

**Tuition and Fee Advisory Committee (TFAC)  
December 6, 2018  
Werner University Center, Rogue Room  
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM**

**Minutes**

**I. CALL-TO-ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 13:02. Present:

- Hamid Bahari-Kashani
- Nicholas Burgess (FA Intern)
- Camarie Campfield
- Reina Daugherty (Assistant to the Vice President of Finance)
- Rex Fuller (University President)
- Evelyn Guzman
- Ana Karaman
- Becka Morgan
- Erik Morgan
- Christeena Whitfield (Controller)

**II. PRESIDENT'S WELCOME**

President Rex Fuller gave an introductory speech on what the University is working on in regards to the gap in tuition revenue and state funds being allocated for the university. President Fuller was adamant on reiterating that Western Oregon University strives to be a Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI) and the most affordable public University in the state of Oregon. It was also mentioned that [PERS](#) will cost the University \$2.2 million for 2019. It was also noted that a 5% increase in tuition could cover this expense.

**III. INTRODUCTIONS & ROLE OF COMMITTEE**

Everyone in the room was formally introduced as there were some members who were new to the committee. It was noted that this committee and all meeting materials were formed in compliance with [HB4141](#).

#### IV. TFAC WEBPAGE

The original name of this committee was 'Tuition Advisory Committee', however, since the abbreviation clashed with another committee's name, it has been changed to 'Tuition and Fees Advisory Committee'. This change also reflects a more accurate description of the committee. Note that per the website the committee's name it is still abbreviated 'tac'.

#### V. BUDGET MANAGER PRESENTATION

The presentation prepared by the budget manager Camarie Campfield and the FA intern Nicholas Burgess presented the following topics with detailed information:

- Student Success and Completion Model (4 years)*
- Enrollment (20 years)*
- Revenues (20 years)*
- Education and General Fund*
- FY18 Revenues and Expenses*
- Historical Revenue and Fund Data (20 years)*
- Oregon Universities Tuition Comparison*
- WOU Historical Tuition Rates*

A link to this presentation can be found [here](#).

#### VI. NEXT STEPS/LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

It was noted that the committee would like to see variance modeling depending on the income level of students. This is important because if the correct data can be accessed it can give an accurate number for out of pocket costs for low-income students (after remissions) and it can also give an accurate number for the cost to non-low-income students. Variance modeling will be used in order to be able to manipulate the outcome of costs depending on certain changeable factors, such as tuition increase or decrease.

**VII. OPEN FORUM/SURVEY/LEAVE A COMMENT PLANNING**

Dr. Hamid Bahari-Kashani asked about the impact of financial aid distribution to the students vs. how that can impact the University negatively.

The next TFAC meeting will be held on February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Further budget planning dates can be found on the TFAC website, which can be accessed [here](#).

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 14:08.