

**BOARD MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Board of Regents  
**From:** Deb Hendrickson  
**Date:** April 20, 2005 *ASN*  
**Subject:** Allocation of Mandatory Student Fees for the 2005-2006 Academic Year

**Recommended Actions:**

Approve the allocation of the Regent universities mandatory student fees for the 2005-06 academic year, including the summer 2005 session, as set forth in Tables 1-3.

**Executive Summary:**

In the fall of each year, the Board of Regents establishes base tuition and mandatory fees for each of the universities for the following academic year. At the subsequent May Board meeting, the Board allocates student fees for various student purposes after considering the priorities of the students.

Student Fee Committees

The Iowa Code requires the involvement of student fee committees prior to the Board changing allocations of certain student fees.

The student fee committees at each university have met and made recommendations regarding the allocations of the student activities and student services fees. The universities have indicated the allocation proposals are consistent with the student fee committee recommendations.

The Board approved each of the mandatory fees in December 2004 as summarized below:

<b>Student Fees</b>			
<b>Academic Year 2005-2006</b>			
	<b>SUI</b>	<b>ISU</b>	<b>UNI</b>
<b>Mandatory Student Fees</b>			
Computer Fee	\$215	\$204	\$116
Health Fee	172	170	144
Health Facility Fee	10	16	32
* Student Activities Fee	53	60	0
* Student Services Fee	55	188	222
Career Services Fee	6	0	0
Student Union Fee	92	0	0
* Building Fee	<u>119</u>	<u>106</u>	<u>198</u>
Total	<b>\$ 722</b>	<b>\$ 744</b>	<b>\$ 712</b>

\*Allocations proposed for Board approval.

Allocations

The Board is being requested to allocate student activity fees, student services fees and building fees as illustrated in tables 1-3 on pages 6-8.

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**Background:**

Board Process

Historically, the Board has set tuition and mandatory fees in the fall of each year. For more than 70 years, the Board had allocated amounts for student activities and student services. FY 2005 was the first year in which no tuition dollars were being allocated for student fees.

Student Fee Committee

Per Iowa Code §262.34B, a student fee committee at each university, composed of five students and five university employees, is required to make recommendations for certain student fee allocations to the university president by April 15 for the subsequent academic year.

The university president, in turn, makes a recommendation to the Board and the Board makes the final decision on the allocations of those fees. This process allows student input into the decision of how the student fees are allocated. Iowa Code does not require student input on the allocation of building fees.

Board Policy

The Board's policy on mandatory fees is as follows:

**8.03 Mandatory Fees**

**A. General Policy**

Mandatory fees, charged to each student, provide a distinct resource to respond to specific needs of students. Each institution must seek Board approval for any new mandatory fees or changes in mandatory fees.

For a new mandatory fee to be established, a university must:

- Disclose origination of proposed fee (i.e. by student request or a need identified by the university).
- Identify the basis for the fee (i.e. services to be provided by fee and related costs of those services).
- Consult with students regarding the proposed expenditures of the newly available revenues.
- Obtain documentation from the recognized student body governments indicating student support for new fee.

For proposed increases in mandatory fees above inflation, a university must follow the steps outlined for a proposed new fee.

Annually, during the discussion of tuition and mandatory fees, the universities must:

- Report to the Board on revenues and expenditures for all fees generated by the mandatory fees (including the disposition of unallocated funds);
  - Unexpended funds from mandatory fees must be spent for the purposes for which the fee was originally implemented.
- Address the applicability of mandatory fees for part-time students, off-campus students, and summer session students.

Each university must establish formal policies and procedures for assessing each mandatory fee and for granting exemptions.

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**Analysis:**

Allocation of Student Fees      The following table provides a summary of the proposed fees by institution to be allocated at this time.

	<b>SUI</b>	<b>ISU</b>	<b>UNI</b>
Student Activities Fee	\$ 53	\$ 60	\$ --
Student Services Fee	55	188	222
Building Fees	119	106	198

Mandatory Fees      The following tables highlight the changes from the prior year to those mandatory student fees, as approved in December 2004, for which Board approval is sought for allocation. The details of the proposed allocations are included on Tables 1 through 3 on pages 6-8.

**MANDATORY FEES**

Per student, per academic year

	<u>Actual 2004-2005</u>	<u>Approved 2005-2006</u>	<u>Dollar Change</u>
<b>University of Iowa</b>			
Student Activities Fee	\$ 51.00	\$ 53.00	\$2.00
Student Services Fee	53.00	55.00	2.00
Building Fees	119.00	119.00	--
<b>Iowa State University</b>			
Student Activities Fee	57.00	60.00	3.00
Student Services Fee	179.00	188.00	9.00
Building Fees	106.00	106.00	--
<b>University of Northern Iowa</b>			
Student Services Fee	190.00	222.00	32.00
Building Fees	180.00	198.00	18.00

**ALLOCATED REVENUES FROM MANDATORY FEES**

	<u>Expected 2004-2005 Academic Year</u>	<u>Estimated 2005-2006 Academic Year</u>	<u>Dollar Change</u>
<b>University of Iowa</b>			
Student Activities Fee	\$1,288,452	\$1,338,702	\$50,250
Student Services Fee	1,354,270	1,405,327	51,057
Building Fees	3,033,132	3,033,132	--
<b>Iowa State University</b>			
Student Activities Fee	1,482,000	1,500,000	18,000
Student Services Fee	4,654,000	4,700,000	46,000
Building Fees	2,756,000	2,650,000	(106,000)
<b>University of Northern Iowa</b>			
Student Services Fee	2,041,288	2,200,102	158,814
Building Fees	2,002,500	2,114,640	112,140

SUI

The University of Iowa is proposing allocations of the mandatory fees as identified on Table 1, page 6.

The total \$4 increase in mandatory fees per student, includes a \$2 inflationary increase (3.9%) in student activities fees and a \$2 inflationary increase (3.8%) in student services fees. This is consistent with the Board's approval last November.

The changes in student activity fees include:

- Decreases in Bijou Film Commission, Rape Victim Advocacy Program, KRUI Radio Station, and Tenant Landlord Association
- Increases in Lecture Committee, Student Commission on Programming Events, Student Video Producers, Student Legal Services, and UI Student Association

The changes in student services fees include inflationary increases in Student Publications, Cambus / Bionic Bus, and Recreational Services.

Although there are no changes in building fee allocations for the \$119 fee, Agenda Item 20a, Register of University of Iowa Capital Improvement Business Transactions, and Agenda Item 21, Resolutions for the Sale and Award of \$10,960,000 Iowa Memorial Union Revenue Bonds, Series S.U.I. 2005, both indicate proposed increases in building fees over the next two years for the Iowa Memorial Union – a \$33 increase in building fees for each the 2006-07 academic year and the 2007-08 academic year.

ISU

Iowa State University proposes mandatory fee allocations as identified on Table 2, page 7.

Priorities include additional support to the Government of the Student Body, CyRide bus service, and recreation programs. The total \$12 increase in mandatory fees is consistent with the Board's approval last November and is allocated as follows:

- \$3.20 for the Government of the Student Body to address inflationary cost increases.
- (\$0.20) elimination of equipment / program support.
- \$6.00 for the CyRide bus service to continue shuttle service from the Iowa State Center parking lot to the campus and free bus service to registered students. Even with this increase, the transit system will need to reduce services by \$150,000. They are faced with substantial fuel increases and the need to fund negotiated salary increases.
- \$3.00 to support the increasing demands for recreation services.

There are no changes in building fee allocations.

UNI

The University of Northern Iowa proposes allocations of mandatory fees as identified on Table 3, page 8.

Priorities include additional support to the Student Organizations, Panther Pass, Intercollegiate Athletics, Fine Arts / Cultural, Northern Iowan, Wellness and recreation, Panther Shuttle Bus, and Family Weekend. The total \$32 increase in student services fees is consistent with the Board's approval last November and is allocated as follows:

- \$1.70 for Student Organizations to help fund increased requests submitted from student organizations on campus.
- ~~\$4.00~~\$6.00 for Panther Pass. This Pass provides free admission to most UNI cultural and athletic events. Athletics, Theatre, Music, and the Gallagher-Bluedorn Performing Arts Center receive revenue from the Pass. The increases will be distributed as follows:
  - ~~\$2.40~~\$4.40 to Athletics
  - \$1.00 to Gallagher-Bluedorn
  - \$0.30 to Theatre
  - \$0.30 to Music
- ~~\$19.40~~\$17.10 for Intercollegiate Athletics to support additional scholarship costs for student athletes and help alleviate the impact of budgets cuts and tuition increases to the athletic program
- \$2.00 for Fine Arts/Cultural
- \$0.20 for the Northern Iowan
- (\$0.10) decrease in Homecoming
- ~~(\$0.10)~~\$1.60 decrease to the Child Care Committee. In the future, child care grants will be considered in financial aid awards.
- (\$0.20) decrease in Student Activities Programming
- \$6.20 for Wellness and Recreation to support the increasing demands for recreation services.
- \$0.60 for Panther Shuttle Bus
- \$0.10 for Family Weekend

The building fee was increased by \$18.00 and funds two projects – the Fieldhouse and Maucker Union Renovation. The increase is distributed as follows:

- \$14.00 for the Fieldhouse Fee which is used to finance the debt service for the repair of the UNI-Dome roof
- \$4.00 for Maucker Union Renovation which provides the revenue stream to meet the bonding requirements for the renovation and expansion of the student union.

**Table 1  
Mandatory Fees -- University of Iowa**

	<b>Academic Year (per student)</b>			
	<b>Actual 2004-2005</b>	<b>Proposed 2005-2006</b>	<b>Dollar Change</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>
<b>Student Activities Fee</b>				
Bijou Film Commission	\$1.36	\$1.27	-\$0.09	-6.6%
Lecture Committee	3.84	3.87	0.03	0.8%
Rape Victim Advocacy Program	2.14	1.45	-0.69	-32.2%
Student Commission on Programming Events	2.72	3.90	1.18	43.4%
KRUI Radio Station	2.14	1.38	-0.76	-35.5%
Student Video Producers	0.70	1.49	0.79	112.9%
Student Legal Services	4.56	4.64	0.08	1.8%
Tenant Landlord Association	0.92	0.00	-0.92	-100.0%
Readership Program	10.00	10.00	0.00	0.0%
UI Student Association	22.62	25.00	2.38	10.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>51.00</b>	<b>53.00</b>	<b>2.00</b>	<b>3.9%</b>
<b>Student Services Fee</b>				
Student Publications, Inc.	13.08	13.59	0.51	3.9%
Cambus/Bionic Bus	35.30	36.63	1.33	3.8%
Recreational Services	4.62	4.78	0.16	3.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>53.00</b>	<b>55.00</b>	<b>2.00</b>	<b>3.8%</b>
<b>Building Fee<sup>1</sup></b>				
Athletic/Recreation Project	58.42	58.42	0.00	0.0%
Recreation Building	5.18	5.18	0.00	0.0%
Iowa Memorial Union	55.40	55.40	0.00	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>119.00</b>	<b>119.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Summer Session (per student)</b>				
	<b>Actual 2004-2005</b>	<b>Proposed 2005-2006</b>	<b>Dollar Change</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>
<b>Student Activities Fee</b>				
Bijou Film Commission	\$0.34	\$0.32	-\$0.02	-5.9%
Lecture Committee	0.96	0.97	0.01	1.0%
Rape Victim Advocacy Program	0.54	0.35	-0.19	-35.2%
Student Commission on Programming Events	0.68	0.98	0.30	44.1%
KRUI Radio Station	0.54	0.35	-0.19	-35.2%
Student Video Producers	0.17	0.37	0.20	117.6%
Student Legal Services	1.15	1.16	0.01	0.9%
Tenant Landlord Association	0.23	0.00	-0.23	-100.0%
UI Student Association	5.64	6.25	0.61	10.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>10.25</b>	<b>10.75</b>	<b>0.50</b>	<b>4.9%</b>
<b>Student Services Fee</b>				
Student Publications, Inc.	3.27	3.40	0.13	4.0%
Cambus/Bionic Bus	8.82	9.15	0.33	3.7%
Recreational Services	1.16	1.20	0.04	3.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>13.25</b>	<b>13.75</b>	<b>0.50</b>	<b>3.8%</b>
<b>Building Fee<sup>1</sup></b>				
Athletic/Recreation Project	14.60	14.60	0.00	0.0%
Recreation Building	1.30	1.30	0.00	0.0%
Iowa Memorial Union	13.85	13.85	0.00	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>29.75</b>	<b>29.75</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>

<sup>1</sup> Needed for payment of debt service payments and for capital projects

**Table 2**  
**Mandatory Fees -- Iowa State University**

	<b>Academic Year (per student)</b>			
	<b>Actual 2004-2005</b>	<b>Proposed 2005-2006</b>	<b>Dollar Change</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>
<b>Student Activities Fee</b>				
Government of the Student Body	\$56.70	\$59.90	\$3.20	5.6%
Reserve for Legislative Relations	0.10	0.10	0.00	0.0%
Equipment/Program Support	0.20	0.00	-0.20	-100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>57.00</b>	<b>60.00</b>	<b>3.00</b>	<b>5.3%</b>
<b>Student Services Fee</b>				
Cyride (Bus System)	91.00	97.00	6.00	6.6%
Recreation	43.00	46.00	3.00	7.0%
Intercollegiate Athletics	45.00	45.00	0.00	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>179.00</b>	<b>188.00</b>	<b>9.00</b>	<b>5.0%</b>
<b>Building Fee<sup>1</sup></b>				
Memorial Union	\$49.10	\$49.10	\$0.00	0.0%
Hilton Coliseum	18.00	18.00	0.00	0.0%
Recreation Facility	30.50	30.50	0.00	0.0%
New Ice Facility	8.40	8.40	0.00	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>106.00</b>	<b>106.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
	<b>Summer Session (per student)</b>			
	<b>Actual 2004-2005</b>	<b>Proposed 2005-2006</b>	<b>Dollar Change</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>
<b>Student Activities Fee</b>				
Government of the Student Body	\$14.18	\$14.98	\$0.80	5.6%
Reserve for Legislative Relations	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.0%
Equipment/Program Support	0.05	0.00	-0.05	-100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>14.25</b>	<b>15.00</b>	<b>0.75</b>	<b>5.3%</b>
<b>Student Services Fee</b>				
Cyride (Bus System)	22.75	24.25	1.50	6.6%
Recreation	10.75	11.50	0.75	7.0%
Intercollegiate Athletics	11.25	11.25	0.00	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>44.75</b>	<b>47.00</b>	<b>2.25</b>	<b>5.0%</b>
<b>Building Fee<sup>1</sup></b>				
Memorial Union	12.28	12.28	\$0.00	0.0%
Hilton Coliseum	4.50	4.50	0.00	0.0%
Recreation Facility	7.63	7.63	0.00	0.0%
New Ice Facility	2.10	2.10	0.00	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>26.50</b>	<b>26.50</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>

<sup>1</sup> Needed for payment of debt service payments

**Table 3**  
**Mandatory Fees -- University of Northern Iowa**

	Academic Year (per student)			
	Actual	Proposed	Dollar	Percent
	2004-2005	2005-2006	Change	Change
<b>Student Services Fee</b>				
Student Organizations	\$16.50	\$18.20	\$1.70	10.3%
Panther Pass	46.00	<del>50.00</del> <u>52.00</u>	<del>4.00</del> <u>6.00</u>	<del>8.7%</del> <u>13.0%</u>
Intercollegiate Athletics	63.30	<del>82.40</del> <u>80.40</u>	<del>19.10</del> <u>17.10</u>	<del>30.2%</del> <u>27.0%</u>
Fine Arts/Cultural	16.10	18.10	2.00	12.4%
Intercollegiate Academics	6.90	6.90	0.00	0.0%
Northern Iowan	2.50	2.70	0.20	8.0%
Homecoming	1.90	1.80	-0.10	-5.3%
Child Care Committee	1.60	0.00	-1.60	-100.0%
Student Activities Programming	9.10	8.90	-0.20	-2.2%
Wellness and Recreation	13.10	19.30	6.20	47.3%
Center for Multicultural Education	5.50	5.50	0.00	0.0%
Panther Shuttle Bus	7.20	7.80	0.60	8.3%
Family Weekend	0.30	0.40	0.10	33.3%
Total	190.00	222.00	32.00	16.8%
<b>Building Fee<sup>1</sup></b>				
Fieldhouse Fee	90.00	104.00	14.00	15.6%
Maucker Union Renovation	90.00	94.00	4.00	4.4%
Total	180.00	198.00	18.00	10.0%
<b>Summer Session (per student)</b>				
	Actual	Proposed	Dollar	Percent
	2004-2005	2005-2006	Change	Change
<b>Student Services Fee</b>				
Student Organizations	\$4.95	\$6.85	\$1.90	38.4%
Intercollegiate Athletics	50.75	49.60	-\$1.15	-2.3%
Fine Arts/Cultural	4.30	6.75	\$2.45	57.0%
Intercollegiate Academics	0.20	2.60	\$2.40	1200.0%
Northern Iowan	0.65	1.00	\$0.35	53.8%
Homecoming	0.15	0.65	\$0.50	333.3%
Child Care Committee	0.30	0.00	-\$0.30	-100.0%
Student Activities Programming	0.05	3.35	\$3.30	6600.0%
Wellness and Recreation	9.60	7.30	-\$2.30	-24.0%
Center for Multicultural Education	0.10	2.05	\$1.95	1950.0%
Panther Shuttle Bus	0.10	2.95	\$2.85	2850.0%
Family Weekend	0.10	0.15	0.05	50.0%
Total	71.25	83.25	\$12.00	16.8%
<b>Building Fee<sup>1</sup></b>				
Fieldhouse Fee	33.75	39.00	5.25	15.6%
Maucker Union Renovation	33.75	35.25	1.50	4.4%
Total	67.50	74.25	6.75	10.0%

<sup>1</sup> Needed for payment of debt service payments