

Student Fee Advisory Committee

April 11, 2014
Meeting Minutes

Present: Sonali Madireddi, Jason Lee, Sarada Cleary, Bob Gomez, Dominique Doan, Isaac Straley, Naaz Mirreghabie, Myron Lozano, Anastasia Kosenko

Absent: Melissa Gamble, Justin Chung, Nicole Hisatomi

Staff: Karen Mizumoto

1. Meeting called to order.
2. April 11, 2014 meeting agenda approved.
3. April 4, 2014 meeting minutes approved.
4. Budget Surveys
 - a. Student Affairs Counseling Center
 - i. Request for Doctoral Intern staff salary increases for 4 positions (\$10,000)
 1. Need to bring salaries up to UC and UCI standards.
 - ii. Request for 0.50 FTE Sr. Psychologist (\$41,000, plus benefits)
 1. New position to meet increased demand and reduce number of students to counselors.
 - iii. In the past, SFAC has provided \$30K to bring up staff salaries.
 - iv. AGS Counseling Center surveys showed that the Center and the services provided are important for the overall campus experience. Also, the Counseling Center hasn't been adequately staffed.
 - v. Request #2 fulfills the California ratio of 1 staff to 1,500 students. UCI has a staff to student ratio of 1:1,669. The Counseling Center is looking to hire two new staff incrementally: one this year and a second staff position next year.
 - vi. Mental health continues to be a big priority, but some additional information is needed. Karen will follow up with the Counseling Center to see if they are making proposals to the VCSA to see if there are other sources of funds, including the mandated SMH portion of the SSF increase, that can supplement funding from SFAC and to see if they can still use SFAC funds if they are only partial funds.
 - vii. Carry forward funds may be able to fund 1-2 years of increased salaries for interns until they find other sources of funding. Has the Counseling Center requested funding from the VCSA?
 - b. Student Affairs Communications
 - i. Request: Funds for New Narrative program - \$40,000
 - ii. The goal is to address some of the events that happened recently on campus. The SFAC recommended providing campus funds for this year's program and

SFAC asked for a report at the end of the pilot program, which has just been completed. A report should be issued sometime during the spring quarter.

- iii. Communications does not identify where and how they will use the \$40,000. Also the committee needs some information on many people attended and what the student response was (these will likely be included in the report).
 - iv. The committee feels one of the issues with the way the program is structured is that the groups that have actively violated policy are not the target group of the New Narratives program and that there needs to be a little more accountability with these groups. Is this program the right step towards making a difference? What about the student conduct side?
 - v. Will they get additional funds from Student Affairs next year (the \$40,000 requests is less than they received from Student Affairs and the campus this year)? Is this a permanent program? Requesting permanent funding?
 - vi. The committee chooses not to rank this request at this time and will look at the request holistically in context will all of the requests in total.
- c. Student Affairs Health Education
- i. Health Education had their entire budget swept in 2011-12, and lost a permanent position. They are asking for SFAC funding to restore the program over a number of years with full funding by_____.
 - ii. Request #1: 0.50 FTE for Peer Education & Wellness (permanent funds of \$40,000, plus benefits)
 - iii. Request#2: Online magazine – onetime funds.
 - iv. Request #3: Programming funds - \$5,000 in onetime funds.
 - v. Request #4: Peer Health Education program operations support - \$5,000 in permanent funds.
 - vi. The committee does not have funding recommendations for some of these requests and feels the requests are good in theory, but without specific demographic data, it does not seem like there is enough utilization by the students, specifically for the online magazine which does not seem useful for entire student population.
 - vii. #3 may not be useful as well, or may not address some of the student needs. What students are looking for from this department are STD screening, free condoms, etc. These were provided before and fulfill student needs better.
 - viii. It seems like Peer Health Educators could be funded from carry forward funds or donations; this is a low priority.
 - ix. The committee gives request #1 a ranking of 3, and request #4 a ranking of 5 (on a scale of 1-5 with 1 being the highest).
- d. Student Affairs Campus Organizations
- i. Request for Program Coordinator, SAO II (\$42,400, plus benefits) in permanent funds.
 - ii. It would be helpful to have an org chart for Dean of Students since there are many shared roles and support staff and shared resources; Campus Organizations may also get volunteer help from students and student organizations.
 - iii. Campus Organizations would like to add staff to streamline some of their processes.

- iv. A risk summit at OP discussed that there is not enough assistance on the campus in planning student organization events.
- v. The committee feels this a reasonable request, but it is not a high priority; they haven't seen student demand for this.
- vi. The committee ranks this request between 3-4.
- e. Student Affairs LGBT Resource Center
 - i. Request: 0.20 FTE to support Liaison Role to the Counseling Center (\$16,000).
 - ii. How many students do they serve? Front desk person marks the number of students visiting the center daily.
 - iii. The LGBTRC has a need for professional counseling services; the current staff does not have professional experience. LGBT students do not feel comfortable going to the Counseling Center for counseling services.
 - iv. This funding is not being requested by Counseling Center.
 - v. The committee needs clarification on what is being requested. Are they asking for an LGBT-related staff member in the Student Health Center? Is this for a counselor? If so, shouldn't this request come from the Counseling Center? What is "counseling support"? Are they facilitating the process to refer the students to the Counseling Center? Karen will request clarification.
- 5. New Business
 - a. SFAC Jackets
 - i. The jackets will \$16.00 per jacket and take about a week.
 - b. SFAC Photo Shoot
 - i. Should the committee schedule a photo shoot? Is this done through Campus Communications?
 - c. CSF meeting update.
 - i. Please confirm attendance with Sonali so she can book hotel rooms. The attendees can rent a van/vehicle through Campus Fleet Services.
- 6. Meeting adjourned.