



**Board of Trustees
Business Affairs Committee
November 19, 2019
8:00 am
Chancellor's Boardroom**

Information Item

BAC-9 Tuition and Fees Recommendations

Background Information

In February 2003, the Board of Governors established policy requiring increases in campus-initiated tuition and fees to be set within the context of institutional five-year financial plans, the University's long-range plan, the need for Board-initiated tuition increases, the state's economic environment, and the financial impact on students. The Board's policy further requires fees to remain as low as possible (while also providing the revenues needed to support the purposes for which fees are charged) and requires each chancellor to establish a fee review committee with representatives of all aspects of campus life. Recommendations for tuition and fee increases must be approved by the campus Board of Trustees, upon recommendation of the Chancellor, prior to submission to the Board of Governors.

Chancellor Gilliam appointed a Tuition & Fees Committee to study relevant issues and offer recommendations. Committee composition included six students, four members of the University's professional staff (representing Financial Aid, Financial Planning & Budgets, Institutional Research, and the Office of the Provost), and three faculty members (including the Chair of the Faculty Senate, Chair of the Faculty Budget Committee, and the Faculty Athletics Representative), with the Vice Chancellors for Business Affairs and Student Affairs also serving ex officio. The Vice President of the Student Government Association and the Senior Vice Provost served as Committee Co-Chairs. The Committee's tentative recommendations were shared with the campus community in two campus-wide forums, both of which were widely advertised in social media and through student organizations. The Committee submitted its recommendations to Chancellor Gilliam after considering input received during these forums.

Based on Guidance from the Board of Governors, and following examination of budget and other background information supplied by Business Affairs as well as recommendations from the

Provost and Vice Chancellors and input from administrators who oversee fee-funded functions, the Committee has made recommendations for 2020-2021.

Details about these recommendations will be presented to the full Board of Trustees for its consideration at the November 22, 2019 meeting.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Charles Leffler", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Charles Leffler
Interim Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs