Academic Senate of The California State University

ASCSU Position on Tuition Policy Proposal

- RESOLVED, That the Academic Senate of the California State University (ASCSU) support the move to create a Tuition Policy proposal before the Board of Trustees of the California State University at their September 10-13 meeting; and be it
- 2. **RESOLVED**: That the ASCSU request that the Board of Trustees defer the vote on the Multi-Year Tuition Proposal until the impact of such a tuition increase on enrollments and diversity has been analyzed and reported upon; and be it
- 3. RESOLVED: That the ASCSU request the Chancellor's Office never bring future tuition increases to the Board of Trustees for a first reading during May or July Board of Trustees meetings so that robust student and faculty input can be obtained via the regular shared-governance procedure; and be it
- 4. **RESOLVED**: That the ASCSU distribute this resolution to:

CSU Board of Trustees

CSU Chancellor

CSU campus Presidents

CSU campus Senate Chairs

CSU campus Senate Executive Committees

California State Student Association (CSSA)

CSU Emeritus and Retired Faculty & Staff Association (CSU-ERFSA).

Rationale

The Board of Trustees of the California State University (CSU) has on their agenda for the September 10-13 meeting a vote on a CSU Tuition Policy and another vote on a Multi-Year Tuition Proposal as part of a combination resolution:

https://www.calstate.edu/csu-system/board-of-trustees/past-meetings/2023/Documents

/FULL-BINDER-sep-10-13.pdf (see pages 138-140 for the Tuition Policy agenda item and

pages 141-152 for the resolution that includes a 5-year, 6% tuition increase per year proposal netting a 33.8% tuition increase across the year 2024 thru 2029 timeframe).

It may be important for the timing of the vote on the Multi-Year Tuition Proposal to happen early within an academic year to give applicants information about what they will be facing. However, the choice to bring this to the Board of Trustees for the first time in July, when classes are not in session doesn't allow robust feedback from students and faculty before a September vote by the Board of Trustees. The ASCSU does not meet between May and September and, similarly, CSSA doesn't meet as a full body over the Summer to consider such issues and provide input to the Trustees.