

NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE STUDY OF AFFORDABLE AND PREDICTABLE TUITION AND REGISTRATION FEES 2018-19

WHEREAS, the Nevada Student Alliance represents all 105,000+ students in the Nevada System of Higher Education; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada Student Alliance is comprised of elected representatives from all NSHE institutions, whose numerous responsibilities include lobbying and voicing student concerns to their elected officials at the local, state, and federal levels; and

WHEREAS, Board of Regents policy sets forth guiding principles for establishing tuition and fee rates that include "...maintaining affordability by ensuring that all students can enroll at a NSHE institution by virtue of the cost of attendance and an appropriate financial aid package;" and

WHEREAS, the guiding principles also provide that "…increases in tuition and fees shall be predictable and managed so that the quality of education is not compromised to the extent this is feasible"; and

WHEREAS, for more than two decades Board-approved tuition and registration fee rates for students at NSHE institutions have routinely increased; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada Student Alliance representatives assert that affordable and predictable tuition and registration fee rates should be the right of the students; and

WHEREAS, on June 8, 2018 the Board of Regents approved a 4.0% increase of tuition and registration fee rates for 2019-20 and 2020-21, despite campus forums organized around an expected increase of 1.8%;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Nevada Student Alliance, on behalf of the students of NSHE:

- Requests the Board of Regents, Chancellor and Institutional Presidents to study options for establishing affordable and predictable tuition and registration fee rates; and
- Urges members of the Nevada Student Alliance to actively engage with their institutional leadership to collaboratively craft solutions centered around the student experience; and
- Urges NSHE institutional leadership to actively engage with the Board of Regents and Chancellor to determine solutions supporting affordability and predictability of tuition and registration fee rates; and

Urges the Nevada Board of Regents and NSHE Chancellor to include student leaders in the work • to identify solutions and policies to ensure affordability and predictability in tuition and registration fee rates across the Nevada System of Higher Education.

ADOPTED by the Nevada Student Alliance on this 13th day of July 2018.

Attest:



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