Student Fee Advisory Committee March 10, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Present: Sonali Madireddi, Sherwynn Umali, John Delshadi, Sanaa Khan, Isaac Straley, Sara Lone, Matthew Tsai, Alexander Le, Ami Glazer

Absent: Justin Chung, Reza Zomorrodian, Felicia Martinez, Myron Lozano

Staff: Karen Mizumoto

- 1. April 10, 2015 agenda approved with change to add report on Intercollegiate Athletics.
- 2. March 6, 2015 meeting minutes approved.
- 3. Full Committee Vote on Unit Requests
 - a. Review and re-rank requests ranked 5 or 4 by subcommittees.
 - b. Subcommittee priorities
 - i. Health & Wellness Subcommittee
 - 1. Many requests from campus centers dealing with health and wellness asked for financial support for SAOs/staff. The subcommittee discussed whether or not the centers should be funded to hire full-time staff or part-time staff/students.
 - 2. Would recommend providing funds for part-time positions.
 - 3. Include in recommendations that funding could be used to hire more students; hiring more students would cost less than hiring staff.
 - 4. Reconsider some positions that could be filled by students instead.
 - ii. Student Life & Leadership Subcommittee
 - 1. Prioritized requests that will directly benefit students, and especially for services/activities of high importance to students.
 - 2. Employment for students; which position requests could be filled by permanent FTE versus students.
 - 3. Students would greatly benefit from gaining job experience and training if they fill jobs funded by SSF funds.
 - 4. What proportion of the overall student population would a particular FTE position support?
 - 5. Also looked at requests that would benefit students the most/have the most impact (e.g., LBGT request), but may not necessarily impact the greatest number of students.
 - 6. Cross Cultural Center does hire 15 student interns each year. Supervising interns and volunteers would be best filled by a staff person because of the large number of students/volunteers and coordinating all of the schedule could be best managed by someone who is there fulltime.

- 7. Student Life & Leadership has recognized gaps in programs, especially in the following areas:
 - a. LGBTRC
 - i. More support is needed for both LGBT students and to educate the general student population on LGBT issues.
 - b. Need for more diversity/sexual assault education/training and other programs to improve campus climate (Greek Life).
 - c. Expansion of campus organizations on campus.
 - i. The number of campus organizations on campus has substantially grown over the last few years. Campus Orgs need more resources to support the growth and to reduce liability risks.
 - d. Veterans Services Center needs more funding to support programs.
 - i. Is it wise to provide permanent funds to Veteran Services if the size of the military will be declining?
 - ii. Veteran Services has expanded to include families/dependents of veterans and there is a lot of work the VSC does to make sure families receive the benefits they have access to. The educational component for veterans is also expanding.
 - e. There were program requests that are important, but the subcommittee felt there are more appropriate sources of funding for these requests.
 - i. Child Care Services may be able to get funding from the safety grant program or could possibly be funded by the Small Cap Program.
 - ii. New Narratives: The SFAC recommended providing one-time funds for the pilot program in 2013-14 (this was outside of the normal SFAC SSF incremental funding recommendations). Funding from this program should come from Student Affairs or other campus resources because of the size of the request and the limited amount SSF funds for SFAC to provide recommendations. Also given the limited amount of SSF funds available to SFAC, there are other requests that address higher student priorities.
- iii. Campus Climate Subcommittee
 - 1. Cross Cultural Center Summer Leadership Institute program has developed many student leaders.
 - 2. Other priorities include addressing the gaps in SL&L programming as discussed above.
- iv. Non-academic/Academic Counseling Subcommittee
 - 1. Hard to consider some of the nonacademic counseling/academic counseling requests because it seems that there were higher needs/priorities.

- 2. Some requests seem to be more academic-related.
- 3. AGS symposium: important program where grad students can come to one forum to present.
- 4. Funding was provided in the past to support career counseling for STEM/Business majors in the Career Center. Non-stem students need support as well.
- c. Full committee ranking vote (by mode):
 - i. #1 Health Ed: funds for condoms
 - 1. This is a small cost; \$5K goes a long way to prevent unplanned pregnancies and communicable diseases.

Vote: 5,5,5,5,5,5 = 5

- ii. #2 Campus Rec: funds for Fitness Voucher Program.
 - 1. H&W comment: if it was only for fiscal fitness, then arc has enough programs to reach students; not impossible for students to achieve this without these funds.

Vote: 3,4,5,3,4,3 = 3

- iii. #3 LBGT: permanent fund a contract position (Program Coordinator) supporting student services.
 Vote: 5,5,5,5,5,5 = 5
- iv. #4 Health Ed: 0.5 FTE Peer Education & Wellness Programs Manager to make the position full-time.

Vote: 4, 2, 1, 2, 1, 2 = 2

- v. #5 Health Ed: permanent support for AOD programming. Vote: 5,3,4,3,3,3 = 3
- vi. #6 Campus Orgs: 1.0 FTE program coordinator to support campus orgs and commuter students.
 Vote: 5.5.5.4.4.4 = 4.5
- vii. #7 Veteran Services: 1.0 FTE SAO II to support veteran students, dependents and families of veterans.

Vote: 3, 2, 3, 3, 2, 4 = 3

- viii. #8 Cross Cultural Center: permanent funds for a contract position/office manager providing administrative & budget support to Director/CCC office.
 Vote: 3,3,4,4,5,3 = 3 AVG = 3.67
- ix. #9 Associated Graduate Students: AGS Symposium Vote: 4,5,5,5,4 = 4
- x. #10 Associated Graduate Students: professional development programming Vote: 5,4,4,4,4 =4
- xi. #11 Greek Life: 1.0 FTE SAOIII for improving campus climate. Vote: 4,4,5,5,5,5 = 5
- xii. #12 Cross Cultural Center: Summer Multicultural Leadership Institute Vote: 5,4,5,4,5,5 = 5
- xiii. #13 Counseling Center: purchase campus license for Read & Write Gold Vote: 5,5,5,5,5,5 = 5
- xiv. #14 Campus Rec: Subsidize CPR training fee for students in clubs/orgs Vote: 3,3,4,4,1,4 = 4
- xv. #15 CARE: annual supplies expense budget

Vote: 4,5,5,5,5,5 = 5

xvi. #16 Student Transition Services: additional staff for summer programs & outreach

Vote: 3,2,3,3,2,2 = 2.5

- xvii. #17 Career Center: 1.0 FTE (\$52,633) or 2.0 FTE (\$105,266) career counselors for non-STEM/Business students
 Vote: 3,3,4,4,4,3 = 3.5
- xviii. #18 Graduate Division: 1.0 FTE Graduate Counselor II
 - 1. Graduate counseling is often specific to discipline
 - 2. Graduate students need to find balance between work, academic life, and family life. Many are unable to do this without guidance.

Vote: 4,5,4,5,3,5 = 5

- xix. #19 School of Medicine Med Ed: support for student wellness/safety programs Vote: 3,3,2,3,2,3 = 3
- xx. #20 School of Medicine Med Ed: funding for debt management and financial literacy sessions
 Vote: 3,2,3,2,2,3 = 2.5
- xxi. #21 Career Center: 1.0 FTE for International Student Specialist (SAO III)Vote: 2,2,3,2,2,3 = 2
- xxii. #22 School of Social Ecology: 0.25 FTE for Field Study Director's position Vote: 2,3,3,3,2,2 = 2.5
- xxiii. #23 Graduate Division: upgrade AV equipment in GRC Program Room Vote: 2,2,2,2,2,1 = 2
- xxiv. #24 School of Medicine Med Ed: student/faculty retreat Vote: 1,0,1,2,1,1 = 1
- xxv. #25 School of Medicine Med Ed: big sib/little sib program Vote: 1,0,1,2,1,1 = 1
- xxvi. #26 Campus Rec: minimum wage increase for student employees Vote: 1,0,3,2,1,1 = 1
- xxvii. #27 KUCI: part-time on-site engineer position Vote: 2,1,3,2,1,2 = 2
- xxviii. #28 WH&CS AVC: 1.0 FTE Programmer Analyst to secure client/patient data Vote: 1,1,1,1,1,1 = 1
- xxix. #29 Counseling Center: 0.6 FTE for Clinical Social Worker/case manager (augments 0.4 FTE provided in 2014-15)
 Vote: 2,3,3,3,3,3 = 3
- xxx. #30 SOAR: 0.5 FTE increase AA FTE to 100%; position provides programming support Vote: 2,1,1,4,2,1 = 1
- xxxi. #31 New Narratives: permanent funds to support New Narratives program Vote: 1,1,1,1,1,2 = 1
- xxxii. #32 New Narratives: permanent funds to support Women Empowerment Initiative
 - Vote: 2, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3 = 2
- xxxiii. #33 Merage School of Business: staff participation in conferences, student career fairs

Vote: 2, 1, 2, 2, 2, 1 = 2

- d. Karen will send out a spreadsheet with final rankings.
- 4. Intercollegiate Athletics Budget Report
 - a. Answers some of the questions committee asked.
 - b. Identifies efforts to cultivate donors (three major categories of donor cultivation).
 - c. Sponsorship has been outsourced to a 3rd party; IA getting more in merchandising fees.
 - d. Main pressures facing fees are the increase in the cost of scholarships due to increases in student tuition/fees and possible changes to NCAA requirements to fund the full cost of attendance rather than just tuition and fees; this is a tipping point and if funding is not increased for scholarships, UCI will probably have to move to Division 2. Spirit Fee revenue is also not keeping up with inflation.
 - e. IA has already cut 4-5 sports; additional cuts will mean UCI will have to move to Division 2.
 - f. UCI's IA budget is much smaller in comparison to UCLA's budget (also Division 1). Comparatively smaller budget creates challenges in recruiting and retaining coaches and recruiting student athletes.
 - g. Area of opportunity: \$2M recharged by Parking Services.
 - h. Looking forward:
 - i. IA will possibly propose to waive student athletes' tuition/fees ~\$2.5M/year.
 - ii. Continue to watch the budget; meet with Budget Office and transition away from SSF funding.
 - iii. IA will need funding. Costs will continue to increase and at some point something will have to be done.
 - i. SFAC recommendations:
 - i. Monthly/quarterly budget reports (submitted to Budget Office and SFAC).
 - ii. Committee needs to take a holistic look at funding before recommending additional funds for IA. Providing IA with funds will probably mean taking funding away from another area.
- 5. CSF Standing Policy 8 Endorsement Vote
 - a. Policy discusses how new campus-based fees can be initiated.
 - b. Referenda must be reviewed and approved by campus GSAs/UG legislative councils.
 - c. Ballot language must include sunset clauses.
 - d. Campuses should establish an oversight committee on current and continuing campusbased fees.
 - e. The language for point #5 regarding reaffirmation votes/sunset clauses needs to be clarified that the policy applies to new, not existing, campus-based fees because this language was not included in the original ballot language of some campus-based fees (the referenda were passed without language and cannot be changed unless there is are new referenda).
 - f. Vote to endorse: Yes: 3; No: 1; Abstain: 2.
- 6. Meeting adjourned.