FAU
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Florida Atlantic University

Item: V. AF:A-2

Wednesday, July 30, 2008

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO UNIVERSITY REGULATION 8.001 IMPLEMENTING LEGISLATIVE AND BOARD OF GOVERNORS ESTABLISHED INCREASES IN STUDENT TUITION AND FINANCIAL AID FEES FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2008-2009

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Recommend approval of a proposal to authorize the increase in graduate in-state and undergraduate out-of-state tuition; authorize the promulgation of the Tuition and Fee Regulations reflecting the BOT increases; and authorize the promulgation of the Tuition and Fee Regulations reflecting Legislative increases; and authorize the University President to amend the regulations, consistent with Board of Governors' directives and guidelines.

In order to maintain consistency with the Legislative, Board of Governors', and Board of Trustees increases in tuition, the matriculation and non-resident (out-of-state) fees may be adjusted on a net neutral basis.

This was presented and approved during the June 11, 2008 Audit and Finance Committee meeting.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The FAU Board of Trustees has the authority to increase graduate tuition and out-of-state tuition. The University is recommending a six percent increase in graduate in-state tuition and undergraduate out-of-state tuition. These increases will generate approximately $1.4 million.

Graduate in-state tuition was increased five percent in 2007-2008, the same percentage as undergraduate in-state tuition. There were no increases in out-of-state tuition at either the graduate or undergraduate level in 2006-2007 and 2007-2008.

A six percent increase in graduate in-state and undergraduate out-of-state tuition will generate the following amounts:

Graduate In-state	$620,000
Undergraduate Out-of-state	$775,000

An increase in graduate out-of-state tuition is not being recommended this year. Graduate out-of-state tuition in Florida remains among the highest in the country. Additionally, graduate student stipends for those students on assistantships would cost approximately $325,000 of the $380,000 generated.

The six percent increase in graduate tuition is $12.63 per credit hour, or $151.56 per semester for a student taking 12 credit hours. The six percent increase in undergraduate out-of-state tuition is $29.30 per credit hour, or $351.60 per semester for students taking 12 credit hours.

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN/DATE

July 1, 2008.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

These increases will generate approximately $1.4 million.

Supporting Documentation: Proposed Regulation 8.001 Amendment: Chapter 8, Tuition and Fees.

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FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY
NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATION AMENDMENT

Date: June 12, 2008

REGULATION TITLE AND NUMBER: Tuition, Fee Schedule and Percentage of Cost (8.001).

SUMMARY: This Notice supersedes the Notice posted on May 22, 2008.

The Florida Legislature provided a base increase of six percent in undergraduate tuition during the 2008 regular session. The Board of Governors, at their May 8, 2008 meeting, approved a six percent tuition increase in undergraduate tuition. The Florida Legislature has authorized the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees to set graduate tuition. This amendment increases the undergraduate and graduate matriculation fee by six percent, and increases the University Student Health Fee by $1.17 per credit hour, effective for the Fall 2008 semester.

FULL TEXT OF THE REGULATION: The full text of the proposed regulation is attached below to this Notice. The full text of the existing regulation is posted on FAU's website at www.fau.edu/regulations. In addition, the full text of the proposed regulation and current regulation are available upon request to the Office of the General Counsel, which can be contacted at (561) 297-3007 or GeneralCounsel@fau.edu.

AUTHORITY TO AMEND THE REGULATION: Article IX of the Florida Constitution and the Board of Governors Regulation Development Procedure dated July 21, 2005.

UNIVERSITY OFFICIAL INITIATING THE REGULATION AMENDMENT: Dennis Crudele, Associate Vice President of Financial Affairs

COMMENTS CONCERNING THE PROPOSED REGULATION AMENDMENT SHOULD BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 14 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE TO THE CONTACT PERSON IDENTIFIED BELOW. In response, the University may solicit additional written comments, schedule a public hearing, withdraw or modify the proposed regulation amendment in whole or in part after notice, or proceed with adopting the regulation amendment. The comments must identify the regulation(s) on which you are commenting:

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE AMENDMENT/REPEAL OF REGULATIONS IS: Myrlande Dessalines, Paralegal, Office of the General Counsel, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton, Florida, 33431, (561) 297-3007 (phone), (561) 297-2787 (fax), GeneralCounsel@fau.edu.

PROPOSED

Florida Atlantic University

Regulation 8.001 Tuition, Fee Schedule and Percentage of Cost

(1) Tuition costs shall be defined as tuition and fees assessed to students for enrollment in credit courses at Florida Atlantic University. Tuition costs consist of the following tuition and fees, depending on whether a student is a resident or a non-resident:

(a) Resident or in-state tuition costs, comprised of the following, shall be defined as the tuition and fees charged an enrolled student who qualifies as a Florida resident:

1. Matriculation Fee ("Tuition");
2. Student Financial Aid Fee;
3. Capital Improvement Trust Fund Fee;
4. Building Fee;
5. Health Fee;
6. Athletic Fee;
7. Activity and Service Fee; and,
8. University Matriculation Fee.

(b) Non-Resident or out-of-state tuition costs, comprised of the following, shall be defined as the tuition and fees charged an enrolled student who does not qualify as a Florida resident:

1. Matriculation Fee ("Tuition");
2. Non-Resident Fee;
3. Student Financial Aid Fee;
4. Non-Resident Student Financial Aid Fee;
5. Capital Improvement Trust Fund Fee;
6. Building Fee;
7. Health Fee;
8. Athletic Fee;
9. Activity and Service Fee;
10. University Matriculation Fee; and,
11. University Non-Resident Fee.

(2) Registration shall be defined as consisting of three components:

(a) Formal selection of one or more credit courses approved and scheduled by the University; and,

(b) Tuition costs payment, partial or otherwise, or other appropriate arrangements for tuition costs payment (installment payment plans, deferment, or third party billing) for the courses in which the student is enrolled as of the end of the drop/add period; and,

(c) Provision of background information where appropriate.

(3) Tuition liability or fee liability shall be defined as the liability for the payment of tuition and fees incurred at the point at which the student has completed registration, as defined above.

(4) The following tuition and fees shall be levied and collected effective the ~~Spring 2008~~ Fall 2008 semester for each student regularly enrolled.

(a) Students enrolled in programs at Florida Atlantic University will be assessed the following tuition and fees per credit hour *:

	~~Undergraduate~~		~~Graduate~~	
	~~In-State~~	~~Out-of-State~~	~~In-State~~	~~Out-of-State~~
~~Matriculation Fee~~	~~$ 77.39~~	~~$ 77.39~~	~~$ 210.61~~	~~$ 210.61~~
~~Non-Resident Fee~~	~~$ -~~	~~$ 411.05~~	~~$ -~~	~~$ 627.36~~
~~Student Financial Aid Fee~~	~~$ 3.79~~	~~$ 24.41~~	~~$ 10.52~~	~~$ 41.89~~
~~Capital Improvement Fee~~	~~$ 2.44~~	~~$ 2.44~~	~~$ 2.44~~	~~$ 2.44~~
~~Building Fee~~	~~$ 2.32~~	~~$ 2.32~~	~~$ 2.32~~	~~$ 2.32~~
~~Activity & Service Fee~~	~~$ 10.00~~	~~$ 10.00~~	~~$ 10.00~~	~~$ 10.00~~
~~Health Fee~~	~~$ 6.33~~	~~$ 6.33~~	~~$ 6.33~~	~~$ 6.33~~
~~Athletic Fee~~	~~$ 13.75~~	~~$ 13.75~~	~~$ 13.75~~	~~$ 13.75~~
~~Total Per Credit Hour~~	~~$ 116.02~~	~~$ 547.69~~	~~$ 255.97~~	~~$ 914.70~~

	Undergraduate		Graduate	
	In-State	Out-of-State	In-State	Out-of-State
Matriculation Fee (“Tuition”)	$ 82.03	$ 82.03	$ 223.24	$ 223.24
Non-Resident Fee	$ -	$ 435.71	$ -	$ 614.73
Student Financial Aid Fee	$ 4.02	$ 25.87	$ 11.15	$ 41.89
Capital Improvement Fee	$ 2.44	$ 2.44	$ 2.44	$ 2.44
Building Fee	$ 2.32	$ 2.32	$ 2.32	$ 2.32
Activity & Service Fee	$ 10.00	$ 10.00	$ 10.00	$ 10.00
Health Fee	$ 7.50	$ 7.50	$ 7.50	$ 7.50
Athletic Fee	$ 13.75	$ 13.75	$ 13.75	$ 13.75
Total Per Credit Hour	$ 122.06	$ 579.62	$ 270.40	$ 915.87

* This schedule does not include all fees that students will be charged.

(b) Students enrolled in medical programs may be charged additional fees as prescribed by the Medical Partnership Program.

(c) Each student enrolled in the same undergraduate course more than twice, shall be assessed an additional ~~$179.88~~ $175.84 per credit hour charge in addition to the fees outlined above for each such course.

(5) The following process shall be used to determine the percentage of cost paid by students for setting the matriculation and non-resident fees.

(a) The most recent expenditure analysis, developed in compliance with Florida Statutes, will be used as the base for the full expenditure by level of instruction. Fundable credit hours estimated by the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees, for the year prior to the effective date of the fees, will be used for the enrollment base for each level. Expenditures for each level of instruction will be adjusted by using the percentage change in the total expenditures reported in the expenditure analysis as compared to the estimated total expenditures for the year prior to the effective date of the fees.

(b) The adjusted expenditures for each level of instruction will be divided by the credit hours to obtain the full expenditure per credit hour. The percentage of cost paid by students will be determined by finding the percentage the Matriculation Fee is of the full expenditure per credit hour, by level, for resident students; and by finding the percentage the sum of the Matriculation Fee and the Non-Resident Fee is of the full expenditure per credit hour, by level, for non-resident students.

Specific Authority: Florida Board of Governors Resolution dated January 7, 2003; Florida General Appropriations Act, 2007-2008, S.B. 2800 (2007). History: New- 9-30-2002, Amended- 7-15-2004, 9-14-2005, 6-28-2006, 6-30-2007, 7- -2008.