University of Arizona. Both meetings will be live-streamed.

Public comments regarding tuition and fees will not be taken at the March 29 or April 5 meetings given the statewide public hearings that will be held on March 27. Individuals may also send comments via e-mail to the Arizona Board of Regents at tuition@azregents.edu; by regular mail, at 2020 N. Central Ave., Suite 230, Phoenix, AZ 85004; or by fax at (602) 229-2555. Comments received prior to April 2 at 5 p.m. will be shared with the regents in advance of the April 6 meeting.

In setting tuition, the board considers numerous factors including input received from students to shape their request along with data related to financial aid, the tuition of peer universities across the country and resources required to meet the universities' performance goals. As a reflection of ABOR's mission and commitment to ensure accessibility and affordability for students, the board continues its reform agenda regarding tuition and fee setting at Arizona's public universities with new and proposed reforms.

"The board is keenly focused on ensuring our universities remain affordable while delivering quality instructional offerings," Chair Ridenour said. "Our enterprise is in a rapidly changing culture of competition in higher education and it is imperative that adequate resources are provided. Our proposed student-based funding model provides a sustainable path forward for the future of our universities and the future of Arizona's workforce, and we continue to advocate for this 50/50 funding model with the state."

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