

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Jay Perman, President
COPY: Dr. Bruce Jarrell, Chief Academic & Research Officer; Kathy Byington, Vice President of Finance; and Members of the Student Fees Advisory Committee
FROM: Joseph Hargadon on behalf of the Student Fees Advisory Board
DATE: December 6, 2013
RE: Recommendation on Student Fee Increases (Fiscal Year 2015)



In accordance with the Board of Regents Policy 260.0 VIII-2.50, revised June 22, 2012, Section I.5.i, the Student Fee Advisory Board (SFAB) is responsible for advising the President and Board of Regents of The University of Maryland, Baltimore on the type, and amount of mandatory student fees including; Student government association, transportation, housing, and support facilities. The role of the SFAB is to be consulted in the establishment or change of mandatory student fees. The SFAB will then make recommendations for consideration by the University President for his subsequent formulation of the annual operating budget.

This year the SFAB met for the first time on November 4, 2013. The committee is comprised of the following students and staff:

Students

Benedicta Asamoah	School of Pharmacy
Laura Bozzi	Graduate School
Joseph Hargadon	School of Social Work
Rupal Jain	School of Medicine
Kelsey McVey	School of Social Work
Ida- Marie Steinke	School of Nursing
Spencer Todd	Graduate School

Stakeholders

Bill Crockett	Support Facilities
Robert Milner	Transportation
Justin Taylor	Student Government
James Reynolds	Housing

Committee Administration

Flavius Lilly	Advisor
Meghan Bruce-Bojo	Co-Advisor
Anna Roskowinski	Co-Advisor

The committee considered four mandatory fees including:

1. **Support Facilities Fee** which supports URecFit, student affairs programming and the operations of the SMC Campus Center. The current fee is \$720 per semester for full-time students and \$80 per credit hour for part-time students. There is no proposed increase in this fee for fiscal year 2015.
2. **Student Government Fee** which supports the University Student Government Association and its associated operations and programming. The current fee is \$10 per semester for both full-time and part-time students. There is no proposed increase in this fee for fiscal year 2015.
3. **Student Transportation Fee** which supports the operation of the UM Shuttle service. The current fee is \$110 for full-time students and \$35 per year for part-time students. The \$35 rate for part time students will be increased to \$55 in FY15. This increase was previously approved by the University Student Fee Review Committee in December 2012.
4. **Housing Fee** which supports the operation of Pascault Row. The current fees are relative to the unit. See below:

<i>2013 Renovated Units</i>	Apartment Type	Size of Apartment (approximate)	Fall Semester 8/6/13 - 12/31/13	Spring Semester 1/1/14 - 5/19/14
Pascault Row Apartments 651 W. Lexington Street and 653 2BR	<u>Efficiency</u>	400 square feet	\$4,764.12	\$4,474.41
	<u>1 bedroom</u>	480 square feet	\$5,652.12	\$5,308.41
	<u>2 BR</u>	750 square feet	\$7,931.32	\$7,449.01
	<u>2 bedroom 2 people</u>	750 square feet	\$4,075.92 each	\$3,828.06 each
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Pascault Row Apartments 653-665 W. Lexington Street	<u>Efficiency</u>	400 square feet	\$4,542.12	\$4,265.91
	<u>1 bedroom</u>	480 square feet	\$5,430.12	\$5,099.91
	<u>2 BR</u>	750 square feet	\$7,709.32	\$7,240.51
	<u>2 bedroom 2 people</u>	750 square feet	\$3,853.92 each	\$3,619.56 each

There were no submitted fee increases for FY 15.

The students on the Board also respectfully ask that University officials responsible for the planning and operations of the UM Shuttle considers the following:

- ▶ Expansion of the UM Shuttle. We believe that our fellow students are interested in seeing a shuttle route that serves the Harbor East, Fells Point and Canton communities.

In closing, the Student Fees Advisory Board appreciates the transparency displayed by the stakeholder members of the committee and is pleased to be included in an advisory capacity to the President regarding the setting of mandatory student fees.