

**ITEM:   C7**

**Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees  
September 14, 2004**

**SUBJECT:** In State Tuition Waivers – Valedictorians and Salutatorians in  
Collier, Lee, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades counties

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**PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

Authorize the President or designee to provide an in state tuition waiver to the valedictorian or salutatorian of any high school graduating class in Collier, Lee, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades counties

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The University requests that the Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees authorize the President or designee to provide an in state tuition waiver to the valedictorian or salutatorian of any high school graduating class in Collier, Lee, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades counties. This action would enhance the ability of Florida Gulf Coast University to retain the best and brightest students in southwest Florida.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:** Excerpt from the 2004-2005 General Appropriations Act, HB 1835

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## SECTION 2 - EDUCATION (ALL OTHER FUNDS)

Each university board of trustees is authorized to waive tuition for purposes which support and enhance the mission of the university. All fee waivers must be based on policies which are adopted by university boards of trustees. Each university shall report the purpose, number and value of all fee waivers granted annually in a format which shall be prescribed and reviewed by the Florida Board of Governors.

**2004-2005 General Appropriations Act, HB 1835**