VII. STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Academic and Student Affairs Committee

**Student Technology Fee Adjustment for the UW Bothell Campus**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

It is the recommendation of the administration and the Academic and Student Affairs Committee that the Board of Regents approves an increase in the Student Technology Fee at the UW Bothell campus by 5% from its current level of $40/quarter to $42/quarter for the 2009-10 academic year.

Consistent with past policy originally established in 2000, the Student Technology Fee shall be mandatory and charged to all full-time students and a proportionate amount charged to part-time students. In keeping with current practice, the Student Technology Fee shall not be levied during Summer Quarter.

The University of Washington Bothell Student Technology Fee Committee has approved an annual expenditure plan for Student Technology Fee revenues for 2009-10. November 1 through February 1 shall be the agreed upon period in which the student government association (ASUWB) can exercise their annual statutory prerogative to eliminate the Student Technology Fee by majority vote.

**BACKGROUND**

The UW Bothell Student Technology Fee has been set at $40/quarter since its inception in Fall 2000.

At its April 17, 2009 meeting, the Student Technology Fee Committee formulated a recommendation regarding the level of the Student Technology Fee. After considering trends in allocations and requests over the history of the fee's existence, the committee decided to recommend to ASUWB that the level of the fee be increased. This recommendation was based two factors: first, on the committee's belief that the programs and services funded by the Student Technology Fee continue to provide substantial benefit to students; and second, on the committee’s recognition that for the past two years, the Student Technology Fee has been set at a level that is not collecting sufficient funds to provide awards to all of the proposals that the committee considers worthwhile.

This recommendation to increase the amount of the Student Technology Fee at the UW Bothell campus was unanimously approved by ASUWB on May 4, 2009.