

Student Fee Advisory Committee

The University of Texas at Tyler

December 6, 2016

I. Call to Order at 3:00 P.M.

II. Members

Students	
Radha Nabar	
Preston Templeman	
Paul Ross	A
Bria Smith	
Heather Rodriguez	T
Faculty/Staff	
Rebecca McElyea	
Kay Pleasant	
Michael Reed	
Paul Roberts	
Ex Officio	
Carrie Clayton	A
Howard Patterson	
Non-Members	
Eva Burnett	
Mychele Hughes	

A- Absent

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THIS WEEK IN SFAC

- One-Time Funding Presentations

I. Meeting Minutes

Passed unanimously

II. New Business

a. Report on Student Service Fee FY16 Revenue

i. Eva Burnett presented on FY16 actual and projected revenue

- Revenue was estimated at \$1,841,219.00
- Revenue actually came out to \$2,042,383.85
 - a. The difference between estimated and actual is unallocated budget, and will be put in the main fee account if not spent.
 - b. The \$119,762.79 is the positive balance that has already been allocated.

ii. Eva Burnett clarified the approved budget amount for FY17.

b. Budget Presentations

i. Bob Hepler (HPC)

- Requested two items for the HPC.
 - a. Pool Cover at \$7,033.
 - i. Replaces current cover, which was purchased in 2004, that is damaged.
 - b. Weight and Cardio Machines amounting to \$8,500.
 - i. Current equipment is beyond end of life recommendations
 - ii. Three new elliptical machines, and a new hack squat. The request represents cost of equipment less the trade in value.
- Provided statistics on average Recreational Facility Fee for Texas state schools.
 - a. Average for Texas was \$103
 - b. UT Tyler's sits at \$40, and has not been changed since 2001.

ii. Rosemary Cooper (Enrollment Services)

- Fund office expenses
- Did not present

- iii. Scott Lapinski (Financial Aid)
 - Laptops for staff to be used for outreach amounting to \$40,000.
 - a. 12 total laptops.
 - b. Financial aid office's maintenance/operations and travel budgets is funded by Student Service Fees.
 - i. This was confirmed as correct.
- iv. Mike Medders (Emergency Management)
 - Fund the IAN Emergency Management App
 - Did not present.
- v. Jeff Williford (Internet Television Broadcasting)
 - Equipment for a media room amounting to \$8,500.
 - a. Current space in the PHE would be converted to a media room to produce interviews of athletes and coaches.
 - b. Current campus studio facilities are heavily booked
 - c. Want to pursue partnering opportunities with non-athletic entities.
- vi. Jeff Williford (HPC)
 - The lights that illuminate the US Flag are not sufficient in wattage to properly highlight the flag for pregame ceremonies and other events held in the Patriot Center gym. New bulbs and wiring would amount to \$3,225.
- vii. Lorri Allen (Talon Student Media)
 - Capital Fund for Media Center. Request is for \$100,000.
 - a. Cover the cost of facility feasibility study in the UC for Student Media Center.
 - b. The Talon may have a donor for the renovations of the space should a feasibility study be productive and the space committee acted to secure the space for the Talon.
 - c. Could be used by all students.
- viii. Chase Ragland (Leadership & Service)
 - Requesting money to pay graduate assistant salary (\$7,293).
 - a. Office does have the GA, but the salary is partly paid by Dean of Student's office.
 - b. The Dean of Student's office would be able to put the funds allocated for the GA back into their maintenance and operation account.

- ix. Joshua Neaves (Student Life and Leadership)
 - Wants to start a Freshman Camp
 - a. Program would cost \$50,000 for initial year, and remaining years would be covered through income.
 - b. Program would be a compliment to orientation with an extended focus on student engagement with some academic components. Freshman camp would cater to first time college students
 - c. Request would be spent to cover costs of food, gratuities, marketing materials, staffing, and program events. Participants would also pay fee to participate.
 - d. Program would include 1 camp, 3 days/2 nights during the summer, and could host 200 to 250 students.
- x. Kim Harvey-Livingston (Student Counseling Center)-
 - Request for \$15,000 additional dollars to cover the cost of four extra four hours per week of clinical hours for the psychiatrist.
 - a. Current counseling staff, four fulltime licensed counselors and graduate interns, assists students, but are not qualified to write a prescription. Student are referred to psychiatrist by counseling staff for medication needs. Psychiatric serves evaluates student for medications, prescribes, and follows-up with medicated students
 - b. UT Tyler has experienced a large increase in the number of students seeking counseling with more serious mental health issues
 - c. Psychiatrists in local area are inaccessible and expensive.
- xi. Dana Simmons (Student Money Management)
 - Already has the graduate student, but the salary is partially paid by Dean of Student's office.
 - The Dean of Student's office would be able to put the funds allocated for the GA back into their maintenance and operation budgets.
 - Increased the scope of program offerings such as a money mentor program as well as increasing the number of events
- c. SFAC discussed allocating \$320,827.64 into a reserve account that will be used to fund one-time funding requests, if the SFAC votes to fund such initiatives. The

allocation represents the available balances and the difference between projected and actual income from the Student Service Fee

- i. This money is already included in the \$652,903 that is shown as the ending balance for SSF FY16.
- ii. Bill O'Donnell went over the different ways the committee could create a cost center account that would be able to hold this money.
 - Discussed the handling of transferring from this account to the cost centers the committee approves.
 - Clarified how to keep unspent money in the account rather than it rolling back into the main fee.
- iii. Motion was made by Rebecca McElyea to place the \$320,827.64 in a Student Service Fee reserve. Motion was seconded, and vote was passed unanimously.

III. Public Comments

James Hescocock addressed comments to the SFAC.

IV. Adjournment

As there was no further business, the University of Texas at Tyler Student Fee Advisory Committee adjourned at 4:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Preston Templeman

Secretary of the Student Fee Advisory Committee