

MEMORANDUM



DATE: March 2, 2018
To: Dr. Nagi Naganathan, President Oregon Institute of Technology
CC: Dr. Erin Foley, Brian Fox, and Sandra Fox
From: Faith Lee, President ASOIT-KF and Peggy Hawkins, President ASOIT-WV
RE: 2018-2019 Tuition Recommendation Committee

Oregon Tech's Tuition Recommendation Committee met on a weekly basis beginning in January and was comprised of students from both the Klamath Falls and Wilsonville campuses, including ASOIT leadership, as well as faculty and administrators. As a group the Committee communicated openly and transparently with each other and, as importantly, with stakeholders across both campuses through student forums and faculty meetings.

During TRC meetings and at the campus forums the Committee discussed internal budget projections for upcoming academic years, tuition rates at competitor institutions, state funding levels, state mandated cost increases, and other factors. This information was used to develop the tuition recommendation for the 2018-2019 academic year.

Though a consensus based process at its February 15th meeting the Committee established a tuition recommendation by reflecting on the principles established during its first meeting. These principles are as follows:

- Consider long-term factors when recommending the single year decisions (important to have a forward looking vision)
- Recognize the importance of affordability for students
- Tuition levels should be developed using data and information, including internal budget, comparator institutions, and external cost indices.
- Ensure we maintain the current service level, quality and support that Oregon Tech provides to students.

During the final meeting of the Committee it recommended a tuition increases for undergraduate base tuition and differential tuition in order to maintain the quality and strong return on investment an Oregon Tech education provides, ensure continued

investments in equipment intensive programs, limit to the greatest extent possible dramatic tuition increases in future years and create the space for increased levels of financial aid to support student affordability and completion. The Committee's recommended changes in tuition for the 2018-19 academic year are as follows:

- Base undergraduate tuition: increase by 4.5%
- Health Program Differential: increase to 25% above base undergraduate tuition
- Engineering & Technology Differential: increase to 25% above base undergraduate tuition

After deliberation and consultation with students, ASOIT concurs with the Tuition Recommendation Committee's recommendation and submits it for your consideration.

Respectfully,



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