

# Student Fee Advisory Committee

## Meeting Minutes

Fall Quarter Week 5, 11/6/2020

[Zoom Meeting](#) ID: 927 6182 8937

Fridays, 2:00-4:00 P.M.

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1. Call to Order
  - a. 2:05pm
2. Roll Call
  - a. Arbi Leka, John Hughes, Margaret Ramaeker, Jacqueline Lee, Ilmaa Haque, Becca Rose, Lakshmi Chilukuri, Zachary Infante, Miguel Carias, Chase Hickey, Ben Du, Jean Hanna, An V, Sam Horio, Courtney Chan, Norienne Saign, Miranda Junn, Serena Chang
  - b. Excused: Liz Henry
  - c. Unexcused: Stephanie Eisenberg, Arnav Taneja, Nicholas Butler, Bryce Smith
3. Approval of Agenda
4. New Business
  - a. Introduction
    - i. Name, Pronouns, Year, Major(s), Minor(s), Position. What fruit would be and why?
  - b. Orientation Slides
    - i. What is the Student Services Fee (SSF)?
      1. University-wide mandatory charge
        - a. Regental level
      2. Helps create a supportive and enriched learning environment
        - a. Ex: student health services
      3. Benefits students - complementary to instructional program
      4. Includes return to aid (RTA) component
      5. Regents Policy 101
    - ii. SFAC Mandate
      1. Serve as student voice on SSF
      2. Ensure that SSF are being properly implemented
      3. Gather student input, needs, priorities
      4. Make recommendations to the VCSA and Chancellor regarding the best use of fees
      5. Provide an annual report on budget priorities for the next fiscal year
      6. Participate in long term student experience planning
    - iii. More examples of SSF Funded Units

1. CAPS, OASIS, CSI, SLS, UCSL, Career Services, ISPO, Study Abroad, Graduate Division, etc etc
  2. [Whole list here](#)
- iv. How much do we pay
1. 3 quarters \* \$36,000 = \$1,128 per student
  2. \*pie chart on last years spending\*
- v. [John Hughes](#), Senior Director Finance, Facilities, & Operations
1. Context: You can check out the SFAC website for the committee.
  2. This is a student opportunity to provide feedback on how to utilize a fee.
    - a. Services = non academic pursuits. Not a lot are degree bearing.
    - b. Fee is charged universally for every student in the UC system.
  3. 43 million dollars this year, allocated as it comes in. Other pressures on the fee include constraints, inflation.
  4. Define the student priorities (iterative process). What's good, bad, needed?
    - a. Write a report back to the Chancellor and Cabinet with how the fees should be spent
    - b. [Advisory committee](#). No direct allocation authority.
  5. UCSD Transformational Goals. Student centered, research focused, service oriented public university
    - a. Student experience, diversity & access, interdisciplinary research, community enrichment, supportive infrastructure
      - i. View plan [here](#)
    - b. [VCSA 5 year strategic plan](#)
    - c. \*mega venn diagram\*
  6. This year is a bit different. March COVID response. Anticipated allocation of funds, but had to take a cut. 4% cut in SA, had to pivot, but Undocumented Student Services Center was permanently funded. Another contraction year. We still want to understand what student priorities are, but will probably use these priorities to identify who can take deeper cuts.
- vi. What do we do? Evaluate priorities. Prioritize unites (high vs. low to students). Make decisions on what we DON'T want to see contracted.
- vii. Forecast for 2020-21
1. Fall: Context [orientation, set up subcommittees, assign ssf units to committee, familiarize reps with scoring metric]

2. Winter: analysis and deliberation [begin subcommittee meetings alongside general meetings, begin scoring various assigned SSF unit programs, begin and finish writing annual recommendation report]
  3. Spring: housekeeping [constitutional changes, elections for chair/vc, transition]
- viii. Subcommittee meetings
    1. Pro staff + 2 student reps
      - a. Each assigned 4-5 SSF units
      - b. Analyze unit overview chart and best understand budget
  - ix. General Committee meetings
    1. Subcommittees present findings, field questions
    2. Priority list should be continually presented and updated
  - x. Proposed scoring criteria. Impact [breadth and depth] and Value.
  - xi. SFAC Member responsibilities
    1. Attendance, participation, reports
- c. Logistics and Meeting Time
    - i. Google Drive
    - ii. Slack
    - iii. Meeting time/location. Fridays 2-4pm, zoom.
    - iv. Hiring paperwork, contact Sara Kaup ([skaup@ucsd.edu](mailto:skaup@ucsd.edu))
  - d. Questions
    - i. Ranking programs for campus fees. What do we do?
      1. Ex: RIMAC. While RIMAC is closed while it does need upkeep, it's part of UCSDs ECA. If we suddenly refunded fees, the ECA goes down, so scholarships go down too. We lose student staff that are employed. The refund is a sham.
    - ii. First paycheck in January
5. Announcements
  6. Adjournment
    - a. 3:10pm