MEMORANDUM

November 20, 2019

TO: Members of the Board of Trustees

FROM: Kristina M. Johnson, Chancellor

SUBJECT: Update to College Fee Policy

Action Requested

The proposed resolution finalizes rulemaking for the State University of New York’s College Fee Policy, Document 7800. Approval of this resolution will make a technical correction regarding the current amount of the college fee levied at the non-University Center State-operated campuses.

Resolution

I recommend that the Board of Trustees adopt the following resolution:

Resolved that section 302.3 of Title 8 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules, and Regulations of the State of New York, be and hereby is amended to read as follows (brackets denote old material to be deleted; underlining denotes new material to be added).

302.3 College fees.

Effective with respect to the [2016-17] 2019/20 academic year and thereafter, there shall be collected a college fee in the amount of [$12.50] $25.00 a semester or [$8.50] $17.00 a quarter from all full-time students and [85 cents] $1.70 a semester credit hour and [55 cents] $1.10 a quarter credit hour from all special students at all State-operated institutions of the University except for those full-time or special students attending the University at Albany, Binghamton University, Stony Brook University, or the University at Buffalo, where the amount collected for the college fee shall be $62.50 a semester or $42.50 a quarter from full-time students and
$4.25 a semester credit hour and $2.75 a quarter credit hour from special students. With the exception of the fixed fees to be charged at the University at Albany, Binghamton University, Stony Brook University and the University at Buffalo, college fees shall be set by each institution at this maximum amount.

Background

This resolution finalizes the rulemaking process related to the State University of New York’s College Fee. The Board of Trustees previously adopted these amendments on an emergency basis at its June 2019 meeting, which served as notice that the level of this fee had been changed at the State-operated campuses. As part of the rulemaking process, the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking was published in the State Register on September 4, 2019 and, to date, no comments have been received. The rulemaking process will conclude with the publication of the Notice of Adoption in the State Register on December 11, 2019.

The College Fee at SUNY’s 25 State-operated campuses was raised from $25.00 to $50.00 starting on July 1, 2019. This increase was approved by System Administration as part of the annual Broad Based Fee review process and this change is intended to bring the policy in line with approved levels of fees.

The College Fee remains $125.00 at all four university centers.