Student Fee Advisory Committee April 24, 2013 Meeting Minutes

Present: Robert Gomez, Justin Chung, Elizabeth Pace, Traci Ishigo, Naaz Mirreghabie, Jason Lee, Andrea Gaspar

Absent: Melody Wang, Vishal Patel, Meerae Park, Myron Lozano

Guests: Sarada Cleary, Kyle Benson, Kevin Bache

Staff: Karen Mizumoto

- 1) Meeting called to order.
- 2) Meeting minutes from April 10, 2013 approved.
- 3) New Membership
 - a) Sarada Cleary, Kyle Benson, and Kevin Bache observed the committee meeting and will be nominated to fill open undergraduate and graduate student representative seats on the committee. Traci and Justin will forward the nominations for the EVCP's approval.
- 4) CSF Update (UC Merced)
 - a) Naaz updated the committee on the CSF Spring Quarter meeting on April 20, and 21.
 - b) Financial Aid Proposals
 - i) UCOP sent CSF three financial aid funding models to review and for the council to provide recommendations on long-term solutions for financial aid funding including funding for self-help by increasing the funding for work study (no increase to the number of work study jobs); extension of student loans; and increased fundraising efforts by UCOP (\$5M/year).
 - c) Student Referenda
 - i) CSF commented on issues regarding various campus referenda that were on spring 2013 ballots.
 - (1) In regards to Measure U, the CSF is concerned that if the *New University* is a 3rd party organization, the paper should not be funded by student fees.
 - (2) The CSF feels SOAR (and outreach and retention activities in general) should be considered institutional costs and should not be funded by student fees.

- (a) Traci, Andrea and Naaz will work on drafting a statement to the EVCP from the SFAC regarding SOAR; Justin will review the statement before it is forwarded to Interim EVCP Bryant.
- (3) Mandatory campus-based fees and other student fees should not be used to student health and safety issues (i.e., building retrofitting).
- (4) Student fee committees need to monitor fee referenda so that there is no double dipping by campus units/departments receiving funding from the referenda; the same type of referendum should not come up again in subsequent years.
- (5) Capital Projects: the state is not funding future capital projects; student fees should not be used for capital projects.
- d) Revisions to CSF Standing Policies
 - i) CSF is in the process of revising the standing policies and will distribute the revisions to the campus student fee committees; revisions include the consolidation of standing policies 5, 6, and 7, and identification of funding priorities as well as other revisions.
- 5) Survey Launch Next Steps
 - a) The Student Survey is live; so far there has not been a large response.
 - b) Posters will be put up this week.
 - c) A campus email will be sent out. Justin will draft the email and forward it to Karen to send to the EVCP's office for review; after the review, the email will be sent out to students via the EVCP's Zot Mail account.
- 6) Subcommittee meeting times
 - a) The subcommittees should meet at least two times in the next few weeks outside of the regular SFAC meeting time to review unit budget submissions.
 - b) Naaz and Justin will send out the subcommittee member lists.
- 7) The spring 2013 SFAC meeting time will be on Wednesdays from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. The meeting location will tentatively be in the AGS offices until Event Services can reschedule meeting locations at the new meeting time.
- 8) Meeting Adjourned.