

## Resolution No. 24-19

## Approval of Mandatory Fees for Academic Year 2024-2025

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;

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;

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 amount of tuition, mandatory fees, and special fees;

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, Considering relevant factors such as the increased cost of providing access to an exceptional education, including services and facilities, consistent with the University's mission, as well as the institutional goal of providing affordable access to higher education, President Cheryl Green has recommended to the Board that the Student Center fee be renamed to Student Center &



Recreation fee to better represent the fee usage and that the Student Center & Recreation, Instructional Support, and Technology fees be increased to support current funding priorities as follows:

- A mandatory student center and recreation fee shall be charged to graduate and undergraduate students registered in on-campus program regardless of residency status in the amount of (i) twenty-two dollars (\$22) for per credit hour;
- A mandatory instructional support fee shall be charged to graduate and undergraduate students registered in totally online/off campus programs regardless of residency status in the amount of (i) forty-seven dollars (\$47) for per credit hour;
- A mandatory technology fee shall be charged to graduate and undergraduate students regardless of residency status in the amount of (i) one hundred, fifty dollars (\$150) for students enrolled in one to six credit hours per semester and (ii) three hundred, seventy-five dollars (\$375) for students enrolled in seven or more credit hours per semester;

**WHEREAS**, Existing mandatory student fees for strategic initiative, student support and services, We CARE, and health and wellness would remain the same for Academic Year 2024-2025 under the President's proposal;

**WHEREAS**, The above fee proposal was presented to the Student Senate on February 1, 2024 and a student referendum was held thereafter; and

**WHEREAS**, The Board carefully considered the above fee proposal during a meeting held on February 26, 2024.

Now, therefore, being apprised of all relevant factors, the Board has determined that the above fee Proposal is in the best interest of the University; therefore, be it:



Resolved, that the Board adopts the above fee proposal.

Resolved that, effective July 1, 2024, the mandatory fee Student Center fee be renamed to Student Center & Recreation to better represent the fee usage.

Resolved that, effective July 1, 2024, a mandatory student center and recreation fee shall be charged to graduate and undergraduate students registered in on-campus program regardless of residency status in the amount of (i) twenty-two dollars (\$22) for per credit hour.

Resolved that, effective July 1, 2024, a mandatory instructional support fee shall be charged to graduate and undergraduate students registered in totally online/off campus programs regardless of residency status in the amount of (i) forty-seven dollars (\$47) for per credit hour.

Resolved that, effective July 1, 2024, a mandatory technology fee shall be charged to graduate and undergraduate students regardless of residency status in the amount of (i) one hundred, fifty dollars (\$150) for students enrolled in one to six credit hours per semester and (ii) three hundred, seventy-five dollars (\$375) for students enrolled in seven or more credit hours per semester.

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

Approved February 26, 2024

**Kevin Brookins Chair Pro Tem** 

James Kvedaras

Secretary