



The University of North Carolina Association of Student Governments

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the UNC Board of Governors
FROM: Members of the UNC Association of Student Governments
DATE: January 30, 2012
SUBJECT: Re: Student Tuition and Fee Recommendation

The UNC Association of Student Governments has come together to stand united behind the following priorities. During these tough economic times, we would emphasize the importance of need-based financial aid for our students to ensure the continued accessibility to this great system. Furthermore, as a generation of students who have seen class sizes increase and our best faculty being recruited to other institutions, we urge you to keep the quality of education on the forefront of your concerns. With these priorities in mind, on behalf of over 220,000 students of the University of North Carolina system, we believe that the UNC Board of Governors should adopt the tuition and fee rate guidelines in the proposal put forth by President Tom Ross.

Need-based financial aid is fundamental to the UNC system. In 2010 - 2011, over 65,000 UNC students received need-based financial aid. Any increase in tuition creates a greater need for protecting need-based financial aid. We believe that campuses do reserve the right to determine the rate of tuition revenue that goes to financial aid above the state mandated twenty-five percent (25%).

The mission of the Association is "Founded and funded by students, the University of North Carolina Association of Student Governments champions the concerns of students and ensures affordability and accessibility to quality education today and tomorrow." We believe it is important to protect accessibility and affordability to a quality higher education as we move forward. For the long-term viability of the university, it is essential to protect the educational quality of the system.

While no one proposal can solve the challenges our campuses face, President Ross' proposal offers the flexibility needed to best serve the University's individual campuses and their varying needs.

We, the undersigned student leaders, do approve and support President Ross' proposal.

cc: Members of UNC General Administration
Chancellors

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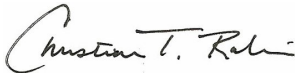
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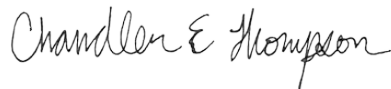
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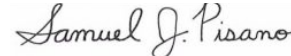
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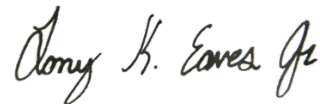
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