Western Carolina University Tuition and Fee Committee Convening Fall 2023

<u>Purpose</u>: To review tuition and fee increase proposals, actively solicit student input on these proposals, make recommendations to the Chancellor, and certify student involvement in the process.

<u>Authority</u>: This committee is empowered to act under UNC policy 1000.1.1, 1000.1.2, and the recommendations of the 2010-11 UNC Task Force on Tuition and Fees.

<u>Membership</u>: Consistent with UNC system policies, each fall term WCU establishes the Tuition and Fee Committee. At WCU this committee includes student representatives as well as individuals from the faculty, staff and specific functional areas (e.g., financial aid, budget office, etc.).

Sam Miller (Co-Chair) Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs

Kia Asberg Faculty Senate
Morgan Burnett Budget Office
Linda Davis Provost Office
Emily Giarette Staff Senate

Trina Orr Director of Financial Aid

Student Members

CJ Mitchell (Co-Chair) President, Student Government Association

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Sam Cassedy Graduate Student Allem Rojas Student At Large

Non-Voting/Advisory Members

Brandon Teague

Betsy Aspinwall Interim, Dean of Students
Brady Proffitt Bursar/Student Accounts

Timeline:

SEPTEMBER

- Tuition and Fee Committee is appointed. The following Core Principles should guide discussions of Tuition and Fee requests: Collaboration, Inclusiveness, Transparency, Timeliness, and Accountability.
- Committee plans opportunities for students to have input into the process and it reviews budget materials presented by the administration.

OCTOBER & NOVEMBER

- Committee gathers and considers student feedback.
- Recommendations for campus-based tuition and fees must be completed for discussion at the annual Board of Trustees retreat scheduled for November 1-3, 2023
- Recommendations for campus-based tuition and fees must be completed for discussion at the Chancellor's Leadership Council meeting scheduled for ??? 2023

• Recommendations on proposed increases are finalized and submitted to the Chancellor and Executive Council on November 14, 2023.

DECEMBER:

- The Co-Chairs report on the Committee's work to the Board of Trustees at their meeting scheduled for December 15, 2023, which must then approve the proposed tuition and fees request.
- The Board approved request must be submitted to the General Administration and the Board of Governors in December 2023.

JANUARY:

• Tuition and Fee requests will be reviewed and discussed at the BOG meeting at the January 2024 meeting.

FEBRUARY:

• All UNC System Tuition and Fee requests approved by the BOG at their February 2024 meeting.