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Gentlemen, in addition to the resolutions forwarded to you from the Faculty Advisory Committee, I would like to make some additional points on the matter of tuition raises and the elimination of tuition waivers.

1. The recommended raises seem ill-timed coming before the completion of the many staff studies on the cost of higher education and after a raise of tuition next semester.

2. Tuition raises, divorced from a study of student fees, appear to students to be a narrow approach to rising costs of higher education.

3. The timing and the structure of these proposed tuition raises appear to many students (especially self-supporting students) to be a repressive measure rather than a revenue producing measure.

4. Instructional costs and services alone do not represent the total cost-benefit picture of higher education. Tuition raises alone do not represent a complete cost-benefit rationale (i.e., other groups will still benefit from higher education without increased costs).

5. Tuition waivers for teacher education should be shifted to other areas of social need rather than be eliminated.
1. Tuition at the public senior institutions be increased beginning with the Fall term 1971 to one-third of the instructional cost base determined for each respective governing board system.

2. Non-resident tuition be increased beginning with the Fall term 1971 to 100% of the instructional cost base.

3. Issue no additional and/or new scholarships in the Fall of 1971 for the following statutory programs of financial assistance:

   Teacher Education
   County
   General Assembly
   Department of Public Aid

4. The payment of activity fees for the following statutory programs be eliminated according to the above plan for discontinuing said programs:

   Teacher Education
   County
   General Assembly

5. Limit the number of institutional tuition waivers awarded by governing boards to 2% of an institution's annual fall full-time equivalent undergraduate enrollment beginning in the Fall of 1971, exclusive of waivers issued to University Civil Service employees and to graduate students.

6. Tuition waivers may be awarded to eligible employees of institutions according to the guidelines established by the Universities Civil Service Merit Board.

7. Each governing board shall submit to the Board of Higher Education the number of tuition waivers awarded by level both statutory and institutional, indicating the number of awards by specified program and the amount of dollars involved for those programs.

8. The State provide the Illinois State Scholarship Commission (based upon their estimation of need) with an additional 4.8 million dollars beyond the normal growth increase for the 1971-72 to accommodate the increased financial needs created by the foregoing recommendations.

9. That the Board direct its staff to develop a recommendation for legislation which would make possible reciprocal agreements between Illinois and other states in respect to tuition rates for non-resident students.

10. That the Board direct its staff, in cooperation with the staff of the Illinois State Scholarship Commission, to develop: A. a program for reaching disadvantaged students who do not now properly utilize the scholarship, grant, and loan programs; B. A report regarding the question of furnishing state aid, beyond tuition and fees, for disadvantaged students.