ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT  Administrative Council Meeting  February 27, 1990

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DATE  February 28, 1990

(Calendar Items)

Friday, March 9, 1990, 9:30 a.m. - Board of Governors Meeting, General Administration Building, Chapel Hill

Tuesday, March 27, 1990, 1:30 p.m. - Administrative Council Meeting, General Administration Building, Chapel Hill

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The Administrative Council met at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 27, 1990, in the offices of the General Administration.

Chancellors in Attendance

All Chancellors, except Chancellors Coulter, Eakin, and Jenkins, attended.

Information Reports

At the request of President Spangler, Vice President Jay Robinson reviewed legislative matters. He pointed out that the Legislature faced a real shortage of funds in the up-coming short session. He also pointed out that any new spending proposals or special projects would only prejudice the requests that the University has already put before the Legislature.

Mr. Richard Robinson discussed the drug-testing program for student athletes. He reviewed the work of the special committee appointed by the President to develop policies. The Chancellors discussed the model policy which had been mailed to them previously. President Spangler stated that he would like to have further comments from the Chancellors by March 6, 1990.

Vice President Dawson discussed the status of special studies which have been required by the Legislature, including studies on cooperation with the community colleges; transfer between the community colleges and the University and plans to increase the number of transfers; funding levels; and management incentives. In connection with the management incentives, Mr. Joyner reported to the Chancellors the results of his discussions with the State Budget Office regarding proposals that would be taken to the Legislature with joint recommendations from the University and
the State Budget Office regarding more flexibility in line-item budgeting; an increase in the limit for purchasing without review by the State Purchasing Office; the retention of 100% of overhead received by the University; and the retention of institutionally generated funds which exceeded budgeted amounts.

Vice President Dawson reminded the Chancellors that lists of EPA and SPA positions had been sent to the Chancellors in January. He asked that special care be taken in completing the forms being used for the review of these positions. He asked that employees whose positions are being reviewed be given the information in his memorandum of January 23, and especially the assurance that their employment category will not be changed without their consent.

Vice President Joyner reported that the Board of Governors would be asked to adopt a plan whereby the University could reduce the salary by up to $5,000 a year and place the funds in a special account to be used for day care expenses of the employee’s dependents. A third party administrator will handle most of the paperwork and payment for this program.

Vice President Dawson reported that the Board of Governors would shortly decide which optional plans will be offered to University employees who participate in the TIAA-CREF fund. The President may appoint a committee of academic and financial vice chancellors to evaluate the alternatives before recommendations are made by the President to the Board of Governors.

President Spangler stated that he planned to send a memorandum to the Chancellors outlining the procedure for the review of institutional missions and that these procedures would be discussed at the next meeting.

President Spangler reminded the Chancellors that he and Mrs. Spangler had invited the Chancellors and their wives to lunch at the President’s home at 12:00 on Tuesday, March 27, 1990, prior to the next meeting of the Administrative Council. He stated that the chief development officer on each campus would be invited to visit the General Administration on May 21 and 22, and that there would be a possibility of a joint meeting with the Chancellors on Tuesday, May 22, the day of the Administrative Council meeting. On March 29, the President and Chairman Roddy Jones will have dinner with the the chairmen of the boards of trustees at the President’s home.

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The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:00 p.m.

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C. D. Spangler, Jr.