**Tuition and Fee Advisory Board of the University of Oregon**

**Meeting Summary | January 7, 2022**

The 2021–2022 Tuition and Fee Advisory Board (TFAB) of the University of Oregon met in the Miller Room (107) of the EMU at 8:30 a.m. on January 7, 2022. Below is a summary of the meeting; documents discussed during the meeting are available [online](https://tuition.uoregon.edu/updates).

**Attending**: Deb Beck (guest), Krista Borg (virtual), Isaiah Boyd, Jim Brooks, Josh Buetow, Pamanee Chaiwat, Robin Clement, Angela Davis, Brian Fox (guest), Michael Griffel (guest), Saul Hubbard (guest, virtual), Kimberly Johnson (virtual), Stuart Laing (virtual), Kevin Marbury (co-chair), Jamie Moffitt (co-chair), JP Monroe, Brady Nittmann (guest), Gabe Paquette, Angie Peatow (guest), Shreya Silori, Kathie Stanley (virtual), Gina Thompson, Roger Thompson (guest), Laurie Woodward (guest, virtual).

**Staff**: Debbie Sharp (Office of the VPFA)

**Introductions and meeting plan**. Co-chair Kevin Marbury, vice president for student life, welcomed the group and asked people to introduce themselves. Co-chair Jamie Moffitt, vice president for finance and administration and CFO, noted that Angela Davis, senior associate dean of academic programs at the Lundquist College of Business, would be joining TFAB to replace Dean Sarah Nutter for the remainder of the 2021-22 board’s term of service.

**Meeting plan**. Marbury provided a brief overview of the TFAB meeting plan for the winter term. Moffitt explained that while there are six TFAB meetings planned for winter term—in addition to two tuition forums—it is possible that not all of the planned meetings will be needed. The tentative TFAB meeting schedule for winter term is available [online](https://tuition.uoregon.edu/jan-feb-2022-meeting-plan). All meetings are open to the public and student participation, in particular, is encouraged.

**FY23 mandatory fees**.Moffitt provided the group with an overview of the proposed rates for administratively controlled mandatory fees (per term) for fiscal year 2023 (the 2022 tuition cohort). These fees include the building fee, Health Service fee, Recreation Center fee, Student Union fee, and technology fee. Moffitt shared that the proposed price point for mandatory fees for new, incoming undergraduate students is 3.74% higher than the previous cohort, noting that these fees are locked as part of the [Oregon Guarantee](https://financialaid.uoregon.edu/oregon-guarantee) for up to five years. As part of the proposed FY23 mandatory fees, graduate students would see an increase of 3.0% and continuing undergraduate students who started before summer 2020 would see an increase of 3.0%.

The group noted the 80 different schedules for graduate fees, talked about the building fee being used for student-focused building improvements on campus, and discussed the fact that even though residential housing costs are not part of mandatory fees, they are discussed with TFAB each year because of their impact on the cost of higher education. The group also discussed the updated naming protocol for the guaranteed tuition cohorts, which means that FY2022 is the 2021 tuition cohort and FY23 is the 2022 tuition cohort.

An overview of the administratively controlled mandatory fees proposed for fiscal year 2023 is available [online](https://tuition.uoregon.edu/sites/tuition2.uoregon.edu/files/2022-01/fy23-mandatory-fees-tfab_jan11.pdf), and includes the updated naming protocol for guaranteed tuition cohorts.

**Housing proposal**. Roger Thompson, vice president for Student Services and Enrollment Management at the University of Oregon, provided an overview of the proposed residence hall room and board rates, family housing, and university apartment rates for 2022-23. Thompson explained that the base line increase for housing is 4.0%, which is a similar rate structure to previous years. He noted that, even with the proposed increases, UO housing costs are still one of the most affordable options in the Pac-12.

The group discussed the current labor shortages in UO Housing, recent contract negotiations that increased minimum wages and included COLA increases, as well as many salary selectives, and the potential impact of increasing labor costs overall. TFAB members also talked about the various meal plan options and how Dining and Catering has tried to address student food insecurity issues with cheaper meal packages and more flexible options to access meals at different locations on campus.

A summary of the proposed rates for 2022-23 is available [online](https://tuition.uoregon.edu/2022-23-res-halls-rate-info-tfab). Details are also available online for [FY23 residential hall rates](https://tuition.uoregon.edu/fy23-res-hall-rates-tfab), [FY23 family housing rates](https://tuition.uoregon.edu/fy23-family-housing-rates-tfab), and the percentage increase for [all types of housing in FY22-23](https://tuition.uoregon.edu/media/424).

**Health Services proposal**. Thompson provided a summary of the proposed Health Fee increases for 2022-23, which range from 3.60% for graduate and continuing undergraduate students to 4.13% for new, incoming undergraduate students. He explained that this proposed increase follows a year where the Health Fee only increased by 1.3% and represents an attempt to respond to a growing need for services. Thompson noted that University Health Services faces increased labor costs and general expenses and is working hard to provide a broad spectrum of services, including mental health services.

The group talked about the importance of supporting increased levels of emotional support services, which are increasingly difficult to access in the community. The group also talked about the costs of the Monitoring and Assessment Program (MAP) and work being done with Lane County Public Health to supplement funding for community testing.

The Health Services proposal for 2022-23 is available [online](https://tuition.uoregon.edu/2022-23-health-fee-info-tfab).

**Planning for student forum**. Marbury led the group through a planning discussion for the upcoming student forum on tuition, scheduled for January 11, from 6:00p.m. PST. He explained that the forum, which is co-hosted by the Associated Students of the University of Oregon (ASUO), would be fully virtual in order to make it accessible to everyone. This prompted discussions of ways to increase student engagement and participation in the virtual format. Registration for the forum is available [online](https://oregon.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3Ks1e60lsLgbMgK).

**Undergraduate tuition calculator**. Moffitt shared an updated version of the undergraduate tuition calculator, explaining the various factors and how to adjust them to consider tuition scenarios. She touched on factors such as Services and Supplies expenses, staffing levels and the labor market, recurring revenue and recurring expenses, updated cost drivers, and the long-term need to rebuild the UO tenure track faculty base. She also talked about enrollment risk assessments, assumptions for state appropriation, additional recruitment and scholarship costs, and the drop in summer 2021 tuition revenue. Moffitt encouraged the group to use the calculator to look at various scenarios for undergraduate tuition.

**Adjournment**. The meeting adjourned at 9:58 a.m.