

Student Fee Advisory Committee

March 7, 2014
Meeting Minutes

Present: Naaz Mirreghabie, Justin Chung, Jason Lee, Sarada Cleary, Bob Gomez, Myron Lozano, Isaac Straley, Nicole Hisatomi, Anastasia Kosenko, Meerae Park

Absent: Melissa Gamble, Sonali Madireddi

Guest: Parshan Khosravi Kermani, Braden Buckel

Staff: Karen Mizumoto

1. Meeting called to order.
2. February 28, 2014 meeting minutes approved.
3. Campus-based Fee Referenda
 - a. Club Sports (Braden Buckel)
 - i. Club Sports students are proposing a \$2.00 per quarter (fall, winter, spring) campus-based fee beginning in fall 2014, increasing \$0.50 cents each year until it reaches \$7.00 per quarter in 2024-25. The fee will need to be reaffirmed in 2039-40, and if there is no vote to reaffirm the fee by the 30th year it will sunset.
 - ii. Funds generated by the fees will go to a Campus Recreation account-fund to offset the costs of 36 student run club teams. Campus Recreation will then allocate the funds to club sports teams on based on a prescribed formula.
 - iii. The purpose of the proposed fee is to give more students at UCI, who may not be able to afford it, the opportunity to participate in club sports; some students have been turned away from taking part in club sports because they cannot afford the fees (including tournament costs, equipment, facilities, league dues, coaches' compensation, etc.).
 - iv. The number of students who get turned away varies from club to club (sometimes around 15-20 students could get turned away depending on the particular club).
 - v. The fee revenue will offset the club sports fees students currently pay.
 - vi. Over 1,400 students are currently involved in club sports, including graduate students, the fee will only be charged to undergraduate students.
 - vii. Current club sports funding includes ASAR (Spirit Fee) funds.
 - viii. The ballot language has passed through ASUCI Leg Council 14-0, with modifications.
 1. Bullet point two changed to "Anteater Recreation Center."
 2. Campus Recreation will provide a report to the Chancellor at the end of each year and will be made available to the ASUCI Leg Council.
 - ix. How are the funds going to be allocated? Each team has different needs and different levels of costs; funding will be allocated based on a point system

taking into account league dues, number of participants, level of community service the team takes part in, etc.

- x. Because this is a mandatory student fee, the funding guidelines should be consistent with UCI policies; funding guidelines also need to be approved by Campus Council.
- xi. The language seems to comply with CSF standing policies.
- xii. UCSB currently has a similar fee of a flat \$10.00 per quarter per student.
- xiii. The SFAC voted to endorse the Club Sports ballot language as follows:
 1. Yes = 7; No = 0; Abstain = 2

b. SOAR (Parshan Khosravi Kermani)

- i. Ballot language includes changes from last week.
- ii. The ballot language was passed by Leg Council on Tuesday, March 4.
- iii. The ballot language was sent to UCOP on Wednesday, March 5; UCOP will likely not be able to provide feedback until next week at the earliest.
- iv. Campus-based fee will provide ongoing funds for Student Outreach & Retention Center (SOAR), established in 2011. The goals are to increase the graduate rates accessibility of higher education to students in under-represented communities and communities of color, increase opportunities to attend a 4-year university, retention of already enrolled students and provide campus resources to assist these students while they are at UCI.
- v. The committee was concerned that ballot language regarding the student boards is not included as was discussed at last week's SFAC meeting.
- vi. The ballot language regarding reaffirmation needs to be clarified. Is it five additional years for a reaffirmation vote if the fee isn't reaffirmed in the 25th year?
- vii. Proposed amendments to the ballot language should include that the fee will be administered by the Outreach Advisory Committee and the Retention Advisory Committee.
- viii. The final ballot language must be approved by the Leg Council before next Thursday. There will not be enough time for that to happen.
- ix. The committee agrees to conditionally endorse the ballot language as long as there is language in the SOAR constitution that oversight if SOAR fee funds will be given to the SOAR student advisory committees.
- x. There will be no amended ballot language because of time constraints. The SFAC voted to endorse the SOAR ballot language as it appears as follows:
 1. Yes = 4; No = 2; Abstain = 3

4. Course Materials and Services Fee Discussion

- a. Committee members need to read the proposals and be ready to discuss the proposals and vote next week whether or not to endorse the proposed CMSFs in Biological Sciences, Music and Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering.
- b. Results of fact finding with other students should be included in the discussion.

5. Meeting adjourned.