Tuition Review Advisory Committee Meeting Wednesday, September 23, 2020 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm, Zoom Meeting Minutes

- 1. Introductions and review of committee charge
 - Melanie Flowers was introduced as co-chair.
 - The committee was asked to introduce themselves.
 - The Provost gave a brief overview of the Chancellor's charge to the committee which was provided electronically prior to the meeting.
- 2. Discussion of historical Campus Initiated Tuition Increase (CITI) tuition and premium
 - The Provost gave an overview of the historical process.
 - Historically this has always been a collegial process not adversarial. Typically we do these in two or three 90 minute meetings depending on instructions from the system office. This will be a quick process this year.
 - We have two committees that meet this time of year. The TRAC and the fee review committee. Fee review is chaired by Lisa Zapata, Interim Vice Chancellor and Dean of the Division of Academic and Student Affairs and Coleman Simpson, Student Senate President. The recommendation of both committees go to the Chancellor next month. He has the authority to modify the recommendations. He then takes them to the Board of Trustees. From there they go to the system office for the Board of Governors (BOG) to begin to review. The BOT haS delegated authority of tuition and fees so is not part of the legislative process.
 - A brief explanation of the concept of requirement. We calculate how much money we think it's going to take to educate projected enrollment amount of students. Many of you have heard about the 12 cell matrix. They deduct from that tuition and receipts. The balance that is given to us is an appropriation. So state appropriations are the total calculated requirement minus the expected tuition receipts.
 - As a committee, we are to propose a campus initiation tuition increase. When we
 do that it increases the total requirement. Meaning they are not used purely as an
 offset to the current requirement. It will produce more tuition revenue, therefore
 an increase in recurring revenue coming to the institution.
 - Have to draw a distinction between that and legislative tuition increase which has not happened in a while. When there is a legislative increase, it doesn't increase the requirement. The net result is that students pay more tuition but the state keeps that tuition and allocates us less appropriation. This will result in some level of continued increases.
 - Next to cover is premium tuition. This is paid by specific students in a specific program. Designed to be on top of the base tuition that is paid. It goes back to

that program to enhance the student's educational experience. Not exclusively but mostly masters programs.

- There are four tuition categories: in-state undergraduate and graduate and out of state undergraduate and graduate. Typically the system office focuses on in-state undergrad.
- Once the committee recommends CITI for each of the above four categories, we then make a recommendation on the allocation of funds into four categories. Those categories are: need-based financial aid, graduate student support plan, faculty salaries and benefits and quality and accessibility.
- The committee viewed two documents which were also provided electronically prior to the meeting. One was the history of CITI from FY 17 until now for each tuition category and then expenditure category. The second was a more detailed allocation history to include funding that went to colleges and units.
- A question was asked why the faculty salary promotion increase was so high last year. The Provost explained that we had a record number of faculty going up for the promotion and tenure process.
- 3. UNC System recommendations
 - The recommendations from the UNC System were provided to the committee electronically prior to the meeting.
 - In summary, there are to be no tuition increases for both in-state undergraduate and graduate and that tuition and fees together should be in the bottom quartile. Out of state undergraduate and graduate tuition increases are allowed using traditional processes and being market driven.
 - The board will not consider premium tuition for in-state graduate students but will not consider it for out of state students. Given that the premium tuition is for the program and student experience, we didn't feel comfortable moving forward with this year's premium tuition requests.
- 4. NC State Student Body Perspective
 - The goal of the students is typically lower tuition. Glad to be a part of the process. Duane Larick and Lisa Zapata will be presenting at Student Senate to explain this process to the student body.
- 5. GSSP
 - Peter Harries presented on the GSSP. The presentation will be shared with the committee following the meeting.
 - Questions: Will GSSP will also be looked at by the BOG. Answer: Yes, that is part of the whole process and will be in the packet that we send to BOG.
- 6. Financial Aid
 - Krista Ringler presented on the need-based financial aid. The presentation will be shared with the committee following the meeting.
- 7. Wrap Up
 - Coleman Simpson asked if the 3rd meeting could be moved to after the October 7th student senate meeting. The student senate would like to submit their own recommendations for tuition and fees as they did last year to be considered by

each committee. The Provost stated if we can make it work with schedules we will try our best. Student representatives on the committee are also a great way to bring feedback to the committee. Also the recommendations from the student senate could go straight to the Chancellor for consideration if we are unable to reschedule the meeting.

 The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 30 from 8:00 am - 9:30 am.