

## Election Statement - Richard H. Underwood

I have concerns over access to the Board and Open Meetings. In terms of the budget, I am against tuition increases. I am concerned with the University's debt, and deals with the "private sector," especially deals that extend far out into the future. *Cui bono?*

I am not excited about tearing down and rebuilding everything on campus. I am concerned about spending on amenities instead of education. I would rather invest in student scholarships.

Yes, I agree that administrative positions seem to grow as the teaching faculty shrinks. I think too much money and light loading is spent on the implementation of silly things like QEP. Will distance learning and new "degree" programs dumb down the curriculum? Will we be selling bad products? I realize revenue must be increased, but integrity is important too. I am also concerned about the new budget process and fear that there will be many losers.

I feel like too much is farmed out to consultants and search firms. I submit that Faculty Governance is as best a matter of formality.

I am concerned with security. It took me two years of complaining to get interior locks on classroom doors. I do think that UK is doing better on this lately.

As far as Athletics is concerned, why does the University Administration seem to have so little control over the income generated by our athletic programs?

End of Campaign