Student Fee Advisory Committee
February 14, 2011
3:30 – 4:45 PM
Amah Mutsun Conference Room

Meeting Minutes

Guests: Tiffany Loftin (SUA Chair), Mary Knudtson (Health Services), Meg Kobe (SHOP), Robert Antonino (Health Services)

1. Approval of Agenda and Introductions
   a. Agenda approved

2. Announcements and Updates
   a. Council of Student Fees System-wide Meeting: Amanda reports that the meeting at UC San Diego went very well. It was really well attended; she will provide a written report.
   b. Scheduling of an Additional Meeting: Amanda proposes that the SFAC conduct an extra meeting this week, for the purpose of reviewing Office of President’s proposal on a new funding stream system. The group must meet this week in order to provide feedback to OP by the end of the week.
   c. Budget
      i. Tabled to next meeting
   d. College Government Updates
      i. Forest: Crown is offering a series of events, including a social fiction conference. There are a number of college based Valentine’s Day events.
      ii. Warren: No report
      iii. Chelsea: Cowell is hearing a number of funding requests. The College government is working on an endowment. A number of social events are coming up.
      iv. Amanda: Oakes had a family dinner last Thursday; there were 200 attendees. There is a town hall meeting next Tuesday with the campus diversity officers.
      v. Callin: Stevenson College is also hearing a lot of funding requests. There was a successful Super Bowl party.
      vi. Edward: no report from Kresge.
      vii. Robert: College 9 is seeing a lot of funding requests
      viii. Nicholas: Merrill is seeking a lot of funding requests
      ix. Anthony: Porter is seeing a lot of funding requests.
   e. Student Union Assembly (SUA): SUA Chair Tiffany Loftin joins the group. Tiffany describes SUA’s current initiatives.
3. Measure 7 Presentation
   a. Mary explains that the presentation will highlight major changes in Health Services, and
      Meg will be available to answer questions specific to the programs.
   b. Mary explains that last summer following the retirement of a long term employee, she
      used the opportunity to better align the educational functions of Health Services, and
      brought sexual health/sexual assault prevent education into SHOP, organizationally.
      i. Mary explains that statistics were showing that UCSC students are not using
         barrier protection on a regular basis; and students are presenting with sexual
         transmitted diseases.
      ii. Sexual Health Educator – new position will be a state certified rape crisis
          counselor, as well as educating students on sexual health.
      iii. Mary explains that no resources were diverted away from Sexual Assault
           Prevention & Education in this re-organization; actually, the program is
           expanding with enhanced partnerships with the Women’s Center, Title IX, Police
           Department, and community resources such as Defensa de Mujeres, Walnut
           Women’s Center, etc.
   c. Programming in Health Services will continue to be evidence based; next week, the
      National College Health Association health survey will be sent to undergraduate and
      graduate students.
   d. Measure 7 Funding provides resources for HIV Peer Educator testing. This year, for the
      first time ever, the group is doing rapid HIV testing. Students are given results
      immediately, approximately 20 minutes after test is administered.
   e. Last fall, Alcohol Edu and Sexual Assault Edu were administered to all new students,
      including frosh and transfer students. Mary mentions a study at Porter and Kresge
      colleges a few years ago, which studied why students dropped out of school. Alcohol
      abuse and mental health issues (depression) were among the reasons most frequent
      cited.
   f. Questions
      i. Margarita asks for clarification regarding the differences between the HIV tests?
      ii. Faye asks a question regarding the minimum response rate for data to be viable.
          Mary explains that she is doing the study and analysis in collaboration with a
          faculty member in health economics. Meg says that a 28-32% response rate will
          render valid results. All graduate students will be invited to participate in the
          survey and approximately 50% of undergraduates will be invited. Men were
          underrepresented in the last survey. Need to increase responses from males to
          ensure that there is a good sample.
      iii. Alma explains the purpose of the review. EVC and VC McGinty has asked the
           SFAC to assess how Measure 7 funding is being used. SFAC is hearing from all of
           the units that receive Measure 7, and will be making a recommendation to VC
           and EVC.
      iv. Warren asks why the health survey is offered only every three years. Mary
          explains that annually would be too cost prohibitive; also, there are studies that
          indicate that over-surveying can impact participation/response rates.
      v. Aadil asks if the surveys is anonymous. Mary responds, yes.
      vi. Margarita asks whether the results are available publicly? Margarita explains
          that this could be an important tool to help educate the campus community.
          Mary responds that the health center is working with City on a Hill Press and
running a series of articles about safe sex. Meg adds that some of the most important data that comes out of the survey are student perceptions.

vii. Mary adds that Sexual Assault Prevention & Education will have a CUIP intern next year.

viii. Meg explains that she hears from students on a regular basis that SHOP is a safe space for students, a non-judgmental space.

ix. Meg explains that the condom brigade is now and out and about on campus.

4. Referenda Discussions
   a. Amanda introduces some standardized responses for SFAC to use on the referenda language. The group discusses the proposed standardized responses.
      i. Forest suggests that the SFAC opinions be concise and short, so they are more likely to be read.
      ii. Tiffany asks about the statements that will be made by SFAC on the proposed fees. Lucy explains that a recommendation from OP was that SFAC be more involved in the review of proposed referenda; at our campus it was determined that this recommendation would be fulfilled by placing an official SFAC opinion in each measure statement.
      iii. Faye’s proposal:
          1. SFAC does endorse this measure
          2. SFAC does not endorse this measure
             a. If this opinion is noted, then additional statement will be added.
          3. SFAC did not reach agreement regarding this measure (amended following discussion to read: SFAC takes no stance on this measure)
      iv. John agrees with Forest that the statement should be concise.
      v. Robert explains that the final statement, regarding “not coming to agreement” could be problematic. He suggests that we use the language: “takes no stance.”
   b. Measure 13
      i. Lucy explains that the referenda authors have adopted recommended changes by Planning & Budget and Office of the President.
      ii. The group votes on whether to form an official opinion at this time:
          1. 12 votes in favor of making an opinion at this time
          2. 1 – abstention
      iii. Forest explains that the proposed changes are positive and bring more accountability.
      iv. Faye makes a motion that SFAC approves this measure. The group agrees that it “seems to democratize the process.”
      v. The group votes
          1. 13 yes
          2. Passes by consensus
   c. Measure 16 Amendment
      i. Lucy explains that the Measure 16 Amendment authors have been unresponsive regarding suggested edits.
      ii. SFAC votes regarding whether to form an official opinion today:
          1. 1 yes
          2. 11 no’s
          3. No abstentions
          4. The group will not form an official opinion today
d. Cultural Arts fee
   i. SFAC reaches consensus to not form an opinion today

e. Universal Access Fee
   i. Consensus no opinion will be made today

f. Measure 8 Amendment
   i. SFAC votes regarding whether to form an opinion today:
      1. 9 yes
      2. 1 no
      3. 4 abstentions
   ii. Chelsea explains that she has questions about the fee itself, regarding the majority of the fee increase going to staffing.
   iii. Forest explains that Crown College is not favorable of this fee, because it doesn't provide any new resources to the campus, necessarily.
   iv. Forest makes a motion that SFAC should not endorse the fee because it does not increase direct services to UCSC students. Nick seconds the motions. The group votes, however discussion continues during the voting process.
   v. There is a motion for a re-vote regarding whether to form an official opinion today. There is consensus for a re-vote:
      1. Four yes
      2. Four no
      3. 5 abstentions
   vi. Following the vote, there is a motion to postpone the official vote on the opinion. There is consensus.

Next Meeting:
February 28, 2011
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Presenter: Sayo Fujioka, SOAR and Student Media