

**The University of Texas at Tyler**  
**Student Fee Advisory Committee – FY24**  
**Thursday, April 20, 2023**

**I. Budget**

a. Updates – Kris Kavasch

- Sr. VP Kavasch indicated that the Student Services Fee document has been corrected to reflect the correct amount for the Academic Partnership line item and that the overall amount has not changed. This document is loaded to Canvas for your review.
- She also indicated that the fund balance analysis is complete and that based upon her evaluation of the balance over the past eleven years she has determined that the SFAC can consider one time budget requests during the current fiscal year. Student Fee Advisory Committee may allow access to \$745,000 in one-time requests.
- These requests may also be accessed for use in FY'24 as funds remain available. The committee discussed various aspects of how the funds could be accessed and made available. Sr. VP Tolliver will propose a timeline to the committee during the next SFAC meeting and will present examples of previous budget request documents for consideration.
- Sr. VP Kavasch also indicated that the analysis of the Recreational Facility Fee yielded \$294,000 that may be accessed during the current fiscal year.

**II. Review Departmental Budget Requests**

a. Student Services Fee

- i. Student Publications - Approved
- ii. Cheerleading and Mascot - Approved
- iii. Dance Team – Approved
  1. A clarification regarding the difference between Cheerleaders/Dance and Stunt was requested. Mr. McGill indicated that Stunt more closely aligns with traditional athletic sports. The current Spirit Squad/Stunt Coach will be departing at the end of the semester. A new coach has been hired.
- iv. Internet TV Broadcasting – Tabled, SFAC requested that the Budget Authority present at the next meeting.
- v. Athletics – Approved, with one abstention
- vi. Athletics Marketing -Approved, with one abstention

SFAC discussed whether to consider current requests that were unsolicited. The committee decided that the best course of action is to complete the current request process and to create a separate timeline for access to one-time funds in order to promote transparency and fairness.

b. Recreational Facility Fee – Tabled, SFAC requested that the Budget Authority present at the next meeting.

Mr. McGill clarified that the Recreational Facility Fee increased from \$45 to \$70 in fall 2022. This increase more closely aligned the UT Tyler facility fee with others in the state. The previous fee of \$45 was one of the lowest in the state. Mr. McGill indicated that a number of improvements in equipment and space have been made. He also indicated that the pool, a large source of income for the facility is in need of significant improvement.

**III. Other items for discussion**

- a. Presentation – Dean of Students/Student Conduct, AVP Andrew Pettee presented an overview of the budget, outlining the impact the Dean of Students Office makes to support students through Student Conduct, Campus Assessment Response and Evaluation team (CARE) and the Student Assistance and Advocacy Center. AVP Pettee was asked to clarify the current fiscal status of the department. He confirmed that the department budget is in good financial standing.
- b. SFAC requests the following departments present at the next scheduled meeting:
  - i. Internet TV Broadcasting
  - ii. Campus Activities
  - iii. Recreational Sports

**IV. Meeting schedule**

Thursday, April 27, 2023, 3:00 pm, UC 3322