

Floor Committee 09: Ministerial Education

**Subject: MLC Student Debt**

Reference: *Book of Reports and Memorials*, p. 157, 160-163 (Memorials 2019-05, 2019-10, 2019-11, 2019-14, 2019-16)

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We acknowledge the issue of tuition cost and student debt.

We trust communication services to use the various means of communication available to update the synod on the state of student debt at reasonable intervals.

Since gifts for Equipping Christian Witnesses are designated gifts, we trust MLC to use gifts according to donor wishes.

We trust the Ministry of Christian Giving to know the various needs of the synod and to communicate as appropriate those needs to individuals who intend to give.

We appreciate the work of MLC's administration to educate students about various sources of student aid. We agree that it is a good idea for students to find summer employment. We recognize that all students have different opportunities for employment. We do not believe that it is advisable to award scholarships based on employer-verified hours worked during the summer months.

We thank the responsible boards for continued efforts to make an education at Martin Luther College affordable.

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