

**CARL SANDBURG COLLEGE  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
Regular Meeting–February 22, 2007**

**Item**            8            Fee Rates: FY-2008 & 2009

**Institutional Focal Points/ Goals**

I-B, III-A, V-A & D

**Background**

In response to recent research conducted by the Illinois Education Research Council (IERC 2006-5), as well as “A Test of Leadership”: Charting the Future of Higher Education (a report of the Commission appointed by the Secretary of Education, Margaret Spellings), Carl Sandburg College is committed to providing an **accessible** and **affordable** program of academic offerings in a manner which is **accountable** to our stakeholders.

Towards this end, efforts continue to approach decision making in a manner which is predicated on longer term perspectives. This had led to such beneficial consequences as:

- Multi-year tuition rate recommendations,
- Three (3) year rolling labor agreements (June 30, 2010),
- An (18) month electric rate stabilization contract with (WPS), Wisconsin Power Systems (1/07-6/08),
- A five (5) year Federal Strengthening Institutions (Title III) Grant (\$1,825,000),
- Three (3) separate ten-year (10) Guaranteed Energy Savings Contracts with Johnson Controls, Inc. (JCI),
- Significant capital investments to rejuvenate work environments and refresh operating technologies.

Consistent with our history of holding our fee rates constant for a two (2) year period of time (so as to enable full-time students to project their cost of attendance), the Administration has evaluated our Auxiliary, Course, Technology, and Program fee rates and recommend the following effective with the fall semester 2007:

**HISTORY**

<b>Fee Per CH</b>	<b>FY-05</b>	<b>FY-06</b>	<b>FY-07</b>	<b>FY-08</b>	<b>FY-09</b>
<b>Auxiliary</b>	\$4.00	\$4.50	\$4.50	<b>\$5.00</b>	<b>\$5.00</b>
<b>Course</b>	3.50	4.00	4.00	<b>4.50</b>	<b>4.50</b>
<b>Technology</b>	6.50	6.50	6.50	<b>7.50</b>	<b>7.50</b>
<b>Program Fees</b>	<b>(see Attached)</b>				

These adjustments are comparable to those being contemplated by our peer institutions, as well as costs reported nationally by the College Board (Trends in College Pricing 2006).

**Recommended Action**

The Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the Auxiliary, Course, Technology, and Program fees as proposed for FY-2008 and FY-2009 effective with the fall semester of 2007.