

Resolution No. 23-19

Approval Application of Illinois Resident Tuition Rate To all Residents of the United States and its Territories

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of Governors State University (the "Board") was created on January 1, 1996, by Public Act 89-4 to operate, manage, control, and maintain Governors State University in accordance with the rights, powers, and duties vested by law in the Board; and

WHEREAS, The Board is comprised of eight members, seven of whom are appointed by the Governor of Illinois with the advice and consent of the Senate, and one whom is a Governors State University student selected by student peers; and

WHEREAS, Section 45(5) of the Illinois Governors State University Law, 110 ILCS 670/15 et seq., provides that the Board shall have both the power and duty to fix tuition and fees;

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Board Regulations V(J)(2)-(3) and V(K), Board approval is required to change the rate of tuition;

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Board Regulation V(J)(3), a proposal to change any mandatory fee, which is defined to include "tuition and other fees established by the Board which all students are assessed as a prerequisite for registration unless a waiver or other exemption has been authorized by the Board or statute," must be put to a student referendum before the Board votes on such proposal;

WHEREAS, Board Regulation IV(C) defines "residence" and conditions related to residency status;



WHEREAS, the University currently charges different tuition rates depending on whether a student qualifies as an Illinois resident or not;

WHEREAS, to maintain affordability and competitiveness in an increasingly global and connected environment, President Green recommends that residents of any state or territory of the United States be charged the same tuition rate as that assessed to Illinois residents whether attending remotely or in person;

WHEREAS, The Tuition and Fee Proposal was presented to the Student Senate on January 26, 2023 and the issue was put to a student referendum thereafter;

WHEREAS, The Board carefully considered President Green's proposal to apply the instate resident rate for tuition to all residents of the United States and its territories during a meeting held on February 3, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Being apprised of all relevant factors, the Board has determined that the proposal is in the best interest of the University; therefore, be it:

Resolved, that, effective as of Academic Year 2023-2024, the Board adopts the President's proposal;

Resolved, that all residents of the United States and its Territories shall be eligible for the Illinois resident tuition rate; and



Resolved, that the University administration shall take all reasonable and necessary steps to effectuate this Resolution, including timely publishing a true and accurate tuition and fee schedule incorporating the above changes and modifying policies and procedures as necessary.

Approved February 6, 2023

Angela Sebastian, Chair

Board of Trustees

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