

Board Meeting
January 19, 2012

APPROVE CAMPUS SUSTAINABILITY FEE, CHICAGO

Action: Approve Campus Sustainability Fee

Funding: No New Funding Required

The Vice President, University of Illinois and Chancellor, University of Illinois at Chicago recommends for approval a refundable \$4.00 per semester Campus Sustainability Fee, effective Fiscal Year 2013, based upon the results of the student referendum held on March 2 and 3, 2011. Sixty-eight percent of student voters approved the following referendum question: “Do you support the creation of a \$2.00-\$5.00 student fee to help cover costs toward increased student-led green initiatives on campus?” The proposed initiative would be in addition to the work already done by the campus Office of Sustainability.

This fee was proposed by students to assist the University of Illinois at Chicago in aligning its operations and academics with the principles of sustainability. It was fully discussed with and unanimously endorsed by the Student Fee Advisory Committee. A student-led committee, supported by faculty and staff, will make the allocation decisions for student-driven initiatives.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and Federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes, The*

General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

The President of the University concurs.