

DOCUMENTS OF THE GENERAL FACULTY

**FACULTY COUNCIL RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE
TUITION POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR IMPLEMENTING AN ACADEMIC
SUSTAINABILITY TUITION**

Marvin L. Hackert (professor, chemistry and biochemistry) submitted the following resolution on behalf of the Faculty Budget Advisory Committee. The secretary has classified this resolution as general legislation. The Faculty Council will take action on the resolution at its meeting on October 20, 2003.

John R. Durbin, Secretary
The General Faculty

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Whereas, state revenues to The University of Texas have decreased substantially when adjusted for the impact of inflation, and indeed have lagged behind other colleges and universities within Texas, the consequences of which have been an inability of the University to:

- perform routine maintenance and renovation of classrooms, laboratories, and other teaching facilities;
- reduce the student-teacher ratio to a more acceptable level;
- pursue academic initiatives as new areas develop; and
- maintain a salary structure that enables the University to attract and retain top-notch faculty and staff and keeps us competitive with other universities both within the United States and abroad; and

Whereas, the value of a degree from The University of Texas depends in part upon the present and future reputation of the institution; and □

Whereas, similar increases are taking place at institutions across the country, and even with the added Academic Sustainability Tuition, the tuition and fees charged to our students will be considerably lower than those charged by many of our peer institutions in other states; and

Whereas, it is noted that a portion of the increase will be used to cover the additional costs of students in need; therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Faculty Council hereby endorses the recommendations of the President's Tuition Policy Advisory Committee (D 2717-2728) for implementing an Academic Sustainability Tuition for Spring 2004 and the 2004/2005 academic year, as presented to the Council on October 20, 2003.

This legislation was posted on the Faculty Council Web site (<http://www.utexas.edu/faculty/council/>) on October 16, 2003. Paper copies are available on request from the Office of the General Faculty, FAC 22, F9500.