnists take a hard look at diversity at UNC and efforts to improve on the status quo, plus a look at how the University stacks up against others.

this day in history

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UNC political science professors criticize President Reagan's State of the Union address, calling his economic views simplistic and decrying his "stay the course" message.

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