STATE OF WASHINGTON STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGES RESOLUTION 06-06-22

A resolution authorizing community college boards of trustees to establish an operating fee waiver for grant-in-aid eligible (as defined by the Official Code Book of the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges) student athletes.

WHEREAS over 2,500 student athletes represent their community colleges on 181 teams in 15 sports; and

WHEREAS financial assistance for student athletes has declined since the 1970s; and

WHEREAS the State Board has the authority to authorize tuition waivers in accordance with RCW 28B.15.915;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges (SBCTC) authorizes community college boards of trustees to establish an operating fee waiver for grant-in-aid eligible student athletes effective beginning fall quarter, 2007-08 academic year:

- 1. Colleges may waive up to 25 percent of the SBCTC established resident student tuition 15 credit tuition and fee rate for grant-in-aid eligible student athletes.
- 2. Resident and non-resident grant-in-aid eligible student athletes are eligible for the operating fee waiver.
- 3. Community college boards of trustees must take formal action to adopt a waiver for this purpose before a grant of the waiver may be provided to students.
- 4. Any college that chooses to adopt a waiver for this purpose shall use uniform codes (fee pay status) established by the Center for Information Services in consultation with the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges.
- 5. Waivers granted for this purpose will not be included in the statutory waiver limit established by RCW 28B.15.910 for the community colleges as a whole.
- 6. Each college shall adhere to the rules of the Official Code Book of the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges and shall establish its own policy for documenting student athlete eligibility.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges grants to community college boards of trustees the flexibility to implement this waiver authority by all means necessary to address issues not explicitly identified in this resolution.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED on June 22, 2006.