

Connecticut State University System



# RESOLUTION

concerning

# AMENDMENT TO OUT-OF-STATE TUITION FOR WESTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY MASTER OF FINE ARTS PROGRAM

### May 7, 2004

- WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees under its statutory authority CGS 10a-99 reviews and establishes fees for such purposes as the Board of Trustees deems necessary, and
- WHEREAS, When FY2004-05 tuition and fee rates were approved in December of 2003, the out-of-state tuition for Western Connecticut State University Master of Fine Arts program was inadvertently understated, therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That out-of-state tuition for Western Connecticut State University Master of Fine Arts program for FY2004-05 will be set at \$10,950, and be it further
- RESOLVED, That Board Resolution #03-64 is amended to reflect this change.

A Certified True Copy:

William J. Cibes, Jr. Chancellor

#### ITEM

Amendment to out-of-state tuition for Western Connecticut State University's Master of Fine Arts Program

## BACKGROUND

The Board of Trustees under its statutory authority - CGS 10a-99 - reviews and establishes fees annually for such purposes as the Board of Trustees deems necessary. Recommendations are developed through a process that involves discussions among university and System Office management and Trustees. Discussions generally focus upon issues relating to university programmatic needs and priorities, the cost to students, the economy, political considerations, and other factors. Additionally, students are advised of the proposed tuition and fee recommendations and voice their concurrence or non-concurrence. Tuition and fees for FY2005 were approved by the Board of Trustees in December of 2003.

# ANALYSIS

This action amends the out-of-state tuition rate for FY2005 for the Master of Fine Arts (MFA) program at Western, which was approved by the Board of Trustees in December of 2003 as part of BR#03-64. The university has requested that the tuition for the MFA program be increased to \$10,950, in line with out-of-state graduate tuition for its other programs, since the MFA program is a higher-cost program than other graduate programs. In December, out-of-state graduate tuition was approved at \$10,449; however, the tuition for the MFA program for out-of-state students was inadvertently submitted at \$9,850. This action will correct this oversight, and result in an increase of 13.7% to out-of-state MFA tuition.

## CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION

Approve the amendment to out-of-state tuition for Western's Master of Fine Arts program.