

# Student Fee Advisory Committee

February 8, 2019

Meeting Minutes

Present: Auzzsa Eaton, Connor Strobel, Bryan Vo (winter quarter proxy for Travis Abshire), Teresa Gaspar, Annie Le, Gabrielle Escobedo, Michelle Chan, Taariq Elmahadi, Amy Shine, Ali C. (proxy for Dashay Richmond).

Absent: Michelle Chan, Marcelle Hayashida, Judy Zhu, Dashay Richmond

Staff: Karen Mizumoto, Laura Curran

1. Meeting called to order.
2. Minutes from 1/25/19 meeting were approved.
3. CSF Winter Meeting/UCOP Meeting Update
  - a. Auzzsa, Taariq, Judy and Teresa provided an update to the CSF winter quarter meeting on 2/3/19 and CSF's meeting with UCOP staff on 2/4/19
    - i. Funding for CARE Programs
      1. Approximately eight to 10 years ago, UCOP provided seed funding for Campus Assault Resources and Education (CARE) programs on the UC campuses. Funding was provided on a deescalating basis: 100% for year 1; 75% for year 2; 45-30% for year 3 and 0% for year 4.
      2. There now is a shortage in funding across campuses as both student enrollments have grown and there is increased need for services from more diverse populations of students.
      3. CSF asked reports from individual campuses (Student Affairs) when UCOP funds a CARE program.
      4. Cain Diaz, UCOP Budget Analysis and Planning, and Suzanne Taylor, Title IX at UCOP, are looking for ways to fund campus for emergency needs, and mental health. Some funding may possibly be provided through Title IX resources. Requests for funding were submitted to UCOP through Student Affairs.
      5. In a decade only three campuses are compliant in meeting the benchmarks for CARE. UCI is deficient based on a decades-old benchmark and continues to fall behind.
    - ii. Basic Needs Funding
      1. UCOP will allocate \$30M to the campuses for Basic Needs. Possibly based on % of Cal Grant and Pell Grant recipients. UCOP will meet with campuses (Brice Kikuchi, Student Affairs, is the UCI contact) to see how campuses plan to spend the funds.
      2. Concern expressed that during UCI's allocation planning for Basic Needs, students were not involved in discussion or determining who should participate. Student Affairs and Housing met, but Andrea Gutierrez, Coordinator for Basic

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Needs, was not included in the discussions. Auzzsa is meeting with Brice K. to discuss funding for Basic Needs.

- iii. Disability Services: Question being explored about how well population being served and how services are funded.
    - 1. Karen M. explained that programs are for 1) accommodations for people with disabilities (under ADA requirements); and 2) for additional non-accommodation services. The campus has permanently funded accommodations, but adjusts funding on a current-year basis if accommodation costs exceed permanent funds.
  - iv. Finance/Budget: 2018-19: UCOP distributed a one-time state buyout of 2018-19 Tuition and Student Services Fee increases (total of \$105M) to the campuses.
  - v. Annual SSF Reports: Each campus uses a different template for submitting reports. UCOP would like to standardize the templates. Karen said that UCI uses the template previously developed by the Student Regent and UCOP when the UC guidelines for implementing the Student Services Fee portion of the UC student fee policy was adopted. Karen said that UCI would use what is provided by UCOP. Eric Heng, Assistant Director, Student Development & Engagement, and Cain Diaz, Director, Operating Budget at UCOP are leading this effort.
4. Course Materials & Services Fee (CMSF) Proposals
- a. OVPTL University Studies 1 discussion tabled until consultation and all cost information is completed. Vote: 5 yes, 2 no, 1 abstain.
  - b. Arts 20A & 20B proposals are being revised. Item tabled based on vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 2 abstain.
  - c. DR280A: New CMSF
    - i. Proposal for a new CMSF for DR280A in Drama department to support purchase of sewing machines and specialty materials, submitted by Holly Poe Durbin. Class enrolls up to 6 students.
    - ii. Mandatory fee of \$35 for materials, including consumable supplies. Item approved based on vote: 10 yes, 1 no, 0 abstain.
    - iii. Optional \$40 Lab Fee for sewing machine maintenance and repair. Discussion: Can maintenance be approved as a CMSF? Karen will ask Drama if they can take out the maintenance cost from their proposed fee level. Item tabled based on vote: 10 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain.
  - d. BioSci ES 120 (Marine Biology): Increase in existing CMSF
    - i. Discussion of proposal: Survey results are outdated, (2014). Would like current responses reflective of student experiences. Wants a thorough attempt to garner student input about course fee and clicker question is an insufficient way to gather student input. Auzzsa noted that the committee has reviewed proposals without student feedback before.

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- Karen M. pointed out that no standards for how student input needed to be gathered were provided to the units in advance.
- ii. Karen recommended that all surveys should be current and, at most, be based on student input from prior academic year, but not longer than that.
  - iii. Fee (\$8.50) would cover the Aquarium of the Pacific entrance fee, a discount from the \$25.95 admissions price. Educational objectives, approach, and outcomes, and engagement of AoP staff needs to be outlined.
  - iv. Karen will ask for information about learning outcomes, agenda, itinerary, transportation, size/scope of event, grouping and organization of the field trip, and impact on student grades for completing or not completing the assignment. Item tabled based on vote: 5 yes, 2 no, 2 abstain.
- e. ESS 226: New CMSF
- i. Course fee \$175 proposed for a four-day field trip.
  - ii. Overall, the committee felt there was not enough student support from students taking the course including concerns about the amount of the fee and the educational benefit received from going on the field trip.
  - iii. Discussion included:
    - 1. “Fee is too much for students. Some students will choose not to eat in order to afford the course.”
    - 2. “Costs are too high. Too much was spent for food.”
    - 3. “Why are students paying for faculty costs for housing and food?”
    - 4. Question – how does this fee compare to textbook fees?
  - iv. Item denied based on vote: 0 yes, 10 no, 0 abstain.

5. Meeting adjourned.