OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT

Administrative Council Meeting April 28, 1992

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Calendar Events

May 8 - 9:30 a.m. (Executive Session), 10:30 a.m. (Public Session), Board of Governors Meeting, General Administration Building, Chapel Hill

May 26 - 1:30 p.m., Administrative Council Meeting, General Administration Building, Chapel Hill

The Administrative Council met at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 28, 1992, in the General Administration Building.

Chancellors in Attendance

All chancellors were present except Chancellors Coulter and Oxendine.

Information Reports

President Spangler expressed his sympathy to Chancellor Hardin whose mother died during the preceding week. He congratulated Chancellor Schuman on the successful installation events on the preceding Friday.

President Spangler and Vice President Jay Robinson led a discussion with the chancellors regarding legislative reaction to the proposed bond issue. Vice President Robinson stated that the majority of legislators want to help with the University capital needs. He noted also the concern of the members of the General Assembly about the possible effect of the bond issue on their own election campaigns, continuing concern about financial matters, and the possibility that a bond referendum could be tied to a proposal for a state lottery. He congratulated the chancellors on their work and noted that the capital needs of the University were appreciated more by the General Assembly than in recent years. Each of the chancellors reported the reactions of legislators and others in their communities.

Vice President Joyner noted that the legislative budget committees would begin work about two weeks before the opening of the General Assembly and that some legislators hoped that the early work would permit the General Assembly to finish its work early in the summer. He noted that it would be difficult for the legislators to complete

their work until after the results of this fiscal year were known and the revenue situation was clear.

Vice President Joyner reviewed an inquiry from the General Assembly staff regarding the relationship between the University's capital request and enrollment growth, and an additional question about what the University would do about enrollment growth if its capital requests are not funded. Mr. Joyner asked that the chancellors give him suggested answers to the inquiries—by FAX—by the end of the week.

President Spangler and the chancellors discussed the prospects for a salary increase for University faculty and employees.

Vice President William Little reviewed the history of the University's classification of EPA employees and reviewed the continuing discussions with the Office of State Personnel regarding the appropriate classification of employees. Associate Vice President Judith Pulley summarized the current draft of a proposal to categorize and identify senior academic and administrative officers. The proposed categories will be circulated to the chancellors for comment.

Vice President Jasper Memory summarized the Quarterly Research Report and distributed copies of a printed report to each chancellor. He noted that the number of proposals, the number of awards, and the dollar value of the awards were increasing and that the success rate for the proposals is improving. President Spangler and Vice President Memory urged the chancellors to encourage more research proposals from their faculty members.

Chancellor Leutze noted that a new governmental requirement caused the implementation of an expensive plan to protect certain University job categories from exposure to blood-borne pathogens. Mr. Richard Robinson stated that the new requirements result from Federal Occupational Health and Safety Act standards adopted by North Carolina. The regulations mandate a program of information, additional equipment and clothing, and vaccinations to prevent the transmission of blood-born diseases. He stated that no funding had been provided. President Spangler and Vice President Robinson stated that it would be appropriate to ask the legislature to consider providing funds for the added expenses caused by these new requirements.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:25 p.m.

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