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Regents: 9.8 percent tuition hike



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The tuition proposal presented by Regents Fred Boice (above) and Bob Bulla was approved yesterday by the Arizona Board of Regents.

Regents nix Likins', students' proposals,

By **Natasha Bhuyan**
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The Arizona Board of Regents raised tuition 9.8 percent for resident undergraduates yesterday, rejecting both student and administrative tuition proposals and instead approved an unexpected proposal released this week.

In a last-minute move, Regents Fred Boice and Bob Bulla drafted their own tuition proposal, which they said was intended to be a compromise between what students and university presidents recommended.

Tuition will increase by \$396 for undergraduate residents, \$4 less than what

President Peter Likins asked for. But unlike Likins' proposal, the regents' proposal does not include a mandatory information technology fee.

Student Regent Wes McCalley motioned to pass the student tuition proposal, but adjusted the increase at UA South to \$100. But the student proposal was rejected in a 6-3 vote.

Student Body President Alistair Chapman said he was disappointed in the outcome because although students were victorious in defeating the information technology fee, the regent tuition increase was closer to Likins' figure.

"Students got hit hard today," Chapman said. "It's not a middle ground."

Nonresident undergraduate tuition will increase by \$500, or 3.9 percent, while grad-

uate resident and nonresident tuition will increase by \$600, or 13.9 percent and 4.5 percent, respectively.

Students at UA South will face the biggest surprise with a \$100 tuition increase. Likins said he recommended a 0 percent tuition increase for the campus because it costs less to operate the campus and the students are generally older and have families.

Still, Likins said he was not surprised regents came up with their own proposal since in the past, even when Likins' proposals were approved, they were usually adjusted.

"Most of the time, I don't get what I want," Likins said.

The tuition increases will bring the UA

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Regents raise dorm rent campus-wide

Residence hall rates will jump 7 percent

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Residence hall rates will increase an average of 7 percent next year, but students living at La Aldea can expect rent to remain the same and will get additional perks.

The Arizona Board of Regents approved the hike in residence hall rates yesterday to fund increased operational costs, repairs and deferred maintenance.

However, the rent at La Aldea graduate housing, an apartment complex the UA acquired this semester, will remain the same at \$460 each for a four-bedroom, four bathroom apartment.

Jim Van Arsdel, director of Residence Life, said he opted not to increase the rent at La Aldea, 825 East Fifth St., because it is "not cheap right now."

Although rent will remain the same, rooms will come fully furnished and ethernet and phone services will already be paid for.

Van Arsdel said some residents at La Aldea are still concerned because they do not get free parking on campus. However, Van Arsdel said if they lived farther off campus they would still have to pay for UA parking. In addition, La Aldea residents are guaranteed a parking spot in an assigned garage.

In undergraduate residence halls, Arizona-Sonora, Coronado, La Paz, Pima and the Highland Commons will see the highest increase at 7.14 percent, or \$291, making the rent \$4,369 for the year.

Apache-Santa Cruz, Gila, Kaibab-Huachuca, Manzanita-Mohave, Maricopa and Yuma residence halls rates will increase by \$270, while Cochise and Graham-Greenlee residence halls will go up by \$265.

The remaining residence halls will see an increase of about 7 percent also.

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A PRAYER TO PASSERS BY



Cindy Cooper, an anti-abortion advocate and Tucsonan, prays the rosary as she holds a sign on Church Avenue near the Pima County Courthouse. A volunteer with Face the Truth Arizona, Cooper has been on the streets with the group for the last year.

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Anti-abortion groups bring graphic images to UA campus

By **J. Ferguson**
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A large sign 20 feet south of Main Gate Square warned drivers and pedestrians that visually graphic signs were just ahead.

On the other side of North Park Avenue and East University Boulevard students saw a dozen large posters showing bloody dismembered fetuses lining the walkway.

Sunny Turner, founder of an anti-abortion action group called Face the Truth Arizona, said her group is using the graphic images to educate students about abortion.

Turner, a Tucsonan, said it's time students understand the truth about abortion because many students do not realize the complexities of the issue.

Chris Torgerson, a member of Face the Truth Arizona, said she joined the group about a year ago because she thinks abortion is wrong.

"It's killing an unborn baby," said Torgerson. "Many, many women have died (from complications from having an abortion) too."

Torgerson took her seven young children with her yesterday to help educate UA students about the issue. The children were helping to hold up signs that did not have

graphic depictions of abortions.

Turner said the group visited the UA campus to educate students, not to protest any particular UA policy. In 1974 the Arizona Legislature passed a funding provision that in exchange for \$5.5 million in renovations for the football stadium, the University Medical Center would be barred from teaching medical students abortion procedures.

But Rachel Chanes, a media spokesperson for Planned Parenthood, said while she was not familiar with Face the Truth, many groups rely on provocative photographs to

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