

Deans Council Notes
April 21, 2004

1. TBR is asking that the University provide budget scenarios for potential 9% or 11% tuition increase. The thinking is that a 9% increase is more likely than 11%. Dr. Hoppe is committed to using some of this money to increase salaries. She will commit the maximum amount allowed by TBR into salary increases. The Governor budgeted a 2% across-the-board and a 1% bonus for all employees. TBR is allowing the universities to put another 3% recurring and 1% one-time towards salaries. How the additional money will be applied towards salaries is yet to be determined. Options include across-the-board raises, equity increases, or bonuses. (Standard caveat -- don't count your raises until you see the pay check. The additional money is subject to TBR approval in June and the legislature hasn't yet passed the Governor's budget).
2. There will be an administrative retreat the week of June 14.
3. There will be a visioning retreat on 7/29-30.
4. With Dr. Joe Filippo's retirement, duties in Academic Affairs are being redistributed. Dr. Houston Davis will assume many of Dr. Filippo's duties. Dr. Davis' position will not be filled in AA. Some of the salary savings will be used to hire an executive assistant for Dr. Hoppe.
5. Names have been forwarded for the graduate position.