Board of Trustees of the University of Oregon

Resolution: Amendment to the Tuition- and Fee-Setting Process (Earlier Student Input)

Whereas, ORS 352.102(2) requires the Board of Trustees of the University of Oregon (the "Board") to establish a process for determining tuition and mandatory enrollment fees pursuant to the authority granted in ORS 352.102(1);

Whereas, the Board of Trustees first adopted such a process in December 2014 and now wishes to make adjustments to ensure that student input is solicited and available earlier in the process so that it can be taken into consideration as the advisory group develops recommendations;

Whereas, this resolution amends only part three (3) of the process components and does not alter any other section or language;

Whereas, the Finance and Facilities Committee of the Board of Trustees of the University of Oregon has referred this matter as a seconded motion to the full Board recommending approval;

Now, therefore, the Board of Trustees of the University of Oregon hereby resolves that the University shall annually establish tuition and mandatory enrollment fees pursuant to a process specified and managed by the President and that such a process must include the following components:

- 1. Advisory Group. The University President (the "President") or his/her designee shall convene an advisory group comprised of faculty, students (including both undergraduate and graduate representation), and staff. This advisory group shall make a recommendation to the President regarding tuition and mandatory fee rates for each academic year, and it may generally advise the President on matters relating to tuition and fees. The President will consider the advisory group's recommendations, along with other information the President deems relevant, when preparing his/her recommendations to the Board. Membership of the group is at the discretion of the President or his/her designee, however the President shall include two students nominated by the Associated Students of the University of Oregon (ASUO).
- 2. <u>Considerations.</u> In making recommendations to the President, the advisory group shall consider (i) historical tuition and fee trends; (ii) comparative data for peer institutions; (iii) the University's budget and projected cost increases; and (iv) anticipated state appropriation levels.
- 3. <u>Student Forum.</u> The President or his/her designee shall hold an open forum with students early in the tuition and fee development process each year such that students are given an opportunity to provide input into the process before recommendations are developed. The ASUO shall have the opportunity to participate in the planning and convening of this public meeting.
- 4. Opportunity for Review and Comment. The President shall provide an opportunity for public review of and comment about the tuition and mandatory fees recommendation prepared for the Board. Based on information received from the public review and comment, and other information the President deems relevant, the President may modify his/her recommendations before submitting them to the Board.
- 5. <u>Recommendations Submitted to the Board.</u> The President shall submit to the Board a written report outlining recommended tuition and mandatory enrollment fees. The report must be submitted with

sufficient time for analysis and feedback prior to the meeting at which the Board will consider tuition and fees each year. "Sufficient time" shall be determined by the University Secretary.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President and the president of the ASUO shall submit to the Board a joint written report recommending the authorization, establishment, use or elimination of any incidental fee as proscribed in statute. For purposes of conducting an analysis authorized under ORS 352.102(3) and ORS 352.105, the report required by this resolution shall include: (i) the mandatory incidental fees the ASUO requested to be collected; (ii) the process by which the ASUO establishes such fees; (iii) a statement of whether the requested fee amount is different than the previous year, and if so by how much; (iv) the use of such fees; and (v) if requested by the President, an explanation of how the fees are advantageous to the cultural or physical development of students. The report due to the Board pursuant to this resolution must be submitted with sufficient time for analysis and feedback prior to the meeting at which the Board will consider tuition and fees each year. "Sufficient time" shall be determined by the University Secretary, in consultation with the ASUO President and the University President. If the President and ASUO do not jointly agree to the recommendations prior to the date recommendations are to be submitted to the Board, the President and ASUO may separately submit the recommendations to which the parties agree and the recommendations to which the parties do not agree, along with the underlying basis for agreement and disagreement. Nothing in this resolution is intended to affect the appeal rights granted in ORS 352.105(4).

VOTE: Voice Vote Recorded – Ayes carried (no dissention)

DATE: September 11, 2015

Recorded by the University Secretary: