**Student Fee Advisory Committee Meeting**

**2206 Murphy Hall**

**Friday, May 18, 2018 from 2:00- 5:00pm**

**Present:**

Graduates: Jazz Kiang, Nicole Ngaosi, Javier Rodríguez, & Cody Trojan

Undergraduates: Neemat Abdusemed, Richard White (Chair), Christina Wang, & Katie Kim

Administration: Paolo Velasco, Director of Bruin Resource Center

Barbara Wilson, Director of Room Divisions in HHS

Faculty Rep: Karen Rowe, Professor

SFAC Advisor: Marilyn Alkin, (Ex-Officio)

**Absent**: Mike Cohn, Director of SOLE

 Ellen Hermann, APB Advisor

1. **Call to Order:**
	1. The meeting was called to order at 2:09pm.

1. **Approval of Agenda**
	1. A motion was made by ***Katie Kim*** and seconded by ***Christina Wang*** to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously to approve agenda.

1. **Review and Approve Minutes**
	1. A motion was made by ***Cody Trojan*** to approve 5/4/18 minutes and was seconded by ***Nicole Ngaosi***.The motion passed unanimously to approve minutes.

**ENTER Executive Session**- A motion was made by ***Barbara Wilson*** to move into Executive Session and seconded by ***Katie Kim***. The motion passed with 6 votes to approve, 1 abstention, and 1 opposition to move into Executive Session. The motion passed.

1. **Permanent funding requests discussion Group 4**

**EXIT Executive Session-** ***Barbara Wilson*** moved and seconded by ***Karen Rowe*** to exit executive session for Chair elections. The motion passed unanimously.

1. **Chair Election**
	1. ***Marilyn Alkin*** stated there would be candidate presentations and then Q&A for both candidates.
		1. ***Jazz Kiang*** - It was his 3rd term on SFAC and had not considered running for leadership prior to this year, but felt there was potential. He ran and was elected as Chair for CSF and felt this was strategic for UCLA to be represented in leadership in system wide efforts. This year CSF wants to work on getting updated guidelines on implementation of SSF. For next year, there is a lot that can be done and he wants to be creative. He stated it could feel repetitive and would like to propose revamping the unit review and budget call process. For example having both sent at the same time and have budget hearings to make it more efficient. This leaves more time in the end of year to make recommendations and discuss policy. He felt that serving as the current vice chair, his philosophy with SSF is that this is a meaningful vehicle for social justice.
			1. Questions-
				1. ***Paolo Velasco*** asked how to ensure student membership of SFAC is representative of the undergrad and graduate populations and how the two year appointments makes it difficult for transfer and master's students to be on this committee. ***Jazz Kiang*** stated that he learned from CSF that other campus committees do not have an appointment process and UCLA is already representative. To ensure representation, he would reach out to USAC and GSA to provide recommendations and gauge whether they see a need to amend their respective appointment processes .
				2. ***Cody Trojan*** asked if the candidate had interest in democratizing the committee's work including transparency in minutes, policies of the committee, presentations to USAC and GSA forums, and contacting the press. ***Jazz Kiang*** thought they could use those avenues to discuss SFAC issues such as mental health. USAC and GSA believe mental health is important but they are unsure how it is funded.
				3. ***Karen Rowe*** asked what the macro issues the committee needs to address with administration and other student leadership groups were. ***Jazz Kiang*** stated that mental health and space concerns including PRG.
				4. ***Christina Wang*** asked where SFAC fits on his list of priorities. ***Jazz Kiang*** said he prioritized leadership responsibilities over academics as an undergraduate. Although that balance has changed in graduate school, he said that he would not have returned to serve if he couldn't prioritize the responsibilities.
				5. ***Nicole Ngaosi*** asked how to address issues of carry forward. ***Jazz Kiang*** stated that his vision to revamp the current process can then include addressing carryforward.
				6. ***Neemat Abdusemed*** asked how he will represent undergraduate voice and needs. ***Jazz Kiang*** stated that as an undergraduate, he will remember the resources and services he no longer utilizes, he will also carry the identity as an undergraduate and as Chair would facilitate the conversation and depend on undergraduate rep’s voices.
				7. ***Richard White*** asked what the candidate’s most memorable experience on SFAC was. ***Jazz Kiang*** stated going to CSF meetings with ***Richard White***. Prior to be on leadership, his perspective from previous terms was that CSF was a waste of time but now he feels there is potential for opportunities for the committee.
		2. ***Javier Rodríguez*** stated that he was used to using acronyms and felt SFAC student fees are critically stimulating for all communities. He felt that being part of SFAC, there potential with distributing funds to various communities. He identifies as a formerly incarcerated student and highlighted his accomplishments with the student organization including hosting a large event with their own funding. He transitioned to being a single parent and identifies as a student activist, and a student of color hoping to make change for other students. He is involved in the student politics and will have the flexibility to be more involved with SFAC next year. He has a passion to take on assignments and will continue to move forward.
			1. ***Paolo Velasco*** asked how to ensure student membership of SFAC is representative of the undergrad and graduate populations and how the two year appointments makes it difficult for transfer and master's students to be on this committee. ***Javier Rodríguez*** stated that he is very engaged and will keep his ear on the floor to hear from the different communities. He said it will take someone who is open to include transfer students. He is already working with undocumented students to get on SFAC. He also suggested creating a guide to share with the transfer community.
			2. ***Cody Trojan*** asked if the candidate had interest in democratizing the committee's work including transparency in minutes, policies of the committee, presentations to USAC and GSA forums, and contacting the press. ***Javier Rodríguez*** agreed and thinks there should be more campus awareness and publicity. This will also keep departments accountable and innovative with their process and services.
			3. ***Christina Wang*** asked where SFAC fits on his list of priorities. ***Javier Rodríguez*** will pass off leadership of the scholars so he will have more time.
			4. ***Karen Rowe*** asked what the macro issues the committee needs to address with administration and other student leadership groups were. ***Javier Rodríguez*** would like to gather feedback to better understand departments and hold them accountable.
			5. ***Nicole Ngaosi*** asked how to address issues of carry forward. ***Javier Rodríguez*** stated that in his experience with organizing a large event, he would ask them how they are addressing carryforward in their programming
			6. ***Neemat Abdusemed*** asked how he will represent undergraduate voice and needs. ***Javier Rodríguez*** stated that he is involved with organizations and understands the experience.
			7. ***Richard White*** asked what the candidate’s most memorable experience on SFAC was. ***Javier Rodríguez*** stated that the parking compensation was the best part.
	2. Based on the anonymous vote, ***Jazz Kiang*** was selected as the 2018-19 SFAC Chair.

**ENTER Executive Session**- A motion was made by ***Karen Rowe*** to move into Executive Session and seconded by ***Katie Kim***. The motion passed with 7 votes to approve, 2 abstention, and 1 opposition to move into Executive Session. The motion passed.

1. **Review “high” funding allocations**
2. **New temporary funding requests**

1. **Medium Discussion-**

**EXIT Executive Session-** ***Richard White*** moved and seconded by ***Cody Trojan*** to exit executive session. The motion passed unanimously.

**Announcements**

* 1. ***Richard White*** stated he hopes to complete these discussions sooner as he will have the letter completed by next week for the Chancellor. He asked members to read the materials before coming to the meeting and any concerns should be directed to the subcommittee chair to address the issue.
		1. ***Cody Trojan*** asked if there was any deliberation to discuss APB’s recommendations regarding allocations. ***Richard White*** stated they will discuss this today. ***Cody Trojan*** felt the high recommendations are expansion requests and was concerned for future SFAC committees. ***Nicole Ngaosi*** clarified that the recommendation was not cutting recommendations but reassessing requests for expansion such as for staff. ***Karen Rowe*** requested a graphic breakdown such as the chart provided two weeks ago from the approved amounts and to show the projections of the requests from this year. ***Paolo Velasco*** recommended having the subcommittees meet again to review requests that were for expansions.
			1. ***Note this discussion was held from approximately 2:11-2:20pm.***
	2. ***Richard White*** asked for an updated list with SFAC’s justifications on low funding priorities so he can update the letter to the Chancellor. He also asked for SFAC to review the funding requests again and keep in mind the priorities in the call letter.
1. **Adjournment**
	1. A motion was made by ***Cody Trojan*** and seconded by ***Christina Wang*** to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 5:08pm.