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## RECOMMENDED TUITION AND FEE SCHEDULE BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1968

February 2, 1968

### RESOLUTION passed:

- (1) That tuition for in-state students be maintained for the present at \$100 per year.
- (2) That tuition for out-of-state students be raised from \$100 to \$400 per year effective September 1968.
- (3) That room rate per student per year in existing state-owned dormitories be raised from \$200 effective September 1968 as follows:
  - \$250 if four students are housed in one room;
  - \$275 if three students in a room;
  - \$300 if two students in a room.
- (4) That board rate per year be raised from \$430 to \$480.



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February 2, 1968

TO: The Board of Trustees  
FROM: The Planning Committee  
SUBJECT: Recommended Tuition and Fee Schedule Beginning September 1968

Introduction

On December 15 the Planning Committee tentatively adopted and decided to recommend to the Board of Trustees a schedule of tuition and fee changes effective September 1968. The decision of the Planning Committee was shared in a preliminary way with Dr. Hill.

Dr. Hill placed the information transmitted to him before a session of the Fiscal Policy Committee of CHE with results that are set forth in the attached copy of a letter from Hill to Smith of January 4. The letter embodied a recommendation from Dr. Hill and the CHE Committee that the Board of Trustees withhold action on proposed adjustments in tuition and fees until the February 2 meeting. Meantime the CHE staff, working with the CHE Fiscal Policy Committee, would make the beginnings of a fee study (which it felt committed to make) and would produce a report that could be used for guidance by the Board of Trustees in taking formal action on tuition and fee adjustments on February 2.

On January 19, in their regular monthly meeting, the presidents of the state colleges discussed tuition and fee adjustments and the CHE study with Dr. Hill and Dr. Bokelman of CHE. The presidents subsequently made recommendations to the Planning Committee.

Dr. Hill also sent recommendations from the Fiscal Policy Committee of the Commission (See attached copy of letter of January 23 from Hill to Smith.)

Committee Recommendations

After studying and discussing the pertinent documents and recommendations,

including the CHE fee and tuition study, the Planning Committee recommends to the Board of Trustees that:

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#### Reasons for Recommendations

A most important consideration in recommending that tuition be held at \$100 a year for the present revolves about the historic concept of free or low tuition in public institutions of higher education. Since the state college system in Connecticut is a part of a larger public college system involving, besides the University, the regional community colleges and the technical colleges, what should the tuition policy be? Should the state colleges start tuition escalation at a time when the public colleges are in effect reaching out to involve new thousands of the population, including so-called underprivileged groups, who have not hitherto been widely involved in higher education? Should not the Commission for Higher Education be given time to develop a policy position in this area and to develop the leadership that can come from its coordinating responsibility?

The Planning Committee is well aware that increased tuition charges would reflect the pattern of rising costs prevalent throughout the world of higher education. The Committee is acutely aware that increased tuition is the method, under present arrangements, to help pay for an increasing number of dormitories and other student facilities. Hence, in recommending that the CHE be given time and encouragement to develop a policy position on tuition charges in the Connecticut system, the Committee is also suggesting that the CHE explore the possibility of devising alternative and/or supplementary means of financing the so-called self-liquidating facilities.

In recommending a tuition differential for out-of-state students, the Committee is endorsing a practice prevalent in other states. The median "tuition and fees" charged Connecticut students in other states is higher than \$400 per year. (The median is \$600 for the 230 public four-year

colleges and universities belonging to The Association of State Colleges and Universities.) But the Committee and the presidents believe that a jump from \$100 to \$400 is enough adjustment at one time.

Finally, in recommending changes in rates for room and board, the Committee has endorsed the recommendations as presented by the presidents with the understanding that the increased rates are necessary to balance increased dormitory and food costs. The presidents specified that the designated room charges not apply to rooms in dormitories completed after July 1, 1968, and not apply to "housekeeping units". Charges for these would be recommended to the Board sometime later.



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## COMMISSION FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

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January 4, 1967

Dr. Eugene Smith  
Executive Director  
Board of Trustees for State Colleges  
80 Pratt Street  
Hartford, Connecticut

Dear Dr. Smith:

In a closed session yesterday morning the Fiscal Policy Committee reviewed a number of matters including the statement you gave me concerning the proposed tuition and fee increases at the State Colleges. The Commission asked me to inform you of the following matters.

1. The fact that the Commission greatly appreciates your sharing this matter with us at this stage rather than your Board taking the unilateral action which it might well take under a literal interpretation of Public Act 330.
2. Indicate to you that the Commission is aware of catalogue publishing requirements and wants me to ascertain with you what your particular time schedules in the State Colleges are. In reviewing the entire matter of fees, the Commission wishes to put no handicap on you that can be avoided.
3. Asked you and your Board to hold up this report at this time inasmuch as the Commission is prepared to launch immediately the fee study which it indicated to the last session of the Legislature would be carried out during the biennium.

It would be my hope and the plan of this office that the following schedule might be observed:

- a) The Commission office would gather information about tuition and fees of the public institution in the State with such relevant background information that can be obtained with reference to similar fees in other states or in private institutions. This report, together with a statement of staff recommendations and a rationale for them, would be provided the Commission's Fiscal Policy Committee on January 18.
- b) Your office would be involved in and informed about the report as it was being prepared and after the Fiscal Policy Committee (FPC) had acted on it on January 18, would formally receive a copy of it indicating that the Committee will be recommending the report to the February 6 meeting of the Commission. I would urge you to be present with such other persons as you might wish to involve at that

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part of the January 18 meeting that this matter is being discussed.

- c) Your Board of Trustees could, on February 2, make an official recommendation and a proposal for fee increases knowing the Commission's basic attitude toward them.
- d) The Commission, at its February 6 meeting would be in a position to accept and approve the recommendations being made.

This is a rather tight schedule and one which needs to be discussed with Mr. McGannon and Mr. Jeffries. Copies of this communication will be sent to both and I will seek an opportunity to talk with these gentlemen as soon as possible with regard to this important matter.

Sincerely,

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Warren G. Hill  
Director of Higher Education

cc: Mr. Donald H. McGannon  
Mr. Robert J. Jeffries  
Mr. W. R. Bokelman

## INTERDEPARTMENT MAIL

January 23, 1968

TO	Dr. J. Eugene Smith, Executive Director	DEPARTMENT	Bd. of Trustees for State Colleges
FROM	W. G. Hill, Director for Higher Education	DEPARTMENT	Commission for Higher Education
SUBJECT	Tuition and fees, State Colleges		

In your letter of December 29, 1967, you shared with the Commission the problem being faced by the State Colleges in financing dormitories and other auxiliary facilities and the proposed adjustment of charges for tuition and fees, room and board to more adequately provide the necessary financing. The Commission appreciates that you have identified this problem, since it is definitely a matter of concern to the higher education system of Connecticut.

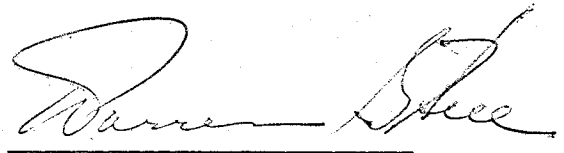
At a meeting on January 18, the Fiscal Policy Committee of the Commission considered this matter of student charges at the State Colleges. While this Committee is not in the position to speak for the full Commission, they asked that these Committee recommendations be forwarded to you for consideration by the Board of Trustees for the State Colleges.

Effective September, 1968:

1. That the tuition rate for in-state students remain at its present level, \$100 for the academic year.
2. That the tuition rate for out-of-state students be increased to \$590 for the academic year.
3. That the combined room and board rate be increased to \$785 for the academic year, with specific provisions incorporated to assist needy students in meeting these charges.

Concerns were voiced because of inadequate knowledge of the history of financing auxiliary facilities in State Colleges. How was this fund built up? Where did the money come from at its inception? What are the operating costs for auxiliary facilities in State Colleges, particularly dormitories and food service? Are they being subsidized from State appropriations at this time? If so, how much?

The Committee will be interested in working out a method for cooperatively finding the answers to these questions as a more consistent pattern of assessment of student charges is made throughout the higher education system.



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PROPOSED RISE IN TUITION AND FEES  
TO BEGIN SEPTEMBER 1968

The Planning Committee of the Board of Trustees has had under consideration for several months a rise in tuition and fees in the State Colleges for September 1968.

The Committee has concluded that the rising costs of operating dormitories and other student facilities, and the need for amortizing the cost of an increasing number of such facilities, make necessary an adjustment in tuition and fees. The proposed schedule of increases is attached and was drawn up after study and also after a comparison with fees prevalent among other public institutions of higher education.

The need for changes in the tuition rate for courses given in extension and summer school is currently under study. A report will be submitted later.

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CONNECTICUT STATE COLLEGES

PROPOSED TUITION AND FEE SCHEDULE BEGINNING SEPTEMBER, 1968

	<u>1967-68</u>	<u>Proposed for 1968-69</u>	<u>ASCU* Median for 1967-68</u>	<u>NASULGC** Median for 1967-68</u>
1. Tuition per year for in-state students	\$100	\$200	\$260***	\$351.50***
2. Tuition per year for out-of-state students	\$100	\$400	\$600	\$850
3. Dormitory Room Rate per year	\$200	\$300 minimum	\$292	\$288
4. Board Rate per year	\$430	\$480	\$408	\$470

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\*The Association of State Colleges and Universities is an organization of 230 public four-year colleges and universities in 43 states, Washington, D.C., and Guam. Many of its members evolved from former teacher training colleges.

\*\*The National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges is an organization of 99 land-grant institutions and major state universities in the 50 states and Puerto Rico.

\*\*\*The median tuition figures are for "Tuition and Required Fees".