

SFAC Spring Meeting #6
5/11/16 8:00AM-10:00AM
Price Center Red Shoe Room

Call to Order

Present: Paul Tchir, Jackie Markt-Maloney, Ellen Kim, Andrew Thai, Ei Lin Chong, Akshay Tangutur, Mukanth Vaidyanathan, John Hughes, Masood Jalalibidgoli, Zaid Mansuri

Absent: Chad Mackie, Crystal Inacay, Negin Mokhtari, Norienne Saign, Ivan Evans, Sylvia Lepe-Askari

Approval of Spring Quarter Meeting 5 Minutes
Motion by Mukanth, second by Chad

Update on Potential Immediate Needs

1. Bike Sharing Program
 - a. Santa Monica - implemented by the city, and invested in the bike infrastructure in response to the transportation upgrades
 - b. Two grants from the Metro and quality management (\$2 million project)
 - c. Uses an app and smart bike technology
 - i. Possibility of leaving the bikes anywhere – would be charged a \$2 fee if left anywhere else but a “dock”
 - ii. Bringing the bike back to a “dock” would give the user \$1 credit
 - iii. Real time updates from the app
 - d. 80 stations total in Santa Monica
 - e. \$2000/bike, 500 bikes in the system
 - f. Launched Nov 12, 2015
 - i. 2,000 people registered, already generating half the revenue needed to be self-sustaining
 - g. Incorporated around Beverly Hills, Culver City, Santa Monica
 - h. Would someone without a smartphone be able to use the bikes?
 - i. The original idea was to provide resources to the already existing bike sharing program on campus
 - i. Going forward, showing support for this program in response to new initiatives (freshmen and parking)
2. Direct student-to-student funding
 - a. AS and GSA currently take in student org funding requests/event proposals
 - i. Mimicking this “student-to-student” model in SFAC
 - b. Multitude of models for funding guidelines that can be used to assess these proposals
 - c. \$100,000 pool for this initiative
 - d. Concern of “opening the floodgates”
 - e. Acceptable to look at proposals that AS and GSA may approve of but cannot fund with their own budgets

Dyad Updates

1. Student Life –doing well, provided specific requests/goals for the future
 - a. CSI
 - i. Expanding for social innovation, improve the community health associates program, communication and leadership (TCLI) expansion
 - ii. Needs funds to cover for one FTE for their social innovation program
 - b. ASCE – Triton Fest
 - i. Is Triton Fest targeting their student populations and reducing alcohol/drug use?
 - ii. Student conduct cases and medical transports are historically down
 - c. ArtPower!
 - i. Have they tried collaborating with student orgs?
 - ii. How are they sustaining large amounts of crowds?
2. Career Services Center
 - a. Alumni engagement and advising/education
 - b. Recognized the division between STEM and Social Sciences/Humanities, yet their priorities aren't engaged in these
 - c. Focus on advising students and educating employers that they don't need to be restricted to certain majors
 - d. Even though it's easier to find STEM, they should be focused on helping those that have trouble (social sciences, arts and humanities)
 - i. Demonstrate that this is something that the students want
 - e. Almost completely funded by SSF
 - f. Focus more on the student experience rather than donations
3. Student Retention and Success
 - a. GE requirements have been cut throughout colleges, hurting certain departments, with concerns of classes being cancelled – at what cost will the 4-year graduation rate be attained?
 - b. Competing priorities – can we do both? Lower the time to degree while increasing preparedness coming through and on the way out
 - c. Shift the emphasis in the summer to an experiential learning experience rather than an academic focus
 - d. Concern that faculty is more concerned about their research than preparing students for careers
 - e. Ultimately, pushing for an earlier year to degree will allow UCSD to educate a larger population of students
 - f. Why has funding for SRS almost doubled? Possibly due to restructuring, tied with recurring money and carry forwards
4. Pushing for a program in the summer that would offer real hands-on experience to prepare students
 - a. There are existing programs that align with this, but both professors and students aren't aware of it
 - b. Faculty mentor program, AEP, departmental
 - c. Student bodies and councils are perfect bodies for these programs to be advertised and to expand the communication of these programs

Adjournment

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