

OU raises tuition, fees nearly 8%

The Oakland University Board of Trustees has raised tuition and required fees an average of 7.72 percent for Michigan resident undergraduates.

The increases were approved by the Board of Trustees Aug. 14 for the 1991-1992 academic year. The board also approved a \$150,000 (9 percent) increase in tuition-based financial aid programs to assist needy students in the event of hardship resulting from the increase in tuition.

The new cost for freshmen and sophomores is \$2,382.25 in tuition and fees, an increase of \$170.50 over spring, 1991, while sophomores and juniors will pay \$2,700, an increase of \$193.75. Both rates are based on 31 credits. Resident graduate tuition and fees increased from \$3,104 to \$3,416, an increase of \$312. Graduate costs are based on 24 credits an academic year.

The per credit hour and required fee costs for Michigan residents follow: \$70.75 a credit for freshmen and sophomore students (up \$5.50); \$81 a credit for sophomores and juniors (up \$6.25); and \$135 a credit for graduate students (an increase of \$13). The required fees of \$189 a year for undergraduates and \$175 a year for graduates are unchanged from spring, 1991.

Rewold eyes legal action vs. recall 'harassment'

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Where does it end?

That's what Oakland County commissioner Roy Rewold asked after another recall petition was struck down Friday by the county election commission.

It is the fourth recall petition Rewold has faced in the past several months because of his support for the proposed incinerator in Auburn Hills.

"This is starting to feel like personal harassment," said Rewold (R-Oakland Township) after Friday's hearing. "If it continues I might look at legal action."

Filing the petitions is Laurie Rupert-Eaton, a resident of Auburn Hills and member of RAIL — Residents Against Incineration and Landfills.

Rupert-Eaton claims Rewold, chairman of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners, should be recalled for signing a contract with Westinghouse Corp. to build a waste-to-energy facility in Auburn Hills.

In the recall petition, Rupert-Eaton charges Rewold with signing a contract with Westinghouse before giving residents a chance to vote on the solid waste program, "thereby making the people of Oakland County financially liable for a signed contract."



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SHE IS REFERRING to the \$175 million contract Oakland County signed with Westinghouse to build and operate the 2,000 tons per day incinerator.

The three-member commission was unanimous in striking down the petition Friday. Oakland County Probate Judge Eugene Arthur Moore, chairman of the commission; described the petition's language as "vague and unclear" before voting against it.

The county commissioners voted May 23 to put bonding for the incinerator on the Nov. 5 election ballot.

Success of the county solid waste plan is also contingent on individual communities willing to commit their waste to be burned in the incinerator.

Rupert-Eaton could not be reached for comment on whether she plans to file a fifth recall petition against Rewold. But according to Janet Stuckley, director of elections for Oakland County, there are no limitations on the number of petitions filed.

"There's no limitations in the law — so I'm sure they'll be back," she said.

Pair of vocational groups laud Oakland County lawmaker

His vocal support of vocational education has earned state Sen. Mat Dunaskias the title of "outstanding legislator of the year" from two groups — the Michigan Council on Vocational Education and Michigan Occupational Education Association.

Dunaskias, R-Lake Orion, was honored last week in Grand Rapids for work on giving vocational ed

both recognition and support in the state budget.

"I believe our students in vocational education programs have a tremendous opportunity to learn skills that will prepare them for today's jobs," said Dunaskias. "It has been my pleasure to serve as a voice for the vocational education community in the Legislature."



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Oakland Community College Board of Trustees meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 22, in the board room of the George A. Bee Administration Center, 2480 Opdyke Road, Bloomfield Hills.

Personal recommendations and a public safety contract are among the agenda items.

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