

OHIO BOARD OF REGENTS

Agenda Item 3.16 Consideration of the modification of legislative limitations on fee increases for the University of Cincinnati to permit the University to levy a special fee for student access to expanded campus shuttle services.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section 209.63.60 of Am. Sub. House Bill 66 permits the Board of Regents to modify the limitations on fee increase prescribed by this legislation, with the approval of the Controlling Board, to respond to exceptional circumstances as identified by the Board of Regents; and

WHEREAS, current year fee increases for resident undergraduate students attending the University of Cincinnati's main campus are within the 6% cap established for the University by Am. Sub. House Bill 66; and

WHEREAS, the University plans to assess an additional uniform quarterly fee of \$8 per student, effective winter quarter 2006, to finance the expansion of its on-campus shuttle services to include select off-campus routes and destinations, known as the Bearcat Transportation System; and

WHEREAS, the University has deemed that the expanded shuttle services will improve student safety and enhance transportation options for students; and

WHEREAS, this special fee supporting the Bearcat Transportation System was approved by 54.9% of University students who voted in a spring 2005 referendum; and

WHEREAS, the University of Cincinnati Board of Trustees is expected to approve this special fee at its meeting of September 27, 2005.

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED: pending the approval of the University of Cincinnati Board of Trustees of this special fee, and upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Resources & System Efficiency Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents, that this proposal by the University of Cincinnati represents an exceptional circumstance that justifies an exception the legislative limitation on fee increases established in Am. Sub. H.B. 66.