



Resolution against the California State University System 2018-19 Tuition Increase

WHEREAS, the Associated Students Incorporated (ASI) at California State University, San Bernardino (CSUSB) is the single recognized voice of more than 20,000 students enrolled at CSUSB's San Bernardino campus and Palm Desert campus; and

WHEREAS, in March 2017, the California State University Board of Trustees approved a \$270 tuition increase for undergraduate students, a \$312 tuition increase for credential students, and a \$438 tuition increase for graduate students to be implemented for the 2017-2018 academic year; and

WHEREAS, on November 21, 2017, the California State University Chancellor's Office proposed a \$228 tuition increase for resident undergraduate students, \$20 quarter unit increase for non-resident undergraduate students to be implemented for the 2018-2019 academic year, \$264 tuition increase for full-time credential students, and a \$432 tuition increase for full-time graduate students; and

WHEREAS, CSUSB tuition and fees would rise to an approximate cost of \$7,113 for full time undergraduate students, \$13, 923 for full-time non-resident undergraduates, \$8,067 for full-time credential students, and \$8,751 for full-time graduate students; and

WHEREAS, 63% of CSUSB students are low-income students 84% are full-time students, and 81% of CSUSB students are first generation college students; and

WHEREAS, a student needs at least 180 units to graduate from CSUSB with an undergraduate degree and a student enrolled in fall, winter, and spring quarters would need to take an average number of 15 units per quarter to graduate within four years; and

WHEREAS, for every hour a student spends in class, they are expected to spend two additional hours studying and a student with 15 units is expected to spend 45 hours between class and studying; and

WHEREAS, a one bedroom apartment in San Bernardino costs approximately \$723 per month which would be \$8,676 per year; and

WHEREAS, a student working one minimum wage, part-time job in California at twenty hours a week would earn under \$11,500 in one year; and

WHEREAS, a resident undergraduate student would need to earn at least \$15,800 to afford tuition and rent, but this does not cover other cost of living and educational expenses; now therefore be it



RESOLVED, the ASI at CSUSB stands with its students in opposition to the tuition increase proposed by the California State University Chancellor's Office; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the ASI at CSUSB will fulfill its obligations to keep the student body informed on the potential tuition increase through email, social media, and interpersonal communication; and be it further

RESOLVED, the ASI Lobby Corps under the corporation will lobby on behalf of the student body in opposition of the tuition increase to state legislators; and be it further

RESOLVED, the ASI at CSUSB encourages the California State University Board of Trustees to find alternate sources of funding so that a financial burden is not placed on the students; and be it further

RESOLVED, the ASI at CSUSB encourages the California State University System to increase lobbying efforts in Sacramento regarding state funding; and be it further

RESOLVED, the ASI at CSUSB calls upon the California State University Board of Trustees to cease any tuition increase if the state of California meets the budget request of the California State University System; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be distributed to the California State University Chancellor Timothy White, the California State University Board of Trustees, the President and the Chair of the California State Student Association, CSUSB President Tomás Morales, CSUSB Faculty Senate, CSUSB Staff Council, CSUSB Provost Shari McMahan, CSUSB Vice President for Student Affairs Brian Haynes, CSUSB Vice President for Administration & Finance Doug Freer, and the Santos Manuel Student Union Board of Directors.

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