

Services and Activities Fee Committee

Minutes

April 5, 2017

Called to order:

Gary Epp called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

Attendance:

Luke Aguilar, Kathleen Barlow, Joseph Bryant, Gary Epp, Sarah Feeney, Trey Justin, Brittany Kinsella, Martin Kennedy, Alaina Lenway, Jacqueline Robinson, Vene' Skyles, Brittany Stamnes, Patrick Stanton, Spencer Sutton, and Thanh Vo-Tran.

Agenda:

MOTION: Trey Justin made a motion to approve the agenda. Spencer Sutton seconded. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION: Spencer Sutton made a motion to approve the Minutes of March 29, 2017. Jacqueline Robinson seconded. Motion carried with two abstaining.

Reports:

- a. CHAIR – None.
- b. ADVISORS – Patrick Stanton reported that we have \$32,580.05 left to allocate from our initial 150K budget. We are voting on over \$200,000 in requests tonight, if we go over the initially budgeted 150,000 we will need to vote to increase our supplemental budget. At the end of the 4 year cycle where will be funds coming back from the Base funded areas that can be used for supplemental requests, but we do need to continue to be fiscally responsible. Patrick also introduced our new Student Funds Financial Manager, Lacy Lampkins, she has worked in the Athletics Department for 8 years, and she will start April 17th.

Public Comment:

Richard DeShields wanted to thank the committee for the recommendations and shared with the Provost our concerns about funding the Westside counselor positions. He is in support of the requests from Veterans and Student Government to carry forward funds for the Veterans' Memorial. It was the university processes that delayed this project. Dr. Feeney asked regarding the funds for the VPRC position. Richard stated that this administration is not funding so it will continue to be funded by S&A as a student outreach program in the same category as the Student medical and counseling clinic.

Marching and Pep Band representatives wanted to thank the committee for their support and they will be available to answer questions if they come up.

Michelle Cyrus is here also for any questions regarding the ESC Supplemental Request.

Old Business:

- a. Supplemental Funding Requests – Voting
 - i. **#1721 – Graduation Celebrations / Cultural Events - \$22,000**
Funds are requested for end of year ESC graduation celebrations and cultural events for each of these groups: Mecha, Equal, BSU, FASA, and Poly Central. These groups were promised funds for food costs but the funds are now not available.

Discussion: How many students are in FAFSA and EQUal? Keep in mind that these events are open to all students and the campus community not just members of the organizations. Mecha has about 75 FAFSA 25 BSU 45 and EQUal about 45-50.

Invitations go out to more than just the organization members. In the future will base funding cover this cost? No. How was it paid for last year? Dr. Champagne covered the cost out of Campus Activities Budget. Challenges this time the funds that were committed are not eligible to use for this type of event – seems like a lot of money but it is open to all to attend. If there are 200 people in 5 orgs then \$10,000 seems more reasonable. These are large events that are incredible put on by the students and for the students.

MOTION: Martin Kennedy made a motion to table this vote till after we have addressed the other requests. Brittany Kinsella seconded. Motion carried with two abstaining.

MOTION: Brittany Kinsella made a motion to amend the agenda to allow discussion on increasing the supplemental budget. Jacqueline Robinson seconded. Motion carried.

Discussion: Will using the carry over decrease the supplemental funds available for the future. No. We are looking at about \$206,000 tonight. When considering to increase the budget we should consider any more supplemental we may have for spring. We did ask the Marching and Pep bands to requests these as supplemental seems clear that it is s durable investments. There is concern that we are more than doubling our original supplemental budget just to fund these requests. The bands need new equipment this is an appropriate supplemental request as it is a onetime need. It is not uncommon for a request to come that the organization can't afford. Based on years past at 32,500 we are about where we are usually. Each year is different we normally have more requests in the spring.

MOTION: Spencer Sutton made a motion to increase our supplemental budget by \$225,000. Jacqueline Robinson seconded. Motion carried.

ii. #1722 – Marching Band - \$157,892.51

The Marching Band is requesting funds to purchase instruments and equipment. Since they did not get base funding for equipment the committee encouraged them to submit this supplemental request. The equipment listed would bring the band up to date; the instruments would be purchased now so they will be ready and available for Fall 2017.

MOTION: Luke Aguilar made a motion to approve supplemental request # 1722 in the amount of \$157,892.51. Alaina Lenway seconded. Motion carried with two abstaining.

iii. #1723 – Pep Band - \$26,692.33

The Pep Band is requesting funds to purchase instruments and equipment. Since they did not get base funding for equipment the committee encouraged them to submit this supplemental request. The equipment listed would bring the band up to date; the instruments would be purchased now so they will be ready and available for Fall 2017.

MOTION: Luke Aguilar made a motion to approve supplemental request #1723 in the amount of \$26,692.33. Thanh Vo-Tran seconded. Motion carried with two abstaining.

MOTION: Luke Aguilar made a motion to include in the language of support for supplemental requests #1722 and 1723 that the committee is in support of these requests as we are anticipating funds coming back from the base funded areas; these funds are not expected to be available in the future, and the bands should plan accordingly and replace instruments as needed. Alaina Lenway seconded. Motion carried.

iv. #1721 – Graduation Celebrations / Cultural Events - \$22,000

Funds are requested for end of year ESC graduation celebrations and cultural events for each of these groups: Mecha, Equal, BSU, FASA, and Poly Central. These groups were promised funds for food costs but the funds are now not available.

MOTION: Brittany Kinsella made a motion to approve supplemental request #1721 in the amount of \$22,000.00. Thanh Vo-Tran seconded. Motion carried with three abstaining.

- b. Veterans’ Center Carry-forward request – Ruben Cardenas is requesting that the Veterans’ Center S&A balance at the end of the base funding cycle not be swept. He would like to apply \$20,000 to the Veterans Memorial. This project was started but not completed yet. The location and design took more time than anticipated. The task force was started in Winter of 2016 – they plan on fundraising events soon.

MOTION: Luke Aguilar made a motion to approve allowing the Veterans’ Center to carry forward \$20,000 to the next funding cycle for the Veterans Memorial. Trey Justin seconded. Motion carried with four abstaining.

New Business:

- a. ASCWU –SG -forward request – The Student Government is requesting that they be allowed to carry-forward \$40,000 of their base to the next funding cycle. They would like to apply \$40,000 of their general budget to the Veterans Memorial. This project was started but not completed yet. The location and design took more time than anticipated. The task force was started in Winter of 2016 – they plan on fundraising events soon.

Presented by: Brittany Kinsella

Other Business-Communication Received:

Joseph Bryant received an email from Richard DeShields supporting the proposals sent forward from the committee.

Public Comment: Thank you from the band representatives.

Adjournment:

MOTION: Trey Justin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Spencer Sutton seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:27 PM.

Schedule of Next Meeting:

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 12, 2017, in SURC 301 starting at 5:30 P.M.