



Item: AF: A-4

AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Wednesday, June 17, 2009

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF REGULATION FOR LEGISLATIVE AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES ESTABLISHED INCREASES IN STUDENT TUITION AND FEES FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2009-2010.

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Recommend to the Board of Trustees an increase in Undergraduate and Graduate in-state tuition; recommend the establishment of a Differential Tuition for Undergraduate in-state student; recommend the establishment of a Technology Fee; recommend an increase in the Athletic fee; recommend an increase in the Health Fee; recommend an increase in the Activity and Service Fee; authorize the promulgation of the Tuition and Fee Regulation reflecting the Legislative and Board of Trustees tuition and fee increases; and authorize the University President to amend the regulation as necessary, consistent with Board of Governors and Board of Trustees directives and guidelines.

In order to maintain consistency with the Legislative, Board of Governors, and Board of Trustees increases in tuition, the matriculation and non-resident (out-of-state) fees may be adjusted on a net neutral basis.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Florida Legislature established an eight (8) percent increase in Undergraduate in-state tuition. The eight percent tuition increase will be \$6.56 per credit hour. Undergraduate in-state tuition will increase from \$82.03 to \$88.59 per credit hour. The Florida Legislature also authorized each University Board of Trustees to establish a Differential Tuition of up to seven (7) percent for Undergraduate in-state students. The University is recommending a seven (7) percent Differential Tuition increase as authorized by Section 1009.24 (16) Florida Statutes. The Differential Tuition will be \$5.74 per credit hour.

The University is recommending an eight (8) percent increase in Graduate in-state tuition, the same percentage as the legislatively established increase in Undergraduate in-state tuition. The eight percent increase will be \$17.86 per credit hour. Graduate in-state tuition will increase from \$223.24 to \$241.09. The University is not recommending an increase in Undergraduate and Graduate out-of-state tuition. The matriculation and non-resident (out-of-state) fees for out-of-state students will be adjusted on a net neutral basis.

Under Section 1009.24 (13) (s) Florida Statutes, the University is authorized to establish a Technology Fee not to exceed five (5) percent of Undergraduate tuition. The Technology Fee Committee recommended an increase of up to five (5) percent. The University is recommending the establishment of a Technology Fee equal to four (4)

percent of Undergraduate in-state tuition, excluding the Differential Tuition, to support improvements in technology infrastructure. The Technology Fee will be \$3.54 per credit hour.

Under Section 1009.24 (13) (s) Florida Statutes, the University is authorized to establish an Athletic Fee. The Athletics Fee Committee has recommended that the Athletics Fee be increased by \$.55 per credit hour. The University is recommending an increase in the Athletics Fee of \$.55. The Athletics Fee will increase from \$13.75 to \$14.30 per credit hour. These funds will be used to provide additional scholarship revenue to help offset the 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-10 tuition increases.

Under Section 1009.24 (13) (s) Florida Statutes, the University is authorized to establish a Health Fee. The Health Fee Committee has recommended that the Health Fee be increased by \$.30 per credit hour. The University is recommending an increase in the Health Fee of \$.30. The Health Fee will increase from \$7.50 to \$7.80 per credit hour. These funds will be used to provide to enhance health and wellness services on all campuses.

Under Section 1009.24 (13) (s) Florida Statutes, the University is authorized to establish an Activity and Service Fee. The Activity and Service Fee Committee has recommended that the Activity and Service Fee be increased by \$.40 per credit hour. The University is recommending an increase in the Activity and Service Fee of \$.40. The Activity and Service Fee will increase from \$10.00 to \$10.40 per credit hour. These funds will be used to maintain quality student organization programs and operate facilities such as the Davie Student Union, the Boca Raton Recreation Center and others.

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN/DATE

July 1, 2009.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

These increases will be used to support Board of Trustees strategic priorities.

Supporting Documentation: Proposed Regulation 8.001 Amendment: Tuition and Fees.

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