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Shroud of Apprehension Covers Lindenwood

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Though a shroud of apprehension has descended on historic, scenic Lindenwood Colleges, spokesmen on all sides are cautioning that the school's problems not be blown out of proportion.

That there is tension cannot be denied. An ad hoc committee of faculty members has presented the Lindenwood trustees with a white paper of more than 20 pages asking, among other things, that President John Anthony Brown terminate his position with the school.

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The white paper was presented to the trustees Friday. The board is now studying the document but has already given Brown a vote of confidence.

"At a meeting Monday night the (trustees) reaffirmed their support of the current administration," said Brown, who was quick not gloss over the statement.

"The white paper has some things I don't believe are accurate, but it raises some good issues that need to be dealt with," said Brown who was the first to admit to the

Bannenews that the paper did indeed call for his resignation.

"I respect those who signed the white paper, although I don't believe in some statements, nor do I believe it to be in the best interest of the college to resign," he said.

"When the board took the decision to balance the budget, I knew it would be unpopular. That's putting it mildly," he added.

The white paper has not been mass distributed, but one student who has seen it claims that four or five students have read it. "There are no students who have a copy of it, though," he said.

Two students who claimed to have read it were contacted Wednesday. Both preferred not to state the specifics of what the faculty paper called for: "You won't find anybody on this campus who'll verify those rumors (of the contents)," said one.

However, four hours later, Brown himself acknowledged that the paper did call for his resignation. He asserted his respect for the statement, but indicated he would stay at Lindenwood with the full confidence of the board of trustees.

"A replacement would be directed to balance the budget just as I was," he said.

"I have not seen any (student) petition," Brown told the Banner-News Wednesday, "but I understand there are two."

From a student, it was learned that a uniform petition stating a lack of confidence in the school administration was now being circulated.

One of the students behind the petition cautioned against interpreting it as any more than a statement of lack of confidence.

"I don't want to see headlines saying, "Brown Must Go, Say Students," he said. "I don't want it misconstrued. If it is, I wouldn't appreciate it. There's been a lot of things twisted around. It could be bad for the college if it comes out wrong."

One part of the petition, the following tendencies have prompted our concern:

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