TUITION INCREASES MORE THAN INFLATION, AGAIN!

Lansing, MI (CPS) -- For the second straight year officials of Michigan's 15 state colleges and universities faced a dilemma: raise tuition and risk losing state funding, or accept Gov. James Blanchard's offer for a bigger slice of the state budget by freezing their tuition rates. The schools said they needed both more tuition money and more state money to operate.

"We have inadequate resources, even with the generous action of the (state) government," Michigan State President John DiBiaggio complained. But MSU and the others finally accepted the offer last week, rolling back planned tuition hikes of about nine percent.

"Some have not completed their moves to rescind the tuition increases," says Tom Scott, Blanchard's deputy press secretary. "But all have indicated they will."

Students elsewhere won't be that lucky this school year. A College Board report released last week found it will cost students nationwide much more to go to college this fall. Tuition and fees will rise eight percent at private four-year colleges, nine percent at public four-year schools, eight percent at two-year private schools and nine percent at public two-year colleges, the College Board found.

"Colleges are playing catch-up from the double-digit inflation periods of the seventies," Cox says. Administrators say college costs have to keep rising faster than the current inflation rate to raise faculty salaries and pay for increased operating costs and school reforms.

Catching up means increases of 11.9 percent at Miami, 22.7 percent by 1986-87 at Big Bend Community College (Wash.) and 22 percent at the U. of Washington. Texas tripled its tuition, while Southwest Missouri State's rose 10 percent, Yale's 7.67 percent and Minot State College's (S.D.) 15 percent.

Though higher education may be the only industry in America still raising its prices at a rapid rate, some see a slowing. "The figures show a slowdown (in the rate of increase), and that's a hopeful sign," asserts Bill McNamara of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities. "But the question of cost containment is beginning to bother people. It especially bothers students, who are tired of being "treated like dollar signs," as schools "become more like businesses than learning institutes," says Colorado State University student Jim DeFede. "All we're good for is to squeeze as much money out of as possible."

DeFede led a summer protest of planned tuition hikes by distributing to CSU students applications to cheaper schools, writing legislators and staging rallies and class boycotts. "We ended up with a 10 percent increase anyway," DeFede says. "Tuition has nearly doubled in the past five years. "They say they need to increase faculty salaries," he adds, "but the best faculty are leaving."

"In the seventies colleges couldn't raise tuition as much as the inflation rate," Cox recalls, "and salaries still aren't where they should be." Lehigh, South Dakota, Pacific Lutheran, West Georgia College, North Dakota State, Nebraska, Georgia and Penn State, among others, say their tuition hikes are to cover needed faculty salary and benefit increases.

"Most of our 9.1 percent increase is necessary to keep up with faculty compensation," says Lehigh Budget Director James Tiesenbrunn. "We tend to lag behind in salary increases because tuition doesn't tend to rise as quickly as inflation."

Average faculty pay in 1984-85 went up 6.6 percent, or 2.5 percent after inflation, the American Association of University Professors reports. But "our increases cover a number of needs," including computer equipment, climbing maintenance and repair costs and new programs, Tiesenbrunn continues.

"You have to look at what tuition pays for as opposed to what it costs to educate a student," NACUBO's Cox points out. "A seven percent hike is really pretty modest. They should stay 'modest' in the near future, too, he adds. "I don't think there'll be big, massive increases unless something in the economy goes haywire."

West Virginia, Oregon, Ohio's Youngstown State and much of New York's State and City university systems, on the other hand, have frozen tuition or kept their increases below the inflation rate. "Where is the point where tuition increases force out a significant number of students so income to the participating institutions drops?" wonders Richard Hill, Oregon's vice president of academic affairs.

UO hiked tuition only three percent this year, he reports, and plans a freeze in 1986-87. "The concern for me and for UO is to make public education available to a broad base of the citizenry," he explains. "You can't continue to increase tuition and attract students."
"If we price higher education out of reach of the average family," Michigan spokesman Scott states, "the state will be in real trouble."

Susan Skorupa

Concerned with the rate of increase here at Marian, I did a little research of my own. After talking with Colonel Ryan, Marian College Controller, I had a better sense of knowledge as to where our money goes. From the tuition of the 1984-85 academic year of $3,885, Marian's tuition had a nine percent increase, to $4,130.

My next question directed to the Colonel was, "Where does all this money go?" In his response, he informed me that there was a 4.25 percent raise in food alone, not to mention a seven percent price increase. Public utilities, the second highest expense of the college, ranged around $400,000, $20,000 less than the year before.

In my mind, some of these figures are astronomical, and now I can see just why a school must raise costs. Even though there was a nine percent raise in tuition from last year, Marian is still the lowest priced, private institution in Indiana.

I then questioned the Colonel about possible increases for the future. Unable to give me an exact figure, he did state that, "It is the goal of this institution to try and maintain it's tuition and fees. We want to offer a valued education which is also affordable." I too, would have to agree with the Colonel's last comment, which was, "We need to put money, where it counts."

THE DIVINERS

The Marian College 1985-86 Theatre Season will open on October 11, with the production of The Diviners. This play was written by a student and was first directed by Tom Evans at Hanover College. The play was awarded the American College Theatre Festival Award and was later produced off Broadway. The Diviners is a funny but touching drama about a retarded boy's mystical powers and a preacher's search for God and self-understanding. It is set in Indiana and portrays the townspeople of Zion. The Diviners will be held on October 11, 12, and 13 at 8:00 p.m. in Peine Arena Theatre.}

WHAT'S COMMUTING ON CAMPUS

Aside from something like no empty parking spaces on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, you got me. How many Commuters do we have, anyway? What is happening for the Commuters to return back to Marian College after busy day of class after class after class?

Well. Sportwise Cross Country on September 7, Women's Volleyball on September 7 and 8. Theatre Department. The Diviners, October 11, 12, and 13 at 8:00 p.m. in Peine Arena Theatre. (Where is Peine Arena Theatre??) Freshmen always are lost the first couple of years at a new school. Art Department. Works on Paper Show, October 6 to 25, in the Library.

So, okay! what does Marian College offer the Commuter? How about Marian College Days at Kings Island on the September 14 and 15? They have some new rides and attractions since I was there last! (How about 1965?) I'm planning on going. How about you? It can be a fun-filled weekend! Oh well, so it's not on Campus! Take the bull by the horn! Go to Kings Island! You won't get another chance to go to Kings Island this year. Exchange tickets are available in the College Relations Office, Room 108 in Marian Hall. These exchange tickets are good for $3.00 off the gate admission. And if you show your exchange ticket at the bookstore when you buy your Marian College clothing, you will receive a 10% discount on Marian College wearing apparel. So, get your exchange ticket, buy your Marian College clothing at 10% discount and enjoy yourself at Kings Island. See ya!

(Editor's Note: Peine Arena Theatre is located in Fisher Hall—at the Northeast corner of the building on the first floor—better known as the ELS building.)

FIRST DAY AT CAMP

It all began on August 24, 1985 at 7:30 a.m. when it happened...the first freshman arrived at Camp Marian, but much to their surprise it was not your common, ordinary day camp. It is a place where time and space have no name. They had slipped into The Marian College Zone.

The new freshmen arrived glassy-eyed, frantically clutching their orientation folders and scattering the papers all about. Some were dumped off at the curb, waving good-bye to their parents who they wouldn't see for the next few years. Other parents lovingly held their child's hand, leading them through the first day of orientation, signing their name for them whenever possible and answering for them when the occasion arose.

In the dorms, it looked like a hurricane had hit, with boxes, clothes, stereos and furniture strewn about. Parents were busy disinfecting the rooms, vigorously scrubbing the floors, walls, ceilings and furniture, while other freshmen dumped their prized possessions in the middle of the room where they will stay for the remainder of the year.

After the freshmen were settled in they were eager to begin their college career, but little did they know that in a few short hours, they would be wearing the dreaded...FRESHMAN HAT.

D.E. and A.R.

REGISTRARS OFFICE NEWS

The Registrars office has come up with tentative figures for the number of students attending Marian college. The Day student count is 699, and the Part-time student count is 346.

Please note that the Business Office has set hours. All transactions must be taken place between 9-4. All cars must be registered.
DEAR MONI

Dear Moni,

I’m a freshman out on my own for the very first time, and I’m having money problems. I’m always spending money. I just can’t seem to save any. It always seems like the balance in my checkbook has a minus sign in front of it. I don’t spend money foolishly either. I just spend money on clothes, manicures, hair appointments, and food. These are just the things that are vital for my existence. Please help me Moni! Desperately in Debt

Dear Moni,

You have a couple of options for solving this problem. The first thing you could do is get a job. Or, you could start to budget your money. Start cutting back to only the essentials. Last but not least, you could find a wealthy man and marry him! Good Luck

Dear Moni,

I am so embarrassed to admit this, but I am a homesick freshman. The weather is hot, the food makes me sick, and the teachers even gave us homework on the first day of classes. I am wondering if college was the right decision for me. Am I alone?

Homesick!

Dear Homesick

No, you are not alone. To attend a college is a big step in anybody’s life. One must make sacrifices! Believe me, you will at least learn to tolerate the food, the weather will start to cool off, and sorry to say, but homework will be a constant event. Start to make friends, get involved with some of the activities. In no time at all your homesick feeling will go away. Good Luck

PARK IN FIRE LANES

Automobiles parked illegally in fire lanes will be towed off-campus, and can be claimed at the following address at a cost of $15.00. Also, all outstanding parking tickets must be paid before automobile may be claimed.

Orders of Fire Marshal.

Vester’s Marathon Station, 30th & Cold Spring Road.

STUDENT BOARD

--All clubs must turn in their budgets no later than September 10. There is a manilla envelope in the Student Board Room.

--Cinema tickets will be sold every Friday from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. The price is $2.50. If you want tickets before and after Friday, call Dave Guerraottazz or go to Room 207 in Doyle Hall.

--September 12 there is a Jeopardy game in the Cafe. Come and have some fun!

--Social Planning is discussing a Derby Day for next Spring. Each class, club, dorm floor will build a soap box car. If any club is interested please budget for $100 to build a car.

--The Junior class is planning a possible hayride for October and a live band in December.

--On September 28, the Sophomore class is co-sponsoring a dance with the Freshman Class at Doyle. The theme will be “Cover Your Eyes” (sunglasses and hats). They are also starting a scrapbook for the Sophomore Class. Lisa Hansen is the coordinator. If any Sophomores have any donatable materials, it will be greatly appreciated.

--The Freshman Class elections are tentatively set for September 12 and 13.

OPEN HOUSE

Which American rock group is most popular in Venezuela?

What’s the national language of Niger? In what country is Punjabi spoken?

Find the answers to these and other intriguing questions at the ELS Open House on Wednesday, September 18, in Allison Mansion. From 3:30 to 5:00 in the afternoon, Marian College students, faculty and staff are encouraged to come meet ELS teachers and their students, who come from the four corners of the world. Hors d’oeuvres and refreshments will be served.

NEW OFFICES TO NEW PEOPLE

Last week you read what offices were changed from what to what. You do remember that fantastic article, don’t you? The one about all the changes! The one that took all the day to write and was on page one?!

You don’t? Then it’s off to the Tar-and-Feather Shop for you! This week we have new faculty to welcome to Marian College: Hip-hip-hurray! Starting at the top they are:

Andrew Hohman, Associate Professor of Theology and Philosophy. (The heavy stuff, God and wisdom!) Terry Whitson, Director of the Radiologic Technology program. (What the? Radiologic? Radios have logic?) Janice Potash, Associate Professor of Business; and Steven Kristoff, who has been a part-time faculty member for several years. (What does Steven teach?)

Moving right along with:

Forrest Brandon and Thomas Hornback, Art; Ann Grubb and Janet Washburn, Foreign Language and Literature; James Larner, Music (also a Marian graduate); Christopher Burnham, David Reuter, Robert Schuttler, James Teipen, William Vendley, Business and Accounting; and Marilyn Jefferson, Susan Klaiber and Marsha Kojetin, Nursing.

We also welcome back two part-time faculty who we have not seen for a while: Myra Borshoff, Business, and Larry Atwood, English.

GLAD TO HAVE YOU ON STAFF!

DUPLICATING OFFICE NEWS

The Duplicating Office would like to announce their new hours as being: Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
VOLLEYBALL

Another season has begun and the Marian Women's Volleyball team looks to another fine season. With returnees, Jennice Chaney, Jeanne Obergfell, Judy Carlile, Julie Schoening, and Kris Sweeney leading the way, and some bright prospects in Terrill Reed, Amy Beckham, and Tina Meyers, the future of the Lady Knights looks exciting.

The Knights first games are in the IUS Tourney at IUS, September 6-7. The first home game is Tuesday, September 10, against Franklin, followed by a game against Huntington on September 12. Make sure you all there to cheer them on.

Team Members include:
Judy Carlile-SR.
Jeanne Obergfell-SR.
Jennice Chaney-SR.
Julie Schoening-JR.
Kris Sweeney-JR.
Kathy Dwyenger-JR.
Amy Beckham-FR.
Renee Gilmore-FR.
Tina Meyers-FR.
Terrill Reed-FR.
Sharon Effinger-FR.
Jody Morris-FR.

Managers: Joan Miller-JR.
Joanne Chaney-SO.

Coach: Audrey Satterblom

MEN'S TENNIS

As the fall sports season has begun, the men's tennis team had their opening match against Indiana S.E. yesterday here at Marian. While results were not in at the time The Carbon went to press, Coach Dennis Kelly had much to say about the team.

There are five returning players and four freshmen on this year's team. Third year players are David Cassis, John Jouven, J.R. Spillman, and last years Most Valuable Player, Brad Kolter. Also included is second year player Clark Griffin. The freshmen players consist of: Michael Fekkes, Chris Geis, Matt LaRonde, and Larry Thompson. Coach Kelly remarked that he has a team of "seasoned veterans" and that the freshmen look promising.

Practices for the team so far have been concentrating on drills. The team has been double practicing with an early morning practice at 7:00 a.m. and an afternoon practice at 3:30 p.m.

Saying that his goal for the season is for "the team to give 100% in every match," Coach Kelly wants to see everyone at the next home match against Anderson on Wednesday, Sept. 11 at 3:00 p.m. GOOD LUCK THIS SEASON!!!!!!!!!