RESOLUTION F35-16

BRIDGE TO SUCCESS PROGRAM TUITION

WHEREAS, Shawnee State University has developed a program, Bridge to Success, designed to offer students extra support, skills and attention when they enter college, based on placement scores (ACT, SAT). Students with two or more developmental needs (mathematics, English, reading) will be offered enrollment in the program; and

WHEREAS, the Bridge to Success Program provides for participants to be charged a modest program fee of \$50 to partially defray Program costs; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Higher Education is providing funding as a component of the Ohio Higher Education Innovation Grant Program for two years (ending June 30, 2019) to cover academic expenses for the delivery of this Program's instruction and other student services; and

WHEREAS, the University has determined it is appropriate to establish a reduced tuition rate of \$50 per credit hour for academic courses completed in this Program to be covered by the grant funds; and

WHEREAS, 369.180 of Am. Sub. H.B. 64 of the 131th General Assembly requires any waiver of tuition for any particular student or any class of students not otherwise permitted by law at a state-assisted institution of higher education be approved by the Chancellor of the Ohio Department of Higher Education; and

WHEREAS, Directive 2009-011 signed by the Chancellor of the Ohio Department of Higher Education on April 17, 2009 establishes procedures for institutions to follow when requesting to waive standard tuition rates; and

WHEREAS, Shawnee State University is requesting a fee reduction of 83% (reduction of current in state-tuition rate of \$294.34 per credit hour to \$50.00 per credit hour) for students accepted in the Bridge to Success Program beginning with the summer 2017 term;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Shawnee State University approves the Bridge to Success Program Fee and authorizes the vice president for finance and administration to submit a request to the Chancellor of the Ohio Department of Higher Education for approval of the tuition waiver through June 30, 2019.