Services and Activities Fee Committee Minutes April 11, 2012

Meeting called to order: Paul Stayback called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Attendance:

Student Members: Adam Fields, Isa Harrison, Brad Nelson, Taylor Robb, Paul Stayback, and Dustin Waddle-Ford. Returning member: Jason Leatherman Professors and Professional Staff: Jack Baker, John Bowen, Sharon Jonassen, Kay Kenison, and Scott Robinson. Excused: Ed Day

Agenda:

Motion: Taylor Robb made a motion to move #12038 Administrative Fee under the supplemental request #12041 Swim Club Nationals. Dustin Waddle-Ford seconded. Motion failed.

MOTION: Taylor Robb made a motion to move Setting of the S&A Fee under request #12038 Administrative Fee. Dustin Waddle-Ford seconded. Motion carried.

MOTION: Dustin Waddle-Ford made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Taylor Robb seconded. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION: Dustin Waddle-Ford made a motion to approval the minutes of April 4, 2012, as presented. Taylor Robb seconded. Motion carried.

Communication/Chair's Report:

- Ed Day is excused for today and he requested approval for his future absence on April 18. No action is needed.
- Memo to Paul Stayback from the Budget & Finance Committee stating that all prior funding requests sent to the BOT were approved.
- Paul Stayback sent a memo to Faculty Senate requesting a new faculty member for the position vacated by Wendy Williams.
- Former S&A Member Sheila Jones has been nominated for a Women's Achievement Award. (Several members of the committee will be leaving at 6:30 p.m. to attend.)

Public Comment: none

Supplemental or Base Funding Requests - Presentations: none

Supplemental or Base Funding Requests to be voted on:

#12038 Administrative Fee-Shelly Baird: The Supplemental Request #12038 for the administrative fee is for \$517,167.00 for FY 2013.

MOTION: Jason Leatherman made a motion to approve \$571,167.00 in supplemental funds for the administrative fee for the FY2013. John Bowen seconded. Motion failed. (Adam Fields called the question to vote on the motion. Dustin Waddle-Ford seconded. Motion carried.) Failure to approve the administrative fee may result in dispute resolution with the administration and the S&A committee.

Discussion: The request for the administrative fee is one-year supplemental funds. The administration would need to come back to the committee next year if they wish to be considered for a 4-year base funding request for the administrative fee. It was felt that the administrative fee was not going away and will continue to be part of the budgeting process. It was questioned why there were two different amounts with a wide disparity. The calculation last year did not take all items into consideration when figuring the administrative fee and it has been corrected in this year's administrative fee. If it is percentage base the figure is smaller, but if it is on a piece by piece basis, the amount is considerably larger. Shelly Baird was not in attendance to answer questions. The spreadsheet she sent did not answer the specific question asked by Paul Stayback, or answer the questions in the memo from the attorney general, or a specific comparison to last year's spreadsheet. It is irresponsible to vote and when specific details are not address. It should go to dispute resolution for arbitration of items and a better relationship and mutual goals with the administration and S&A will have a stronger voice. The State Legislature's vote on the new budget did not include further cuts to the University, but the effects of the previous cuts are still in effect.

Setting the S&A Fee:

MOTION: Isa Harrison made a motion to tie the S&A fee increase to the % of tuition increase. Dustin Waddle-Ford seconded. Motion failed.

MOTION: Isa Harrison made a motion to set S&A fee for 2 years. No second. Motion failed.

MOTION: Jason Leatherman made a motion to set the S&A fee at 3%. No second. Motion failed.

MOTION: Taylor Robb made a motion to set the S&A fee at 4.5%. Brad Nelson seconded. Motion failed.

MOTION: Isa Harrison made a motion to not fund the Administrative fee and increase the S&A fee at the same % as tuition. Brad Nelson seconded. Motion failed.

Discussion: The tuition increase for FY2013 is 14% (The State Legislature tuition increase was passed for a two-year increase of 14% for each year.) During the discussion, the percentage increases or decreases in S&A fees were changed to reflect different scenarios for clarification. It was also noted that a portion of the flex budget will not be used in FY 2013 and will be added back to the budget. An adequate amount for supplemental requests will need to be assured as the discussion continues.

MOTION: Isa Harrison made a motion to increase the S&A fee by 7%. Dustin Waddle-Ford seconded. Motion failed.

MOTION: Brad Nelson made a motion for the S&A fee to be set at 0% increase. Jason Leatherman seconded.

Amended Motion: Isa Harrison made an amendment to the motion to increase the S&A fee to 2%. Jason Leatherman seconded. Motion carried.

#12039 – Equestrian Team Intercollegiate Horse Show – Shannon Bedell: The Equestrian Club has qualified to compete in National competition on May 3-6, 2012, in Raleigh, North Carolina, and is requesting \$4,270.00 in supplemental funds to help with travel expenses.

MOTION: Brad Nelson made a motion to fund the revised amount of \$2,225.00 in supplemental funds for travel expenses to the Equestrian Team Intercollegiate Horse Show in Raleigh, North Carolina, on May 3-6, 2012. Dustin Waddle-Ford seconded. Motion carried.

#12040 – Western Psychological Association Conference – James Rae: The request is for \$505.00 in supplemental funds to travel to the Western Psychological Association Conference on April 25, 2012, in San Francisco, California.

MOTION: Brad Nelson made a motion to fund \$505.00 in supplemental funds for travel expenses to the Western Psychological Association Conference on April 25, 2012, in San Francisco, California. Taylor Robb seconded. Motion carried.

#12041 – Swim Club Nationals – Matt Peterson: The Swim Club is requesting \$8,000.00 in supplemental funds to take 13 members to compete at the United States Master Swimming 2012 Nationals in Greensboro, North Carolina on April 25-28, 2012.

MOTION: Taylor Robb made a motion to fund \$7,500.00 in supplemental funds for travel expenses to the United States Master Swimming 2012 Nationals in Greensboro, North Carolina, on April 25-28, 2012. Jason Leatherman seconded. Motion carried.

New Business: none

Public Comment: none

Motion to Adjourned: Taylor Robb moved to adjourn. Dustin Waddle-Ford seconded. Motion carried.

Schedule of Next Meeting: Next meeting--Wednesday, April 18, 2012, in SURC 301 starting at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.