Board of Governors Policy Discussion November 13, 2008, 9:00 a.m.

The November policy discussion of the Board of Governors will focus on UNC's relationship with the North Carolina Community Colleges.

First, the Board will hear from Dr. Scott Ralls, President of the North Carolina Community College System (NCCCS). Dr. Ralls will share his insights on those components of the UNC/NCCCS relationship that are working well and those that can be improved. He will also discuss his thoughts on new opportunities for increased collaboration between the two systems.

Next, the Board will engage in a discussion of the articulation agreement between UNC and NCCCS that provide for the transfer of course credits for community college students entering UNC institutions. First, Dr. Sharon Morrissey of Richmond Community College in Hamlet, NC will provide her perspective on the articulation agreement, followed by Dr. Alan Mabe, UNC-GA's Vice President for Academic Planning and University/School Programs. Finally, Dr. James Anderson, Chancellor of Fayetteville State University, will discuss how the articulation agreement works for those students transferring from Fayetteville Technical Community College to FSU.

The final portion of the discussion will focus on the C-STEP program at UNC Chapel Hill, a program designed to increase transfer opportunities at Carolina for low- to moderate-income community-college students. Stephen Farmer, Associate Provost and Director of Undergraduate Admissions at UNC Chapel Hill will begin the dialogue and will be followed by Dr. William Ingram, President of Durham Technical Community College. The session will end with a discussion between Board members and students that have been through the C-STEP program.