- I want a Board of Regents that is not afraid to ask tough questions.

- Minnesota is a great University but it can be better. It must continuously adapt to changing times and the changing needs of its students.

- Minnesota Taxpayers give almost $3 billion dollars to Higher Education in this new budget—accountability for those dollars is very important.

- Even with the increase, tuition at the University of Minnesota is very affordable.

- The University of Minnesota tuition rate is right in the middle of the Big Ten schools.

- Keep in mind that we are not in this alone. Universities across the country are raising their tuition rates anywhere from 5 to 15%.

- For students who need it, financial aid will help compensate for the increase.

- The annual cost for tuition at the University is often less than what many families pay for day care in a year.

- The important thing is that the University and MNSCU must work together to make sure that we are getting the greatest value possible for our taxpayer investment in Higher Ed.