

recommendation, but it is the Fiscal Affairs Committee that will carry the motion to the full board for approval at their May meeting.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED to support the recommendation that President Grant be authorized to increase the MCLA Campus Support Fee by an amount not to exceed \$500 for the academic year beginning September 2011.

Public Safety Discussion

Public Safety Director Joseph Charon facilitated a discussion about the potential of arming campus police officers. President Grant noted that this is a conversation that is taking place across systems of public higher education, and reflects the evolving nature and scope of public safety work. Allowing campus police officers to carry firearms will require a decision by the Board.

The committee had a detailed discussion about the issues and their implications, as well as the training and certification process campus police officers would need to undergo as part of being approved to carry a firearm. Committee members raised a range of issues, questions, and concerns.

Each committee of the board will receive a briefing on the potential for arming campus police officers. Ongoing developmental work at MCLA will include a review of policies, identification of training needs, and cost implications, and developing plans for ongoing input and discussion. This work will inform additional campus conversations and discussion in the fall and, ultimately, a recommendation to the Board.