OHLONE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Trustees
FROM: Dr. Eric Bishop
DATE: February 10, 2021
SUBJECT: Approval of Resolution #22/20-21 to Establish a Non-Resident Tuition Fee for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

Pursuant to the provisions of Education Code Section 76140, each community college district shall establish a non-resident tuition fee each year for the subsequent fiscal year. Each district has one of seven options for establishing the fee:

1. District Average Cost
2. District Average Cost with 10% of more non-credit FTES
3. Statewide Average Cost (2019-20 = $307 per semester unit)
4. Highest Statewide Average Cost
5. Contiguous district
6. Between Statewide Average cost of education & District Cost of Education
7. No more than 12 comparable States’ Average tuition ($365 per semester unit)

The attached Resolution # 22/20-21 sets the District’s non-resident tuition fee at $294 per semester unit based on option 6. This fee represents an increase of $6 over fiscal year 2020-21, but is still $13 less than the Statewide average cost per unit.

Education Code Section 76141 (a) (added by Assembly Bill 2055, Chapter 853, Statutes of 1991), further authorizes each district to “charge non-resident students, who are both citizens and residents of a foreign country, an additional amount not to exceed the amount that was expended by the district for capital outlay in the preceding fiscal year divided by the total full-time equivalent student in the preceding year.” Any fee charged for capital outlay cannot exceed 50 percent of the non-resident tuition fee established by the district. In addition, any fee collected pursuant to Education Code Section 76141 must be expended for capital outlay, maintenance and equipment.

Staff recommends that the 2021-2022 capital outlay fee be $1 per semester unit, which is $1 less than 2020-21 fiscal year. This reflects the actual expenditures per FTES and keeps the tuition fees competitive with other bay area districts. Pursuant to Education Code Section 76142, districts are also authorized to charge non-resident applicants, who are both citizens and residents of a foreign country, a processing fee not to exceed the actual cost of processing an application and other documentation required by the Federal government. Staff is recommending that the District maintains its existing $50 application fee, and $50 mailing fee per application. Both fees are one-time and non-refundable.
RECOMMENDATION

The Superintendent/President recommends that the Board of Trustees approves Resolution #22/20-21, which establishes the Non-resident Tuition Fees for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 beginning with the Fall 2021 semester.