

# **Tuition Advisory Committee**

January 12, 2018 3-4 PM Ochoco Room, WUC

### **MINUTES**

## 1. CALL-TO-ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:03pm.

Present: Liangli Chen, Victoria Coe, Reina Daugherty (Assistant), Logan Doerfler, Jessica Freeman, Rex Fuller (President), Lila Gardner, Evelyn Guzman, Caitlyn Nakatsukasa

## 2. INTRODUCTIONS/BACKGROUND

President Fuller introduced himself and asked everyone in the room to also provide a brief introduction.

President Fuller explained the role of the committee and provided background information related to tuition setting, university finances, and state funding. The committee will be asked to give a recommendation to the Board of Trustees by the April board meeting.

There is a budget note for 2018-2019 that specifies that tuition increases should be no more than 5%. About 40% of WOU students have a locked rate through the promise program so any changes to the tuition rate can only be made to the variable plan option.

President Fuller provided information on current tuition for resident UG at WOU compared to other Oregon public universities. A comparison of these figures shows that tuition at Western is among the lower amounts in the state. President Fuller also highlighted aspects of the presentation that was scheduled for the January 17, 2018 Board of Trustees meeting. This presentation focuses on net cost of attendance and affordability.





President Fuller responded to questions from the committee about the Oregon promise, enrollment, remissions, degree completion options for working adults, transfer credits, fees, and international student tuition rates.

#### 3. NEXT STEPS

The committee will meet next on February 2<sup>nd</sup>. President Fuller will provide an update of what was discussed at the board of trustees meeting and information related to the tuition rates that were not discussed at today's meeting (non-resident, graduate, international, WUE, etc.).

#### 4. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:04pm.

