THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH

Bill Number:

Senate Resolution # 2013-05

Title:

Resolution against New Student Fees Proposed by the CSU Board of Trustees

Sponsored by:

Senator of the College of Business Administration, Agatha Gucyski

Senator-at-Large Athletics, Manuel Nieto

Senator of the College of Health and Human Services, Angelica Cortez-Hernandez

Date Submitted:

September 12, 2012

Date Approved: September 12, 2012

WHEREAS the Associated Students (AS) Board of Directors of California State University, Long Beach is the recognized voice of over 36,000 students; and

WHEREAS it is the mission of the AS Board of Directors to advocate and enhance the accessibility of an affordable and quality education for the students at California State University, Long Beach (CSULB); and

WHEREAS the California State University (CSU) Board of Trustees is proposing to add three student fees for the 2013-2014 academic year regardless of the outcome of Governor Brown's Tax Initiative (Proposition 30) to address the potential \$250 million cut and the tuition fee rollback included in Assembly Bill 1502; Chapter 31¹ if applied; and

WHEREAS the first proposed fee will be the Graduation Incentive Fee for resident undergraduates, which would increase the fee per unit by \$372 for every unit surpassing 150 semester units; and

WHEREAS the second proposed fee will be the Course Repeat Fee for resident undergraduates, which would increase the fee per unit of repeated courses by one-sixteenth of the semester tuition fee, \$100 per unit; and

WHEREAS the third proposed fee will be the Added Units Fee for resident undergraduates would increase the fee per unit by one-thirteenth of the semester tuition fee for every unit beyond 16 units in a semester, \$200 per unit²; and

WHEREAS many CSULB students already struggle to pay for tuition and cannot afford additional fees; and

WHEREAS the Graduation Incentive Fee is an added detriment to all students attempting to further their education, especially science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) majors, double majors and transfer students with extra units; and

WHEREAS the Course Repeat Fee is also an added detriment to all students that are attempting to retake a class; and

WHEREAS the Added Units Fee is another detriment to all students because it makes it more difficult for students to graduate within a desired time period; and

WHEREAS these fees will take away from the affordability and quality of the CSU; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED that the AS Board of Directors expresses absolute disapproval of these proposed student fees; and be it further

RESOLVED that the AS Board of Directors strongly urges the members of the CSU Board of Trustees to vote against any of the proposed fees; and be it further

¹ Assembly Bill 1502; Chapter 31: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/pub/11-12/bill/asm/ab-1501-1550/ab-1502 bill 20120627 chaptered.pdf

² CSU Student Fee Proposals: http://www.calstate.edu/Budget/student-fees/fee-proposals/index.shtml

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RESOLVED that the members of the AS Board of Directors and other student advocates attend the CSU Board of Trustees meeting on September 19th at 11:15 AM held at the CSU Chancellor's Office to speak out against the proposed new student fees; and be it finally

RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent but not limited to California Governor Jerry Brown, CSU Chancellor Charles B. Reed, all members of the CSU Board of Trustees, ESULB President F. King Alexander, all academic college deans, all academic college council presidents, The Daily 49er, The Union Weekly, and all related media outlets.

Jonathon Bolin, Vice President &

Chair, Associated Students Board of Directors

Delivered to the President of the Associated Students on:

John Haberstroh, Associated Students President

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