

# WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

May 10, 2024

Western Illinois University  
Macomb, Illinois  
University Union, Capitol Room  
**Open Session Meeting Minutes**

The meeting of the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University convened at 12:32 p.m. on May 10, 2024, in the Western Illinois University Union, Capitol Room. Chair Carin Stutz presided.

## May 10, 2024, Western Illinois University Union, Capitol Room

Trustee moved to convene to open session at 12:32 p.m.

Motion: Trustee Wise

Second: Trustee Cornell

### Roll Call

Trustee Cody Cornell Yes

Trustee Erika Lowe Mullins Yes

Trustee Derek Wise Yes

Trustee Polly Radosh Yes

Trustee Carin Stutz Yes

The following Trustees were absent:

Kirk Dillard

Kisha Lang

Doug Shaw

Motion approved.

Motion to allow Trustee Dillard to appear remotely pursuant to Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/7(ii).

Motion: Trustee Lowe Mullins

Second: Trustee Radosh

### Roll Call

Trustee Cody Cornell Yes

Trustee Kirk Dillard Yes

Trustee Erika Lowe Mullins Yes

Trustee Derek Wise Yes

Trustee Polly Radosh Yes

Trustee Carin Stutz Yes

Motion approved

Also present for the meeting of the Board of Trustees:

Interim President Kristi Mindrup

Interim University Legal Counsel, Victoria Smith

Office Manager for the President's Office, Lani Marie Garcia

## **Public Comments - None**

## **Resolution and Action Items**

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Resolution No. 24.5/1

**Action**

Revision to Amended Resolution No. 24.3/4 Fiscal Year 2025 Tuition Recommendation  
International Student Tuition Differential for Returning International Graduate Students  
(Vice President of Finance and Administration, Paul Edwards)

Motion: Trustee Lowe Mullins

Second: Trustee Radosh

Chair Stutz read the amended version of the resolution (amended text in italics):

Therefore, be it resolved that the tuition for international graduate students *currently enrolled in Spring 2024* shall be assessed at the tuition differential in place at the time of their matriculation—1.5 times the in-state rate. This rate will be assessed until the completion of the current degree plan or Summer 2026 as long as continuous enrollment is maintained.

Discussion:

Trustee Cornell asked if the amended resolution would lock in a tuition differential for graduate students as a whole.

Interim President Mindrup replied that it did not: The resolution only applies to currently enrolled international graduate students because those students had received specific information about the tuition rate on which their funding is based.

Trustee Cornell asked if the amended resolution would affect the university's ability to increase tuition in the future.

Interim President Mindrup replied that it would not and advised that a new planning process is being implemented through the Provost's Office to discuss any adjustments to tuition rates earlier in the academic year, so that information will be available earlier for those working directly with students.

Motion to Amend Resolution No. 24.5/1

Motion: Trustee Wise

Second: Trustee Lowe Mullins

## Roll Call

Trustee Cody Cornell	Yes
Trustee Kirk Dillard	Yes
Trustee Erika Lowe Mullins	Yes
Trustee Derek Wise	Yes
Trustee Polly Radosh	Yes
Trustee Carin Stutz	Yes

Motion approved

**Chairperson's Remarks**

Ms. Carin Stutz, Chair

**President's Remarks**

Interim President Kristi Mindrup

**Next Meeting**

- June 3 and 4, 2024 - Macomb Union, Capital Room

**ADJOURN ACTION**

Trustee moved to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Trustees at 12:47 p.m.

Motion: Trustee Wise

Second: Trustee Cornell

Roll Call

Trustee Cody Cornell	Yes
Trustee Kirk Dillard	Yes
Trustee Erika Lowe Mullins	Yes
Trustee Derek Wise	Yes
Trustee Polly Radosh	Yes
Trustee Carin Stutz	Yes

Motion approved

Carin Stutz, Chair  
Victoria Smith, Interim University Legal Counsel  
Lani Marie Garcia, Office Manager for the President's Office