Student Fee Advisory Committee  
March 3, 2017  
Minutes

Members present: Lucy Rojas, Mario Gonzalez, Alice Malmberg, Aaron Manzano, Gina Tu, Suini Torres, Ben Leeds Carson, Kiryl Karpiuk, Sylvia Grape, Cathy Thomas, Amanda Kazden, Chandler Moeller, Lisa Bishop, Sabina Wildman, Ashley John

1. Approval of Agenda and Minutes  
a. Gina motions to approve today’s agenda; Ben seconds. Motion carries by consensus.  
   - Sylvia motions to approve last week’s minutes; Cathy seconds. Motion carries by consensus.

2. Announcements  
   - Kiryl reminds everyone to fill out the poll to determine a date for bowling.  
   - Suini invites folks to an event at Oakes tonight from 6 - 8 PM at the Oakes Learning Center.  
   - Alice invites the committee to this quarter’s C4 at Cervantes & Velasquez tonight at 7 PM.  
   - Alice shares that next week is Giving Day on March 8th. There are about 150 projects raising funds for clubs, activities, etc.  
   - We will need to elect a new Vice Chair for spring quarter as Chandler is scheduled to graduate at the end of winter quarter. Alice suggests that this would be a great opportunity for anyone who would like to hold office next year. Please talk to Alice or Chandler for more information.

3. Funding Call Proposal Review  
a. Experiential Leadership Proposal  
i. This is one of the only proposals that is requesting both SSF and M7; also there is a request for permanent funding  
   ii. Strawpoll: result of straw poll is to keep this proposal on the list for future discussion.  
b. Creating a Welcoming Environment for Grad and Undergraduates with Disabilities  
i. Strawpoll: there is no consensus to keep or dismiss the proposal  
   ii. Discussion  
      1. Kiryl explains that his evaluation is that the amount of funding that is being requested will not have the impact that it projects. All of the funds would go to hire student assistants.  
      2. Alice says that she sees the programs as important.  
      3. Aaron agrees that it was not a very good proposal but we should keep it on the list to speak about it.  
c. Pathways to Research (P2R) Program Proposal  
i. Strawpoll: there is consensus to keep this proposal on the list for future discussion.  
d. The Monterey Bay Newsroom  
i. Strawpoll: there is no consensus to keep or dismiss the proposal  
   1. Gina is concerned that the entirety of the proposed funds would go to pay an instructor.  
   2. Suini says that she was not supportive of funding the activities.  
   3. There is discussion regarding whether SSF and M7 are appropriate for instruction activities. Lucy explains that last  
   4. Ben says that he is supportive of this proposal because the campus does not have a journalism program and programs like CHP and KZSC support aspiring journalism.  
   5. Gina suggests that we have a discussion about funding co-curricular classes at another time.  
   6. Strawpoll: Consensus to keep this proposal on the list for review.  
e. Men of Color Program (MOC) Proposal to the Student Fee Advisory Committee  
i. Strawpoll: there is no consensus to keep or dismiss the proposal
ii. Discussion
   1. Gina expresses concern that the name of the program does not match the population that would be served. Sabina responds that she doesn’t see an issue; African American men are men of color.
   2. Gina raises a concern about spending $75,000 for an impact to 20 students. Sabina responds that the investment is critical, especially for students from historically underserved populations.
   3. Ben is concerned about the budget but we could probably discuss modification to the budget.
   4. Ben suggests that we could clarify with the authors the name
   5. Sabina suggests that we focus on what the proposal intends to do.
   6. Strawpoll: the proposal will be kept on the list for future discussion.

f. The Peer Effect
   i. Strawpoll: there is no consensus
   ii. Discussion
      1. Gina explains that she was concerned that we are the only possible funding body, and so at $52K, it’s unlikely that we will be able to fund the entire project.
      2. Cathy explains that if SFAC does not fund this proposal, the group will probably continue to research and look for ways to connect undergraduate and graduate students.
      3. Sabina says that there are multiple options for assigning a budget and this initiative is important to our campus.
      4. Strawpoll: the proposal will be kept on the list for future discussion.

h. Matchbox Magazine 11th Edition
   i. Strawpoll: there is no consensus
   ii. Discussion
      1. Kiryl explains that the group plans to distribute to all ten campus and there will be very few copies being distributed.
      2. Strawpoll: proposal will be kept on the list for future discussion.

i. Chicano Latino Resource Center (El Centro)
   i. This proposal is for the graduate student coordinator position.
   ii. Strawpoll: proposal will stay on list for future discussion

j. Pre Law and Pre Health Coaching Programs
   i. This is one of multiple proposals from Career Center
   ii. Strawpoll: Discussion
      1. Ben makes the motion that we go to the Career Center and appreciate a proposal that reflects empirical data about the majors that our students are in.
2. Cathy wonders about what other programs are currently offered at the Career Center.
3. Aaron shares that as a pre-law student, it’s important this program is for students who don’t have access to this resource outside of the university.
4. Strawpoll: proposal will stay on the list for future discussion.

k. AARCC Graduate Student Coordinator
   i. This proposal is for the graduate student coordinator.
   ii. Strawpoll: proposal will stay on list for future discussion.

l. Career Center Student Ambassador Program
   i. This proposal is one of multiple proposals from Career Center.
   ii. Strawpoll: proposal will stay on list for future discussion.

m. West Fest Funding Request
   i. This proposal is for Rachel Carson & Oakes College “West Fest” event.
   ii. Strawpoll: proposal will stay on list for future discussion.

n. Resource Centers Program Coordinator
   i. This proposal is to fund a program coordinator to work with the Resource Centers.
   ii. Strawpoll: proposal will stay on list for future discussion.

o. International Graduate Student Committee Programming and Outreach
   i. This proposal is to fund early outreach for graduate orientation and programming, specifically for international graduate students.
   ii. Strawpoll: proposal will stay on list for future discussion.
   iii. Discussion
      1. Cathy shares the challenges graduate international students face when moving to Santa Cruz, including looking for and securing housing.
      2. Ben asks Lisa what the UCOP policies are in regard to funding these type of proposals. Lisa shares that such programs, per UCOP policies, cannot be fully funded from student fees. SSF can help financially supplement them, but SSF cannot be the primary and sole source of funding for such programs.

p. Chandler motions to accept all of the remaining proposals; Kiryl seconds the motion.

q. Alice reminds the group that some of the proposals that have not yet been discussed are on the Zero List, and instead motions to amend Chandler’s motion. Alice motions to amend the motion to exclude any of the proposals remaining that are on the Zero List. Outcome of Vote: Yes – 10. No-0. Abstentions-0

r. Next week = 8, 9, 10, 15

s. Other Discussion
   - Chandler motions to remove the late note from the 2 late proposals and place them where they belong within the list. Aaron seconds.
   - Chandler says they’re important proposals. Aaron reminds the group that the authors had wrong information of when they were due. The recommendation is made that they are docked points but are not seen at the end.
   - Gina says she is more comfortable considering them in the end, given the precedent that proposals can be late for future proposal submissions.
   - Chandler: don’t want to risk losing a good proposal because it comes down to the student body and what they need; not fault these programs because mistakes of a few people.
   - Lisa: consequences for being late
   - Alice: we already made this decision--how do we balance merit but being late?
   - Gina: what was done in the past? Got high scores
   - Alice: propose: after discussing 8, 9, 10, review them, but review them in the end when earmarking
     - Gina motions; Aaron seconds; motion carries by consensus. 1 abstention. 10-0-1.

4. Adjournment. Gina motions to adjourn; Kiryl seconds; carries by consensus.