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PRESIDENT BOWLES' REPORT BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING NOVEMBER 10, 2006

We had some very good, healthy policy discussions yesterday concerning the recommendations of PACE (President's Advisory Council on Efficiency and Effectiveness) and our budget requests, and I really do not have anything new to add today. I do, however, want to underscore that ALL of the various initiatives that we, whether they are the PACE efforts, the budget, the accountability measures, or our efforts to predict the future needs of the state and the university's role in meeting those needs, all of these are connected and interrelated. We must move forward with them all in a parallel process.

As was reported in the Committee on Budget and Finance meeting yesterday, the UNC Bond Program has reached another important milestone. To date, just over 90% of the \$2.5 billion made available to the University has now been spent, committed by contract, or used to acquire land. We are moving forward on time, on budget and these great leaders deserve an enormous amount of credit for that.

As was reported in the meeting of the Committee on Educational Planning, Policies, and Programs, for the third consecutive year, the University has attracted more than \$1 billion for competitive research, about two-thirds of which comes for the federal government. This is indeed a great accomplishment, given the fact that the federal funding for academic research has been flatten in recent years.

It was mentioned earlier that our enrollment has crossed the 200,000 mark. That is something that we can take great pride in, but it is also additional responsibility that we must manage.

Mr. Chairman, that concludes my remarks.