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AGENDA ITEM: 6.(b)

ITEM IDENTIFICATION:

Operating Plans: Student Services, St. George Campus: Student Life Programs and Services

JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:

The Terms of Reference of the University Affairs Board provide that the Board is responsible for policy concerning student services and for overseeing their operations. Changes to the level of service offered, fees charged for the services and categories of users require the Board's approval. The Board receives annually from its assessors reports on matters within its areas of responsibility, including statements of current issues, opportunities and problems, along with recommendations for changes in policies, plans or priorities that would address such issues.

Pursuant to the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement between The University of Toronto, The Students' Administrative Council, The Graduate Students' Union and The Association of Part-time Undergraduate Students for a Long-Term Protocol on the Increase or Introduction of Compulsory Non-tuition Related Fees (the "Protocol"), approved by Governing Council on October 24, 1996, the Council on Student Services (or the relevant body within a division of the University) reviews in detail the annual operating plans, including budgets and proposed compulsory non-academic incidental fees, and offers its advice to University Affairs Board on these plans.

PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

The Operating Plans for Student Life Programs and Services (previously described as "Student Affairs (St. George Campus)," "Student Services (St. George Campus)," and the "Health Service and Psychiatric Service") for the current fiscal year were approved by the University Affairs Board on March 13, 2007.

The current fees for Student Life Services and Programs were previously approved and charged as three separate fees as follows:

Student Affairs:	\$ 24.31 per session	(\$ 4.86 for part-time students)
Student Services:	\$ 57.70 per session	(\$ 11.54 for part-time students)
Health Services:	\$ 18.08 per session	(\$ 3.62 for part-time students)
Total:	\$ 100.09 per session	(\$ 20.02 for part-time students)

Beginning in 2008-09, these fees will be combined into a single fee described as the Student Life Programs and Services fee.

See separate memorandum concerning consideration of the proposed plans of Student Life Services and Programs for 2008-09 by the Council on Student Services (COSS).

The proposed fee increases are within the limits provided by the Protocol for consideration by the Board.

HIGHLIGHTS:

The experience of this past year and plans for the coming year are summarized in the attached material from Lucy Fromowitz, Assistant Vice-President, Student Life.

FINANCIAL AND/OR PLANNING IMPLICATIONS:

Student Life Services and Programs operates without drawing substantially on the University's operating income.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the University Affairs Board approve:

That the 2008-09 operating plans and budget for Student Life Services and Programs, as presented in the attached documentation from Lucy Fromowitz, Assistant Vice-President, Student Life, be approved; and

That the sessional Student Life Services and Programs fee for a full-time student on the St. George campus be increased to \$102.91 (\$20.58 for a part-time student), which represents a year over year permanent increase of 2.0% and a temporary three year increase of 0.8%.

Note: Beginning in 2008-09, the fees previously described as "Student Affairs," "Student Services," and "Health Service" will be combined into a single fee described as the "Student Life Programs and Services" fee.