

## MEASURES

**MEASURE A:** "Shall the undergraduate students of UCSC redesignate the existing College Membership Fee of \$10 per student per quarter as a College Student Government Fee of \$10 per student per quarter to be allocated by the separate student governments organized at each college rather than by existing college procedures?"

**Measure A Discussion:** This measure requires a simple majority of a minimum voting pool of at least 25% of the undergraduate student body.

This measure redesignates the College Membership Fee as a College Student Government Fee, of \$10 per student per quarter, effective Fall Quarter 1994. The original College Membership Fee was \$8 per student per quarter, and became effective Fall 1965. The increase from \$8 per student per quarter to \$10 per student per quarter was approved in the 1982 elections.

The intent of this measure is to establish that the separate college student governments will determine the purposes for which these funds will be expended. These fees shall continue to be the principal source of funds to carry out diverse programs and activities such as, but not limited to, orientation programs, college nights, support for college student organizations, college newsletters, concerts, lectures, films, dances, and college graduation ceremonies in each of the colleges. These fees may be expended only for purposes directly related to the University or the college and for the benefit of the student body. In addition, the funds may not be expended directly or indirectly for political, ideological as defined by *Smith v Regents*, or religious purposes or for bail or legal expenses in connection with criminal proceedings. Allocations for fall quarter college programs must be approved for expenditure during the preceding spring quarter to allow sufficient time for college program planning and preparation. Beginning fall quarter 1994, unspent balances will carryover to the next year's student government, unless otherwise provided for in the college government constitution.

For the purposes of this measure, a college student government is defined according to the conditions delineated in the individual student government constitutions. In the event that a college student government is not formed by the third week of fall quarter in a given year, it becomes the responsibility of the college administration to make allocation decisions until such time as a student government is formed.

These funds shall be deposited with the University. The individual college administrations shall retain responsibility for fiscal management of these monies to insure that all expenditures are consistent with University policies and campus regulations, are not in violation of any state or federal law, and that they follow accepted business and accounting practices and methods of accountability as approved by the University Accounting and Auditing Offices.

In accordance with section 64.007 of the *Rule Book*, each college student government shall prepare at the beginning of each quarter, a detailed summary of funds allocated during the previous quarter including the purpose for which they were allocated and to whom. A report shall be prepared at the beginning of fall quarter and shall include all expenditures for the previous year. Copies shall be made available for public inspection.

If this measure does not pass, the College Membership Fees shall continue to be allocated as is currently the case within the separate college structures.

**Measure A Supporting Opinion:** Each quarter, students pay a \$10 College Membership Fee that is intended to be spent in their best interest, but placed in the hands of the college administrations. Some of the college administrations are under no obligation to let students control the spending of their College Membership Fees. With administrators in charge of these student fees, we have ended up with situations in which the college office decides that buying themselves a new laser printer with student funds is in the best interest of students.

Since these \$10 per quarter are meant to be spent in the best interest of students, and since each college student government is meant to represent the desires of students, it is perfectly natural that the \$10/student/quarter be allocated to the respective college student governments. Students are the

only ones who can judge what is in their best interest. With the terrible budget crisis here at UCSC only getting worse, administrators are going to start searching for every possible untapped source of funds to pay for their pet projects. We must protect our \$10/student/quarter while we still can.

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Measure A Opposing Opinion: No opposing opinion was received.

Enrollment (per Planning & Budget 5/4/94) 8578  
25% required turnout 2145

Actual voting	Cowell	262
	Stevenson	366
	Crown	216
	Merrill	255
	Porter	352
	Kresge	223
	Oakes	189
	Eight	<u>191</u>
Total Votes Cast		2,054

This is 91 votes short of the required 25% turnout.

If the 25% had been reached, both Measure A (College Membership Fee) and Measure B (Smith v Regents waivable fee) would have passed.

Measure A	YES	1,488
	NO	447
	Under Votes	119 (voted neither yes nor no)
	Over Votes	<u>0</u> (voted both yes and no)
	Total Votes	2,054