EXCERPT of Regulation 7.003 Fees, Fines and Penalties Dealing with Increases to Certain Existing Fees and New Fees.

INCREASES TO CERTAIN EXISTING FEES:
(2) Each university board of trustees is authorized to assess the following fees at the statutory amounts listed:

(a) Security / Access / Identification Card, Duplicate Security / Access / Identification Card, Fee Card, or Passbook:
   1. Annual – cost up to $10.00.
   2. All duplicates – cost up to $15.00
(b) Orientation Fee – up to $35.00.
(c) Admissions Deposit – Up to $200. The admissions deposit shall be imposed at the time of an applicant’s acceptance to the university and shall be applied toward tuition upon registration and budgeted in the Student and Other Fee Trust Fund. In the event the applicant does not enroll in the university, the admissions deposit shall be budgeted in an auxiliary account of the university and used to expand financial assistance, scholarships, student academic and career counseling services, and admission services at the university.
(d) Transcript Fee – per item; up to $10.00.
(e) Diploma Replacement Fee – per item; up to $10.00.
(f) Service Charge – up to $15.00 for the payment of tuition and fees in installments.
(g) Audit Registration Fees – Audit registration assures a course space for the student; however, no grade is awarded. This fee is the same as the tuition and associated fees provided in Regulation 7.001. Budgeting of fee proceeds shall be in the Student and Other Fee Trust Fund.
(h) Registration of Zero Hours – Such registration provides for examinations, graduations, use of facilities, etc., when deemed appropriate by the institution. The student is assessed tuition and associated fees for one credit hour. The Zero Credit Fee shall be budgeted in the Student and Other Fee Trust Fund.
(i) Application Fee – Individuals who make application for admission to universities within the State University System shall pay a non-refundable Application Fee of not more than $30.00. The fee shall be budgeted in the Student and Other Fee Trust Fund. Provisions may be made to waive the application fee as specified by the university.
(j) Late Registration Fee – Universities shall assess a Late Registration Fee to students who fail to register before the end of the regular registration period. This fee may also be assessed to students reinstated after their course schedules were cancelled due to non-payment of fees. The fee shall be not less than $50 nor more than $100 with a minimum of 50 percent budgeted to the Student and Other Fee Trust Funds and the balance
budgeted in an Auxiliary Trust Fund. Provisions may be made to waive the Late Registration Fee as specified by the university.

(k) Late Payment Fee -- Universities may assess a Late Payment Fee to students who fail to pay, or make appropriate arrangements for payment (installment payment, deferment, or third-party billing), of tuition and associated fees by the deadline set by each university. The fee shall be not less than $50 nor more than $100 with a minimum of 50 percent budgeted to the Student and Other Fee Trust Fund and the balance budgeted in an Auxiliary Trust Fund. Provisions may be made to waive the Late Payment Fee as specified by the university.

(3) Before the Board’s last meeting of each calendar year, the university board of trustees shall notify the Board of any potential increases in fees outlined in subparagraph (2). A university board of trustees may then submit a proposal for an increase in that fee to the Board of Governors’ budget committee by January 15 for consideration by the committee during a February meeting.

(a) The proposal shall be submitted in a format designated by the Chancellor and include at a minimum:
1. The current and proposed increase to the fee and a description of the process used to determine the need for the increase, including any student involvement.
2. The service or operation currently being funded by the fee.
3. An analysis of whether the service or operation can be performed more efficiently to alleviate the need for any increase.
4. The additional or enhanced service or operation to be implemented.
5. Identification of other resources that could be used to meet this need.
6. The financial impact on students, including those with financial need.
7. The current revenue collected and expenditures from the current fee.
8. The estimated revenue to be collected and expenditures for the fee increase.

(b) The Board will act upon the budget committee recommendation at the next scheduled meeting.

(c) An increase in these fees can only be implemented with the fall term.

(d) Every five years the university board of trustees shall review the fee increase to determine if the fee has met its intended outcomes and whether the fee should be increased, decreased or discontinued. The university board of trustees shall submit its findings to the Board. Any subsequent decreases or continuation in these fees are delegated to the university board of trustees, with notification to the Chancellor.

NEW FEES:
(23) Before the Board’s last meeting of each calendar year, the university board of trustees shall notify the Board of any potential new fees that are being considered by the university. A university board of trustees may then submit a proposal for
a new fee not currently authorized in Board regulation or statute to the Board of Governors’ budget committee by January 15 for consideration by the committee during a February meeting.

(a) The proposal shall be submitted in a format designated by the Chancellor, and include at a minimum:
1. The purpose to be served or accomplished with the fee.
2. The demonstrable student-based need for the fee that is currently not being met through existing university services, operations or another fee.
3. The process used to assure substantial student input or involvement.
4. Any proposed restrictions, limitations, or conditions to be placed on the fee.
5. The financial impact of the fee on students, including those with financial need.
6. The estimated revenue to be collected and proposed expenditures for the new fee.
7. The outcome measures that will be implemented to determine when the purpose of the fee will be accomplished.

(b) The aggregate sum of any fees approved by the Board that a student is required to pay to register for a course shall not exceed 10 percent of tuition. All other fees shall be based on cost.

(c) The fee can only be implemented in the fall term.

(d) The revenue generated by this fee may not be transferred to an auxiliary enterprise or a direct-support organization and may not be used to pay or secure debt.

(e) The university shall account for the revenue and detailed expenditures of this fee in the Annual Report.

(f) Once the Board approves a fee under this section, a university fee committee shall be established similar to other existing fee committees.

(g) The Board will act upon the budget committee recommendation at the next scheduled meeting.

(h) Every five years the university board of trustees shall review the fee to determine if the fee has met its intended outcomes and whether the fee should be increased, decreased or discontinued. The university board of trustees shall submit its findings to the Board. Any subsequent decreases or continuation in these fees are delegated to the university board of trustees, with notification to the Chancellor.

(i) If a university board of trustees’ proposal is denied, within five days the university board of trustees may request reconsideration by the Board’s Tuition Appeals Committee, which shall consist of the Chair of the Board and the Chair of each Board committee. The Tuition Appeals Committee will meet within ten days after the Board of Governors denial to consider a university board of trustees request for reconsideration.