

MASSACHUSETTS BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION

March 28, 2023

10:00 a.m.

Livestreamed, via Zoom

Meeting Minutes

A meeting of the Board of Higher Education (“BHE” or “the Board”) was held virtually on Tuesday, March 28, 2023, via teleconference (Zoom).

The following Board Members were present:

Chris Gabrieli, Chair

Mary Burns

Ann Christensen

Veronica Conforme¹

Alex Cortez

Patty Eppinger

Travis Lawrence

Robert (Bob) LePage, Secretary of Education Designee

Paul Mattera

Judy Pagliuca

Paul Toner

Bill Walczak

Andrew Whitcomb, non-voting Student Advisor, UMass segment

Robert Huttig, non-voting Student Advisor, State University segment

Noe Ortega, Commissioner and Secretary to the Board

The following Board Members were absent:

None

I. CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Chris Gabrieli (“Chair Gabrieli”) then called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

Department of Higher Education (DHE or Department) Chief of Staff Elena Quiroz-Livanis took roll call attendance (see above for attendance roster).

¹ Member Conforme joined the meeting at 10:05 am

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Chair Gabrieli reported that the Board did not receive requests for public comment.

III. WELCOME

Chair Gabrieli welcomed the Board to the fourth BHE meeting of the academic year. He briefly went over the agenda items to be discussed.

IV. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Chair Gabrieli asked for a consolidated motion to accept the minutes from the special BHE meeting held on August 25, 2022, and the minutes from the BHE meeting held on December 13, 2022. With no further discussion, the consolidated motion proceeded to a roll call vote and passed unanimously by all members present, as follows:

- Mary Burns – Yes
- Ann Christensen – Yes
- Veronica Conforme²
- Alex Cortez – Yes
- Patty Eppinger – Yes
- Chair Chris Gabrieli – Yes
- Travis Lawrence – Yes
- Robert (Bob) LePage, Assistant Secretary – Yes
- Paul Mattera – Yes
- Judy Pagliuca – Yes
- Paul Toner – Yes
- Bill Walczak – Yes

V. REMARKS & REPORTS

A. Chair's Remarks

Chair Gabrieli noted that a retreat is being scheduled for the summer and that the Board members will be receiving scheduling inquiries from Department staff about the retreat, to help identify a date. In addition to the retreat being a great opportunity for Board members to meet in person, Chair Gabrieli said the retreat will offer the opportunity to seek input from Board members on board operations and

² Member Conforme was absent during this vote.

activities that are going well and not as well, including how the Board is operating with the recent shift to utilizing advisory committees as a key governance mechanism.

Chair Gabrieli was pleased to report on the Governor's proposed budget, which hallmarks a greater investment in higher education. Chair Gabrieli praised the 20% proposed budget increase for Massachusetts higher education and thanked the Governor for her attention. Chair Gabrieli highlighted other main elements of the proposal, such as financial aid to help lower-income students with accessibility to higher education without taking on too much debt.

B. Commissioner's Remarks

Commissioner Ortega announced a new addition to his team, stating that he was pleased to introduce and welcome Dr. José Luis Santos to the role of Senior Deputy Commissioner and Special Advisor to the Commissioner. Dr. Santos is an accomplished higher education equity-centered professional with extensive experience in education technology and public policy. Research capacity enhancement, coalition building, and advocacy will be some of his areas of focus. Senior Deputy Commissioner Santos thanked Commissioner Ortega for the introduction and stated that he looked forward to working with the Board.

Commissioner Ortega discussed the New England Commission on Higher Education's (NECHE) recent decision to withdraw the accreditation of Bay State College, a proprietary institution operating in Massachusetts and authorized by the BHE to grant degrees. The effective date of NECHE's decision is August 31, 2023, though the institution is appealing the decision. Unless otherwise rescinded or amended on appeal, the NECHE decision means that Bay State College will no longer be authorized to enroll students as an accredited institution as of August 31, 2023. The Department continues to work closely with the college to advance contingency closure planning and serve the best interests of the students and faculty. The Department will ensure that students have multiple transition options in the event of a closure. Commissioner Ortega noted that he will keep the Board informed on the Bay State College matter as it continues to evolve.

Commissioner Ortega reported on the Governor's budget proposal, noting that higher education was prominent. The Governor's 2024 budget recommendation will help the Department make the system of public higher education more competitive, affordable, and equitable. Investing in students and families to make college more affordable is a highlight of the budget. Another highlight is providing the institutions with resources to support students. Commissioner Ortega asserted that the proposed investment in higher education would be important for the public system of higher education as it would help serve the needs of current and future students.

Commissioner Ortega discussed a key element of the budget's proposed investment in higher education - financial aid. One category of this element is a proposed investment of \$20 million in the MassReconnect Program, which will allow students aged 25 and older to return to school and return to the pathway to achieving a post-secondary education. This opportunity will greatly serve

students who had to discontinue school because of life circumstances. Commissioner Ortega noted that he is meeting with the financial aid officers in April 2023 to discuss how to maximize the potential of financial aid to serve the needs of students.

Commissioner Ortega closed his remarks by sharing his appreciation for the support during the start of his tenure.

C. Secretary of the Executive Office of Education's (EOE) Remarks

Assistant Secretary Bob LePage attended the meeting as Secretary Patrick Tutwiler's designee and thanked Department staff for their partnership in the budgetary process, along with the Department's overall work on several fronts.

D. Reports from Presidents

Community College Segmental Report

For a copy of President Keenan's full remarks, please see:

https://www.mass.edu/bhe/documents/BHE_Community%20College%20Report_3.28.23%20dp.pdf

MassBay Community College President Podell opened his remarks by noting that the Community Colleges are thrilled by the Governor's historic budget proposal. He expressed support for the proposed H1 funding of \$18 million for the Community College Success Fund, which helps students facing barriers, including economic disadvantages and disabilities. President Podell added that he is pleased that the budget proposal will mitigate the need for Community Colleges to increase their fees for 2024.

President Podell noted that the Community Colleges are seeking to add a separate \$15 million line item to continue the work of the education and training fund (ETF), which is currently supporting high-demand workforce training programs at the Community Colleges. It is estimated that the current round of ETF funding will train 1,500 students, and President Podell hopes to see another round of funding to train many more.

President Podell noted that he is looking forward to working with the Secretary and the Department on guidelines for a broader program serving all residents in the Commonwealth and its state-wide implementation. He supports dual enrollment and early college funding.

State University Segmental Report

For a copy of President Keenan's full remarks, please see:

<https://www.mass.edu/bhe/documents/BHE%20Segmental%20Report%20-%20March%202023.pdf>

Salem State University President John Keenan noted that the Frederick E. Berry Institute of Politics was thrilled to host its very first alternative spring break at the Massachusetts State House. Fifteen (15) students were selected through a competitive application process to participate in a three-day overnight conference at which they engaged with elected officials, policymakers, lobbyists, and activists to better understand the Massachusetts legislative process and to learn how the Commonwealth is tackling some of its most pressing social issues.

President Keenan expressed agreement with Chair Gabrieli that the Governor's FY2024 proposed budget represents a historic high point. President Keenan noted that the budget recommendations would expand the MassGrant Plus Program to provide need-based financial assistance to public higher education students by funding comprehensive student success supports, campus-based Equity Diversity and Inclusion initiatives, and student behavioral and mental health programs. He added that the budget's recommended investments in public higher education would begin to address affordability while ensuring the continuation of high-quality and meaningful post-secondary degree pathways. The Governor's spending plan also includes funding to implement a price lock guarantee on tuition and fees, which President Keenan supports, not only for incoming students but for all current students. However, for the price lock guarantee to work without burdening university finances, funding will be needed for the costs associated with their labor contracts, unfunded campus fringe benefit liabilities, and passage of H1 funding levels for the State Universities.

Chair Gabrieli opened the floor for questions to the presidents. Board Member Judy Pagliuca asked what types of programs are gaining market share within the system, and which are losing market share? President Podell answered that among their academic programs, the community colleges have capacity in many of them. Health Sciences are a hard area to grow because it requires clinical placements, and the faculty-student ratios are controlled by accreditation agencies. The segment is working hard to grow them even though it is very, very difficult. We have more capacity in IT and cybersecurity, and in areas like criminal justice and automotive technology. The Education Training Fund program is for short-term and non-credit programs where we have a very great capacity for growth.

President Keenan added that there is a crisis in the nursing sector and the State Universities have been working with the Department and others to address this. He noted his optimism to address critical workforce shortages as a result of the proposed investment in public higher education, citing affordability as a challenge students face. President Keenan said that those resources would make a major difference and he hopes to see public higher education in the Commonwealth affordable for anybody that wants to attend.

E. Report from Student Advisory Council (SAC)

Student BHE Member Travis Lawrence noted that he is excited to work with Secretary Tutwiler, who previously shared his personal story of how and why education is important to him, as well as his plans on how he will approach the work. Member Lawrence noted that he hopes student interests will continue to be at the forefront of the administration's focus.

Mr. Lawrence noted that the Student Advisory Council has been continuing to prepare for its second Community Building Day event and its legislative action initiative. The purpose of the event this year is to bring to light the insecurity that many students are facing regarding basic needs. He added that the legislative action initiative is an effort to mobilize students to advocate for pro-student interests in bills to state and local officials. Community Building Week will take place from April 3 to April 7, 2023.

VI. ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORTS

A. Academic Affairs & Student Success

Academic Affairs and Student Success Advisory Council Co-Chair Patty Eppinger reported that Academic Affairs and Student Success met on March 14, 2023, and covered two different areas. One was the Massachusetts Inclusive Concurrent Enrollment Initiative (MAICEI). The other was an update on goal setting for the strategic plan for racial equity. MAICEI is intended to ensure inclusivity for students with intellectual disabilities, developmental disabilities, and autism. Co-Chair Eppinger noted that her council is working on a new higher education bill that will advance inclusive post-secondary education by removing barriers to it and by ensuring that guidelines for admission or selection are established.

Patty Eppinger noted that the goals of the Strategic Plan for Racial Equity are timely completion of gateway courses, on-time credit accumulation, persistence, transfer rates, degree completion after transfer, and degree or certificate completion. She added that Academic Affairs and Student Success had touched on workforce development initiatives, which will be the focus of the next meeting of Academic Affairs and Student Success.

VII. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS & MOTIONS

List of Documents Used

[BHE 23-31](#)

[BHE 23-35](#) {Consent Agenda Includes} BHE 23-32 through BHE 23-34

[BHE 23-36](#) – [Approval of MSCBA Rent Certificate](#)

[BHE 23-37](#)

[BHE 23-38](#)

[BHE 23-39](#)

[BHE 23-40](#)

[BHE 23-41](#)

[BHE 23-42](#)

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[BHE 23-44](#)

[BHE 23-45](#)

[BHE 23-46](#)

Chair Gabrieli asked for a motion for approval of BHE 23-31, Approval of a Letter of Intent from the University of Massachusetts Amherst, to award a Bachelor of Arts degree in Computational Linguistics and an authorization for that to be on Fast Track review. On a motion duly made and seconded, BHE 23-31 was approved unanimously by all members present through a roll call vote, as follows:

- Mary Burns – Yes
- Ann Christensen – Yes
- Veronica Conforme – Yes
- Alex Cortez – Yes
- Patty Eppinger – Yes
- Chair Chris Gabrieli – Yes
- Travis Lawrence – Yes
- Robert (Bob) LePage, Assistant Secretary – Yes
- Paul Mattera – Yes
- Judy Pagliuca – Yes
- Paul Toner – Yes
- Bill Walczak – Yes

**BHE 23-31 APPROVAL OF LETTER OF INTENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS
AMHERST TO AWARD THE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN COMPUTATIONAL LINGUISTICS
AND AUTHORIZATION FOR FAST TRACK REVIEW**

VOTED: The Board of Higher Education (BHE) has evaluated the Letter of Intent of the **University of Massachusetts Amherst** to award the **Bachelor of Arts in Computational Linguistics** and has determined that the proposal aligns with BHE criteria. Accordingly, the BHE authorizes the Commissioner to review the program and to make a final determination on degree granting authority pursuant to the Fast-Track review protocol.

Authority Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 15A, Section 9(b); AAC 18-40

Contact: Winifred M. Hagan, Ed.D., Senior Associate Commissioner for Strategic Planning and Public Program Approval

Chair Gabrieli asked for a motion to approve BHE 23-35: Approval of Board of Higher Education Motions 23-32 through 23-34 on a Consent Agenda. On a motion duly made and seconded, BHE 23-35 was approved unanimously by all members present through a roll call vote, as follows:

- Mary Burns – Yes
- Ann Christensen – Yes
- Veronica Conforme – Yes

- Alex Cortez – Yes
- Patty Eppinger – Yes
- Chair Chris Gabrieli – Yes
- Travis Lawrence – Yes
- Robert (Bob) LePage, Assistant Secretary – Yes
- Paul Mattera – Yes
- Judy Pagliuca – Yes
- Paul Toner – Yes
- Bill Walczak – Yes

BHE 23-35 BHE 23-35 APPROVAL OF BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION MOTIONS 23-32 THROUGH 23-34 ON A CONSENT AGENDA

VOTED: The Board of Higher Education approves the following motions on a consent agenda:

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| BHE 23- 32 | Approval of MSCBA Project – Bridgewater State University Shea Durgin Bathroom Renovations |
| BHE 23-33 | Approval of MSCBA Project – Framingham State University Main Lobby Addition |
| BHE 23-34 | Approval of MSCBA Project – Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts Soccer Field Renovations |

Authority: Article III, Section 6, By-Laws

Contact: Joe Wallerstein, Interim Deputy Commissioner of Administration & Finance

Chair Gabrieli asked for a motion for approval of BHE 23-36, Approval of the FY2024 MSCBA Rent Certificate.

On a motion duly made and seconded, BHE 23-36 was approved unanimously by all members present through a roll call vote, as follows:

- Mary Burns – Yes
- Ann Christensen – Yes
- Veronica Conforme – Yes
- Alex Cortez – Yes
- Patty Eppinger – Yes
- Chair Chris Gabrieli – Yes

- Travis Lawrence – Yes
- Robert (Bob) LePage, Assistant Secretary – Yes
- Paul Mattera – Yes
- Judy Pagliuca – Yes
- Paul Toner – Yes
- Bill Walczak – Yes

BHE 23-36 BHE 23-36 APPROVAL OF MASSACHUSETTS STATE COLLEGE BUILDING AUTHORITY FISCAL YEAR 2024 RENT SCHEDULE AND OPERATING BUDGET

VOTED: The Board of Higher Education hereby approves the attached MASSACHUSETTS STATE COLLEGE BUILDING AUTHORITY Fiscal Year 2024 Schedule of Proposed Rents and Operating Budget for the Authority and State University Residence Halls, effective July 1, 2023, provided that any increase in the rent schedule shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Higher Education.

Authority Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 73 App., Section 1-9 as amended and the Contract for Financial Assistance, Management and Services, dated February 1, 2003, made between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, acting by and through the Board of Higher Education and the Massachusetts State College Building Authority.

Contact: Joe Wallerstein, Interim Deputy Commissioner of Administration & Finance

Chair Gabrieli asked for a motion for approval of BHE 23-37, Approval of MSCBA Refunding Revenue Bonds Community College Program.

On a motion duly made and seconded, BHE 23-37 was approved unanimously by all members present through a roll call vote, as follows:

- Mary Burns – Yes
- Ann Christensen – Yes
- Veronica Conforme – Yes
- Alex Cortez – Yes
- Patty Eppinger – Yes
- Chair Chris Gabrieli – Yes
- Travis Lawrence – Yes
- Robert (Bob) LePage – Yes
- Paul Mattera – Yes
- Judy Pagliuca – Yes
- Paul Toner – Yes
- Bill Walczak – Yes

BHE 23-37

BHE 23-37 APPROVAL OF MASSACHUSETTS STATE COLLEGE BUILDING AUTHORITY REFUNDING REVENUE BONDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROGRAM

VOTED:

The Board of Higher Education hereby approves the MASSACHUSETTS STATE COLLEGE BUILDING AUTHORITY Refunding Revenue Bonds Community College Program.

The Massachusetts State College Building Authority (the "Authority") is hereby authorized to issue refunding bonds for the purpose of refunding all or a portion of the Authority's outstanding Project Revenue Bonds (Community College Program), Series 1, dated March 16, 2014, and Project Revenue Bonds (Community College Program), Series 2, dated January 20, 2017, in order to achieve debt service savings and provide for the costs of issuance of the refunding bonds, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized and directed, in the name and on behalf of the Board of Higher Education, to approve in writing the issuance by said Authority of bonds for such refunding purpose and to do all acts and things and to execute and deliver any and all documents, certificates and other instruments necessary or desirable in connection with the issuance of such refunding bonds, including, without limitation, an amended and restated contract with the Authority and a continuing disclosure agreement with the Authority.

Authority Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 15A, Sections 4, 6, and 9; Chapter 703 of the Acts of 1963, sections 1-3, et seq., as amended.

Contact: Joe Wallerstein, Interim Deputy Commissioner of Administration & Finance

Chair Gabrieli asked for a motion for approval of BHE 23-38, Approval of MSCBA Refunding Revenue Bonds to Provide Fiscal Relief from FY24 through FY29.

On a motion duly made and seconded, BHE 23-38 was approved unanimously by all members present through a roll call vote, as follows:

- Mary Burns – Yes
- Ann Christensen – Yes
- Veronica Conforme – Yes
- Alex Cortez – Yes
- Patty Eppinger – Yes
- Chair Chris Gabrieli – Yes
- Travis Lawrence – Yes
- Robert (Bob) LePage – Yes
- Paul Mattera – Yes

- Judy Pagliuca – Yes
- Paul Toner – Yes
- Bill Walczak – Yes

BHE 23-38 BHE 23-38 APPROVAL OF MASSACHUSETTS STATE COLLEGE BUILDING AUTHORITY REFUNDING REVENUE BONDS TO PROVIDE FISCAL RELIEF FROM FY24 THROUGH FY29

VOTED: The Massachusetts State College Building Authority (the “Authority”) is hereby authorized to issue refunding bonds for the purpose of refunding any bonds previously issued by the Authority to restructure its debt service payment obligations in a manner that provides fiscal relief to one or more State Universities in one or more fiscal years from fiscal year 2024 through fiscal year 2029 and otherwise satisfies the requirements of the vote of the Authority on March 9, 2023 authorizing such refunding bonds, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized and directed, in the name and on behalf of the Board of Higher Education, to approve in writing the issuance by said Authority of bonds for such refunding purpose and to do all acts and things and to execute and deliver any and all documents, certificates and other instruments necessary or desirable in connection with the issuance of such refunding bonds, including, without limitation, an amended and restated contract with the Authority and a continuing disclosure agreement with the Authority.

Authority Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 15A, Sections 4, 6, and 9; Chapter 703 of the Acts of 1963, sections 1-3, et seq., as amended.

Contact: Joe Wallerstein, Interim Deputy Commissioner of Administration & Finance

Chair Gabrieli asked for a motion for approval of BHE 23-39, Approval of Executive Committee Membership Amendment, which adds Alex Cortez to the Executive Committee.

On a motion duly made and seconded, BHE 23-39 was approved unanimously by all members present through a roll call vote, as follows:

- Mary Burns – Yes
- Ann Christensen – Yes
- Veronica Conforme – Yes
- Alex Cortez – Yes
- Patty Eppinger – Yes
- Chair Chris Gabrieli – Yes
- Travis Lawrence – Yes
- Robert (Bob) LePage – Yes
- Paul Mattera – Yes
- Judy Pagliuca – Yes
- Paul Toner – Yes

- Bill Walczak – Yes

BHE 23-39 BHE 23-39 APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP AMENDMENT

VOTED: The Board of Higher Education approves adding Board Member Alex Cortez as a member of the Executive Committee. The BHE Executive Committee membership, therefore, as follows:

- Chris Gabrieli, Chair of the BHE (and Chair of the Executive Committee)
- *Vacant*, Vice-Chair of the BHE
- Veronica Conforme, BHE Chair of the Finance and Administrative Policy Advisory Council
- Alex Cortez, BHE Chair of the Evidence Based Policy Making Advisory Council
- Patty Eppinger, BHE Chair of the Academic Affairs & Student Success Advisory Council
- Bill Walczak, BHE Chair of the Strategic Planning Advisory Council

Authority: Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 15A, Section 4; BHE By-Laws Article I, Section 3(d) and Article III, Section 2 (as amended, June 22, 2021).

Contact: Constantia T. Papanikolaou, Chief Legal Counsel

Chair Gabrieli asked Board members if there were any objections to bundling the tuition-setting motions into a single motion for approval. No objections were made. On a motion duly made and seconded, BHE 23-40 through BHE 23-46 were bundled and approved unanimously by all members present through a roll call vote, as follows:

- Mary Burns – Yes
- Ann Christensen – Yes
- Veronica Conforme – Yes
- Alex Cortez – Yes
- Patty Eppinger – Yes
- Chair Chris Gabrieli – Yes
- Travis Lawrence – Yes
- Robert (Bob) LePage – Yes
- Paul Mattera – Yes
- Judy Pagliuca – Yes
- Paul Toner – Yes
- Bill Walczak – Yes

BHE 23-40

BHE 23-40 COMMUNITY COLLEGES RESIDENT TUITION RATES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024

VOTED:

The Board of Higher Education adopts the following resident tuition rates at the community colleges for Fiscal Year 2024:

	Change	Rate Per Credit	Annual Resident Tuition
Berkshire Community College	\$0	\$26	\$780
Bristol Community College	\$0	\$24	\$720
Bunker Hill Community College	\$0	\$24	\$720
Cape Cod Community College	\$0	\$24	\$720
Greenfield Community College	\$0	\$26	\$780
Holyoke Community College	\$0	\$24	\$720
Massachusetts Bay Community College	\$0	\$24	\$720
Massasoit Community College	\$0	\$24	\$720
Middlesex Community College	\$0	\$24	\$720
Mount Wachusett Community College	\$0	\$25	\$750
North Shore Community College	\$0	\$25	\$750
Northern Essex Community College	\$0	\$25	\$750
Quinsigamond Community College	\$0	\$24	\$720
Roxbury Community College	\$0	\$26	\$780
Springfield Technical Community College	\$0	\$25	\$750

Authority: Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 15A, Section 9(i)

BHE 23-41

BHE 23-41 COMMUNITY COLLEGES NON-RESIDENT TUITION RATES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024

VOTED:

The Board of Higher Education adopts the following non-resident tuition rates at the Community Colleges for Fiscal Year 2024:

	Change	Rate Per Credit	Annual Non-Resident Tuition
Berkshire Community College	\$0	\$260	\$7,800
Bristol Community College	\$0	\$230	\$6,900
Bunker Hill Community College	\$0	\$230	\$6,900
Cape Cod Community College	\$0	\$230	\$6,900

Greenfield Community College	\$0	\$281	\$8,430
Holyoke Community College	\$0	\$230	\$6,900
Massachusetts Bay Community College	\$0	\$230	\$6,900
Massasoit Community College	\$0	\$230	\$6,900
Middlesex Community College	\$0	\$230	\$6,900
Mount Wachusett Community College	\$0	\$230	\$6,900
North Shore Community College	\$0	\$257	\$7,710
Northern Essex Community College	\$0	\$266	\$7,980
Quinsigamond Community College	\$0	\$230	\$6,900
Roxbury Community College	\$0	\$247	\$7,410
Springfield Technical Community College	\$0	\$242	\$7,260

Authority: Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 15A, Section 9(i)

Contact: Joe Wallerstein, Interim Deputy Commissioner for Administration and Finance

BHE 23-42 BHE 23-42 STATE UNIVERSITIES RESIDENT GRADUATE TUITION RATES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024

VOTED: The Board of Higher Education hereby adopts the following resident graduate tuition rates for state-supported programs at the State Universities for Fiscal Year 2024:

	Change	Annual Resident Graduate Tuition
Bridgewater State University	\$0	\$1,675
Fitchburg State University	\$0	\$1,675
Framingham State University	\$0	\$1,675
Massachusetts College of Art and Design	N/A	N/A
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts	\$0	\$1,675
Massachusetts Maritime Academy	N/A	N/A
Salem State University	\$0	\$1,675
Westfield State University	\$0	\$1,675
Worcester State University	\$0	\$1,675

Authority: Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 15A, Section 9(i)

Contact: Joe Wallerstein, Interim Deputy Commissioner for Administration and Finance

BHE 23-43 BHE 23-43 STATE UNIVERSITIES NON-RESIDENT UNDERGRADUATE TUITION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024

VOTED:

The Board of Higher Education adopts the following non-resident undergraduate tuition rates at the State Universities for Fiscal Year 2024:

	Change	Annual Non-Resident Undergraduate Tuition
Bridgewater State University	\$0	\$7,050
Fitchburg State University	\$0	\$7,050
Framingham State University	\$0	\$7,050
Massachusetts College of Art and Design	N/A	N/A
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts	\$0	\$9,975
Massachusetts Maritime Academy	N/A	N/A
Salem State University	\$0	\$7,050
Westfield State University	\$0	\$7,050
Worcester State University	\$0	\$7,050

Authority: Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 15A, Section 9(i)

Contact: Joe Wallerstein, Interim Deputy Commissioner for Administration and Finance

BHE 23-44

BHE 23-44 STATE UNIVERSITIES RESIDENT UNDERGRADUATE TUITION RATES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024

VOTED:

The Board of Higher Education adopts the following resident undergraduate tuition rates at the State Universities for Fiscal Year 2024:

	Change	Annual Resident Undergraduate Tuition
Bridgewater State University	\$0	\$910
Fitchburg State University	\$0	\$970
Framingham State University	\$0	\$970
Massachusetts College of Art and Design	N/A	N/A
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts	\$0	\$1,030
Massachusetts Maritime Academy	N/A	N/A
Salem State University	\$0	\$910
Westfield State University	\$0	\$970
Worcester State University	\$0	\$970

Authority: Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 15A, Section 9(i)

Contact: Joe Wallerstein, Interim Deputy Commissioner for Administration and Finance

BHE 23-45

BHE 23-45 STATE UNIVERSITIES NON-RESIDENT GRADUATE TUITION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024

VOTED:

The Board of Higher Education hereby adopts the following non-resident graduate tuition rates for state-supported programs at the State Universities for Fiscal Year 2024:

	Change	Annual Non-Resident Graduate Tuition
Bridgewater State University	\$0	\$7,050
Fitchburg State University	\$0	\$7,050
Framingham State University	\$0	\$7,050
Massachusetts College of Art and Design	N/A	N/A
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts	\$0	\$9,975
Massachusetts Maritime Academy	N/A	N/A
Salem State University	\$0	\$7,050
Westfield State University	\$0	\$7,050
Worcester State University	\$0	\$7,050

Authority: Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 15A, Section 9(i)

Contact: Joe Wallerstein, Interim Deputy Commissioner for Administration and Finance

BHE 23-46

BHE 23-46 ALTERNATIVE NON-RESIDENT UNDERGRADUATE TUITION RATES – BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND MASSACHUSETTS COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024

VOTED:

The Board of Higher Education adopts the following alternative tuition rates and enrollment caps for new, non-resident, undergraduate students at Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts and Berkshire Community College for Fiscal Year 2024:

Alternative Non-Resident Undergraduate Tuition Rates

	Change	Rate Per Credit	Alternative Tuition
Massachusetts College of Liberal Art	\$0	\$1,545	\$
Berkshire Community College	\$0	\$	\$

Enrollment Caps for New Students

# of Students	Change
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Massachusetts College of Liberal Art	125	0
Berkshire Community College	21	0

Authority: Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 15A, Section 9(i)

Contact: Joe Wallerstein, Interim Deputy Commissioner for Administration and
Finance

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Gabrieli adjourned the meeting at 11:12 a.m.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Noe Ortega, Ph.D.
Commissioner and Secretary to the Board*