RESOLUTION
concerning
INCREASE IN STUDENT ACTIVITY FEE
WESTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY
January 10, 1986

WHEREAS, Section 10a-99 of the General Statutes provides that the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University, subject to the approval of the Board of Governors for Higher Education, shall fix fees for such purposes as the Board of Trustees deems necessary, and

WHEREAS, A referendum taken of the student body at Western Connecticut State University indicates student support for a Student Activity Fee increase for the Board of Governors of the Student Center to meet increasing costs and to provide a greater variety of quality campus programs, be it

RESOLVED, That, if the Board of Governors for Higher Education concurs, the Student Activity Fee at Western Connecticut State University shall be increased from $59.50 to $70.00 annually, effective for the Fall Semester 1986, for the purpose of providing funds to the Board of Governors of the Student Center to meet increasing costs and to provide a greater variety of quality campus programs.

A Certified True Copy:

Dallas K. Beal
President

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Interdepartment Message

| Name          | Richard H. Sullivan
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| Title         | Vice Pres./Admin. Affairs
| Agency        | W.C.S.U.
| To            | Antoinette Bascetta
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| Date          | 11/25/85

Increased Student Activity Fee

Western's Student Activity Fee consists of four different charges, as shown on the attached Tuition and Fee Information Schedule. At this time, the Board of Governors of the Student Center through the Programs Activities Council have requested a fee increase from the $7.50 per semester to $12.50 per semester.

During the Student Government Association elections on October 16, 1985, a referendum was placed on the ballot and explained by Rick Haught, Assistant Director of the Student Center, in a memo to Dr. Steinkrauss, dated November 1, 1985, which I have also attached.

Although the voter turnout was small, Western believes that the results indicate student support for the budget increase, and also considered is the fact that no fee increase has been granted since 1977. It is Western's desire to increase the Program Activities budget to allow for a greater variety and quality of campus programs. If any additional information is needed, please contact me.

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attach.

cc: D. Thoren
TO: Dr. Philip Steinkrauss
    Vice-President, Academic Affairs
FROM: Rick Haught
       Ass't. Director, Student Center
DATE: November 1, 1985
RE: PAC BUDGET REFERENDUM

In the recent fall SGA Elections (October 16, 1985), the following referendum was placed on the ballot:

"It is proposed that the Program Activities Council General Fee allocation be increased from $7.50 per full-time student per semester to $12.50 per full-time student per semester in order to meet increasing costs and to provide a greater variety of quality campus programming. As a member of the Student Body of Western Connecticut State University, I support this referendum."

The purpose of the referendum was to generate much needed additional funds for the annual Program Activities Council budget. Of the 143 people who voted in the election, 75% (107) supported the referendum. Although the voter turnout was not sufficient to ensure mandatory ratification of the referendum, the results clearly indicate student support for the budget increase.

The Program Activities Council received its last budget increase in 1977. At that time, 361 students voted with 76% (274) supporting a referendum similar to the recent one. The Dean of Students, Lester LaFond, then followed up the vote with a supportive memo to Carl Robinson, Vice-President of Administrative Affairs. Dr. Robinson gave his support and presented the proposal to the Connecticut State College Board of Trustees. That action not only raised PAC's budget to its current level, but also provided a precedent for the action we are now proposing.
Memorandum to Dr. Steinkrauss
Re: PAC BUDGET REFERENDUM

In order to continue and expand its quality programming, it is imperative that PAC receive additional funding. The members of PAC have asked me to write this request for your support in attaining these funds.

Enclosed are the documents from the 1977 referendum issue for your reference.

Thank you!

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Enclosures