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“New Student and Owl Family Programs Needs Netbooks”

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WHEREAS: New Student and Owl Family Programs is desperately in need of several new computers in order to better perform their job and live up to the high standards expected of them by the Florida Atlantic University (FAU) community.

WHEREAS: The orientation program presented by this office is designed to familiarize new students and their families to the institution, expose new students to the broad educational opportunities of FAU and integrate new students and their families into the life of the institution.

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WHEREAS: New Student and Owl Family Programs promotes school spirit, student
development, and accountability among FAU students and their families by encouraging self-
growth, learning and understanding their own relationship to the intellectual, social and cultural
eclimate of FAU.

WHEREAS: Orientation programs are offered over the summer for students enrolling in the
summer or fall semester and November through January for students enrolling in the spring
semester. At all of these sessions, computers are extremely important in facilitating and
administering many segments of the operation.

WHEREAS: An important part of the orientation process consists of a “registration hold check”
which is done using an internet-enabled portable computer. This ensures that students are well
informed about any potential holds when registering for classes and it cannot be accomplished
without the necessary equipment, such as (3) three or more netbook computers.

WHEREAS: Currently, the New Student and Owl Family Programs office borrows the
aforementioned computers from the Student Union and other departments on campus. This is not
an efficient method due to the process in which the equipment must be acquired as well as the
poor condition and operation of the devices.

WHEREAS: Due to the current budget issues at Florida Atlantic University, the allocated
amount that was dispersed to the New Student and Owl Family Programs office will not cover
this essential purchase. Without these netbook computers however, future costs for this office
may increase due to a lack of productivity caused by the absence of properly working
technological equipment.

WHEREAS: In order to better serve the student body, it is vital that this office be able to acquire
at least three (3) new netbook computers for use by their employees and volunteers. These
computers will be exclusively operated by New Student and Owl Family Programs.

WHEREAS: The aforementioned office is not requesting any particular brand of netbook
computer. They are simply in need of three (3) netbook computers capable of receiving a WiFi
signal, Internet access and Microsoft Office software.

WHEREAS: Attached to this document, a sample of various netbook computer price quotes are
provided in order to give an estimate of the cost of such devices.

WHEREAS: The amount to be allocated was calculated by averaging the top eight (8) bestselling
netbook computers under on BestBuy.com as of October 3rd, 2010, and multiplying that amount
three (3) times, then rounding to the nearest hundred. Using this formula, the price per netbook
computer was estimated at approximately $300.00.

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Boca Raton House of Representatives allocate $900.00 from the House Contingency account (S20012) for the purchase of three (3) netbook computers and all necessary and required computer accessories for exclusive use by the New Student and Owl Family Programs office.

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: Any unused funds from this allocation be returned to the Boca Raton House of Representatives House Contingency account (S20012) from which it was distributed within one month after completion of the purchase.

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Legislation Signature Sheet

This Bill / Resolution # BRHB-10-02 (PASSED) FAILED on this 22nd day of October, 2010 by a vote of 22 YES, 0 NO, 0 ABSTAIN moved by Massetti and seconded by Grid. Signature - House Speaker: 

This Bill / Resolution is hereby ENACTED / VETOED on this 28th day of October, 2010. Signature - Campus Governor: Allison Gentry

This Bill / Resolution is hereby ENACTED / VETOED on this 28th day of October, 2010. Signature - Student Body President: Ayden Maher

For All Legislation, Pursuant to University Regulation 4.006:

This Bill / Resolution is APPROVED SENT BACK FOR RECONSIDERATION on this 9th day of November, 2010. Signature - Vice President for Student Affairs: Dr. Charles Brown

This Bill / Resolution is Received and Recorded by the Student Government Student Court on this 17th day of FEB, 2011.