

Student Fee Advisory Committee

May 12, 2017
Meeting Minutes

Present: Auzzsa Eaton, Brennan Gonerig, Connor Strobel, Edgar Dormitorio, Judy Zhu, Kajal Bains, Kim Sadler, Matthew Tsai, Michelle Chan, Rafael Carrazco, Robert Dang, Tracy La, Will Devanny

Absent: Michael McCarthy

Staff: Karen Mizumoto, Lisa Grigaitis

1. April 24, 2017 Meeting Minutes Approved.
2. Discussion regarding 2017-18 SSF Proposals and Recommendations
 - A. Funding recommendations- there is a trend identified in that the academic unit's requests have not typically been funded. Is there a way to increase the likelihood of funding for academic units?
 - i. Ideas proposed:
 - o Try to set goal of making 25% of future funding recommendations to academic units (with the caveat that the proposals fall within the SFAC guidelines/priorities? Would this undermine the current SFAC process?
 - o Would it help to provide additional outreach to academic units (with other groups like MAABO) to let them know about the SFAC process and the kinds of proposals we look for to encourage them to continue to apply? Or to meet with the units that did submit proposals this year and let them know why theirs was not given priority?
 - o Would it be helpful for SFAC to look more closely at past funding history and give stronger considerations to units that have requested but not received funding?
 - ii. Resolution: In order to not undermine the current deliberation process, to continue to rate each year's proposal received on the same criteria as others in the same pool, and to have the flexibility to rate proposals based on current needs for students, the committee would prefer not to change the process or commit to funding a definite percentage towards the academic units. SFAC will make efforts provide outreach to academic units/committees.
 - B. Assessment Form- are there questions/information asked of units submitting proposals that are not helpful for SFAC?
 - o Question #7 not seen as helpful, so could consider leaving it off of form next year.
 - o Add question that says something to the effect of "if SFAC partially funds your request, do you have an opportunity to cost share?" Consider adding with a note that the answer will not be shared with the committee until the end of deliberations and only if the committee is considering partial funding. If this verbiage is added, remove question #19
 - o Revise question #13 to list SFAC SSF allocations?
 - o Revise #5 to include student surveys
 - o Is all of the financial information requested helpful? Remove section III on Budget Reductions? This information is asked both in question #11 and on the table, so suggest taking out table.
 - o If units are requesting funding for Peer Academic Advisors (positions and wage increases), add a note saying to please make sure they have talked to DUE first, as they coordinate PAA's.
3. Committee Picture taken to update the SFAC webpage.
4. Meeting Adjourned.