BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

NO.: FAAP 08-16

BOARD DATE: February 29, 2008

STATE COLLEGES NON-RESIDENT UNDERGRADUATE TUITION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009

MOVED: The Board of Higher Education adopts the following non-resident undergraduate tuition rates at the state colleges for Fiscal Year 2009:

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

Authority:Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 15A, Section 9(i)Contact:Dr. Clantha McCurdy, Vice Chancellor for Student Financial Assistance

Background

Tuition and fee-setting guidelines for the Massachusetts College of Art and Design and Massachusetts Maritime Academy are outlined in the "Five-Year New Partnership Plans," approved by the Board in FY2004. Under the Partnership Plans, tuition rates are set by the board of trustees of each institution, and revenue is retained by the campus.

Pursuant to Section 7 of Chapter 15A of the General Laws, any material change to the five-year plan, as approved by the Board of Higher Education in FY2004, including any change to the projection for total student charges, shall require approval of that change by the Board of Higher Education.

Proposed student charges for FY2009 at both institutions were reviewed by Board staff and are within the projections outlined in the five-year plan; action by the Board, therefore, is not required.