## **RESOLUTION F10-25**

## RESOLUTION COMMITTING FINANCIAL AID RESOURCES TO ATHLETICS

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Shawnee State University has formalized its support to move the athletics program to Division II of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) and membership in the Mountain East Conference; and

WHEREAS, the NCAA places requirements and expectations on institutions seeking membership regarding the infrastructure, staffing, and financial support to maintain a compliant athletics program; and

WHEREAS, among the NCAA's requirements is that institutions satisfy financial aid commitments for male and female student-athletes at levels set forth in the Division II Manual; and

WHEREAS, the University Athletics Department is on target to exceed the NCAA's Division II financial aid requirements for 2026-2027, which would be its first year of NCAA membership, and a commitment to satisfy the requirements is in the University's best interests;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is resolved that the Board of Trustees of Shawnee State University formalizes its commitment to have the Athletics Department financially support student-athletes at current and future levels required by Division II, as part of the University's transition to NCAA membership.