

Tuition and Fee Advisory Board of the University of Oregon
Meeting Summary | November 1, 2019

The 2019–2020 Tuition and Fee Advisory Board (TFAB) of the University of Oregon met in the Miller Room (107) of the Erb Memorial Union on the UO Eugene campus at 3:00 p.m. on November 1, 2019. Below is a summary of the meeting; documents reviewed are [available online](#).

Attending: Jim Brooks, Erica Daley, Douglas Imaralu, Stuart Laing, Kevin Marbury (co-chair), Andy Marcus, Aimée C. Marquez (guest), Jamie Moffitt (co-chair), JP Monroe, Ryan Nguyen (Daily Emerald), Sabinna Pierre, Doneka Scott, Nathan Skarphol (guest), Kathie Stanley, Madelyn Stellingwerf (Daily Emerald), Janet Woodruff-Borden

Staff: Debbie Sharp (Office of the VPFA)

Welcome and introductions. Co-chair Kevin Marbury, vice president for student life, welcomed the group and invited all participants to introduce themselves.

UO budget information. TFAB co-chair Jamie Moffitt, vice president for finance and administration and chief financial officer, provided an overview of the university budget. This included an introduction to the university’s budget structure: Education and General (E&G) funds—which provide the majority of the funding for the schools and colleges and central administrative units like Human Resources and the General Counsel’s office—and other funds, which are primarily restricted and used for things such as research, restricted gifts, and construction. Moffitt outlined the decreased levels of state appropriation, increased reliance on tuition revenue, particularly non-resident tuition, and key E&G fund cost drivers. In particular, Moffitt focused on FY2020 cost increases in the state-mandated Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) and medical costs through the Public Employees Benefit Board (PEBB), as well as increases in faculty, staff, and graduate employee salaries and wages. Presentation materials are [available online](#).

Background on the Public University Support Fund (PUSF) and funding mechanisms. Moffitt presented a briefing on the Public University Support Fund (PUSF), explaining how moneys are appropriated by the Legislative Assembly to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) for allocation to public universities, including the University of Oregon. She discussed the three components of the PUSF’s Student Success and Completion Model (SSCM): activity-based funding (primarily Student Credit Hours), outcome-based funding (completion), and mission differentiation funding. She also reviewed funding distributed through state program funds, statewide public service program funds, and lottery funds. Participant dialogue explored levels of comparative university funding and how various factors impact state funding for the UO. The PUSF briefing is [available online](#).

Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.