SFAC Winter Meeting #10
3/17/17 1:00PM-3:00PM
Student Services Center 400

Call to Order

Present: Crystal Inacay, Edward Lin, Ellen Kim, John Hughes, John Laxa, Zaid Mansuri, Jason Jennings, Louie Cruz, Miranda Pan, Tammy Tong, Raian Kutubi, Liz Henry, Astrea Villarroel-Sanchez, Emily Roxworthy, Masoud Jalali,

Absent: Andrew Thai, Norienne Saign, Raul Herrera

Approval of Winter Quarter Meeting 9 Minutes
Motion by Edward Lin, second by Miranda Pan

Triton Food Pantry Presentation

- Looking for financial commitment
  - want long-term support from chancellor, alumni, etc.
  - AS confused: student needs are a priority on campus → so why isn’t food pantry a priority?
- Food pantry is for everyone
  - everyone has different needs (i.e. some may need it just for now, some may need it everyday)
  - emergency food relief
- 2016 data: 41% undergraduates and 26% graduates have food insecurities
  - meaning: they don’t necessarily know where their next meal will be, or they forgo a meal to pay for some other essential need
- $3.3 million across UC schools
  - not all to food pantry ie. basic needs coordinator
- $75,000 from UCOP for 2015
- Basic needs coordinator
  - funded with ⅓ from UCOP and the rest from Council of Provost and VCSA
  - does not have long term funding
- Basic needs initiatives
  - Triton Food Pantry only part of it
  - other needs include: meal vouchers, food demonstrations, food literacy (how to use food items, sometimes students don’t know they have food available to them)
- Triton Food Pantry: provides discreet/reliable space for students
  - want to introduce perishable goods next year (i.e. eggs)
- Opened February 2015 → 2016 is the first full academic year
- Fall 2016
  - food pantry saw twice as many undergraduates & 4 times as many graduate students than last year
- Expenditures
  - average $350/week
  - current cost of running food pantry: $120,000
- primarily for food (dry goods & produce → produce doesn’t cost points)
- 3 student managers
- programming (significant portion of programming is from UCOP)
  - anticipated cost next year: $150,000 (due to increase in users)
  - funding partners: AS ($30,000), VCSA, UCOP, college councils, fundraising
  - predicting GSA to be included as well
  - last year $12,000 surplus → this year expected $10,000 surplus
    - not guaranteed, want/need to secure pantry
    - meal plan is from UCOP funding and they don’t necessarily get to keep the surplus
- • Basic Needs Resource Center
  - space on campus where students can visit for basic needs questions/concerns
  - food demonstrations/ solution-based perspective
  - will be located right next to Triton Food Pantry
- • Emergency loans to financial aid office
  - want to integrate services on campus
  - no interest loans
- • UCSD is one of the front runners in the UC system
  - Berkeley has perishable goods/ recently got a brand new space but we’re not yet at that capacity
- • Berkeley food pantry funded by student referendum
  - has been brought up as a potential for UCSD → but we want to relieve students, not tax students → so not the most popular solution for now
  - AS referendum passed and increased finances
    - some of which will go to pantry

**Winter Quarter Final Report Discussion**

- • Most in AS feel Triton Food Pantry should be ranked much higher
  - issues with Greek Life EDI Peer Educator → why is it ranked above food pantry?
    - Greek life itself isn’t very inclusive (it is controlled by students involved, not by the school)
    - whatever Greek students do affects UCSD as a whole
    - Greek life should be funding the program instead of student fees
- • GrAdvantage
  - about 20%-30% undergraduates use it as well
    - i.e. to figure out if they want to go to grad school
  - mainly for grads
- • 20% student fees come from graduate students/ 80% from undergraduates
  - mostly goes to student affairs, student health, career services, & graduate division
  - undergraduates are served at a greater percentage
- • Triton Food Pantry has spent $50,000 to date
  - we predict $70,000 surplus (only a rough estimate, some assumptions were made that may not be true)
    - possible that some of that will go back to the committee
  - Triton Food Pantry will have about $140,000 budget (which is separate from basic needs coordinator)
they’re on pace to spend a lot less than $120,000 this year
expected to spend another $20,000 to $30,000 for the spring quarter
basic needs not priority right now because it already has funding
no way food pantry will ever close realistically
■ not at risk

Motion to Approve Final Report by Masoud Jalali

Second by Astrea Villarroel-Sanchez

12-0 Approved Final Document

Additional Discussion

● Idea Wave will be open to the public
● Student fees of $2 will generate $150,000

Adjournment

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