Wright State University

Tuition Waiver Recommendation for Current Military Out-of-State Students Taking Wright State University Online Courses

The following resolution is presented to the committee for approval and recommendation to the Board of Trustees for appropriate action:

RESOLUTION 19-

WHEREAS, §381.170 of Am. Sub. H.B. 49 of the 132nd General Assembly requires any waiver of tuition for a particular student or any class of students not otherwise permitted by law at a state-assisted institution of higher education to be approved by the Chancellor of the Ohio Department of Higher Education; and

WHEREAS, Directive 2009-011 signed by the Chancellor of the Ohio Department of Higher Education on April 17, 2009, established procedures for institutions to follow when requesting to waive standard tuition rates; and

WHEREAS, this resolution is contingent upon the approval of the Chancellor of the Ohio Department of Higher Education; and

WHEREAS, Wright State University is located next to Wright Patterson Air Force Base (WPAFB) where WPAFB employees are students at Wright State University; and

WHEREAS, Wright State University faculty collaborate with WPAFB in teaching and research across multiple undergraduate and graduate programs; and

WHEREAS, WPAFB employees may later be commissioned to leave Ohio but want to study at Wright State University; and

WHEREAS, dependents of WPAFB employees who relocate may also want to continue their studies at Wright State University; and

WHEREAS, Wright State University is requesting a fee reduction of 99% of the non-Ohio resident surcharge for active duty military, including active duty reservists, and active duty National Guard, who are taking Wright State online courses as out-of-state residents; and

WHEREAS, Wright State University is requesting the same fee reduction of 99% of the non-Ohio resident surcharge for dependents of active duty military, including active duty reservists, and active duty National Guard, who are taking Wright State courses online as out-of-state residents; and

WHEREAS, in Fall 2018, there were eight (8) active duty military students who enrolled as out-of-state students and this number is expected to increase with this tuition
reduction; one of these students was an undergraduate student taking 3 credit hours and
the other seven students were graduate students taking a total of 37 credit hours; and

WHEREAS, using 2018-2019 undergraduate tuition rates, the Ohio resident, undergraduate student tuition rate is $394 per credit hour and the non-Ohio resident, graduate student tuition rate is $803 per credit hour, making the non-Ohio resident surcharge of $409; a 99% reduction results is an adjusted tuition rate of $406 per credit hour, which is a $397 per credit hour reduction for undergraduate students; and

WHEREAS, using 2018-2019 graduate tuition rates, the Ohio resident, graduate student tuition rate is $660 per credit hour and the non-Ohio resident, graduate student tuition rate is $1,125 per credit hour, making the non-Ohio resident surcharge of $465; a 99% reduction results is an adjusted tuition rate of $664.35 per credit hour, which is a $460.65 per credit hour reduction for graduate students; and

WHEREAS, using Fall 2018 enrollment data, this tuition reduction request would equal $18,235 ($1191 for 3 undergraduate credit hours and $17,044 for 37 graduate credit hours) and Wright State University hopes to double the number of out-of-state active duty military students and their credit hours with the tuition reduction; and

WHEREAS, Wright State University is requesting the tuition reduction be approved beginning in the Spring 2019 term; and

BE IT RESOLVED that the administration of Wright State University is authorized, beginning Spring 2019, to offer a tuition reduction of 99% of the out-of-state resident surcharge for active duty military, including active duty reservists, and active duty National Guard and their dependents who are taking Wright State University online courses as out-of-state students;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the administration of Wright State University will submit a request to the Chancellor of the Ohio Department of Higher Education to review and approve the tuition reduction.

To move this resolution to the Public Session for approval, a motion and second are needed.

I offer this Motion:
Is there a Second: