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AUTHORIZATION TO ELIMINATE STUDENT  
TRANSPORTATION FOR THE 2023-2025 BIENNIUM

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STRATEGIC THEME: Enterprise: Cultivate a long-term sustainable college  
enterprise

REPORT: Consistent with the Strategic Focus to cultivate a  
long-term sustainable college enterprise, this Board  
Resolution authorizes the removal of the Student  
Transportation Fee.

Board Resolution 15-086 granted the authority to  
implement The Student Transportation Fee of \$8.00 per  
term in support of the College's Transportation Demand  
Management Plan.

The fee funds the subsidized portion of TriMet student  
select transit passes sold to students.

During the COVID Pandemic from March 2019 to August  
2022 the transportation fee was waived. Additionally,  
Board Resolution 23-117 eliminated the transportation  
fee for spring term 2023.

Since resumption of in-person classes in the Fall of 2022  
minimal transit passes have been sold. TriMet now offers  
a better alternative to the Student Select Program, an  
income-based fare program. A majority of our students  
qualify for this program.

The Student Transportation Fee and other student fees were reviewed by the Student Fees Committee and the President's Cabinet for changes in student services. The Cabinet endorsed the removal of the Student Transportation Fee.

**RECOMMENDATION:** We recommend that the Board of Directors authorize the elimination of the Student Transportation Fee for the 2023-2025 Biennium.