

BOD 2014-2015 - 2R ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE CSU SYSTEM RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the CSU plays a major role in California's economy and the creation of the state's workforce by graduating nearly half of all bachelor's degrees awarded in California each year; and

WHEREAS, the state is fast approaching a projected education deficit of 1 million bachelor's degree holders by 2025; and

WHEREAS, the CSU has been forced to turn away between 20,000 and 30,000 fully eligible students each year over the past five years; and

WHEREAS, the California State University today receives nearly \$2,000 less state funds per student than 2005, and serves more than 50,000 additional students than when its funding was at the same level; and

WHEREAS, despite historic funding cuts, the CSU has increased its 4- and 6-year graduation rates to all time-highs; and

WHEREAS, the CSU has also focused on reducing the time it takes students to graduate and the median is now 4.7 years, a record low for the system; and

WHEREAS, there are multiple benefits to completing college, including higher lifetime earnings, reduced likelihood of being unemployed, increased civic involvement, and more; and

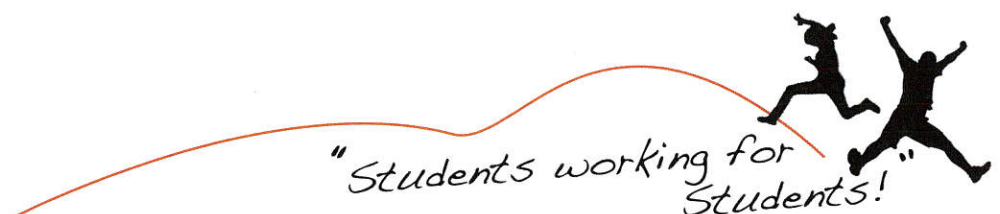
WHEREAS, numerous state and national reports call for reinvesting in higher education to ensure that there are enough college graduates to meet demand in today's global economy; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's budget proposal is \$97 million short of the CSU Board of Trustees' budget request;

WHEREAS, an additional \$97 million would fund an increase in enrollment of 12,000 students, allow CSU to undertake \$250 million worth of critical maintenance needs, and provide \$38 million for additional student success and completion efforts; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, California State University, East Bay supports the California State University and recognizes its importance in providing a high quality education that benefits its graduates, their families, their communities and the state of California; and

BE IT RESOLVED, California State University, East Bay asks that the Legislature and Governor add at least \$97 million in funding for the CSU above the Governor's January Budget proposal.



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the copies of this resolution be distributed to the university President, VP of Academic Affairs, Office of General Education, Academic Advising Career Education, Department of Administrative Finance, VP of Student Affairs, Office of Equity and Diversity, the CSUEB Academic Senate, Office of the CSU Chancellor, and all other ASI(s).

Approved On: 5/20/15

ASI President: _____

