



TO: University Affairs Board

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AGENDA ITEM: 5

ITEM IDENTIFICATION:

Compulsory Non-Academic Incidental Fees – Student Society Fees: Student Society Proposals for Fee Increases

JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:

The terms of reference of the University Affairs Board provide that the Board approves the establishment of and changes to compulsory non-academic incidental fees including those collected on behalf of student societies.

The administrative procedures are outlined in the *Policy on Compulsory Non-Academic Incidental Fees* and the *Handbook for Student Societies* (published by the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students). Pursuant to the *Policy*, requests for increases to fees must be supported by due constitutional and fair processes within student societies.

Requests for increases are brought forward to the Board by the administration on the assurances of the student societies that due constitutional procedures have been followed.

Increases which are greater than the cost of living must be supported by a positive result in a recent referendum. Requests for increases which are less than or equal to the cost of living must be supported by a previous referendum approving annual increases by an established inflation factor. When such a provision is approved by referendum, annual increases, no greater than the Ontario Consumer Price Index of the previous December (or no greater than a specific inflation factor approved by referendum), may be requested upon approval of the board or council of the organization.

PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

Requests for changes to existing fees and/or the establishment of new fees are brought forward to the Board on one or more occasions each year. This is the first request on behalf of student societies brought forward this year. These requests are brought forward at this time because the societies are making requests for increases effective the summer 2013 session.

HIGHLIGHTS:

The following student societies requested changes to fees charged on their behalf by the University:

Association of Erindale Part-time Undergraduate Students (EPUS) – see page 6

Erindale College Student Union (operating as the University of Toronto Mississauga Students' Union, UTMSU) – see page 7

Scarborough Campus Community Radio – see page 10

Additional information is provided on the referenced pages in the attached memorandum from David Newman, Acting Director, Office of the Vice-Provost, Students.

The request has been reviewed by the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students in light of the requirements of the *Policy for Compulsory Non-Academic Incidental Fees* and is found to be in compliance. Therefore, the request is recommended for approval.

FINANCIAL AND/OR PLANNING IMPLICATIONS:

There are no significant implications for the University's operating budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the University Affairs Board approve the following:

THAT, beginning in the Summer 2013 session the **Association of Erindale Part-time Undergraduate Students (EPUS)** fee be increased as follows: (a) an increase to \$93.90 per session (summer session only) for a Mississauga Transit U-Pass. If approved, the total EPUS fee will be \$99.65 per session in the summer session, charged to all part-time undergraduate UTM students.

THAT, on the condition that the Board of the **Erindale College Student Council (UTMSU)** supports the proposal for a Mississauga Transit U-Pass fee in March 2013, the University Affairs Board approve the following:

THAT beginning in the summer 2013 session, the Erindale College Student Union (operating as the University of Toronto Mississauga Students' Union, UTMSU) fee be increased as follows: (a) an increase of \$8.49 per session to \$102.77 (summer session only) in the Mississauga Transit U-Pass portion of the fee; and (b) The charging of the UTMSU fee to Mississauga Academy of Medicine Students. If approved, the total UTMSU fee will be \$134.52 per session in the summer session, charged to all full-time undergraduate UTM students.

THAT beginning in the summer 2013 session, the **Scarborough Campus Community Radio** (SCCR) fee be charged to all full-time University of Toronto Scarborough students. If approved, the total SCCR fee will be \$4.85 per session in the summer session, charged to all part-time undergraduate UTSC students.