



University System of Ohio
Board of Regents

John R. Kasich, Governor
Stephanie Davidson, Ph.D., Interim Chancellor

Directive 2013-004

March 25, 2013

Re: CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST BY NORTHWEST STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO ADJUST A PRIOR APPROVED WAIVER TO OFFER A REDUCTION BY \$8.66 PER CREDIT HOUR FOR STUDENTS ENROLLING IN ACADEMIC YEAR 2012-2013.

§375.30.30 of Am. Sub. H.B. 119 of the 127th General Assembly requires any waiver of tuition for a student or class of students not otherwise permitted by law at a state-assisted institution of higher education be approved by the Chancellor of the Ohio Board of Regents. On April 17, 2009, the Chancellor signed Directive 2009-011 establishing procedures for institutions to follow when requesting to waive standard tuition rates. Section 371.20.80 of Am. Sub. House Bill 153 of the 129th General Assembly continues the authority stated in §375.30.30 of Am. Sub. H.B. 119 of the 127th General Assembly.

Pursuant to Section 371.20.80 of Am. Sub. House Bill 153 of the 129th General Assembly and Directive 2009-011, Northwest State Community College has requested that for the 2013 Spring semester the prior waiver of \$8.66 per credit hour be adjusted to be a \$4.66 waiver to its standard rates. The college has demonstrated the following:

- The College's Board of Trustees approved a resolution authorizing an adjustment to the prior tuition waiver at its meeting on November 19, 2012. A copy of the resolution is attached.
- The College's has submitted a specific request to adjust the waiver of \$8.66 per credit hour to \$4.66 thereby the cost per credit hour would be \$146.00, (the prior waiver reduced the standard rate of \$150.66 to \$142.00 per credit hour).
- The College proposes that the duration of the adjusted waiver be for the 2013 Spring semester.
- The proposed waiver will affect approximately 7,000 students throughout the 2013 Spring semester.
- The College's goal is to maintain the recent increase of FTE enrollment as a result of the reduction in tuition without reducing services due to recent budget reductions.
- The College will use a comparison of the 14-day headcounts for 2011-2012 and 2012-2013 to determine if it has accomplished its goal of maintaining the college's increased enrollment.

Agency staff reviewed the request and posted its recommendations to the Regents' web site for purposes of providing a period of public comment before final approval by the Chancellor. No public comments were received.

Based on my review of staff recommendations, I hereby approve the request to adjust the prior waiver by \$4.00 per credit hour, resulting in a \$146.00 per credit hour rate, for the 2013 Spring Semester at Northwest State Community College.

This Directive will take immediate effect.



Stephanie Davidson
Interim Chancellor, Ohio Board of Regents

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