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TO: The Chancellors

FROM: Erskine Bowles EBB

RE: Fiscal Year 2008 Federal Agenda

The University Federal Agenda consists of two components:

- Policy, Programmatic Funding and Agency Priorities
- Multi-Institutional Partnership Project Priorities

Policy, Programmatic Funding, and Agency Priorities
Priorities in this category reflect The University's top priorities under consideration for authorization, programmatic funding, or federal agency action. General Administration staff will distribute a draft recommendation for consideration by The Chancellors. The Chancellors, through their Federal Relations designee, will assign a rank order to each item in the draft recommendation and will also have the option of suggesting additional items not contained in the draft. University affiliate entities (i.e. UNC-TV, The North Carolina Arboretum, etc…) will also have the opportunity to rank and submit priorities. **The ranking process will occur online through the Federal Relations Intranet (frc.northcarolina.edu).** The Chancellors'/affiliates' priority ranking, combined with General Administration staff review, will serve as the basis for the draft recommendation submitted to the Board of Governors for final approval. Substantial weight should be given to the policy, programmatic funding and agency rules that align with the twelve (12) University priorities (see attachment) recommended by The Chancellors and approved by the Board of Governors at the May 2006 meeting of the Board.

Multi-Institutional Partnership Project Priorities
Priorities in this category reflect the University's top multi-institutional projects for consideration by Congress in Fiscal Year 2008. **General Administration will solicit project proposals from The Chancellors and affiliate organizations online through the Federal Relations Intranet.** Campuses/affiliates are encouraged to submit two (2) projects for consideration. Highest consideration will be given to projects that meet the following criteria:

1. Priority project of the Board of Governors for the previous year but for no more than three previous consecutive years.
2. Research projects that do not qualify for federal funding through the competitive grant process.

3. Partnerships between UNC campuses or with community-college(s), private institution(s), public school(s), community-based organization(s) or private industry.
4. An innovative strategy to improve the quality of K-12 education and to enhance teacher preparation, recruitment, and retention, particularly in mathematics and the sciences.
5. An innovative strategy to support critical areas of allied health, nursing, medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, and related fields in response to North Carolina's need for health care providers.

The Federal Relations Intranet

The Chancellors, through their designee, will submit information to General Administration through the online Federal Relations Intranet. User names and passwords were distributed to the designees in July to allow sufficient time to become familiar with the Intranet. To access the Intranet:

frc.northcarolina.edu

cc: General Administration Council
Federal Relations Council

Attachments: #1: Priorities of The University
#2: Federal Agenda Timeline & Deadlines
#3: Burr Priorities