

**AGENDA ITEM #VIII-D-1
FEBRUARY 23, 2010
HIGHLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD**

SECOND READING – TUITION

RECOMMENDATION OF THE PRESIDENT: It is recommended that Board of Trustees consider for the second reading an increase in the in-district tuition rate from \$84.00 per credit hour to \$94.00 per credit hour and in the senior citizen rate from \$58.00 to \$71.00 per credit hour effective Fall semester of 2010. The formula for figuring out-of-district tuition remains unchanged. Out-of-state tuition will be calculated after Fall 2010 tuition rates at community colleges contiguous to Highland have been determined.

BACKGROUND: In 1995, the Board of Trustees agreed in principle to follow a general approach of setting the tuition and fees for in-district students at a rate approximating the state average tuition and fees rate charged by other Illinois community colleges. For FY2010 (the current year), that rate is \$81 per credit hour. A \$94 tuition rate coupled with our technology fee and a new activity fee should approximate the state average tuition and fee rate in FY2011. The Administrative Rules of the Illinois Community College Board require that the out-of-state tuition rate be set at a minimum of 1.67 times its in-district tuition rate. The out-of-district tuition rate is calculated at 1.5 times the highest in-district rate of our contiguous districts.

No changes have been made to this recommendation since the Board approved the first reading on January 19, 2010.

BOARD ACTION: _____