By Dustin Porter
Around the Campus Editor

UNCp has proposed for a 6.5 percent or $172 in increase in tuition for the 2011-2012 academic year, and the proposal awaits rejection or approval from the Board of Governors in February.

“The Chancellor was willing to go the 6.5 percent, but he also wanted support from the Board of Trustees, which we gave him,” Arjay Quizon, a member of the Board of Trustees and the president of the Student Government Association said.

The $172 proposal is divided into three sections:
• $43 of the proposed budget goes to UNCP’s financial aid program
• $86 goes to maintaining and enhancing programs aimed toward increasing graduation and retention rates
• $43 goes toward faculty professional development and academic program enrichment.

Currently, it costs a resident student $2,211 to attend the University for the 2011-2012 academic year.

Quizon said that UNCP should increase tuition as much as possible to protect the “academic integrity of the University”.

He added that students will be paying at least $2,000 a semester and they should receive high quality education for their money.

Budget
Another factor impacting the budget is the 10-15 percent reduction that the Board of Governors advised universities in the UNC system to prepare for.

On Jan. 21 at a special called session of the Faculty Senate, Chancellor Carter briefed the Senate on the current budget situation and answered questions.

Chancellor Carter has formed a Budget Advisory Committee to make recommendations about where to cut the budget, and he is working with his Executive Staff on the budget. He also is working with the Dean’s Council and the Council of Chairs.

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Activity period gets axed next fall
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In his first Executive Memo dated Jan. 27, 2011, Chancellor Kyle Carter announced that beginning fall 2011 there will no longer be a student activity period and there will be changes in the time periods that classes are scheduled.

The memo stated the decision to discontinue the activity period was ultimately made because the Board of Governors advised students to need schedule classes across the day in order to “maximize class offerings and classroom utilization.”

In beginning the fall, there will be 15 minutes between classes, instead of the current 10 minutes.

Chancellor Carter’s memo included the provision for departments to schedule “unique class times beginning at 2:30” such as 75 minute periods on Monday and Wednesday, Tuesday and Thursday and Monday and Thursday for the 59th annual Miss UNCP Scholarship Pageant on Feb. 3 at 7 p.m. in the Givens Performance Arts Center at UNCP.

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The contestants will include:
• Charity Chavis a fresh man and a resident of Pembroke who will plan on majoring in biology. Her platform is “Supporting Our Troops” and for the talent portion of the competition she will be singing.
• Amanda Hooker a sophomore from Raleigh, N.C., whose major is elementary education.
• Ashton Young a junior from Garner, N.C., is an elementary education major.
• Kierra Carmine, a junior from Knightdale, N.C., who is a biology major.
• Peter Viana, a junior from the University Activity Period on Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. was initiated to allow unencumbered time for students, es- pecially commuting students, to participate in campus clubs and organiza- tion activities, to allow students and faculty to participate in special events and programs of interest, and to provide greater opportu- nity for students and faculty to interact outside the classroom.

At its Dec. 1, 2010, meeting, the Faculty Senate passed a resolution brought forward from the Student Affairs and Campus Life Committee recommending to the Chancellor that the activity period be retained “as a time when classes may not be scheduled, and that the optimal daytime be re- searched.” According to the resolution, the activity period was first implemented in 1986.

Chancellor Carter said in his memo he had re- ceived all other possible Council and the Council of Chairs. He worked with his Executive Staff on the budget. He also is working with the Dean’s Council and the Council of Chairs.

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