

CWI maintains tuition and fees

President Bert Glandon: Students shoulder too much of the burden for education costs

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NAMPA — The College of Western Idaho Board of Trustees voted Tuesday to keep tuition and fees at \$136 per credit for the next school year.

In the spring of 2011, the trustees voted to bump the cost per credit by \$7 to its current level. In 2010 they raised the cost by \$10.

The state's other two community colleges charge less for tuition than CWI does. Each credit costs \$110 at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls, while credits cost between \$115 and \$125 at North Idaho College in Coeur d'Alene.

CWI President Bert Glandon has said he believes students shoulder too much of the community college's financial burden and would like to see more revenue from the state.

CWI is also investigating the potential for a higher property tax levy in Canyon and Ada counties.

The levy for CWI's district is about \$18 per \$100,000 in taxable property, while the levy for the College of Southern Idaho and North Idaho College is over \$80 per \$100,000.