RESOLUTION

concerning

FEE FOR ACCESSING ONLINECSU COURSES BEYOND THE NORMAL END OF THE SEMESTER

October 7, 1999

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System under its statutory authority - CGS 10a-99 - reviews and establishes fees for such purposes as the Board of Trustees deems necessary, and

WHEREAS, OnlineCSU has completed one full year of operation, and is beginning its second year of course offerings, and

WHEREAS, In the course of the pilot year, it was found that if an OnlineCSU student was unable to complete a course within the normal semester timeframe, they received a grade of "incomplete", and

WHEREAS, In order to complete the course and receive a final grade, it is necessary for the student to access the course beyond the normal end of the semester, and

WHEREAS, OnlineCSU students are currently charged an Online Fee of $25 when they register for a course, which is meant to partially defray the cost of online access during the semester, and

WHEREAS, There is additional cost to CSU to provide online access to an OnlineCSU student beyond the end of the semester, therefore be it

RESOLVED That an additional $25 fee shall be charged to any OnlineCSU student receiving a grade of "Incomplete", who desires to gain access to a course after the normal close of the semester in order to complete the course.

A Certified True Copy:

[Signature]

William J. Gibes, Jr.
Chancellor
ITEM

Fee for Accessing OnlineCSU Courses Beyond the Normal End of the Semester

BACKGROUND

The Board of Trustees under its statutory authority - CGS 10a-99 - reviews and establishes fees annually for such purposes as the Board of Trustees deems necessary. In December of 1998, the Board of Trustees established tuition and fees to be effective at each university and OnlineCSU as appropriate for FY1999-00. Subsequently, in June of 1999, the Board of Trustees passed a resolution which froze tuition and extension fee charges at FY1997-98 levels.

ANALYSIS

At the time the FY1999-00 tuition and fee schedules were approved and established, OnlineCSU had not yet completed one full year of operation. In the course of the pilot year, it was found that if an OnlineCSU student had been unable to complete a course within the normal semester timeframe, they would receive a grade of “incomplete”. In order to complete the course and receive a final grade, it would be necessary for the student to access the course beyond the normal end of the semester.

OnlineCSU students are currently charged an Online Fee of $25 when they register for a course, which is meant to partially cover the cost of online access during the semester. There is additional cost to CSU to provide online access to an OnlineCSU student beyond the end of the semester. Charging an additional $25 fee to any OnlineCSU student receiving a grade of “Incomplete” who desires to gain access to a course after the normal close of the semester in order to complete the course would partially defray this cost to the CSU System.

CHANCELLOR’S RECOMMENDATION

Approval of the proposed $25 fee to be charged to any OnlineCSU student receiving a grade of “Incomplete” who desires to gain access to a course after the normal close of the semester in order to complete the course.