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AGENDA ITEM:

ITEM IDENTIFICATION:

• Tuition Fee Schedule for Self-funded Programs for 2006-07.

JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:

The Business Board recommends the schedule of tuition fees to Governing Council for approval.

OTHER ACTION TAKEN:

The tuition schedule has been reviewed by and received the support of Principals and Deans and by the Senior Administration.

HIGHLIGHTS:

The University has a number of programs that are not funded under the Ministry's operating grants program, and, as a consequence, their fees are not regulated. The programs are self-funded, at least in regard to direct costs. Tuition fees for these programs are set at levels necessary to eliminate or avoid budget deficits. Annual changes in tuition fees reflect not only price inflation but may also reflect variations in real costs as programs and services change. The proposed fee levels and year-over-year increases for self-funded programs are described in Table 1.

Fee increases for 2006-07 are 5% or less in all programs except the Summer Program in Medieval Latin, the Master of Mathematical Finance program, the Executive Master of Business Administration programs (EMBA and OMNIUM GEMBA), and the OISE/UT Lab School programs.

The tuition fee level for the Summer Program in Medieval Latin has remained relatively flat for the past ten years, with a total increase of only \$50 since 1995-96. The proposed fee levels of \$850 (Cdn) and \$700 (US) reflect increases in costs due to inflation and salaries over the past ten years. Also, the proposed increase more closely aligns the fee level of the program to other comparable programs in the US.

The proposed increase of 6.3 % in the Master of Mathematical Finance program will cover increases in personnel costs and costs associated with maintaining an up-to-date dedicated computer laboratory for each student in the program.

The increase of 6.7% in the EMBA program tuition fee is needed to support the increased cost of faculty and administrative salaries as well as increased costs of meals and accommodation. The increase of 11.1% for the GEMBA tuition fee is needed to cover the cost of one additional international trip to Argentina and increased costs of transportation and higher management fees in Switzerland, Brazil and China.

The tuition fee increase of 8.9% (9.1% at the Bloorview MacMillan site) for the OISE/UT Lab School at the Institute for Child Study will cover increases in salary and benefit costs.

It should be noted that the existing Dental Qualifying program has been restructured to a 16-week program format. Those entering the new International Dentist Advanced Placement Program in 2006-07 will pay a new fee level of \$25,000. Tuition fees for students in the existing Dental Qualifying program entering Year 2 of their studies will increase by 5%.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the proposed Tuition Fee Schedule for Self-Funded Programs for 2006/07 be recommended to Governing Council for approval.