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Dr. Wildenthal:

Based on our meeting with you Thursday afternoon, Maria Ramos has drafted the award strategy guidelines below. This information summarizes our understanding of our discussion and agreements as we left the meeting. While we had discussed providing at least the same support as last year for continuing students, with the possibility of adding some dollars to cover the 5% general increase in tuition and fees, Maria and her associate directors crafted the statement below in which they say that '05-06 grant awards will match 04-05 awards plus an increase of between 5%-10%' as a means of addressing that offset in price increase. In this instance, the increase is not a total package increase but rather an increase of the specific grant award, such as Designated Tuition or TPEG.

Maria and her staff have taken your guidance seriously and have also made other slight changes in their awarding strategies. For example, they propose using the Texas Grant eligibility guidelines for freshmen, with a set-aside of an amount to match last year's initial Texas Grant allocation. This set-aside can be reallocated if the Legislature should provide an allocation for initial Texas Grant students. They have also opted to concentrate their grant dollars on tuition and fees; additional grant funds for books may be provided if/when all other grant-eligible need is met.

I would appreciate your reviewing Ms. Ramos's strategy and providing any feedback that might help us to meet your expectations while also serving the needs of our student population. As Ms. Ramos indicates at the end of her message, she and her colleagues will continue to fine-tune this strategy over the next week, and your feedback will be helpful as they work toward the final strategy and its implementation for FY 2006.

Thank you.

Richard H.

-----Original Message-----

From: Maria Ramos [mailto:ramos@utdallas.edu]
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Freshmen and EAG (Designated Tuition Grant)

Eligibility will parallel TX Grant program in both academic eligibility and financial need eligibility (EFC cutoff at 4000)

Will allocate \$175,000 of EAG funds to award this cohort. This allocation is the same we were given by the Board at the beginning of the 04-05 processing year.

Students will be issued \$2000 awards for the year. This is in line with the amount issued in AES Recognition scholarship.

Continuing students

05-06 grant awards will match 04-05 grant awards plus an increase of between 5%-10%.

(Example: student received \$2000 in grant award in 04-05 will receive \$2000 in 05-06 + \$100 to \$200 increase over 04-05)

EAG funds (Designated Tuition)

Eligibility criteria will emulate TPEG, need based but limited to only TX residents

EAG fund awards to be \$2000 for full time students; \$1000 for part time students

No attempt will be made to provide grant funds for book allowance as in 04-05. Concentrating on tuition and fees component of student budget.

Federal SEOG funds will be awarded in same content as in 04-05 and prior years. Eligibility limited to 'exceptionally financial need', full time and part time Pell Grant eligible students, pursuing 1st bachelors degree. Award must be matched with institutional grant dollars at no less than 30% matching. Institutional funds for matching may include any AES, departmental scholarship, TPEG, and/or EAG award.

This provides a framework for us to work with. Cathy, Rich and I will be in Austin at the TG conference and will work on the various cohort of financial aid applicants and fine tune final awarding strategy for 05-06

Maria del C. Ramos

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