

## Student Fee Advisory Committee

April 2, 2021

Meeting Minutes

Present: Connor Strobel, Joseph Acevedo, Sarah Alkhatib, Alan Doig, Darlene Esparza, Amihai Glazer, Andrew Hallak,, “Angel” Hsiao-Yun Tsui, Wiley Wilson

Absent: Ashkuor Abdulkader, Isabella Blake, Chico Hill, Brionna Martinez, Nisha Sandhu

Staff: Katherine Warnke-Carpenter, Karen Mizumoto

1. Meeting called to order.
2. Motion to approve the agenda. No objections. Agenda approved.
3. Motion to approve the minutes from the 3/05/2021 meeting. No objections. Minutes approved.
4. Connor provided an update on review of the Budget submissions in the SFAC Google Docs folder. Does anybody have questions or concerns? None

The committee will:

- a. Start at the highest-ranking item and will review over next few weeks.
- b. Top choices versus middling choices. Discuss thoughts in committee.
- c. Will then take a break for a week or two for Connor and Sarah to write the report for the committee to review and vote and then vote on chair and vice chair for next year.
- d. Will not finish these reviews until after the referendum and voting happens.
- e. Application 12-Sustainability Center-(had the highest median of three and rank of 6). Thoughts: Open for any student to benefit. Viewed as core need for the Unit. Broke away from Housing and lost a lot of their existing support in order to provide underlying campus support. Good for hiring students. Questions: How many served? How benefits students? Does it have to happen “on campus” Student facing – specifically for students.
- f. Application 14-Womxn’s Hub-6 student interns, ties in with the referendum last year (clear support from students), employs students and provides work experience, they don’t have perm funds to support, and the referendum will not necessarily impact getting or not getting the funds. The Provost may alter course in his final decision and the committees can re-prioritize once that is known before finalizing allocations.
- g. Application 5-OVPTL-Student Success Center-1 full-time position as a counselor coordinator (to serve only formerly incarcerated students or all students?)
- h. Application 6-OVPTL-Peer Academic Advising – is there a better way for them to handle their permanent budget? Student positions cannot be permanently funded, other than TA. Will minimum wage increases make this a more common

type request to SFAC? Process is manual. Why is there no automation by using of software to see what requirements have been met for degree checks. Is the system outdated as transfers in. must have the classes from prior institutions cross-walked over manually? Why can't you go into Degree Works yourself to check? PAA or counseling office has to manually enter. Community Colleges is walk-in. SIS is currently awful. Upgrades were cancelled. Option to give temporary funding?

- i. Application 8 – Dream Center-(3 student outreach mentors) What is the relationship with financial aid and student services? Population served may or may not be UCI students? That could be a benefit for culture and diversity on the UCI campus.
- j. Application 10-Latinx Resource Center-(programming funds for three events) Would prefer to help students academically thrive. Would like to see more students and more undergraduate students especially.
- k. Application 7-Campus Orgs-National Conflict Resolution Center, Why aren't we able to do this on our own? How much reach does this have? Data given only showed prior to the pandemic. Will this be able to be done while the pandemic is still ongoing?
- l. Application 2-ENGR/ICS-6 OAI student interns. There already are many groups that support increasing diversity for STEM. That was for instruction and research not co-curricular activities. It could be viewed as working hand in hand. Are they peer academic tutors? Encourages student jobs and is student-facing. Maybe this needs to be teamed up with other units on campus?
- m. Application 16-Womxn's Hub – Graduate Student Assistant, concerns that this only benefits 1 person.
- n. Application 21 – Student Affairs/UCI CARE, 0.5 project policy analyst, person to write grants, they need to define a more properly trained full-time person?
- o. Application 17-Cross Cultural Center, 0.5 FTE office manager, perhaps there are more underserved populations.
- p. Application 20-CARE-Marketing and communications specialist. Likes the work the group does, covers Title IX, sexual assault sometimes gets put towards the bottom by institutions. Outreach can increase visibility.
- q. Application 4 –SOM /Medical Education Med-torship. Just pre-med students in general not underserved? Are there already adequate resources targeted at this population? Already has many targeted resources?
- r. Application 22 Counseling Center. Should the University be funding? These are opportunities to increase or provide internships? Can a lot of this be done by automation, remotely?
- s. Application 15-Sustainability Center program coordinator. The operating report may have more demographics on students served?
- t. Application 11-Latinx Resource Center- subscriptions and membership fees (perm), they do not have permanent funding, would like to see students write down summaries of their experiences and how impactful.
- u. Application 18- FTE Center for Student Life Leadership, expensive and not open to partial.
- v. Application 1-ENGR/ICS-1 OAI Program coordinator. Sounds like a full-time position for the six interns requested elsewhere. Better to directly fund the centers

versus through the ENGR program? Is it serving everybody or a specific student population?

- w. Application 3-Open Medical School Program-targeting many students, including high school students, which may not be the best use of student fees?
  - x. Application 8-Annual Rising Together Thriving Together Conference, facilitates a lot of non-UCI folks, maybe that should not be the primary concern...maybe temp funding (results, data then perm?). It still must serve UCI students. What about partial funding to expand the job fair?
  - y. Application 13-Sustainability Center – annual operating expenses
  - z. Application 19- ESports – why can't they just change their rates? It is fun for those interested but it is not a need. They need to make them more competitive?
5. Next week will start at the top again. Vote to keep on the list. Get to \$250K threshold, and then start swapping and partial funding and then make cases item by item. Does that sound like a good plan? All agreed.
  6. Temporary funding-covers this year only and comes back to SFAC on top of the \$250K next year.
  7. No further questions.
  8. Meeting adjourned.