

Tuition

[State System board said it had no choice but to raise tuition](#)

Thursday, July 13, 2017

As it pondered another tuition increase, the board overseeing Pennsylvania's 14 state-owned universities found itself in a familiar but uncomfortable place Thursday, just a day after a consultant warned the status-quo must change. Board member after board member lamented the idea of further burdening tens of thousands of students across a system where enrollment already has fallen. Yet they voted to do it anyway, saying their cash-starved universities could not afford to fill a \$72 million budget gap exclusively with a new round of budget cuts.

By Bill Schackner, The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

[PASSHE Board of Governors approves tuition increase](#)

Friday, July 14, 2017

The 20-member Board of Governors of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education passed a 3.5 percent tuition increase for 2017-18 on Thursday.

By Logan Hullinger, The (Harrisburg) Patriot-News

[State-owned universities bump tuition 3.5 percent](#)

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Students at Pennsylvania's 14 state-owned universities will pay an extra \$127 a semester this fall under a base tuition rate adopted today. The tuition increase, part of a plan to plug a \$71.7 million hole in the budget at the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education, is a 3.5 percent increase and brings the lowest base tuition to \$7,492 a year.

By Debra Erdley, The Pittsburgh Tribune-Review

Mansfield University interim president

[State System appoints interim president of Mansfield University](#)

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The Board of Governors of Pennsylvania's State System of Higher Education has appointed an interim president of Mansfield University as it conducts a national search for a permanent replacement.

By Elizabeth Behrman, The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

System strategic review

[Consultants: Don't close Edinboro, other state universities](#)

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Poor governance and management are root cause of failing state system of universities, consultants said. Consultants hired to help Edinboro University of Pennsylvania and 13 other state-owned universities overcome declining enrollments and mushrooming deficits said Wednesday that closing or merging universities isn't the answer.

By Valerie Myers, The Erie Times-News

[No closings, mergers recommended for state-owned colleges](#)

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All of Pennsylvania's 14 state universities should remain open despite falling enrollment that could force the State System of Higher Education to raise tuition next fall, according to an education management consultant that is studying the system. But the consultant, Colorado-

based National Center for Higher Education Management Systems, recommended Wednesday that Pennsylvania replace the system's 20-member Board of Governors with a Board of Regents composed of lay people who are not influenced by politics.

By Jim Lewis, The Reading Eagle

[Buyouts urged to cuts costs at 14 state universities](#)

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Consultants who were hired to review the struggling State System of Higher Education made a number of recommendations Wednesday, one of which suggested the Pennsylvania Legislature offer buyouts and early retirement incentives to downsize the 14 state-owned universities, including California University of Pennsylvania.

By Scott Beveridge, The (Washington, Pa.) Observer-Reporter