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Services and Activities Fee Committee

Minutes November 4, 2009

Meeting called to order:

Tyler Anderson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m. and attendance was taken.

Attendance:

Tyler Anderson, Jack Baker, Kiley Baker, Ed Day, Kay Kenison, Pedro Navarrete, Brad Nelson, Scott Robinson, Lauren Short, and Teri Willard. Excused: Scott King, Wendy Williams, and Roxann Smith (new member).

Approval of Minutes:

Approval of the minutes from October 28, 2009: Scott Robinson moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Kiley Baker seconded. Motion carried. (1 abstention)

Public Comment:

No public comment.

Supplemental Requests:

none

Supplemental Requests to be voted on:

Central Transit: The supplemental request is for \$50,000.00 to maintain the current level of service. If this request is granted, it will maintain funding for Central Transit at the same level as the 2008-2009 budget. Brad King sent the committee his suggestions on funding for Central Transit and the committee realized this is a vital service for the students as well as the community. The concern is the students already pay \$3.00 fall, winter and spring quarters and also pay the S&A fee for this service. The committee had a lengthy discussion on the services offered and several things they thought could be done differently.

MOTION: Pedro Navarrete made a motion to approve \$35,000.00 in supplemental funds for Central Transit and suggest Central Transit pursue future funding by referendum process to increase the Central Transit fee to the amount needed. Kiley Baker seconded.

Discussion: Central Transit is an important service to the students, and this one-time supplemental funding from the S&A committee will help keep them running through this year. Although the committee hopes this will help continue the current Central Transit services, Central Transit could come back if needed. The committee suggested Central Transit work with a focus group of students to identify their needs and services-including daily schedules, hours of operation-winter vs. summer; and how to proceed for election this spring and to continue seeking their own funding through grants. Jack Baker will draft a letter to Lt. Stowe regarding recommendations from the S&A Committee.

MOTION: Friendly amendment--Lauren Short suggested Pedro Navarrete revised his motion to approve \$25,000.00 in supplemental funds for Central Transit and to seek further funding by the election process to increase the Central Transit fee students pay to the amount needed. Pedro and Kiley agreed to the motion change. Motion carried. (All in favor, 0 no, 0 abstentions.)

Readership Program:

The S&A committee was asked to increase the readership program to include the USA Today newspaper. Currently, the Daily Record and the Seattle Times are available through the Readership Program funded by the S&A Flex budget. Committee members polled other students, and it was their feeling that the USA Today newspaper was not needed. The committee feels that the readership needs are being met with the current newspapers.

MOTION: Pedro Navarrete made a motion not to fund the addition of the USA Today newspaper to the Readership Program. Scott Robinson seconded. Motion carried. (All in favor, 0 no, 0 abstentions.)

S&A Providers Reviews:

Wendy Williams created a random chart of the Base Funding 3-yr Visitation Schedule. The S&A Committee will be reviewing the providers over the next three years. The discussion on how we should review each provider was considered. It was suggested that the committee could meet in their offices and see their operations. There will be some that will come to present at the meeting. The presentations could take 15-30 minutes. Jack Baker will set a schedule starting in January and draft a letter on what will be expected as the committee meets and visits with each provider. He will also draft standard questions (how are you spending your funds, value of your programs, students utilization, how do you decide on programming, students involvement with your programs, etc.). Committee members will be asked to visit with the providers and bring back the information to the committee and the information will be shared with future committees.

The Observer may be able to create a survey for the different programs. The input from the students about the services provided by each program will be valuable when allocating funding in the future. Jack Baker will ask the Observer staff to attend a future meeting to discuss this possibility.

Schedule of Next Meeting: November 18, 2009 (No meeting: November 11-holiday-no school)

Adjourn:

Pedro Navarrete moved to adjourn, Lauren Short seconded. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.