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FY2011 Operating Budget

Supplemental Packet

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Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

FY2011 ANNUAL UNDERGRADUATE TUITION AND FEES RATES Based on Full Year Equivalent (30 credits)

Institution	Base Rates Approved by the Board of Trustees						FY2011 Tuition & Fee \$ Change*
	FY2010 Annual Tuition	FY2011 Annual Tuition	FY2011 Annual Tuition Increase	FY2010 Annual Tuition & Fees*	FY2011 Annual Tuition & Fees*	FY2011 Annual Tuition & Fee Increase*	

STATE COLLEGES							
Alexandria Technical College	\$4,249	\$4,464	\$215	\$4,746	\$4,991	\$245	\$8.15
Anoka-Ramsey Community College	\$3,806	\$4,021	\$215	\$4,310	\$4,589	\$279	\$9.28
Anoka Technical College	\$4,417	\$4,632	\$214	\$4,816	\$5,031	\$214	\$7.15
Central Lakes College	\$4,198	\$4,413	\$215	\$4,795	\$5,018	\$223	\$7.42
Century College	\$4,253	\$4,467	\$215	\$4,780	\$5,024	\$245	\$8.15
Dakota County Technical College	\$4,540	\$4,754	\$214	\$5,164	\$5,378	\$214	\$7.15
Fond du Lac Tribal & Community College	\$4,198	\$4,409	\$210	\$4,650	\$4,861	\$210	\$7.01
Hennepin Technical College	\$4,193	\$4,401	\$209	\$4,495	\$4,703	\$209	\$6.95
Inver Hills Community College	\$4,408	\$4,562	\$155	\$4,895	\$5,049	\$155	\$5.15
Lake Superior College	\$3,870	\$4,085	\$215	\$4,494	\$4,709	\$215	\$7.15
Minneapolis Community & Technical College	\$4,305	\$4,392	\$87	\$4,757	\$4,851	\$94	\$3.13
Minnesota State College-Southeast Technical	\$4,437	\$4,652	\$215	\$4,794	\$5,069	\$275	\$9.15
Minnesota State Community & Technical College	\$4,395	\$4,527	\$132	\$4,899	\$5,031	\$132	\$4.40
Fergus Falls	\$4,395	\$4,527	\$132	\$4,989	\$5,121	\$132	\$4.40
Detroit Lakes	\$4,395	\$4,527	\$132	\$4,854	\$4,986	\$132	\$4.40
Moorhead	\$4,395	\$4,527	\$132	\$4,929	\$5,061	\$132	\$4.40
Wadena	\$4,395	\$4,527	\$132	\$4,824	\$4,956	\$132	\$4.40
Minnesota West Community & Technical College	\$4,544	\$4,758	\$215	\$5,017	\$5,231	\$215	\$7.15
Normandale Community College	\$4,308	\$4,523	\$214	\$4,820	\$5,027	\$206	\$6.88
North Hennepin Community College	\$4,398	\$4,612	\$215	\$4,833	\$5,047	\$215	\$7.15
Northeast Higher Education District							
Hibbing Community College	\$4,157	\$4,372	\$214	\$4,721	\$4,936	\$214	\$7.15
Itasca Community College	\$4,157	\$4,372	\$214	\$4,729	\$4,944	\$214	\$7.15
Mesabi Range Community & Technical College	\$4,157	\$4,372	\$214	\$4,721	\$4,936	\$214	\$7.15
Rainy River Community College	\$4,157	\$4,372	\$214	\$4,751	\$4,966	\$214	\$7.15
Vermilion Community College	\$4,157	\$4,372	\$214	\$4,751	\$4,966	\$214	\$7.15
Northland Community & Technical College	\$4,422	\$4,577	\$155	\$4,905	\$5,060	\$155	\$5.16
East Grand Forks	\$4,422	\$4,577	\$155	\$4,866	\$5,021	\$155	\$5.16
Thief River Falls	\$4,422	\$4,577	\$155	\$4,944	\$5,099	\$155	\$5.16
Northwest Technical College - Bemidji	\$4,662	\$4,847	\$185	\$5,001	\$5,126	\$125	\$4.15
Pine Technical College	\$4,065	\$4,268	\$203	\$4,551	\$4,754	\$203	\$6.78
Ridgewater College	\$4,303	\$4,517	\$215	\$4,816	\$5,037	\$222	\$7.38
Riverland Community College	\$4,362	\$4,577	\$215	\$4,926	\$5,149	\$223	\$7.42
Rochester Community and Technical College	\$4,359	\$4,574	\$215	\$5,028	\$5,243	\$215	\$7.15
St. Cloud Technical & Community College	\$4,300	\$4,494	\$194	\$4,818	\$5,012	\$194	\$6.45
Saint Paul College	\$4,280	\$4,490	\$210	\$4,642	\$4,807	\$165	\$5.50
South Central College	\$4,259	\$4,472	\$213	\$4,778	\$4,991	\$213	\$7.10
Average	\$4,277	\$4,478	\$201	\$6.70	\$4,984	\$204	\$6.81
College Average % change				4.7%			4.3%

Institution	Rates Charged to Students (ARRA Tuition Mitigation)						FY2011 Tuition & Fee \$ Change*
	FY2010 Annual Tuition	FY2011 Annual Tuition	FY2011 Annual Tuition Increase	FY2010 Annual Tuition & Fees*	FY2011 Annual Tuition & Fees*	FY2011 Annual Tuition & Fee Increase*	

	\$4,160	\$4,375	\$215	\$4,657	\$4,902	\$245	\$8.15
	\$3,704	\$3,919	\$215	\$4,208	\$4,487	\$279	\$9.28
	\$4,332	\$4,547	\$215	\$4,731	\$4,946	\$215	\$7.15
	\$4,108	\$4,322	\$215	\$4,705	\$4,927	\$223	\$7.42
	\$4,163	\$4,377	\$215	\$4,690	\$4,934	\$245	\$8.15
	\$4,460	\$4,674	\$215	\$5,084	\$5,298	\$215	\$7.15
	\$4,108	\$4,318	\$210	\$4,560	\$4,770	\$210	\$7.01
	\$4,113	\$4,322	\$209	\$4,415	\$4,624	\$209	\$6.95
	\$4,324	\$4,478	\$155	\$4,811	\$4,965	\$155	\$5.15
	\$3,770	\$3,984	\$215	\$4,394	\$4,608	\$215	\$7.15
	\$4,223	\$4,350	\$128	\$4,675	\$4,809	\$135	\$4.48
	\$4,354	\$4,569	\$215	\$4,711	\$4,986	\$275	\$9.15
	\$4,310	\$4,439	\$129	\$4,814	\$4,943	\$129	\$4.30
	\$4,310	\$4,439	\$129	\$4,904	\$5,033	\$129	\$4.30
	\$4,310	\$4,439	\$129	\$4,769	\$4,898	\$129	\$4.30
	\$4,310	\$4,439	\$129	\$4,844	\$4,973	\$129	\$4.30
	\$4,310	\$4,439	\$129	\$4,739	\$4,868	\$129	\$4.30
	\$4,464	\$4,678	\$215	\$4,937	\$5,151	\$215	\$7.15
	\$4,226	\$4,441	\$215	\$4,738	\$4,945	\$207	\$6.88
	\$4,314	\$4,528	\$215	\$4,749	\$4,963	\$215	\$7.15
	\$4,066	\$4,280	\$215	\$4,630	\$4,844	\$215	\$7.15
	\$4,066	\$4,280	\$215	\$4,638	\$4,852	\$215	\$7.15
	\$4,066	\$4,280	\$215	\$4,630	\$4,844	\$215	\$7.15
	\$4,066	\$4,280	\$215	\$4,660	\$4,874	\$215	\$7.15
	\$4,066	\$4,280	\$215	\$4,660	\$4,874	\$215	\$7.15
	\$4,422	\$4,577	\$155	\$4,905	\$5,060	\$155	\$5.16
	\$4,422	\$4,577	\$155	\$4,866	\$5,021	\$155	\$5.16
	\$4,422	\$4,577	\$155	\$4,944	\$5,099	\$155	\$5.16
	\$4,616	\$4,800	\$185	\$4,955	\$5,079	\$125	\$4.15
	\$3,971	\$4,174	\$203	\$4,457	\$4,660	\$203	\$6.78
	\$4,216	\$4,430	\$214	\$4,729	\$4,950	\$221	\$7.38
	\$4,277	\$4,491	\$215	\$4,841	\$5,063	\$223	\$7.42
	\$4,275	\$4,490	\$215	\$4,944	\$5,159	\$215	\$7.15
	\$4,219	\$4,404	\$185	\$4,737	\$4,922	\$185	\$6.15
	\$4,192	\$4,402	\$210	\$4,554	\$4,719	\$165	\$5.50
	\$4,178	\$4,391	\$213	\$4,697	\$4,910	\$213	\$7.10
Average	\$4,194	\$4,396	\$202	\$6.73	\$4,902	\$205	\$6.84
College Average % change				4.8%			4.4%

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

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Institution	Base Rates Approved by the Board of Trustees							FY2011 Tuition & Fee \$ Change*
	FY2010 Annual Tuition	FY2011 Annual Tuition	FY2011 Annual Tuition Increase	FY2011 Tuition \$ Change	FY2010 Annual Tuition & Fees*	FY2011 Annual Tuition & Fees*	FY2011 Annual Tuition & Fee Increase*	
STATE UNIVERSITIES								
Bemidji State University	\$6,352	\$6,638	\$286	\$9.52	\$7,014	\$7,300	\$286	\$9.52
Metropolitan State University	\$5,445	\$5,741	\$296	\$9.85	\$5,758	\$6,054	\$296	\$9.85
Minnesota State University, Mankato	\$5,752	\$6,048	\$296	\$9.85	\$6,238	\$6,534	\$296	\$9.85
Minnesota State University Moorhead*	\$5,948	\$6,254	\$296	\$9.85	\$6,300	\$6,608	\$308	\$10.27
St. Cloud State University	\$5,690	\$5,985	\$296	\$9.85	\$6,204	\$6,524	\$321	\$10.68
Southwest Minnesota State University	\$6,065	\$6,361	\$296	\$9.85	\$6,748	\$7,052	\$304	\$10.12
Winona State University*	\$6,053	\$6,349	\$296	\$9.85	\$6,570	\$6,873	\$303	\$10.08
Average	\$5,901	\$6,196	\$294	\$9.81	\$6,405	\$6,706	\$302	\$10.05
University Average % change				5.0%				4.7%
SYSTEM AVERAGE	\$4,584	\$4,803	\$219	\$7.28	\$5,087	\$5,310	\$223	\$7.42
System Average % change				4.8%				4.4%

Note: Fees include technology, athletics, health services, student activity/life, parking and statewide student association

*The parking fee is excluded from the calculation for Winona State University as it is only assessed to Rochester Center students.

*MSU Moorhead banded based on 31 credits

MnSCU Finance Division

April 2010

Rates Charged to Students (ARRA Tuition Mitigation)							
FY2010 Annual Tuition	FY2011 Annual Tuition	FY2011 Annual Tuition Increase	FY2011 Tuition \$ Change	FY2010 Annual Tuition & Fees*	FY2011 Annual Tuition & Fees*	FY2011 Annual Tuition & Fee Increase*	FY2011 Tuition & Fee \$ Change*
\$6,291	\$6,577	\$286	\$9.52	\$6,953	\$7,239	\$286	\$9.52
\$5,315	\$5,610	\$296	\$9.85	\$5,628	\$5,923	\$296	\$9.85
\$5,631	\$5,927	\$296	\$9.85	\$6,117	\$6,413	\$296	\$9.85
\$5,834	\$6,140	\$296	\$9.85	\$6,186	\$6,494	\$308	\$10.27
\$5,567	\$5,862	\$296	\$9.85	\$6,084	\$6,401	\$318	\$10.58
\$5,953	\$6,249	\$296	\$9.85	\$6,636	\$6,940	\$304	\$10.12
\$5,941	\$6,237	\$296	\$9.85	\$6,458	\$6,761	\$303	\$10.08
\$5,790	\$6,086	\$294	\$9.81	\$6,295	\$6,596	\$301	\$10.04
			5.0%				4.8%
\$4,496	\$4,716	\$219	\$7.31	\$4,999	\$5,223	\$223	\$7.45
			4.8%				4.5%

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities
FY2010 and FY2011 Fee Rates

Institution	Technology		Athletics		Health Services		Student Activity/Life		Parking		Statewide Student Association		FY2010 Per Credit Rate	FY2010 Annual Fees	FY2011 Total Fees Per Credit	FY2011 Annual Fees	10-11 \$ Change	10-11 % Change
	FY2010 Per Credit Rate	FY2011 Per Credit Rate	FY2010 Per Credit Rate	FY2011 Per Credit Rate	FY2010 Per Credit Rate	FY2011 Per Credit Rate	FY2010 Per Credit Rate	FY2011 Per Credit Rate	FY2010 Per Credit Rate	FY2011 Per Credit Rate	FY2010 Per Credit Rate	FY2011 Per Credit Rate						
STATE COLLEGES																		
Alexandria TC	\$ 9.00	\$ 10.00			\$ 1.50	\$ 3.50	\$ 2.25	\$ 3.50	\$ 2.25	\$ 2.25	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 16.56	\$ 497	\$ 17.56	\$ 527	\$30.00	6.0%
Anoka-Ramsey CC																		
Cambridge	\$ 8.00	\$ 10.00				\$ 6.00	\$ 7.25	\$ 2.50	\$ 3.50	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 16.81	\$ 504	\$ 21.06	\$ 632	\$127.50	25.3%	
Coon Rapids	\$ 8.00	\$ 7.00				\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 2.50	\$ 3.50	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 16.81	\$ 504	\$ 16.81	\$ 504	\$0.00	0.0%	
Anoka TC	\$ 8.00	\$ 8.00			\$ -	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.50	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.50	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 13.31	\$ 399	\$ 13.31	\$ 399	\$0.00	0.0%	
Central Lakes College	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00			\$ 0.60	\$ 7.00	\$ 7.25	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 19.91	\$ 597	\$ 20.16	\$ 605	\$7.50	1.3%	
Century College	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00				\$ 4.25	\$ 4.25	\$ 3.00	\$ 4.00	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 17.56	\$ 527	\$ 18.56	\$ 557	\$30.00	5.7%	
Dakota County TC	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00			\$ 1.00	\$ 7.00	\$ 7.00	\$ 2.50	\$ 2.50	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 20.81	\$ 624	\$ 20.81	\$ 624	\$0.00	0.0%	
Fond du Lac Tribal & CC	\$ 8.00	\$ 8.00				\$ 5.75	\$ 5.75	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 15.06	\$ 452	\$ 15.06	\$ 452	\$0.00	0.0%	
Hennepin TC	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00				\$ 1.35	\$ 1.35	\$ 2.60	\$ 2.60	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 10.26	\$ 302	\$ 10.26	\$ 302	\$0.00	0.0%	
Inver Hills CC	\$ 8.00	\$ 8.00			\$ 0.95	\$ 4.47	\$ 4.47	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 16.23	\$ 487	\$ 16.23	\$ 487	\$0.00	0.0%	
Lake Superior College	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00				\$ 6.50	\$ 6.50	\$ 4.00	\$ 4.00	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 20.81	\$ 624	\$ 20.81	\$ 624	\$0.00	0.0%	
Minneapolis College	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00			\$ 0.75	\$ 4.00	\$ 4.00			\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 15.06	\$ 452	\$ 15.31	\$ 459	\$7.50	1.7%	
Minnesota SC - Southeast TC	\$ 8.00	\$ 10.00			\$ 0.25	\$ 1.85	\$ 1.85	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.50	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 11.91	\$ 357	\$ 13.91	\$ 417	\$60.00	16.8%	
Minnesota State C&T																		
Fergus Falls CC	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00				\$ 9.38	\$ 9.38	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 21.69	\$ 594	\$ 21.69	\$ 594	\$0.00	0.0%	
Detroit Lakes	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00				\$ 3.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 15.31	\$ 459	\$ 15.31	\$ 459	\$0.00	0.0%	
Moorhead	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00				\$ 5.50	\$ 5.50	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 17.81	\$ 534	\$ 17.81	\$ 534	\$0.00	0.0%	
Wadena	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00				\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 14.31	\$ 429	\$ 14.31	\$ 429	\$0.00	0.0%	
Minnesota West College	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00				\$ 4.00	\$ 4.00	\$ 1.45	\$ 1.45	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 15.76	\$ 473	\$ 15.76	\$ 473	\$0.00	0.0%	
Normandale CC	\$ 8.00	\$ 8.00				\$ 5.00	\$ 4.50	\$ 3.75	\$ 4.00	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 17.06	\$ 512	\$ 16.81	\$ 504	-\$7.50	-1.5%	
North Hennepin CC	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00				\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 3.20	\$ 3.20	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 14.51	\$ 435	\$ 14.51	\$ 435	\$0.00	0.0%	
Northeast Higher Education Dist																		
Hibbing College	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00				\$ 6.50	\$ 6.50	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 18.81	\$ 564	\$ 18.81	\$ 564	\$0.00	0.0%	
Itasca CC	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00				\$ 6.75	\$ 6.75	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 19.06	\$ 572	\$ 19.06	\$ 572	\$0.00	0.0%	
Mesabi Range College	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00				\$ 6.50	\$ 6.50	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 18.81	\$ 564	\$ 18.81	\$ 564	\$0.00	0.0%	
Rainy River CC	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00				\$ 7.50	\$ 7.50	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 19.81	\$ 594	\$ 19.81	\$ 594	\$0.00	0.0%	
Vermilion CC	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00				\$ 7.50	\$ 7.50	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 19.81	\$ 594	\$ 19.81	\$ 594	\$0.00	0.0%	
Northland College																		
East Grand Forks	\$ 8.00	\$ 8.00				\$ 4.00	\$ 4.00	\$ 2.50	\$ 2.50	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 14.81	\$ 444	\$ 14.81	\$ 444	\$0.00	0.0%	
Thief River Falls	\$ 8.00	\$ 8.00				\$ 6.60	\$ 6.60	\$ 2.50	\$ 2.50	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 17.41	\$ 522	\$ 17.41	\$ 522	\$0.00	0.0%	
Northwest Technical College (Bemidji)*	\$ 8.00	\$ 8.00				\$ 1.50	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.50	\$ -	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 11.31	\$ 339	\$ 9.31	\$ 279	-\$60.00	-17.7%	
Pine TC	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00				\$ 3.40	\$ 3.40	\$ 2.50	\$ 2.50	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 16.21	\$ 486	\$ 16.21	\$ 486	\$0.00	0.0%	
Ridgewater College	\$ 7.25	\$ 7.47			\$ 0.85	\$ 6.65	\$ 6.65	\$ 2.05	\$ 2.05	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 17.11	\$ 513	\$ 17.33	\$ 520	\$6.60	1.3%	
Riverland College	\$ 9.00	\$ 9.00				\$ 6.50	\$ 6.75	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 18.81	\$ 564	\$ 19.06	\$ 572	\$7.50	1.3%	
Rochester College	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00				\$ 6.65	\$ 6.65	\$ 4.50	\$ 4.50	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 22.31	\$ 669	\$ 22.31	\$ 669	\$0.00	0.0%	
St. Cloud TC	\$ 8.00	\$ 8.00				\$ 5.60	\$ 5.60	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 17.26	\$ 518	\$ 17.26	\$ 518	\$0.00	0.0%	
Saint Paul College	\$ 7.25	\$ 7.25				\$ 3.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 1.50	\$ -	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 12.06	\$ 362	\$ 10.56	\$ 317	-\$45.00	-12.4%	
South Central College*	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00				\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 17.31	\$ 519	\$ 17.31	\$ 519	\$0.00	0.0%	
AVERAGE	\$ 8.93	\$ 9.05			\$ 0.79	\$ 5.07	\$ 5.07	\$ 2.46	\$ 2.47	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 16.81	\$ 503	\$ 16.97	\$ 507	\$ 4.69	0.9%	
STATE UNIVERSITIES																		
Bemidji SU*	\$ 9.00	\$ 9.00	\$ 3.66	\$ 3.66	\$ 3.20	\$ 5.75	\$ 5.75			\$ 0.43	\$ 0.43	\$ 22.04	\$ 661	\$ 22.08	\$ 662	\$1.20	0.2%	
Metropolitan SU	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00				\$ 4.00	\$ 4.00			\$ 0.43	\$ 0.43	\$ 10.43	\$ 313	\$ 10.43	\$ 313	\$0.00	0.0%	
Minnesota SU, Mankato	\$ 7.00	\$ 7.00			\$ 4.38	\$ 8.45	\$ 8.45			\$ 0.43	\$ 0.43	\$ 20.26	\$ 486	\$ 20.26	\$ 486	\$0.00	0.0%	
Minnesota SU Moorhead	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 4.53	\$ 4.53	\$ 5.42	\$ 3.29	\$ 3.35			\$ 0.43	\$ 0.43	\$ 14.67	\$ 352	\$ 14.73	\$ 354	\$1.44	0.4%	
Southwest Minnesota SU	\$ 9.50	\$ 9.50	\$ 4.00	\$ 4.00	\$ 3.70	\$ 7.30	\$ 7.30	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.43	\$ 25.43	\$ 683	\$ 25.68	\$ 691	\$7.75	1.1%	
St. Cloud SU	\$ 4.59	\$ 4.75	\$ 1.94	\$ 2.20	\$ 4.50	\$ 8.71	\$ 9.30			\$ 0.43	\$ 0.43	\$ 20.17	\$ 514	\$ 21.18	\$ 539	\$25.20	4.9%	
Winona SU*	\$ 7.40	\$ 7.40	\$ 3.80	\$ 3.80	\$ 3.85	\$ 4.20	\$ 4.35	\$ 4.50	\$ 4.50	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.43	\$ 19.68	\$ 517	\$ 19.98	\$ 524	\$7.20	1.4%	
AVERAGE	\$ 6.36	\$ 6.38	\$ 3.59	\$ 3.64	\$ 4.18	\$ 6.07	\$ 6.07	\$ 2.50	\$ 2.63	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.43	\$ 18.95	\$ 504	\$ 19.19	\$ 510	\$6.11	1.2%	
SYSTEM AVERAGE	\$ 7.88	\$ 7.96	\$ 3.59	\$ 3.64	\$ 2.09	\$ 2.11	\$ 4.87	\$ 2.12	\$ 2.08	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 16.03	\$ 469	\$ 16.10	\$ 470	\$1.89	0.4%	

* South Central College moving from parking permit charge to per credit charge. FY09 rate is estimate based on what permit charges were for FY09. FY10 shows new per credit rate.

*BSU: Of \$5.75 per credit student activity fee, \$33 per credit is dedicated to the green/sustainability project *WSU: The per credit parking fee is excluded from the annual fee calculation as it is assessed to only Rochester Center

*Northwest Technical moving from a per credit parking rate to a parking permit program

**Minnesota State Colleges and Universities
FY2010-2011 Student Consultation Letters Summary**

Institution	Support Institution's Tuition Rate	Tuition Consultation Process Satisfactory	Proposed FY2010-11 Tuition Increase Per Credit	Summary
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STATE COLLEGES

Alexandria Technical College	Yes	Yes	7.15	Student Senate voted to support the recommended tuition and the technology fee increases for FY11. Students were provided with sufficient information to make their decision. The opportunities to discuss the budget, together with handouts, provided a foundation for discussions, questions and the decision/motion to support. Student Senate looks forward for continued meetings and discussions with the administration.
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Anoka-Ramsey Community College

Coon Rapids	Yes	Yes	7.15	The administration conducted lengthy tuition consultation sessions in December 2009 and March 2010. Emerging questions and concerns were addressed in subsequent individual meetings with President Johns. The Tuition "cliff" in 2012 is a concern but the institution has made plans to offset. The Senate supports no buy down for the coming year because this will ease students into 2012. The administration has done a spectacular job of consulting with the senate on tuition.
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Cambridge	Yes	Yes	7.15	Campus administration initiated tuition planning discussions in October of 2009, and provided ample time for questions and contributions to the process. Student leadership was granted full access to the administration throughout the entire process. Students support the administration's tuition proposal, and are please with their efforts to keep tuition at ARCC the lowest in the state.
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Anoka Technical College	Yes	No	7.15	Consultation did occur, but was insufficient to meet the senate/executive board's need; meetings were cancelled and rescheduled, and the timeline was not long enough. Last semester, the college Budget Committee met only one, and during this semester, only twice.
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Central Lakes College

Staples/Brainerd	Yes	Yes	7.15	CLC students have been involved in the budget process and are active participants on the Technology Fee and Student Life Committees, which have met to review proposals and make recommendations to CLC's president. The Student Senate has been advised of the FY2011 budget and tuition/fees recommendation and future financial outlook by the administration. We are confident that students have had an opportunity to be involved in the process and have had a voice in these decisions.
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Century College	Yes for 2010-11	Yes	7.15	The administration consulted with student leadership with regard to the tuition increase of 5% for the 2010-11 school year. Student Senate supports this tuition increase but strongly opposes any greater increase.
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Dakota County Technical College	Yes	Neutral	7.15	The consultation process was conducted in four separate meetings. The Student Senate has endorsed the 2010-2011 college budget plan including a tuition increase of 4.7% (\$158.48 per credit) with a buy down of 1.7% (\$155.81 per credit).
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Fond du Lac Tribal & Community College	Yes	Yes	7.01	Student Senate agrees to the administration's proposal of 5% tuition increase for FY10-11 with additional tuition increases and budget cutbacks are possible for FY11-12 school year. Student Senate appreciates the administration's open door policy.
Hennepin Technical College				
Brooklyn Park	No	Neutral	6.95	Consultation consisted of two meetings in which detailed information was provided and questions were answered. The administration proposed the maximum tuition increase, but no fee increases. Students are disheartened that they are now paying 51 percent of the cost through tuition, and cannot, for this reason, support tuition increases.
Eden Prairie	Yes	Neutral	6.95	Administration met with the Student Senate on two occasions concerning the tuition proposal, which included a 5% tuition increase and no increase to any fees. Although the students do not want a tuition increase, nonetheless, all of the students in attendance of the meetings accepted the proposal.
Inver Hills Community College	Neutral	Yes	5.15	The administration worked with the Student Senate on budgetary forecast and discussed the impacts the state deficit might have on tuition and the use of federal stimulus money to buy down tuition increases for this and next year. The administration proposed a tuition increase of 3.35% for FY10 and 3.21% for FY11, which included the final fees for specific programs and courses. The Student Senate was given ample time to review the plan and pleased with the consultation process conducted by the administration.
Lake Superior College	Neutral	Yes	7.15	The senate feels President Nelson and her administrative staff have done a remarkable job in many areas of the consultation process. President Kathleen Nelson and her staff have met with the Student Senate throughout the 2009-1010 academic year to inform the Senate on the budget, policies, tuition, fees, and other issues. However, student suggestions and ideas for budget setting were not solicited early enough in the process to make an impact on the final decision. While students understand that they do not have the final say, they would like to be able to contribute to the decision making process. Student Senate looks forward to continuous improvement in years to come.
Minneapolis Community and Technical College	Neutral	Yes	4.25	The Student Senate has received adequate information from the administration regarding tuition and fee increases for the coming year. President Davis and his administration have worked hard to keep tuition reasonable. Additionally, students have agreed to increase the Health Services fee. Students have been consulted and regularly informed of the process, have had questions answered, and have been promised subsequent information as soon as it is available. Students believe MCTC's administration is respectful of their wishes, and is committed to including them in all decision making.

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Minnesota State College-Southeast Technical

Red Wing campus	No	Yes	7.15	The administration and the Student Senate discussed the impact of various levels of funding from the state. A 4.8% tuition increase would be necessary to balance the budget, address student needs adequately and fulfill the college's mission. Student Senate will continued to lobby for additional new money to keep the tuition increase to a minimum. Student Senate was informed that a technology fee will go up \$2 a credit in order for the college to maintain most up-to-date equipment. Even though the Student Senate was consulted with the tuition issue, but the students do not support any tuition increase.
Winona campus	Neutral	Yes	7.15	The administration and the Student Senate discussed the impact of various levels of funding from the state. A tuition increase of 3-5% in FY11, but no more than \$7.15/credit would be necessary to balance the budget, address student needs adequately and fulfill the college's mission. Student Senate will continued to lobby for additional new money to keep the tuition increase to a minimum. Student Senate was informed that technology fee will be raised from \$8.00 to \$10.00 for FY11.

Minnesota State Community & Technical College

Fergus Falls CC	Yes	Neutral	4.40	The Student Senate and the administration has consulted regarding tuition and fee increases, allowing students to review projected revenue and expenses as well as giving students a chance to participate in discussions regarding budget challenges. One area of concern is that the added costs in differential tuition may affect enrollment. Students approved the proposed increases, but wish to ask for continued vigilance to keep cost increases to only what is necessary.
Detroit Lakes	Yes	Yes	4.40	The Student Senate was provided with detailed budget information, and opportunity to discuss the information. Students approved the increases, but are concerned that costs continue to rise. Students appreciate the time and effort the administration puts into the consultation process and are confident that opinions are valued and respected.
Moorhead	No	Yes	4.40	The Student Senate was provided with background materials together with a detailed spreadsheet on the administration's tuition and fees proposal for the April 6, 2010 meeting. The Student Senate voted to oppose the proposed 3 percent tuition increase and the fees for various programs. The Student Senate, nonetheless, feels its view were factored into the administration's tuition plan and the consultation process was taken seriously.
Wadena	Yes	Yes	4.40	The Student Senate was provided with detailed budget information, and opportunity to discuss the information. Students approved the increases, but are concerned that costs continue to rise. Students appreciate the time and effort the administration puts into the consultation process and are confident that opinions are valued and respected.

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Minnesota West College				
Canby	No	Yes	7.15	President Shrubbs and his staff successfully consulted on the FY2011 budget with the student body in April. Tuition is proposed to increase but fees would remain the same. A detailed explanation was given on what areas of the budget were cut to keep the increase to minimum. The students do not support the tuition increase.
Granite Falls	Neutral	Yes	7.15	The administration talked to the student body on challenges and options for FY2010-2011 during a March 30th meeting. Student input and opinions were received. The Student Senate has taken great time and consideration in the tuition proposal and understand the necessity of the increase but choose to neither support nor oppose the proposed tuition increase.
Jackson	Neutral	Yes	7.15	President Richard Shrubbs and his staff did an excellent job of providing FY 2011 budget information to the Student Senate, including various scenarios regarding tuition and fees and the college's financial situation. The budget consultation process provided important information to the students.
Luverne	No	Neutral	7.15	The college administration communicated with students on March 29 about the challenges and options for consideration for FY 2011, including the proposed tuition increase. The Student Senate did not agree with the increase but acknowledge that there are no options available due to limited resources and funds.
Pipestone	Neutral	Yes	7.15	President Shrubbs and his staff met with the Student Senate to discuss the deficits and budget issues facing the college. The Student Senate has reviewed the information supplied, understands why the increase is necessary at this time, and appreciates the time the administration took to meet with them.
Worthington	Neutral	Neutral	7.15	The Student Senate has reviewed the information supplied by President Shrubbs and his staff during the March consultation meeting. The students understand how tuition rates, fees, etc. are established each year. The Student Senate appreciates the time and efforts put forth by the administration.
Normandale Community College	Yes	Neutral	7.15	In addition to monthly meetings, President Opatz and Vice President Ed Wines met with the Student Senate on two separate occasions to explain the budget proposal and answer questions from the students. The Student Senate endorses the proposed increases in tuition and fees.

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North Hennepin Community College	No	Yes	7.15	The consultation process at NHCC met or exceeded MnSCU board policy 2.3.1. The administration met with the Student Senate on two occasions, providing detailed information and answering questions. Student Senate requested and was also given break downs of various fee rates, and what fees are used for. Student Senate remains concerned over FY11, FY12 and FY13 tuition projections, cannot support tuition increases and will continue to push for lower tuition.
Northeast Higher Ed District				
Hibbing College	No	Neutral	7.15	Student Senate expressed their belief that other avenues should be explored before tuition increases. One example would be to temporarily close the planetarium and look at programs that could be cut now and reintroduced later.
Itasca Community College	Neutral	Yes	7.15	Student consultation process took place between December 2009 and April 2010. Background materials were given by the administration and questions from the students senators were encouraged. The Student Senate was given sufficient time to consider and discuss the administration's tuition proposal and to make an informed decision. The students' rights for tuition consultation was respected and taken seriously.
Mesabi Range--Eveleth/Virginia	Yes	Yes	7.15	The administration has done an outstanding job on tuition consultation. The Student Senate was informed of the proposed tuition increase and student questions were encouraged and responded to. The Student Senate accepts the increase but is concerned for next year when the stimulus money is no longer available for tuition buy down.
Rainy River Community College	Neutral	On-going	7.15	The consultation process is ongoing and the students are working closely with the administration to make sure all questions raised by students are fully answered. Student Senate has also requested a more detailed future plan for the college's goals and tuition possibilities to ensure that tuition is manageable for students.
Vermilion Community College	Neutral	Yes	7.15	The Student Senate has decided to take a neutral stance on the proposed tuition increase. Students realize that an increase is necessary due to state budget cuts, but the students do not like to see an increase. Throughout the consultation process, students were provided opportunity to ask questions, offer comments, and address concerns. The communication lines were always open.

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Northland Community & Technical College				
East Grand Forks	Yes	Yes	5.16	The administration proposed a tuition increase, will continue to evaluate course offerings on the respective campuses, and will offer early retirements to applicable faculty as their strategy to keep affordable higher education a priority. The consultation process is vastly improved over last year-- students were given input into the budget process and President Temte was available to answer all questions. Students were provided with all the information to make an educated decision. The Student Senate strongly supports the administration's proposal while still recognizing the burden on students exceeds the resources available.
Thief River Falls	No	Neutral	5.16	The Student Senate was consulted on the proposed tuition increase for FY2011 by President Anne Temte on April 13, 2010. Student Senate is concern about the continuing rise in tuition costs, as this will make public higher education unaffordable. They believe that more needs to be done at all levels to increase the state appropriations.
Northwest Technical College-Bemidji*	Neutral	Neutral	7.15	Administration met with students several times, both within Campus Government and open forum. Students had opportunity to ask questions.
Pine Technical College	Yes	Neutral	6.78	President Musgrove consulted with the Student Senate, which agreed with and approved the increase to ensure the quality of education at the college.
Ridgewater College				
Willmar	Yes	Yes	7.15	The Student Senate has agreed tuition increases are necessary to meet the needs of the students. The students do not like to see tuition rise but understand the reasoning and the need behind the decision. The Student Senate appreciates the open relationship with the administration and involvement in the consultation process.
Hutchinson	Yes	Yes	7.15	The Student Senate met with President Allen and his administration multiple times throughout the year, and was given ample time to discuss changes and proposals. Students agree that the changes are necessary in order to meet the needs of the student body.
Riverland College				
Albert Lea/Austin	Neutral	Yes	7.15	President Leas and his staff met with Student Senate several times to discuss the administration's proposal for the FY2011 budget, including proposed tuition and fee increases. Students support the student life fee increase from or FY2011 with the hope that potential cuts would be averted, and acknowledge that tuition may also increase due to legislative decisions. The Student Senate members are satisfied that the information given was detailed and organized and the administration is accessible.

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Rochester Community and Technical College	No	Yes	7.15	President Supalla and his staff met with the Student Senate throughout the year to discuss budgeting for FY 2010-2011, including increases to tuition and fees. Detailed background materials were provided, and students had several months to discuss tuition costs. They are very pleased with the administration's effort to contain these costs and are satisfied with the consultation process. The Student Senate opposes any tuition rate increases, while recognizing that costs continue to rise and some increases are unavoidable.
St. Cloud Technical College	Yes	Neutral	6.45	Student Senate agreed to a tuition increase based on information gathered during the administrative/student senate consultation. Additionally, the Student Activity and Technology fees will not increase and students will pay background check fees.
Saint Paul College	Neutral	Yes	7.00	The students were provided with detailed budget proposal for FY11. Students were encouraged to discuss and ask questions throughout the presentation. Student Senate suggests that continued effort be made to present information in multiple sessions to address the ongoing challenge of student involvement/interest in tuition consultation.
South Central College				
Mankato	Neutral	On-going	7.10	The administration has met with students and is still finalizing the budget for FY2011. A proposed tuition increase has been communicated to students. The Student Senate is disappointed that a suggestion to lower the student life fee to compensate for the tuition increase was rejected as not feasible because both campuses must charge the same rates. However, the senate will continue to work with the administration on this and other cost savings ideas.
Faribault	No	Yes	7.10	President Stover and/or Vice President Snorek met with students multiple times to discuss budgets and proposed tuition increases. The Student Senate was told there were no good alternatives to a tuition increase. The students feel that the consultation process was sufficient and acceptable but they reject the proposed tuition increase-- it does not represent the hard work being done on campus to keep tuition affordable. Also, they are concerned about what will happen with tuition when stimulus funding is no longer available to offset tuition increases.

*Aligned with Bemidji State University

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STATE UNIVERSITIES				
Bemidji State University	Neutral	Yes	9.52	Successful consultation occurred on multiple occasions with adequate time for dialogue and questions. The Student Association was presented with a tuition increase for FY2011 that is consistent with the 2009 legislation and MnSCU Board of Trustees parameters.
Metropolitan State University			9.85	The Student Senate did not provide a tuition consultation letter in time for publication in this packet.
Minnesota State University, Mankato	Neutral	Yes	9.85	At the start of this academic year, the administration implemented differential tuition for extended learners without sufficient consultation with students, causing great dissatisfaction. To their credit, the administration immediately responded to student concerns, and has worked hard to rebuild the trust and openness previously enjoyed. During this academic year, the Student Association has had monthly meet and confer meetings with the administration and students have been able to voice their concerns on budget issues. Tuition and fee increases being proposed are consistent with conversations throughout the year, and within the guidelines set by the Board of Trustees. Additionally, to ensure student consultation remains a vital step in this process, the Student Association requests that any differential or tuition fee increase not be approved without student consultation.
Minnesota State University Moorhead	Yes	Neutral	9.85	On March 26, the MSU Moorhead Student Senate met with administrators who presented the tuition and fee increase proposals. The Student Senate approved the proposed tuition and fee increases with a strong majority.
Southwest Minnesota State University	Neutral	Yes	9.85	The President and his Cabinet held quarterly and monthly budgetary meetings with the Student Association to keep the students informed and prepared for the next few years. The administration has fully included the Student Association, putting the students first and continued to be fiscally responsible while maintaining the highest quality of educations.
St. Cloud State University	Neutral	Neutral	9.85	President Earl Potter and the administration have consulted with the Student Association multiple times throughout the academic year. The budget consultation at St. Cloud State University is characterized by transparency-- Student Government receives information in advance of meetings for full distribution to its members, and the university president took the budget discussion to the student body in the form of a town hall meeting. The Student Association is continuing its consultation with the administration, and hopes to have the opportunity to submit a final tuition consultation letter in May as more information is made available.
Winona State University	Yes	Yes	9.85	Consultation at WSU took place throughout the entire academic year, utilizing the Student Fee Management Committee and opportunities to make presentations to the entire WSUSA. The students understand the need for tuition increases in light of declining state appropriation.

April 8, 2010

Dr. Patrick M. Johns, President
Anoka-Ramsey Community College
11200 Mississippi Boulevard NW
Coon Rapids, MN 55433

Dear Dr. Johns:

As stated in MnSCU's student consultation policy, this letter will summarize the consultation process that transpired at Anoka-Ramsey Community College-Coon Rapids Campus.

This year's consultation process has gone extraordinarily well. Our administration continues to be excellent in keeping the ARCC Student Government in the loop regarding tuition. We have had two separate hour long tuition consultation sessions with Mike Seymour presenting tuition information to the senate in December 2009 and March 2010. I have had several individual meetings Pat Johns and my counterpart at Cambridge, where he answered each and every concern and question that had to do with tuition.

There has been some concern about the tuition "cliff" in 2012; however, most of these particular concerns have been assuaged in the senate. The administration has planned for the worst case scenario; however, events have turned out a little bit better than expected, and therefore the school has been better off.

The senate supports no buy down for the coming year if necessary, as it will help the college in the future by keeping valuable faculty while making the 2012 "cliff" smaller and more palatable for students.

Overall, the administration has done a spectacular job of consulting the senate on tuition.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or comments concerning the Anoka-Ramsey, Coon Rapids Campus tuition consultation process. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Zachary Berg
Student Government President

cc: Michael Seymour, Vice President
James McCormick, Chancellor, Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

Tuesday, May 04, 2010

Dr. Patrick M. Johns, President
Anoka-Ramsey Community College
11200 Mississippi Blvd NW
Coon Rapids, MN 55433

Dear Dr. Johns:

This letter is in addition to the consultation letter dated April 8, 2010 regarding the consultation that transpired at Anoka-Ramsey Community College Coon Rapids Campus involving tuition and fees.

The students and administration have been consulting on a Revenue Fund project since September 2009 to renovate our existing gym area and to construct a wellness center and have recently been made aware that the first Debt Service payment is due shortly after the Bonds are sold. We understand that the Revenue Fund fee would need to be charged to students in 2011 to generate the money to make this payment.

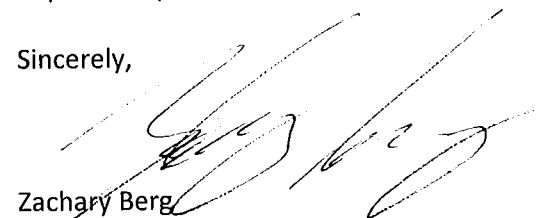
With the Revenue fund project still in the approval process we discussed the following reallocation if the project is not approved for the January 2011 bond sale: Technology fee initiatives, as well as put money aside for parking land acquisition, and finally, renovate the gym area to whatever extent possible with the remaining funds. Coon Rapids fee structure for FY 11 will then be as follows:

Student Life-\$6 (per original recommendation)
Parking-\$3.50
TAC-\$7
Revenue Fund-\$4.25.

Student Senate is on board with the Revenue fund project and have already earmarked some of our existing fund balance towards the project to reduce the future cost to students.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or comments concerning the Anoka-Ramsey Coon Rapids Campus tuition/fee consultation process.

Sincerely,



Zachary Berg
Student Government President, Coon Rapids Campus

Cc: Michael Seymour, Vice President
James McCormick, Chancellor, Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

April 30, 2010

Dr. James H. McCormick, Chancellor
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities
500 Wells Fargo Place
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Dear Chancellor McCormick:

As I mentioned in my last letter to the Board of Trustees, I am submitting this revised consultation letter. On April 2, 2010 John Cacich and Wendy Meyer informed me they needed the tuition consultation letter. John and Wendy stayed in the Senate office until I wrote the letter, revising it twice. I do not believe it would have made a difference if I sent it Friday night or Monday morning.

Consultation did occur, but was insufficient to meet the senate/executive board's need; meetings were cancelled and rescheduled; consultation did not happen over a long-enough timeline as explained in this letter.

John Cacich cancelled the consultation meeting scheduled for March 3, 2010. This cancellation was made on March 2. It was then rescheduled for March 24; due to a funeral I could not attend the March 24 meeting. President Anne Weyandt, V.P. of Academic Affairs John Cacich, and CFO Wendy Meyer conducted the consultation; the Senate approved a 5% tuition increase with the 2% tuition mitigation buy down for 2011.

Our senate's next scheduled meeting was April 7, and this did not give Student Senate time to go over the information and we feel that the process was not good.

President Anne has given the student senate updates regarding the legislature's process and what it would mean for the college as a whole. We understand with all the budget cuts to MnSCU it has affected our college operations and the services the college offers. It is the students that suffer the consequences and it has created problems.

We had no opportunity to discuss our Student Senate Fee or the Technology Fee; for the past year we have been asking for last years actual budget to research and make decisions to bring to our Senate. Last semester the college Budget Committee met only once, this semester twice, with a meeting scheduled for next week.

The strain of all these budget cuts has put tremendous pressure on Anoka Technical College administration, faculty, staff and students.

This has been a very difficult letter for me to write; I realize that nothing will change if it is not written and problems are not addressed. I thank you for your patience and understanding.

Sincerely,

Gloria Mitchell
Student Senate President
Anoka Technical College



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Dr. James McCormick
Chancellor
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities
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April 5, 2010

Dear Chancellor McCormick,

This letter will serve as an overview of the consultation process at Lake Superior College for the 2009-10 Academic year. The letter has been approved by the Lake Superior College Student Senate and represents the senate's view regarding the level of consultation and the action to be taken. The LSC Student Senate feels that Dr. Kathleen Nelson and the Administrative team have done a remarkable job in many areas of the consultation process and look forward to continuous improvement in years to come.

Dr. Nelson and the other members of the Administration at Lake Superior College have met with the LSC Student Senate throughout the 2009-10 Academic year to inform the senate on the budget, policies, tuition, fees, and other issues facing our campus. There have also been opportunities for students to ask questions at each one of these meetings. Tuition and fees discussion was on the Shared Governance Agenda in October.

We were informed of many different variables that have led to their recommendation of a 5% tuition increase. These include: reduction in state appropriations, increased insurance rates, salary steps, postponed equipment purchases, and the efforts to rebuild the college's financial reserves that had been depleted. All of this information was shared freely, questions were answered, and additional information was provided as we requested it. In addition to these meetings the senate invited the Vice President of Finance, Mark Winson, to attend senate meetings to prepare students for the budget discussions. He visited the senate once at the end of the Fall Semester, and returned at the beginning of the Spring Semester. His visits provided a general overview of the budget and allowed students an opportunity to ask questions regarding budget and finance topics.



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The Administration at Lake Superior College met the requirement in its policy stating that, "Consultation includes presentation of materials, discussion, and an opportunity for students to ask questions."

Within that same policy it also states that,

"Consultation means that the administration seeks an opinion from the campus student association and considers that information in the decision making process...The consultation process is used to gather student input and/or recommendations and can provide a forum for developing agreements between the administration and the student association."

The idea that our input might impact the decision on the tuition increase was first introduced at our latest meeting when a senior member of the Administrative team stated that they would wait for our response and make an adjustment if necessary. This comment was immediately corrected by Dr. Nelson. It was made clear that they would be going forward with the 5% tuition increase regardless of what our recommendation might be. In fairness, this position is probably a combination of the dire financial outlook and getting student input so late in the process.

There has been a rapport established on our campus where students feel comfortable asking questions and being active participants in many decision making processes. However, there is an opportunity with this process involving budget and financial decisions where student input could be specifically requested earlier. In relation to these issues there still exists a significant power differential between students and high level administrators. To overcome this challenge we will begin presenting our ideas at the beginning of the academic year and look forward to having more open discussions as a part of the tuition consultation process. Students understand that our suggestions or recommendations would be taken as input and are not the final say in the decision making process.

The Lake Superior College Student Senate deeply appreciates the student focus that has been a hallmark of Dr. Nelson's service at LSC. We look forward to establishing a vibrant, open relationship with the next President of LSC that will build on the foundation for shared governance that already exists here.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or comments regarding LSC's tuition consultation process. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "RM Scott", written over a horizontal line.

Robert Milbridge-Scott, President, Lake Superior College Student Senate
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Dr. James H. McCormick
Chancellor
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Dear Chancellor McCormick,

As I mentioned in my Tuition Consultation letter, this letter is to follow up now that more information is available in regards to the budget. Furthermore, I would also like to inform you and the Board of Trustees of the MCTC student's intent to increase our Health Services Fee.

At this point I feel safe to say that adequate information was provided to students. After much discussion with President Davis we have come to the conclusion that a 2% increase is most likely going to be the most the students will see next year. President Davis explained that his biggest priority with the budget was tuition relief and student services, which was more than well received. The students appreciate President Davis's initiative to keep MCTC's tuition increase as prudent as possible, while still maintaining many necessary programs, faculty and staff.

As you may know, MCTC has been making a move toward health and wellness on campus. Boynton Health Services have been very successful in providing necessary services to many students at a considerably low cost. The same surveys conducted on campus that showed that about 50 percent of the students had either no or insufficient health insurance also show that students would be more than willing to pay 1 dollar per credit for health services. The current Health Services Fee is 75 cents per credit and with a 25 cent increase, we found we would have just enough revenue generated to provide mental health services for 28 hours per week. College student's mental health has become a recognized issue both on the statewide and national levels. We feel this initiative is another step in the right direction for MCTC in facilitating a healthy community on campus.

Thank you for your consideration and as always feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,



Geoffrey Dittberner
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Dear Chancellor McCormick:

As requested by MnSCU's student consultation policy (Board policy 2.3), this letter will outline the tuition consultation process that recently took place at Minnesota State Community and Technical College-Moorhead.

The campus administration approached our senate to schedule meetings to discuss tuition. The tuition consultation meeting was held on April 6 and was attended by Dr. Jerome Migler, Provost of the Moorhead Campus. Background materials were provided to the senate on April 1, which included a detailed spreadsheet on the administration's tuition proposal and a document outlining its reasons why the additional tuition was needed.

The Administration proposed a 3% tuition boost, in addition to a \$25.00 fee for using a payment plan, \$30.00 fee for late payment for 7 or more credits, \$15.00 fee for late payment for 6 or less credits, \$20.00 fee for background checks for students in nursing, radiology technician, pharmacy technician, child care, and health information technology programs, \$100.00 fee for cabinet making students, \$2.20 fee for a student wellness center, \$140.00 fee for diesel uniform rental and cleaning.

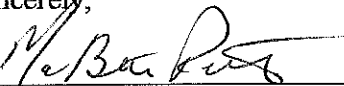
The senate was given two weeks to consider the administration's tuition proposal. The time provided was sufficient for the senate to have a lengthy discussion about the proposal and to make an informed decision.

After considering the tuition proposal, our senate voted to oppose the proposal, as we believe that such a tuition boost is not needed and that the college had not sufficiently reduced costs in other areas of college.

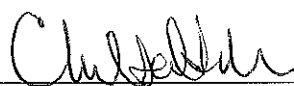
Dr. Migler made himself available at any time for comments or questions and members of his staff were very responsive to our questions. Even though we opposed the tuition proposal, we feel that our views were factored into the administration's tuition plan and felt that the consultation process was taken seriously by both students and administration.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or comments regarding Minnesota State Community and Technical College-Moorhead's tuition consultation process. Thank you for your consideration.

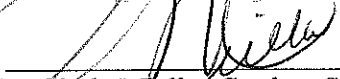
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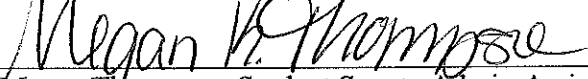
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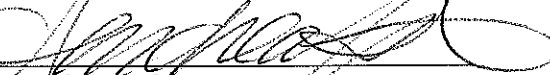
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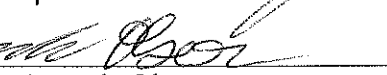
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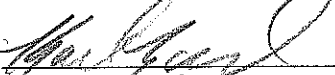
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The purpose of M-State Student Government Association is to promote the general welfare of the school, provide an opportunity for student coordination and participation in the management of school affairs, and represent the interests and opinions of the students. As such, we acknowledge the need for and benefits of an on-site physical fitness facility. We therefore financially and enthusiastically endorse the bonding request to construct the M-State Wellness Center.

We have had several meetings with campus administration regarding the proposed wellness center and about the processes and procedures for revenue bond projects and understand the long term commitment required. Historically, M-State has supported the use of community wellness centers' use by students. SGA recognizes the fiscal advantages of offering students an on-site facility. Additionally, SGA embraces the prospect that closer proximity will encourage an increased use by students. We concede that subsidizing such an endeavor is an enormous undertaking. Previous SGA members have initiated a sinking fund in anticipation of this project. Our understanding is that an additional fee of \$2.20 per credit hour may be assessed to future students in support of the construction costs. Upon completion, appropriation of funds currently allocated to off-site facilities will partially offset continuing expenditures including, but not limited to, personnel and maintenance. It is our anticipation that staff and alumni will be offered opportunity to utilize M-State Wellness Center at a reasonable cost, thereby generating additional resources. Several classes (including but not limited to Criminal Justice) now require off-site physical fitness testing due to the lack of on-site facilities; SGA anticipates the potential for expanded curriculum offerings (i.e. Exercise Science, Physical Therapy) as the result of construction of the Wellness Center.

The members of M-State Student Government Association offer financial and public support for the M-State Wellness Center. We believe this project will encourage wellness and entice prospective students to choose M-State for their post-secondary education.

Respectfully,



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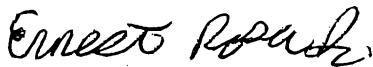
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Dear Chancellor McCormick,

On April 8th 2010, Dr. Richard Shrubbs, the President of the Minnesota West Community and Technical college, and Lori Voss, Vice President of administration, took the time to consult the student body at the Canby campus on the budget of 2010 to 2011. The student body was present and the power point presentation lasted about ½ hour to about 1 hour long with answering questions at the end. Both Dr. Shrubbs and Mrs. Voss were able to address and explain the questions and concerns of all the student body.

The power point presentation stated that the tuition would increase 4.72 percent from the previous year but the fee would remain the same. Dr Shrubbs and Mrs. Voss took extra time to explain in detail how this number was chosen and what areas of the budget was cut to get this number as low as possible without jeopardizing the integrity of our education. On behalf of the Minnesota West Canby campus, I would like to conclude that the presentation was a success and here by do not support the results as stated for tuition increase.

Sincerely



Ernest F Rosa Jr.

Student senate president

Minnesota West, Canby



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April 8, 2010

Dear Chancellor McCormick:

This letter is to inform you that Minnesota West Community and Technical College in Granite Falls, Minnesota, has completed their duty in the consultation process.

The college administration communicated with the student body on the challenges and options our school is facing for the 2010-2011 fiscal year. The consultation meeting was held at the Granite Falls campus on March 30, 2010. We were allowed reasonable input and our opinions were received in this process. The college administration showed us the entire breakdown of a student's current tuition and how it will be affected by the tuition increase that will take place next year.

The budget consultation process was very vital for the students of Minnesota West. The Student Senate has taken great time and consideration in the tuition proposal. We understand the necessity of the increase, and our student senate neither supports nor opposes the administration's plan of a 4.72 percent increase in tuition.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Victor Zavala

Minnesota West Community and Technical College – Granite Falls Campus
Student Senate President



April 29, 2010

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Dear Board of Trustees:

I am writing to assure you that the Minnesota West Community and Technical College President, Dr. Richard Schrubb and Vice President of Administration, Lori Voss did address the Jackson Campus about the budget for the FY11 on April 28, 2010. They did a very good job at addressing the financial situation of Minnesota West and explaining all the details that were necessary for a tuition increase.

They addressed various aspects of the budgeting process and various scenarios regarding tuition and fee's for future terms.

The budget consultation process provided important information to the students of the Jackson Campus of Minnesota West Community and Technical College. Dr. Richard Shrub and Ms. Voss did an excellent job in describing this process to the student body.

Sincerely,

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Tim Janzen
 Student Senate President

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Mathias".

Paul Mathias
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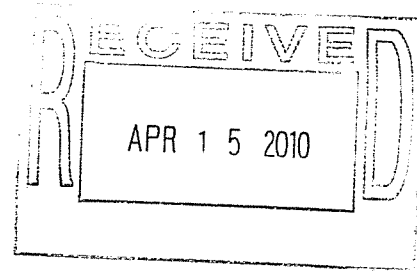
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Dear MnSCU Trustees:

As required by MnSCU's student consultation Policy (Board policy 2.3) this letter is to inform you of the consultation Process at Luverne Center for Health Careers at Minnesota West Community and Technical College on Monday March 29th, 2010.

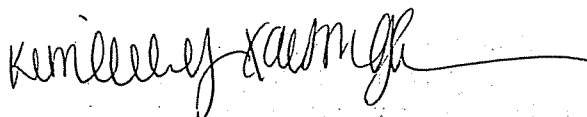
The college administration communicated with the body on the challenges and options our school faces fro the 2010-2011 fiscal year. We were able to speak to ask questions and had time to give input on there proposed 4.72% increase. We are informed about the proposed increase which will be taken into consideration.

We did not agree with the rate increase in tuition, but there was no other option due to limited resources and funds. We feel more challenges and changes will be made at the state legislative level to help make education more affordable for all students. It is important to keep rates lower for students to continue further education and for his/her professions.

Thank you for your time and please consider this letter in future educational funding proposals.

Sincerely,


Mindy Jagerson, President



Kimberly Xaisongkham, Vice-President
Minnesota West Community & Technical College
Luverne Center for Health Careers

April 6, 2010

Office of the Chancellor

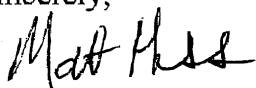
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

I am writing to assure you that the Minnesota West President, Dr. Richard Shrubb and VP of Administration, Lori Voss did address the Pipestone Campus about the budget consultation for the FY11. They took the time to talk about the deficits and budget issues that this school could foresee if an increase did not occur, they showed us the entire breakdown of a student's current tuition and how it will be affected by the tuition increase that will be taking place for the FY11.

The Student Senate has gone over their financial information that was supplied to our campus during the March 31st meeting held with Dr. Shrubb and Lori Voss and the student body at the Pipestone Campus.

We the student body understand why the increase is necessary at this time. Minnesota West also appreciates the efforts put forth by the current administration and appreciates the time spent explaining it to us.

Sincerely,



Matt Hess
Minnesota West Community & Technical College
Pipestone Campus
Student Senate Vice President



Dr. James McCormick, Chancellor
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Dear Chancellor McCormick:

This letter is to inform you that Minnesota West, Worthington-campus has completed and participated in their duty in the consultation process. The Student Senate has gone over their financial information that was supplied to our campus during the March 24th meeting held with Dr. Shrubbs, Lori Voss and the student body at the Worthington Campus.

We the student body understand how the tuition rates, fees, etc. are established and how they are factored each year. Minnesota West also appreciates the efforts put forth by the current administration and appreciate the time spent explaining it to us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rachel Pavelko".

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Sincerely,

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April 22, 2010

To whom it may concern:

On behalf of the Hibbing Community College Student Senate, we would like to give our thoughts on the budget. We recognize the importance of spending funding more wisely in the future, but we feel other avenues, besides tuition raises, need to be explored. We feel that looking into our planetarium for a temporary shutdown might be helpful. We also think looking into a program that could be cut now and reintroduced later might be an alternative

Thank you for meeting with us.

Hibbing Community College Student Senate.

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Dear Chancellor McCormick:

As requested by MnSCU's student consultation policy (Board policy 2.3), this letter will outline the tuition consultation process that recently took place at Itasca Community College

The Student Government approached the campus administration early December to schedule meetings to discuss tuition. Our first tuition consultation meeting was held on December 7, 2009. Because we had few members experienced with this process it was one where we were informed on the basics of what a tuition consultation was and how to understand what was presented to us.

Background materials were given to the senate for our first meeting. We went over our campus tuition and change that accrued over the past three year. Our senators felt free to ask question and were encouraged to do so.

Our next tuition consultation, which was held on March 5, 2010, we were able to come up with many questions to better understand the administration's proposal. Our Director of Finances, Pat Leistikow, was more than willing to answer any of our questions and even showed us to where we could find more information.

On April 16, 2010 Pat Leistikow approached us before leaving for our Spring General Assembly to present to us the newest updates on the proposed budget. We were able to look over the information over the weekend and had the ability to discuss our tuition consultation with members of our region. Following our return to campus we were able to meet with Pat Leistikow and discuses with her our questions and concerns.

The senate was given plenty to consider the administration's tuition proposal. The time provided was sufficient for the senate to have a lengthy discussion about the proposal and to make an informed decision.

Itasca Community College Student Senate came to the conclusion that our rights for a tuition consultation process was respected and was taken seriously by the administration and the students of Itasca Community College.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or comments regarding Itasca Community College's tuition consultation process. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Wednesday, April 21, 2010

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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is in regard of the tuition consultation meetings that recently occurred at Mesabi Range Community and Technical College. We have met two times regarding this subject. The administration has done an outstanding job of making us feel comfortable throughout this process. They expressed that we will see a five percent increase and laid it out very nicely on an easy to read chart for us to share with anyone who has questions. We feel this increase is acceptable however; we did express concern for next year when the stimulus money will no longer be helping with buy down. They also commented on the aspect of online learning costs which helped to satisfy the questions we had. Overall, we felt that this budget process was completely transparent.

Sincerely,

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MRCTC-Virginia Campus
Student Senate Vice-President

Eric Tardy
MRCTC-Eveleth Campus
Student Senate President

Cody Robinson
MRCTC-Virginia Campus
Student Senate President

Chancellor James McCormick
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Rainy River Community College Student Senate recently met with our Chief Financial Officer Pat Liestikow for budget consultation and tuition for the FY 2010-2011 at Rainy River. There were several questions raised by the Senate; some regarding percentage increase of tuition in ratio to revenue generated for the college. Questions were also asked about the technology fee charged to students and where the funds are spent. Some of our questions have not yet been answered; however we are working closely with administration to further understand the budgeting at Rainy River. The consultation is ongoing until questions are further answered.

Suggestions raised by members of the senate request better explanation of the information presented, specifically a more detailed plan of the goals for the college and the possibilities for tuition. In future consultations Student Senate would like to discuss future plans of the college to ensure the tuition is a manageable price for students to afford.

Sincerely,
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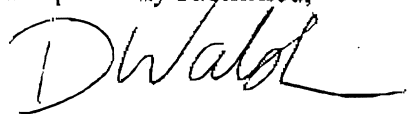
Dear Chancellor McCormick:

The Vermilion Community College Student Senate has been presented with the budget proposals for fiscal year 2011. We met with our college Provost, Dr. Mary Dubois, on Tuesday, April 13, 2010. During this meeting she discussed a proposed tuition increase of approximately 5% and how the administration has made fair cuts so that the compromise is not solely on the shoulders of the students.

We feel that this discussion went very well, the atmosphere was relaxed, and we were allowed ample opportunity to freely ask questions, comment about topics, or address concerns regarding the proposals. We understand the implications of this proposed budget and we have decided to take a neutral stance on the issue. It must be said that, as students, we never like to see increases in tuition; we are already stretched to cover all of the costs incorporated with college attendance. But with this cut of state funding, we agree that the increase is necessary for both the life of our college and higher education within MnSCU.

We would like to thank Dr. Dubois for including the students in these deliberations. Communication lines were always open and discussion on the subject was readily available. We understand the necessity for these proposed budgets and that if we want our education to remain the best it can be, these proposals are required to meet these educational principles.

Respectfully submitted,



David Walsh
2009-10 Student Body President
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Dear Chancellor McCormick and Board of Trustees:

As is requested by MNSCU student consultation policy (Board policy 2.3)(Procedure 2.3.1), this letter will outline the tuition consultation process that recently took place at Northland Community and Technical College-East Grand Forks campus.

The campus administration early in the semester approached the Senate to schedule meetings to discuss the current fiscal situation and tuition proposals. The tuition consultation meetings were held Thursday March 18th and Thursday April 29th, 2010. The meetings were attended by Jessica Syverson, Derek Murph, Robert Hunter, Trevor Ronholm, Anne Temte, Steve Crittenden, Mary Fontes, and Nic Thompson, and various student representatives.

The Administration after tireless work and dedication to keeping tuition affordable in North West Minnesota proposed a 3.5% tuition increase and continuing to evaluate course offerings on the respective campuses as well as offering early retirements to applicable faculty to keeping affordable higher education a priority.

The tuition consultation process was vastly improved from the previous year and it was clearly evident that the administration took the process seriously. We were allowed input into the budget process and the President Temte was available to answer all questions that the executive board and students had in respect to the process. Furthermore Dean of Student Development Steve Crittenden took an express interest in making sure that the students were provided with all the information to make an educated decision in an appreciate time frame.

The Senate has put its strong support behind the administration's proposal. Although we are aware of the current fiscal climate we feel that this increase is vital this year to continue to provide a quality higher education experience. We feel that the administration has had the commitment to keeping tuition in greater Minnesota affordable and we have already dramatically fallen from the 2nd highest tuition in the state to more of a middle of the road that is more respective to our region. We continue to recognize the burden on students being greater than financial resources that are provided but support this tuition increase as higher education costs continue to spiral out of control.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions or comments regarding Northland Community and Technical College-East Grand Forks Campus tuition consultation process. Thank you deeply for your consideration.

Respectfully,

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April 20, 2010

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Dear Chancellor McCormick,

The Student Senate at Northland Community and Technical College in Thief River Falls, MN (herein referred to as NCTC-TRF), received a tuition consultation on April 13, 2010 by the Administration on our Campus. The consultation was held with Dr. Anne Temte, President of Northland. During this consultation, the projected budget for the College was provided to us for FY 2011. Additionally, we were made aware of a potential three and a half percent increase for FY 2011.

The NCTC-TRF Student Senate has met to discuss the proposed tuition rates for FY 2011. We feel that it is unfortunate that the State continues to raise tuition costs for students. These increases will make public higher education unaffordable for many students. More needs to be done at all levels to increase state appropriations.

Respectfully,

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Jennifer Field, NCTC Student Senate President
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Mr. Wong,

As requested by the MnSCU's learner consultation policy, this letter outlines the consultation process that recently took place at Northwest Technical College.

Mr. Bill Maki Vice President for finance and Administration addressed Campus Government about the proposed tuition increase. The projected financial situation of the college was presented as well as the proposed tuition increase of 4.6%. Mr. Maki was asked and accepted to meet with the learners in an open forum.

On Wednesday April 21st, Mr. Maki met with a group of learners in an open format. The current budget as well as the proposed tuition increase was outlined for those present. The group was presented with an opportunity for feedback during this meeting.

On April 26th Mr. Maki presented an increase of 4% and a one year reduction in student activity fee to \$1.00 in response to the current surplus in this fund. This was presented to Campus Government on April 27th at the bi-weekly meeting.

Please feel free to contact the members of Campus Government if you have questions or comments regarding the consultation.

Sincerely,

Christian Molitor, President



Todd Andre, Vice President



Curt Peterson, Secretary



April, 29 2010

Chancellor James McCormick
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Dear Chancellor McCormick:

This is a revised letter in reference to the tuition consultation process with the college Administration at the Hutchinson Campus of Ridgewater College during 2009-2010 academic year.

The Willmar and Hutchinson Campuses have met with President Allen and the Administration during our Exchange of View meetings throughout the academic year. The Administration explained the process of raising tuition and the technology fee to the Student Senates. The Student Senates were informed of the college plans to raise tuition 5% with the help of the stimulus package buy-down. The tuition increase would only then result in a 3% increase for our student body. The College also plans to raise the technology fee by 3% to keep up with the needs of our students and the college. The Student Senates were given ample time to discuss these changes. We have agreed these increases are necessary in order to meet the needs of our student body. We all agree that no one likes to see tuition rise, but we understand the reasoning and the need behind the decisions made by our Administration.

We believe President Allen and the Administration did a great job of involving the students on the tuition process and appreciate the open relationship that we share with them. Because we have a great working relationship with our President and Administration, we can approach them with any questions or issues that arise on our campus.

We appreciate the work that you do for the students. Thank you for reading our feedback on our campus tuition consultation process.

Sincerely,

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Student Senate President

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April 7, 2010

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RE: Tuition and Fees

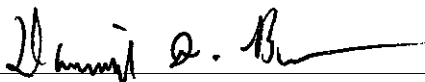
Dear MnSCU Board of Trustees:

Dr. Terrence Leas, President, and Beth Fondell, Vice President of Finance and Facilities, met with the Albert Lea Senate twice during the academic year with a final consultation on April 7, 2010 with the Albert Lea Senate. They presented information on the FY2011 budget and shared a proposed plan for FY2011 tuition and fees. Our Senate is aware that cuts to budget proposals in next year's financial planning, could result in cuts that would affect a student's experience while attending Riverland. Two options were presented to the Albert Lea Senate.

The Riverland Community College - Albert Lea Student Senate supports an increase in the student life fees from \$6.50 to \$6.75 per credit for the FY2011 year. We understand that the State of Minnesota is facing serious financial issues and that tuition is likely to increase based on Governor Pawlenty's and the state legislators' decisions. Our choice, to increasing the student life fee as proposed, would mean potential cuts could be averted.

Our Student Senate members feel that the information presented pertaining to the tuition and fees by the President and Vice President of Finance and Facilities was very informative. Our questions were answered, and the information was detailed and organized. They have also made themselves accessible to further inquiries that the Senate might have in the future regarding these issues.

Sincerely,



David J. Braun, President
Riverland – Albert Lea Student Senate

cc: Sherry Vietor, Senate Advisor
Al Henslin, Senate Advisor

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RE: Tuition and Fees

Dear MnSCU Board of Trustees:

The Student Senates of Riverland Community College had the opportunity to meet with administration several times during the academic year on the topic of a college budget review and proposed tuition and fee increases. Dr. Terrence Leas, President, and Beth Fondell, Vice President of Finance and Facilities, met with the Senates several times during the academic year. They presented information on the FY2011 budget and shared a proposed plan for FY2011 tuition and fees.

The Riverland – Austin Student Senate, supports an increase in the student life fees from \$6.50 to \$6.75 per credit for the FY2011 year. We understand that the State of Minnesota is facing serious financial issues and that tuition is likely to increase based on Governor Pawlenty's and the state legislators' decisions.

Our Student Senate members feel that the information presented pertaining to the tuition and fees by the President and Vice President of Finance and Facilities was very informative. Our questions were answered, and the information was detailed and organized. They have also made themselves accessible to further inquiries that the Senates might have in the future regarding these issues.

Sincerely,

Vice President
Riverland – Austin Student Senate

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Dear Dr. McCormick:

As requested by MnSCU's student consultation policy, this letter will outline the tuition consultation process that recently took place at Rochester Community and Technical College.

The campus administration has had discussions with our Senate throughout the year in regard to the tuition rate for 2010-2011. The consultations were held during the Senate/Administrative Council meetings every month, and were attended by Don Supalla, President; Mike Bequette, Vice President of Teaching and Learning; Stan Cram, Vice President of Student Development Services; Marilyn Hansmann, Vice President of Finance and Facilities; Renee Engelmeier, Chief Human Resources Officer; Dave Weber, Chief of Strategic Operations; and Scott Sahs, Chief Information Officer.

Background materials were provided to the Senate during the year which included college budgets that took into account any contract cost increases. Expenditures were put into two categories, personnel and other operating costs.

The Senate was given several months to discuss tuition costs. The time was adequate to discuss the tuition and the senate is very pleased with the administration's efforts to keep tuition costs contained.

The Senate believes that our consultation process was satisfactory and the administration did everything they could to keep us informed. The RCTC Student Senate opposes *any* increase in the tuition rates. We believe higher education is very important and should be accessible to all. We acknowledge that costs across the board continue to rise and we recognize that some increases cannot be avoided.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or comments regarding Rochester Community and Technical College's consultation process. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Elise Diesslin'.

Elise Diesslin
Student Senate President

April 8, 2010



South Central College

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Dr. James H. McCormick
Chancellor
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities



Dear Chancellor McCormick:

The tuition consultation process required by MnSCU Board Policy 2.3 took place at South Central College Faribault campus. Below you will find details outlining this process.

On January 20th, 2010 Karen Snorek, Vice President of Finance and Operations, came and spoke before our entire Student Senate. Prior to that, Student Senate President and Vice-President spoke with her individually. When she visited the full Student Senate in January she mainly talked about the current standing of tuition and the budget of South Central College. She also talked at length about the deficit and how that is affecting tuition.

Then in February, both Karen Snorek and Keith Stover, College President, attended a second full Student Senate meeting. At this meeting our Student Senate posed some very pointed questions to our administration. We asked questions like, what is the projected tuition increase for students next year and how are fee's changing for FY11. We also asked questions about our alternatives to tuition increases, and online rates.

We were informed that like FY10, the tuition increase is likely going to be 5% with the Federal Stimulus Fund helping to offset that increase. We were also told that it is likely fee's will be very similar to what they have been this fiscal year. Administration mentioned that there were no good alternatives to tuition increases. Finally, President Stover and Vice President Snorek did address online rates, and that there is a need for the elevated tuition for those courses because teachers are needing to be taught how to teach online.

As students, we are concerned that tuition is likely to be increasing again by 5%. Especially when we look down the road to when those stimulus dollars are no longer available, and all of a sudden we will see the 15% increase over the last three years. We understand that these are hard times financially for everyone. We know that we need to make up for the deficit, but we do not think it should be coming in the form of increased tuition.

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We the students of South Central College, Faribault campus would like the Board of Trustees to know that we feel the consultation process on our campus was sufficient and acceptable. However, we do not by any means approve of the proposed further increase of our tuition by 5%. The work that has been done to help lower the cost of attending college has been recognized and appreciated by students, but this proposed increase does not represent that hard work. We are very thankful to see the work that has been done and the battle being fought on our behalf. We hope that the Board of Trustees will continue to fight for us in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kayla M. Davies". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

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March 30, 2010

Dr. James H. McCormick
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Dear Chancellor McCormick:

This letter is outlining the tuition consultation process that South Central College, North Mankato had as requested by MnSCU policy 2.3.

On January 11th, Karen Snorek, our Vice President of Operations at South Central College, came to a Student Senate meeting to inform us of the general state of MN, the MnSCU outlook and the potential tuition rate that SCC would be looking at for 2010-2011. The following day, Vice President Snorek sent me an email with the presentation she gave to our senate attached. She said in that email that “once we know more about what the possible FY11 funding will look like – which is estimated to be a \$50-\$80 million reduction for MnSCU, I would then like to come back and discuss the ramifications that it has on South Central.”

As of yet, administration is still working on finalizing the budget. However, we were told on March 25th that South Central will be requesting a 5% tuition increase. Along with that, ARRA will absorb 2% of tuition like it did this year. While a 5% increase is not good news, we as students understand that with Minnesota in the position that it's in right now, sacrifices have to be made while continuing to plan for the future success of the college. We've seen these sacrifices made by cuts to programs and cuts to faculty, as well as faculty pay freezes. We understand that the rise in tuition is not the only means that administration is using to stay functioning while they continue to offer quality education to students in southern Minnesota.

We understand that there's not much South Central can do as an institution to keep tuition down in times as financially strenuous as these, but we saw an opportunity for student organizations to tighten their belts and cut the students a break, so to speak if we lowered the student life fee. This is a huge amount that students are paying in addition to tuition. This idea was tossed out almost immediately, partially because our sister campus, South Central College, Faribault, is interested in raising the student life fee, and we were told that we have to charge the same student life fee on both campuses. Student life at our sister campus is completely different than that on ours. We have at least twice as many clubs as they do, just as one example. And yet, the Faribault students are paying the same amount per credit as the North Mankato students. We know that we at the North Mankato campus could tighten the student life budget and still ensure that SCC is a college with a lot to offer students. While we understand that administration must make tough decisions on making sure the students are allowed an affordable education, here's one way we saw that could help, and it's seen as unfeasible. That in itself is disheartening, but

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this is something South Central College students can continue to work on with administration to try to resolve in the next school year.

In closing, we as students at South Central College, North Mankato understand that these are extremely hard times for the state of Minnesota. We are grateful to the administration for taking students into consideration while figuring out how to run a two-year institution on such a meager budget. We also want to thank you and the MnSCU Board of Trustees for your hard work and dedication in trying to keep public higher education in Minnesota affordable. Hopefully in future years we can start to see some real change for the better in the cost of tuition at South Central College and throughout the state.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Lillian J. Lamoreux". The signature is fluid and includes a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

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Dear Dr. McCormick,

The Bemidji State University Student Association (BSUSA) is pleased to announce that a successful consultation process has occurred in regards to tuition and fees at Bemidji State University.

The BSUSA was presented with a 4.5% tuition increase for FY2011. Consultation occurred on multiple occasions and adequate time for dialogue and questions was provided. This raise in tuition is consistent with the 2009 legislation and MnSCU Board of Trustees parameters of a flat maximum per credit increase.

The BSUSA supports a 1.0% increase to the Health Services Fee for FY2011. The students at Bemidji State University value the quality and convenience of the Health Services provided on-campus and would like to maintain current offerings.

The BSUSA supports a 4.0% increase in the Student Union Facility Fee. Student Union operations are central to student involvement and engagement on-campus. The Director of the Hobson Memorial Union and Vice President of Finance have done an exceptional job of outlining impacts of different budget scenarios and provided accurate budget projections for FY2011.

The Department of Residential Life had proposed a 4.0% increase to the rates for FY2011. In FY2001, the annual double room rate at Bemidji State University was \$2,238. In FY2011, the same room will cost \$4,100 annually if the 4.0% increase is approved. This represents an 83.2% increase over a ten-year period. The BSUSA supports a 3.0% increase to Residential Life rates and supports the proposed 4.3% increase to the Meal Plan rate. The Bemidji State University administration amended the proposed rate increase to 3.5% as of April 30, 2010. The BSUSA has not taken an official stance on the amended rate increase.

General Parking rates are proposed to increase by 3.0% in FY2011. The Student Association has been consulted on this rate change. The additional revenue generated through this increase will be used to repair and renovate parking lots on-campus.

The Bemidji State University Student Association appreciates the work of Chancellor McCormick and the Board of Trustees in their continued efforts to keep tuition and fees as affordable as possible.

Sincerely,

Andrew D. Spaeth
Co-President
Bemidji State University Student Association

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March 31, 2010

Chancellor James H. McCormick
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities
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Dear Chancellor McCormick:

This letter is to inform you of how the consultation process between Minnesota State Student Association and the University Administration on the tuition fee budget went pursuant to MnSCU Board of Trustees Policy 2.3.1.

The Minnesota State Student Association has had monthly meet and confer meetings with the university administration. During these meetings, the students have been able to voice their concerns on various campus and budget related issues.

The only concern the Minnesota State Student Association had with the consultation process during this year occurred in the beginning of the academic year, when the university administration without student consultation implemented differential tuition for all extended learners. The administration also brought up a differential fee for online learners at the end of the previous academic year, but no definite fee structure was provided and the student association was not provided with adequate time for response. The time of the year was when the Student Association administration holds turn-over. In the case of the extended learners' differential fee, it was approved by the MnSCU Board of Trustees without concern that the students were not consulted or aware of the fee implementation. This caused a lot of students to believe that the successful system we have had in place for years had failed the students. This was reflected in a number of letters from extended learners which were circulated within the Chancellor's Office and the Board of Trustees during the fall semester. However the university administration responded almost immediately when student government inquired about the implementation. The administration acknowledged their mistake, were very cooperative and came to talk to the student senate about what had happened that led to the differential fee implementation.

It is also our understanding from our very recent conversation with the Department of Extended Learning on our campus that the differential fee for online and extended learners has not found a



suitable use as yet. The Office of Extended Learning at our campus has still not been able to provide the students with a detailed breakdown of where the differential fee is being used or what it is being used for.

As far as the projected budget for the 2010-11 academic year, we understand that the University Finance Office will be using the cap amounts forwarded by the Office of the Chancellor. The UG Resident band paid by the students will go up approximately 5.25% while the maximum unmitigated rate goes up 5.14%. The UG Resident credit rates paid by students will increase by 4.37%, but the total unmitigated rate goes up by 4.32%. We are increasing other rates by 5%. I believe this is consistent with our discussions throughout the year.

We, however, commend the university administration on the tremendous job of consulting with the students on all other matters that concerned them including the university budget. We also commend the university administration for being very proactive and open about the budget cuts that occurred. The university also worked diligently and patiently with students and faculty during these hard times. We appreciate and look forward to the trust that we rebuilt through the year, and hope the university administration continues the trend of transparency and open consultation which they showed us during the year.

We would kindly request the Board of Trustees help ensure student consultation remains a vital step in approval of any future differential fee or tuition fee increases. We would also request that any differential or tuition fee increase not be approved without university administration having gone through student consultation.

Please contact me by phone at (507)389-2611 or by email if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Murtaza Rajabali", written over a white background.

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