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2. The content of the campus-based fee initiative shall be submitted to the Chancellor for approval. Information shall include sponsoring organization, purpose of fee, amount of fee, effective period of fee, reaffirmation period (and sunset clause if campus-based fee is servicing debt), ballot language, and voting procedures. In addition, if undergraduate and graduate students are voting on the same initiative, both AS Legislative Council and GSA Council, or equivalent bodies, shall determine, prior to the election, whether the results of the balloting shall be combined or considered separately. Balloting for an initiative shall not take place without prior approval of the Chancellor.

3. Per 84.12 of the University of California Policy of Compulsory Campus-Based Fees, a minimum voting pool of at least 20% of all students eligible to vote in a particular student election must be attained unless the voter eligibility is limited to graduate and/or professional students, in which case the Chancellor (in consultation with the graduate and professional student government body) can adjust the minimum voting pool.

4. Campus-based fees not tied to debt services may be reduced, eliminated, or raised by amending the referenda, governed by the guidelines above.

5. If referenda fees are meant to service debt, those fees must end when the debt obligation has been fulfilled. If there is no vote to reaffirm the fee by the 30th year after the fee’s initiation, the fee will sunset. If referenda debt is refinanced, it should be done so in good faith and the fee tied to that debt should be reduced or adjusted accordingly.

6. All referenda must have an appropriate reaffirmation period as specified by each campus’ respective SFAC.

7. The Oversight Committee on Campus-Based Fees is comprised of at least one representative from the SFAC, AS Legislative Council and the GSA Council (or equivalent bodies), student advisory boards for entities that receive current campus-based fees, and an advisor from the Budget & Planning Office. They are to meet in the Fall Quarter to review all previous and new referenda passed in the Spring Term of the previous academic year. The Oversight Committee shall also meet on a per-need basis throughout the academic year. Their review will be to ensure that the referenda are being assessed as written in the ballot language and the guidelines stated above. The Oversight Committee will submit a summary of their review to the Chancellor and their respective areas of representation. The Oversight Committee may be housed under the campus’s Budget & Planning Office, or equivalent.

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