



September 25, 2024

Siddharth Srivastava
2023-24 Chair, Student Fee Advisory Committee
2131 Murphy Hall
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Dear SFAC Chair Siddharth Srivastava,

Thank you for your letter from August 1 in which the Student Fee Advisory Committee (SFAC) provided recommendations on the distribution of unallocated Student Services Fee (SSF) funding for 2024-25 and 2025-26.

SFAC's submission of recommendations represents the committee's careful analysis of its current and projected SSF resources. This year, the committee received requests totaling \$974K in temporary funding and \$1.1M in permanent funding for 2023-24 as well as \$1.72M in temporary funding and \$800K in permanent funding for 2024-25. According to the table included with your letter, SFAC recommends that \$885K of temporary SSF funds go towards the submitted requests for 2023-24 and \$1.28M towards those submitted for 2024-25, as well as \$604K in permanent SSF funds for 2023-24 and \$423K in permanent SSF funds for 2024-25.

The following addresses my response to the committee's recommendations in which specific concerns were raised:

Merits and Benefits Shortfalls

Given the range of requests received and the funding constraints at hand, I want to note my appreciation for the recommended funding for merit increases and benefit shortfalls. Funding annual salary and benefit cost increases is necessary and has been a consistent practice by the committee that will need to continue. Additionally, over time, we need to try to convert key staff on temporary funding to permanent, recurring funding.

Early Care and Education (ECE)

The committee recommends funding a total of \$284K in 2025-26. I would like to note my appreciation for the recommended funding and the resulting support for ECE's efforts to meet the childcare needs of low-income students.

Rent for Transfer Student and Veteran Resources Center

I would like to ask that the Committee consider the \$157K request for 2025-26 during next year's cycle, given the landscape of available resource projections at that time.

PRG

I appreciate the committee's funding approval for the Straus Clubhouse floor repair and ask that PRG is included in SFAC's future funding calls. Given the current funding constraints across central resources, SFAC is in a position to provide invaluable support to PRG's efforts.

All Other Recommendations

I approve SFAC's remaining funding recommendations and have included the complete list of my approvals as an attachment.

Please note that I am including separate letters to address your proposed compensation changes and charter amendments.

Finally, I would like to extend my appreciation to SFAC for its commitment to maintaining and enhancing the quality of the student experience at this institution.

Sincerely,



Darnell Hunt
Interim Chancellor

Enclosure

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