



THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

16-17 BEC 7
November 22, 2016

TO: The Academic Senate
FROM: The Executive Committee of the Academic Senate
SUBJECT: 16-17 BEC 7: Opposition to the Proposed Tuition Increase
PURPOSE: For adoption by the Academic Senate

ACTION REQUESTED:

That the Academic Senate of California State University East Bay support the attached resolution.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

At its meeting on November 22, 2016, the Executive Committee voted to send the attached resolution to the Academic Senate.



**California State University East Bay Academic Senate
Resolution on Opposition to the Proposed Tuition Increase**

WHEREAS: The California State University has proposed a tuition increase of up to \$270 per resident undergraduate student annually, with similar increases for non-resident, graduate, doctoral, and credential students, to take effect in 2017-18 (see <https://www2.calstate.edu/Documents/Possible-17-18-Tuition-Proposal.pdf>); and

WHEREAS: California has significantly disinvested in the CSU over the last decade, despite its responsibility to fund public systems under the California Master Plan for Higher Education; and

WHEREAS: CSU tuition fees have risen drastically in recent years, having more than doubled in the last decade, and tripled in the last fifteen years; and

WHEREAS: Many CSU students are financially disadvantaged and cannot afford an increase in tuition (see <https://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-cal-state-homelessness-20160620-snap-story.html>); and

WHEREAS: Financial aid may help to mitigate some of the effects of a tuition increase, but students may incur more debt as a result of the tuition increase; and

WHEREAS: The California State Student Association (CSSA) has expressed opposition to the proposed tuition increase (see <http://tuition.calstatestudents.org/2016/10/21/letter-from-cssa-president-david-m-lopez/>); therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the CSUEB Academic Senate joins other CSU Campus Senates, the California State Student

Association (CSSA), and the California Faculty Association (CFA) in opposing the current tuition increase; and
be it further

RESOLVED: That the CSUEB Academic Senate encourage the ASCSU to oppose the proposed tuition
increase; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the CSU, CSSA, and CFA to engage in sustained joint advocacy to secure state adequate
funding to avert the need for the current tuition increase and future tuition increases; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the CSUEB Academic Senate distribute this resolution to

CSU Board of Trustees
CSU Chancellor
CSU Presidents
ASCSU Executive Committee
CSU campus Senate Chairs,
California Faculty Association (CFA)
California State Student Association (CSSA)
CSUEB Chapter of Associated Students Incorporated (ASI)
Emeritus and Retired Faculty Association (ERFA)
Academic Senate for the California Community Colleges,
Academic Senate of the University of California,
California Community Colleges' Board of Governors,
University of California Board of Regents
Governor of the State of California
Our local State Representative, Kamala Harris
Our local State Assembly Member, Bill Quirk