

State University System
House Education Appropriations Committee
2005-2006 Budget Recommendations
March 23, 2005

This committee reported their proposed Education budget this evening. The following highlights for the State University System include:

Overall:

- ✓ Recommends a \$102.4 million (5.1%) increase over the 2004-2005 recurring base appropriation. However, the recommendation is \$110.3 million (4.9%) under the total 2004-2005 state appropriation.
- ✓ Recommends a 7.5% tuition increase for all levels. Universities would have discretion to increase graduate and out-of-state student tuition above 7.5%. A 7.5% tuition increase would generate approximately \$52 million.
- ✓ Re-institutes the appropriation of student tuition budget authority.

University Specific Funding Issues:

- ✓ Enrollment growth funding for 7,292 full-time equivalent students - \$31.6 million (BOG requested \$78 million. The recommendation would fund 40.4% of the BOG request.)
- ✓ FSU medical school - \$3.3 million (fully funds BOG request)
- ✓ FAMU law school - \$3.5 million (fully funds BOG request)
- ✓ Plant Operations & Maintenance for New Space - \$8.7 million (fully funds this issue)
- ✓ Office for Civil Rights Agreement (FAMU) - \$1.5 million (fully funds BOG request)
- ✓ Major Gift Matching - \$41.9 million (BOG requested \$32 m)
- ✓ Centers of Excellence - \$1 million. This is a placeholder (BOG requested \$20 m)
- ✓ IFAS Extension / Workload - \$1.7 million (\$1.6 million requested by BOG)
- ✓ FGCU Engineering School - \$2.2 million (part of the BOG academic enhancements issue)
- ✓ Colombian Studies Institute (FIU) - \$50,000 (not specifically identified in the BOG request)
- ✓ Institute of Human & Machine Cognition (UWF) - \$500,000 (not specifically identified in the BOG request)
- ✓ FAU/UM Medical Partnership - \$2 million (BOG requested \$200,000)
- ✓ Forestry Education (IFAS) - \$650,000 (part of the BOG academic enhancements issue)
- ✓ Urban Reading Research (FIU) - \$100,000 (not specifically identified in the BOG request)
- ✓ Academic Technology Enhancements (NCF) - \$550,000 (part of the BOG academic enhancements issue)
- ✓ Sciences Center Institute of Sports Medicine & Athletic Treatment (USF) - \$500,000 (not specifically identified in the BOG request)
- ✓ Fort Walton Operations Combs Project (UWF) - \$500,000 (not specifically identified in the BOG request)
- ✓ Cattle Feed Efficiency Nutrient Management (IFAS) - \$500,000 (part of the BOG critical needs issue)
- ✓ IFAS Agricultural Program - \$250,000 (not specifically identified in the BOG request)
- ✓ Critical Jobs Initiative (Nursing & Teaching Program) - \$5,000,000 (part of the BOG critical needs issue)
- ✓ Moffitt Cancer Center Funding Increase - \$700,000 (not specifically identified in the BOG request)