Increased fee proposal due for student vote

By Adreanna Benjamin
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Tuition fees might increase next quarter if the proposal for adjustment is passed.

Associated Students Inc. is in the process of gathering student input and will come up with a resolution for or against the proposal.

Since California stopped funding certain services at Cal Poly, the university has had to find innovative ways to generate funds. Students' mandatory service costs include fees for campus academics, health services, health facilities, instructionally related activities and the PolyCard.

"The increased fee is only happening to Cal Poly," said Kiki Ikeda, academic resource officer. "Each campus has the authority to alter their campus-based fees. Chico has something similar to ours."

The campus-based mandatory fees are then to provide programs and services not funded through the General Fund process. Cal Poly has named them the Higher Education Price Index (HEPI), which reflects increased prices for goods and services, according to the proposal pamphlet.

The proposal would allow campus-based fees to be adjusted annually to keep up with the inflationary price increases.

"Only the campus-based fees are increasing," Ikeda said. "The state university fee that the students pay isn't increasing."

Ikeda said the university fee is $528, and the other parts of the tuition are the campus-based fees, which will increase if the proposal is passed.

The proposal estimates the increase to 1 percent, Ikeda said. "And when you look at the inflation rate of 1981, which was 10 percent, the rates have gone down."

Ikeda said if the proposal passes, it will be a $6 increase on tuition.

Many students agree with the proposal, and feel the university needs to use the money to improve certain equipment.

"We definitely agree with the increase in tuition," said Mike Sullivan, a computer engineering junior. "We need to work on the Rec Center and get more group fitness programs and new equipment."

Sullivan also said paying an extra $6 is nothing compared to paying around $700 a quarter.

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Lt. Dan Blanke
San Luis Obispo Police Department

This type of occurrence happens more often than people think, said San Luis Obispo Police Lt. Dan Blanke. Many times it goes unreported.

"Peeping toms and prowlers are a fairly common problem. There are some locations around town where they have had a rash of them."

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Kelly, a junior who wishes to remain anonymous, lived on the same street as Charnell last year. She said she saw a suspicious-looking man sitting in his car in her parking lot on numerous occasions. This guy would sit in his car for hours at random times during the day, she said. "I would go out there and see him all the time. One day I went out to move my car and we made eye contact. It really scared me."

Kelly informed the fire department, which was nearby, and the man disappeared for two months before he came back. Kelly said she then called the police. After that, the man showed up a few more times and then left for good.

"Nothing happened," she said. "It wasn't like he was stalking me or anything, but I felt really insecure."

There are many things people can do to minimize the chance that they will be a victim.

"I really encourage them to go into the students' financial aid packages."

Melissa Varacik, chair of ASI-Board of Directors, said that any student can have a forum to attend their college student council meetings or one of three forums. The forums are scheduled for Feb. 26, March 6 and 8 to allow students to give their input on the matter.

"If students can't make it to the forums, I really encourage them to attend the Board of Directors meetings," Varacik said.

Call ASI at 756-1291 for details.

Students wary of prowlers

Local residents reveal unsettling encounters with suspects near their homes

By Sarah Doub
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Irene Charnell, a psychology junior, was in her room getting ready for bed one night when she turned off the lights and saw a shadow. At first she thought it was just someone walking by, but then she heard the bushes under the window rustle.

"I quickly pulled up my blinds and there was a man running away," she said. "I immediately called the cops, but I figured it was just a one-time thing."

Three weeks later Charnell was sitting with her back to the window talking to her boyfriend. Although the blinds were closed, her boyfriend could see that someone was outside.

"He told me to stay still and then he snuck outside," she said. "My boyfriend chased the guy, but didn't catch him."

Charnell lives in the University Gardens apartment complex. The first time she noticed the man out was outside her window was in the middle of January.

"Everyone needs to take this seriously," she said. "They think it's just a fluke, that it's random, but it can happen to anyone."

Water and electric vehicles don't mix

Electric vehicles are at the forefront of the Green Movement, but the reality is that water and electric vehicles don't mix.

"If your revenues are flat, and you still have that one dollar, and the cost to do a program is $1.50 or $2, then you have a gap," Ikeda said. "You either have to increase your revenues or decrease your services, because you only have that $1 to spend."

Ikeda said students agree with improving services but believe that increasing tuition fees gets frustrating.

"It's not like it's a good cause," said Jennifer Hall, an aerospace engineering junior. "But it gets annoying that they raise tuition all the time."

Hall said students shouldn't complain, though, because a $6 increase is nothing compared to what students pay at other universities.

The $6 increase that each student has to pay if the proposal passes will generate about $300,000 in revenue, Ikeda said.

Financial aid will also be impacted by the increase of the campus-based fees.

"We are trying to get the proposal passed by the spring quarter," Ikeda said. "That way we can calculate the fees out into the students' financial aid packages."

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER
Students may miss major news online

By David Olszewski
GARY LUKA

(U-WIRE) CHAMPAIGN, Ill. — According to some recent research, many online news readers ignore the stories about the White House and air strike on Iraq while they search for the latest news on the Illini basketball team or the Academy Award announcements.

David Teskobay and Scott Althaus, professors of speech communication at the University of Illinois, conducted a study involving 134 college students reading The New York Times — both the regular paper and using the Web site. The purpose was to determine if and why online readers seem to read fewer hard news stories than print news readers.

“We noticed that we were reading The New York Times online differently than we were reading the print version of The New York Times, and we wanted to research this behavior,” Althaus said.

The experiment involved dividing the students into three groups. The first group did nothing but answer questions, the second group was taken to a computer lab to read The New York Times online, and the third group read the actual print version of The New York Times. The study was conducted over the span of a week. The groups spent 30 to 60 minutes reading the news each day from Monday to Friday. On Saturday they filled out a survey.

The two professors found that online readers are less likely to read real international, national and political stories than those who read the actual newspaper. On one of the days of the study, the front section accounted for nearly two-thirds of the stories read for the print readers, but only 41 percent of the news read by the online readers.

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Police halt Seattle Mardi Gras parties after bombs, bullets

SEATTLE (AP) — Police in riot gear used pepper spray, rubber bullets and concussion bombs to break up Mardi Gras festivities early Sunday in the second straight day of violence tied to the celebration.

Police said several people in a crowd of about 2,000 threw bottles, rocks and firecrackers at officers who set off stun grenades at about 1:30 a.m. A half-dozen people were arrested, most on assault charges. One person was injured in a stabbing, and a police officer suffered a broken arm.

Some in the crowd smashed car and store windows and tried to turn over a bus, police said. Police said the violence grew worse after they arrested a man suspected of sexual robbery.

A day earlier police used pepper spray and rubber bullets because revelers were throwing rocks and bottles. Officers beat up their forces after the first night of violence, and removed garbage cans and newspaper boxes from a popular party area for fear that people would throw them.

Organizers had no immediate plans to cancel Mardi Gras events scheduled through Tuesday night, but police said they would continue to prepare for large crowds and people drinking.

Last year's Mardi Gras celebration in Seattle had similar disturbances. A man was injured in a stabbing, and a police officer suffered a broken arm.

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Don't mistake musings for calls to action

It's been a lot easier for me, this last year, to get people to respect my columns. I spoke to them. I stood my ground. My last two columns have received a lot of advice the last two weeks. First, my roommate told me to "write at a fourth-grade level" so readers wouldn't misunderstand my columns. She said they would be more effective, although I have no idea what she thinks my columns were ever supposed to effect.

Then my girlfriend told me "writing is thinking," which I promptly dismissed as some kind of securitainment motto she stole from a corporate motivational poster. But as I began to write this, I actually did begin to think. Simultaneously, I said, "Ahah!" and "Duhh, she's right again." Anyway, the thought I began to think was: I don't have anything to say.

Actually, this isn't a new phenomenon for me. I almost always have nothing to say, and since I can't use my column to espouse any of the world's important issues about which I don't care, I usually just write a sarcastic rant designed only to confuse and annoy, and which generally lacks any underlying message. That way, I get to jump inside your head, pull open the cerebral file cabinets, and throw the papers all over the floor. It's really very recreational.

The first time I wrote in this style was for my high school senior anthology, to which I submitted an obscenity-laced essay decrying the stupidity of my school senior antilmory, to which I submitted an obscenity-laced essay decrying the stupidity of my school senior antilmory, to which I submitted an obscenity-laced essay decrying the stupidity of my school senior antilmory, to which I submitted an obscenity-laced essay decrying the stupidity of my school senior antilmory, to which I submitted an obscenity-laced essay decrying the stupidity of my school senior antilmory.

"Don't mistake endorsement of my words for endorsement of my actions," I concluded, as I recall, with the daft line "I hate man, but I love mankind." I'm sure it all sounded very revolutionary at the time.

But now I take much less pleasure in writing the actual columns than in waiting for somebody to misread them and write back an opinion letter calling me a bigot or homophobe. Indeed, my picture is supposed to run with this column, but I've cleverly avoided my editor's request for a photograph in order to decrease my chance of being lynched by people who can't read very well.

Sarcasm is known as the lowest form of humor, which must be highly insulting to readers who can't even tell when they're reading it. This leads me to a second thought: Eminem must feel the same way.

Eminem gets to record albums for the same reason. People expect artists and authors to have strong words, but no message. I'm sure he feels as I do; it's all very recreational.

Ethan Pratt is a physics senior.

Students studying abroad for a quarter is an excellent way for students to broaden their horizons, and it's an incredible way to gain real-life experiences that can't be picked up inside a classroom. They are in a foreign culture, and they don't even tell when they're reading it. Their minds are working, and when they come back, they have a new perspective on the world. They can help out students in the long run, and it also looks fantastic on a resume.

Studying abroad gives students a chance to build their resumes.

International experience is ranked high among employers as a critical asset for prospective employees. The experience shows that the student is resourceful, adventurous, internationally minded and diverse.

Another reason why international programs of study are so beneficial is because of the bonds that students make when they go abroad. They may not remember their literature professor in Costa Rica or the name of the dorm they lived in while they were studying in Beijing; but they'll never forget the friends they made or the experiences they shared with them.

Candice Conti is a journalism senior and Mustang Daily staff writer.
Letters to the editor

Your guess, huh?" Secondly, how do you beat up a 92-year-old legend, Ronald Reagan, when he can't even remember what he had for breakfast? That's just heartless. He hasn't been at his office because of Alzheimer's. Give the greatest president of modern history some credit where it's due. These are just a couple of low blows that the Republicans keep dodging. That's the good-old Democrat way, though.

You are so hypocritical. First, you and the Democratic party lay into John Adcock, a religiously moral figure. Then, you come back and tell us to lay off of Clinton. What does he have, some kind of pardon not to get picked on?" First of all, Bush himself has said, "Let's put it to rest." Then, former president Carter, a Democrat, spoke out against Clinton's actions. So don't ramble on about how poor Clinton is getting picked on. If you can't take the heat, get out of the kitchen.

The chips keep stacking—you know, "Stick Willie" is going to crumble sooner rather than later.

James Malta is an industrial engineering sophomore.

Don't swallow USDA food propaganda Editor,

The other day, I was walking and I found a button on the ground. It said, "Don't believe everything you're told." This is a valuable message to keep in mind when heeding the government's dietary guidelines.

Recently, PCRM filed a lawsuit against the U.S. Department of Agriculture because of the meat, dairy and egg industries' heavy influence in the creation of federal food policies.

PCRM is a nonprofit organization, comprised of doctors and laypersons, who promote preventative medicine primarily through a vegan diet. PCRM pointed out that six of 11 members of the committee who set dietary guidelines for Americans are financial partners with the meat, dairy and egg producers. This is absolutely outrageous.

Why? Contrary to what "Got Milk?" and "Bee - it's what's for dinner" advertisements would have us believe, there is overwhelming evidence that diets centered around animal products contribute to obesity, heart disease, diabetes and cancer. It has been proven over and over again that a meat and dairy-heavy diet is the main contributor to the plethora of America's diseases of affluence, yet our government continues to assert that four to six daily servings of animal products are necessary for good health.

Another disturbing aspect of the Food Guide Pyramid is, despite the fact that most African, Asian and Hispanic Americans are lactose intolerant and feel sick when they consume dairy products, it declares that milk and dairy products should be included in Americans' diets every day. Does the government not know that many of the world's inhabitants do not drink milk and are perfectly healthy without it?

The popular notion that milk is necessary to prevent osteoporosis is the result of the brainwashing efforts of the dairy industry. In fact, countries with the highest rates of osteoporosis, such as the United States, England and Sweden, consume the most milk. In China, Japan and Africa, people eat less protein and dairy, and there are low rates of osteoporosis. It is well established that low consumption of animal products will yield lower rates of disease. Study after study continues to confirm the cancer-fighting power of plant foods.

Why isn't the government passing on this information? Money has been a huge part of the plan in the government's dietary guidelines. Hopefully, because PCRM won the lawsuit against the USDA, Americans will finally receive sound, unbiased nutritional advice.

Meredith Rogers is a nutritional science senior.

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Should student fees be adjusted to keep pace with inflation?

Read the following objective statement, financial analysis, pro statement, and con statement. You will have nine opportunities to attend a forum to voice your opinion or ask any questions. By attending any of the forums, you can voice your support or non-support of the proposal. Questions? Call the ASI Student Govt Office at 756-1291 or come by UU 202, M-F, 8am-5pm.

Objective Statement

The establishment of campus-based mandatory fees have been based on the desire to provide programs and services not currently funded through the General Fund allocation process. These fees were established without consideration for price inflation and the collateral effects on the services and programs being provided. The result is that fixed fees, without the benefit of a price indexed increase, gradually erode the quantity and quality of programs being provided. The Inflationary Fee Adjustment Proposal would provide a mechanism under which campus based mandatory fees could be adjusted annually to compensate for the effects of inflationary price increases.

The first step is to measure the rate of inflation affecting the buyer. People are most familiar with the Consumer Price Index which measures the changes in prices paid by consumers for food, clothing, shelter, transportation, and other common goods and services. The Consumer Price Index is compiled by the U.S. Department of Education began funded research to create the Higher Education Price Index (HEPI) to measure the effects of inflation on the current operations of colleges and universities, using a basket of goods and services relevant to higher education institutions. The Inflationary Fee Adjustment Proposal proposes use of HEPI in calculating the annual adjustment of campus mandatory fees.

Campus mandatory student registration fees are "fees that must be paid in order to apply to, enroll in, or attend the university". Campus mandatory fees include the Campus Academe Fee, Health Services Fee, Health Facility Fee, Instructionally Related Activities Fee (IRA), and the University Union fee. The revenues from these fees provide funding for programs and services that support the student body at large.

Financial Analysis

The Inflationary Fee Adjustment Proposal seeks to neutralize the impact of inflation on the University's ability to provide quality programs and services to students. Inflation is the increase in prices for the same goods and services that occurs without the perceptible change in either quantity or quality of the items involved. The table below shows the inflation rate, as measured by the Higher Education Price Index, over the past nine years.

It is evident from the chart that the buying power of these programs and services has decreased over the past ten years without the benefit of a mechanism for increasing revenues. In order to combat the effects of inflation on the campus mandatory fees, the proposal would be based on a rolling average of the previous 3 years HEPI. The averaging would moderate any spikes in the inflation index.

The table below shows the campus mandatory fees that students currently pay, and an estimated amount that students would pay under this proposal, effective Fall Quarter 2001. The estimated increase is approximately $6 per quarter or $18 for the academic year. This proposal would generate a total of approximately $360,000 based on 1999/00 enrollment and would be distributed proportionately to the fees.

This fee proposal does not require a one-third financial aid set aside as this is no longer a requirement of the CSU fee policy. However an increase in these fees would be reflected in the packaging of financial aid so that students receiving financial aid would not be adversely impacted.

Pro Statement

Since California stopped additional funding to Cal Poly for its higher-cost polytechnic majors, the University has had to find cost efficient and innovative ways of generating additional funds. Part of this effort included working with students to insti­tute special fees, like those for the Health Center, for Instructionally Related Activities (IRA), and for increased faculty and innovative programming (Poly Plan). However, as costs have increased over the years, so have the costs of providing services and programs to Cal Poly students.

The Inflationary Fee Adjustment Proposal (IFAP) is an innovative approach to combating the effects of inflation on these fee supported programs. Instead of demanding drastic increases in students' fees, the proposal provides for reasonable movement that is tied to a national measure of inflation in higher education (recently 3.5%, or around 6/6 per quarter each year). By approving this fee indexing proposal, the students will be taking a big step to maintain the operations of the Health Center and to preserve the same magnitude of classes, instructors, and instructionally related activities that these fees currently support.

While academics will always be the primary focus, it is these programs and activities that provide the finishing touches to the people we become. The friends we meet, the relationships we build and the fun we have complete the college experience, as well as justify much of the pride we have in Cal Poly. Whether directly or indirectly affected by any number of the benefits in question, each and every student must appreciate the amazing and well-rounded atmosphere on the Cal Poly campus. It is these entities outside the classroom that truly unite our university.

Let's face it: if we want Cal Poly to continue to be the best university in the CSU system, it is going to cost a little more. The Inflationary Fee Adjustment Proposal helps secure current and future programming without inflation increases. It helps to maintain the excellent education for which Cal Poly is famous. Let's keep Cal Poly as the most prestigious CSL campus. Let's not shrink the level of programs that we, as students, have previously supported. Support the University's proposal to continue Poly's high excellence in education and say yes to the future of Cal Poly.

Con Statement

If you support tying our fees to a price index, as is being proposed, you risk endorsing a philosophy of constant fee increases. If you calculated the additional expense on a five-year term (Fall 2000-Spring 2005) at Cal Poly at the current level (3%) of the Higher Education Price Index (HEPI), a student would incur as a result of the indexed fees the following amounts for UU upgrades or more Polycard services or more free copies in Computer Labs. It will cost an additional $189.00 for your education vs. not having an inflation­ry rider. That 3% easily became a 12.5% fee increase. It will continue to grow from there.

Remaining Open Forum Schedule

Monday, February 26
6 pm in UU 220

Tuesday, March 6
6 pm in Bldg. 33-286

Thursday, March 8
11 am in Bldg. 52-E27

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If the Mustangs finish tied with Idaho, the Vandals held the tie-breaker due to their earlier victory against No. 3 UCSB. Cal Poly, Idaho and Cal State Fullerton have all lost to the top two teams in the conference, so the tie-breaker goes to the team who has beaten the No. 3 team.

Fullerton, which currently is No. 9 in conference, also holds a tie-breaker over Cal Poly due to a 1-1 record against Cal Poly and Idaho.

This puts extra significance on the final two games of the season, both on the road against Boise State and Utah State.

With the loss to Idaho and the loss to UCSB last Thursday, the Mustangs are in a more difficult position than they wanted to be, but Bromley said he is more apprehensive about the team's bench.

"I'm more concerned about our depth," he said. "It's an uphill battle from here on out.

Forlorn Brandon Beeson's knee injury that sidelined him last week was a void in the Mustang offense, both in scoring and rebounding.

"Depths always factor into offensive rebounds," Bromley said. "Who says that Beeson wouldn't have gotten some of those rebounds?"

Bromley said the team also needs to work on its 3-point shooting. Gaard Momente Winds were 5 for 3 from the 3-point range, and Cal Poly as a team went 11-15.

"You can't shoot 2-18 3-pointers and expect to win games," Byrkland said.

Saturday night marked the last home game for seniors Bjorklund, Mayes, Favors and Michael Burris. The four players were accompanied by their parents on the court in a pre-game ceremony and presented framed shots of the players in action.

"I have mixed feelings," he said. "I'm happy to see him play, but I'm sad that his college career is coming to an end. It's both sad and exciting.

Cal Poly travels to Boise State on Thursday and Utah State on Saturday. ESPN will air the Utah State game, which begins at 4 p.m.

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### Sports

#### Disappointing loss ends home season

by Michelle Hatfield  
**MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER**

The stage was set for a triumphant end to the men's basketball season and the careers of four seniors, including all-time leading scorer Chris Bjorklund. But the Mustangs came out flat, and the University of Idaho stole the momentum from Cal Poly and rode it all the way to an 82-40 upset victory.

Even after Bjorklund scored a career-high 31 points, the team put itself in a precarious position with the loss to reach the Big West Tournament in Anaheim, which is just two weeks away.

Bjorklund also had seven rebounds, and senior forward Jeremiah Mayes posted 15 points and 17 rebounds. The contributions from the seniors were not enough, as guard Janual Scott, who averages 15.7 points a game, scored only two points and fouled out after playing only 14 minutes.

Idaho jumped out to a 32-18 lead in the first half, but the Mustangs clawed back behind a 14-0 run and led at halftime, 56-54.

“We came out slow the first half,” Mayes said. “They got a good lead on us.”

That lead was short-lived, as the Vandals took the lead at 42:41 on an Adam Miller 3-pointer. The Mustangs threatened to turn the game around, but never were able to overcome the deficit.

The Vandals had four players in double figures, including forward Rodney Hilaire, who had 22 points, seven rebounds, and nine assists.

Both teams shot nearly identical field-goal percentages, with Idaho at 42.6% and Cal Poly at 40.3%

“Idaho missed a lot of shots, but they were just tipping them in,” head coach Kevin Brorny said. “We also gave them a couple of fast breaks.”

Idaho’s biggest lead of the night was 14 points, while Cal Poly’s was four.

The loss puts the Mustangs at 9-16 and 3-11 in the Big West heading into their last two games. Cal Poly needs to be in one of the top eight spots of the conference to go to the Big West Tournament. They are currently tied with Idaho for seventh place.

#### Baseball falls to Pepperdine

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Rain cut short the final two games of the series between Cal Poly and Pepperdine, and if the Mustangs had their way, the first game would have been rained out as well.

The Waves defeated Cal Poly 9-4 behind Noah Lowery’s seven-inning, 10 strikeout performance. The Mustangs handed out 12 walks during the game, including five to center fielder Woody Cavallaro.

Jared Russell (1-1) took the loss for the Mustangs, who drop to 7-3 on the season. Lowery improved his record to 4-0.

Cal Poly put up three runs early on a Phil Thompson single that scored Jason Borinner. Pepperdine scored four times in the fourth inning, three in the seventh and two in the eighth to seal the victory.

Along with Thompson, designated hitter Brian Guinn and first baseman Matt Milew had RBIs for Cal Poly.

#### Earnhardt Jr. crashes during Dura Lube 400

**ROCKINGHAM, NC (AP) —** Dale Earnhardt Jr. crashed on the first lap of the Dura Lube 400 on Sunday shortly after a moment of silence for his father, who was killed in a week-long race.

The son was bruised but not seriously injured, jumping away from the accident in an ambulance that took him to the track medical center. The crash into the concrete wall looked eerily similar to the one that killed Dale Earnhardt on the final turn of the Daytona 500.

“Somebody got into me,” Earnhardt Jr. told his team over the radio. “I was really ready to pissing.”

Earnhardt Jr., in his second full season driving on the Winston Cup circuit, started 25th in the 43-car field. The race was delayed 1 hour, 35 minutes by rain, and later was postponed until Monday because of the weather. Drivers completed 51 of 395 laps.

Moments before he crashed, Earnhardt Jr. was in a tightly bunched pack of cars heading into the third turn on the 1.05-mile North Carolina Speedway.

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### Sports Trivia

**Yesterday’s Answer:**

Ty Cobb hit .300 or better for 23 consecutive seasons.

No one submitted the correct answer!

**Today’s Question:**

Who was the second player in history to win home runs in both the NL and AL?

Please submit sports trivia answers to musterdaily@calpoly.edu. Please include your name. The first correct answer received via e-mail will be printed in the next issue of the paper.

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**Trip to conference tournament in limbo with weekend losses**

Senior forward Jeremiah Mayes scored 15 points and pulled down 17 rebounds Saturday night against Idaho. It was Mayes’ last game at Mott Gym. The 17 rebounds was one of his career high.