

**ACCEPTANCE OF SINCLAIR'S STATE AFFORDABILITY AND EFFICIENCY REPORT SUBMISSION
TO THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION
RESOLUTION #2016-31
(JUNE 24, 2016)**

With this resolution, the Sinclair Board of Trustees accepts college's affordability and efficiency report and authorizes its submittal to the Ohio Department of Higher Education, as required by law.

WHEREAS, in 2015, Ohio Governor John Kasich created the Ohio Task Force on Affordability and Efficiency to make recommendations to Ohio's institutions of higher education based on three simultaneous principles:

1. To be more efficient both in expense management and revenue generation, while
2. Offering an education of equal or higher quality, and
3. Decreasing costs to students and their families; and

WHEREAS, in October 2015, the Task Force issued a report with ten recommendations to advise higher education institutions on efficiency and academic practices they believe will improve both the quality of education and lower costs for students; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 64 requires each higher education institution's board of trustees to complete an efficiency review, based on the Task Force's recommendations and submit their findings and implementation plans to the Chancellor; and

WHEREAS, based on guidance issued by the Ohio Department of Higher Education, Sinclair has conducted its requisite review; and

WHEREAS, Sinclair's report illustrates that the college is no stranger to efficiency, affordability and accountability, as it is part of Sinclair's DNA. In fact, over the last eight years, Sinclair has realized \$30 million in cumulative savings, efficiencies and cost avoidance. The college has a tradition of aggressively managing costs and seeking out new efficiencies. As a result of this fiscal stewardship, the college has:

- Maintained the lowest tuition in the state of Ohio for Montgomery County residents over many years.
- A cost per student that is below the average of Ohio community colleges.
- No debt and very little deferred maintenance while maintaining college assets in exemplary conditions as entrusted public stewards;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sinclair Board of Trustees hereby accepts the college's affordability and efficiency report and authorizes its submission to the Chancellor of the Ohio Department of Higher Education; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that additional refinement to the report are authorized as necessary prior to submission and that a final report will be provided to the Board upon submission on or before August 1, 2016.

BOARD ACTION: A motion to adopt the resolution was made by Trustee Connelly and seconded by Trustee Budzik. The motion passed unanimously.