**Student Fee Advisory Committee Meeting**

**2325 Murphy Hall**

**Friday, February 16, 2018 from 3:00- 5:00pm**

**Present:**

Graduates: Jazz Kiang, Javier Rodríguez, & Cody Trojan

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

Absent: Nicole Ngaosi, Christina Wang

Administration: Mike Cohn, Director of SOLE

Paolo Velasco, Director of Bruin Resource Center

Barbara Wilson, Director of Room Divisions in HHS

Faculty: Karen Rowe, Professor

SFAC Advisor: Marilyn Alkin

APB Advisor Ellen Hermann

* **Call to Order:**
  1. The meeting was called to order at 3:04 p.m.
* **Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by ***Jazz Kiang*** and seconded by ***Karen Rowe*** on approved agenda. The vote passed unanimously.

* **Review and Approve Minutes**
  1. ***Jazz Kiang*** moved to approve the 2/9/18 minutes and was seconded by ***Mike Cohn.*** Motioned passed with 5 votes to approve with 2 abstentions.
* **Unit Review: Recap Discussion** 
  1. BruinCorps
     1. ***Richard White*** opened floor for discussion. ***Karen Rowe*** stated that transportation was a major issue. The recommendation is that Bruin Corps tutors use university transportation on the rational that they were insured, a guaranteed steady source, and it also takes the responsibility off individuals to drive their own vehicles. ***Richard White*** stated that BruinCorp did submit a funding request; however, SFAC asked that they request funding for more transportation needs. ***Karen*** ***Rowe*** stated some of their upper level staff are permanently [Associate Director] funded and some staff are partial funded from a Vista Corps grant. ***Jazz Kiang*** expressed concerns regarding the responsibility, liability and damages when students are driving university vehicles. ***Richard White*** indicated that security is needed for the students. ***Jazz Kiang*** suggested that these concerns should be convey by the committee and it should not change how they look at BruinCorps budget request. ***Mike Cohn*** asked if SFAC had ever funded something that was not requested. ***Richard White*** answered no.

***Richard White*** stated that BruinCorp has done a tremendous amount of work for the students and discussed the benefits. ***Karen Rowe*** stated that they are able to recruit work-study tutors from their communities, so these UCLA students become mentors and models by providing examples of academic access and success.

* 1. Recreation
     1. ***Richard*** ***White*** opened the floor for discussion. ***Jazz Kiang*** stated that Recreation has a pivotal role in emergent discussions regarding space issues. However, he is not convinced that they articulated their plans for financing their costs and why there has not been more discussion about it.

***Richard White*** asked about BEFIT and how SFAC would like to contribute to that. He alsostated that Res Life is providing supportby providing Recreation space. ***Barbara Wilson*** explained that housing gives the space to BEFIT free of charge, SFAC pays for operating and custodial cost, Recreation pays for the labor and the equipment. ***Cody Trojan*** asked about Little Bruin Club House and believed it to be a great model on how to support students with families*.* ***Karen Rowe*** explained that there is different provisions for different childcare. ***Richard White*** asked ***Cody Trojan*** if he sees Little Bruin Club House as a model for good childcare. ***Cody Trojan*** would like to contact them for more information if there is potential for expansions.

***Mike Cohn*** added that it is a first year work in progress and a nice idea.

* 1. ECE

***Richard White*** opened the floor for discussion. ***Paolo Velasco*** asked why they are moving all students from ECE to UV. ***Barbara Wilson*** expressed that she thought that only the funding was going there. ***Paolo Velasco*** clarified it’s all CDE funded students. Student who are in need of a childcare scholarship must go to UV. ***Karen Rowe*** asked how many students are a part of UV already and are there other students who would participate. ***Richard White*** will ask ECE to clarify and answer questions from the committee. ***Richard White*** and ***Karen Rowe*** stated that the new Executive Director seems to be trying to build a better relationship with SFAC. However, ***Richard White*** stated that it seemed that if SFAC did not fund ECE, they would not accept any more students and those they would fill the spots with faculty and staff. Feels as if would be hard to say no.

***Karen Rowe*** disagreed that there was an implied pressure as opposed to a statement of fact that without supplemental SFAC funding for CDE students, they would be unable to independently subsidize low-income students. ***Mike Cohn*** stated/asked does this department provide an important role on campus. ***Jazz Kiang*** stated that during the ECE presentation he was unsure about how the unit wanted to utilize set funds and how the unit framed the idea of supporting low-income students. Felt that if it were not for SFAC, the unit would not be catering services towards low-income students. ***Cody Trojan*** askedwhat is the management of ECE and is it a successful program. He stated that it benefits low-income families; however feels it was designed for wealthy faculty. He asked what is the waiting period was and the cost per month. How comfortable does SFAC feel to give the money to ECE and how it is disbursed. ***Barbara Wilson*** stated that the University Village is designed for students with families. About 95% are graduate students. Largest population is graduate students. Based on ECE’s presentation there is a small portion of students who benefit. ***Richard White*** asked and wanted to clarify that SFAC would like to know how the potential surplus will be used. ***Mike Cohn*** stated that the focus is the number for licensing and spacing. He wanted to clarify that childcare was started by staff. Lastly, he wanted to suggest and encourage ECE to reinstate providing a staff person to support all student parent childcare needs with references for affordable and licensed childcare close to UCLA.

***Katie Kim*** askedis SFAC for this need the correct source for funding.

***Karen Rowe*** asked if there should be a recommendation for funding from the Chancellor. ***Katie Kim*** isunsure why it plays into student fees. ***Paolo Velasco*** stated that these funds are going directly to students. He asked how many students have applied but not enrolled and can data be retrieved for this. ***Cody Trojan*** asked how the childcare plans worked. ***Paolo*** ***Velasco*** mentioned that they offer scholarships. ***Richard White*** will send an email to the new Executive Director with all questions. ***Marilyn*** ***Alkin*** stated that ECE has always been an issue with SFAC funding because only a small number of student are eligible for the benefits. ***Karen*** ***Rowe*** asked what are the limits regarding space. What does a fully staffed program require. How many slots would that provide per site. ***Paolo Velasco*** stated that the infant/young classes are always full. ***Mike Cohn*** stated that SFAC could help guide the new director.

* 1. CAPS
     1. ***Richard White*** opened the floor for discussion. CAPS did not submit a funding request but wanted to move forward with a discussion. ***Karen Rowe*** stated that CAPS was getting President’s UC-wide determined 2.5% allocation off-the-top of Student Fee Funds on a yearly basis, based on increased enrollment mandates and increased needs for mental-health services- applies to all campuses based on the number of students and comes as permanent funding. Whether that covers on the five years of enrollment growth is a question to be asked, but as permanent funding should be continuing, though not necessarily with annual increases to cover 2-3% salary adjustments or associated benefits.

***Richard White*** stated that SFAC was blind-sided about the handful of position; the Daily Bruin article about SFAC not supporting CAPS, however, SFAC has shown support in numerous ways. Questions if the information is coming from the department or from students wanting to create a spark of attention to force SFAC’s hand. Either way, he hopes that the university can show support as well. He is surprised that CAPS did not submit funding due to the satellite spaces. ***Neemat Abdusemed*** stated that the concerns of mental health are expanding across campus and are becoming bigger issues. Services are not going to be lessened and mental health concerns are continuing to grow. Anytime there is a mental health issue students are referred to CAPS. She stated that it is the campus’ job to figure out how to less centralize the mental health issue and/or us other resources to handle these issues. ***Karen Rowe*** stated that CAPS does use in-take review coordinators to screen and refer students out to necessary locations, but there needs to be a tiered-campus wide promotion of all the varieties of student psychological, economic, social, academic, and crisis intervention. ***Mike Cohn*** stated CAPS are the experts in mental health but they need more support. Clinicians are leaving because they can make more money elsewhere and not work as hard. New clinicians coming in would not know how to triage because they do not know the campus. ***Karen Rowe*** asked if these issues could be submitted with a request for strategic planning across units on a bigger level. ***Richard White*** stated that Dr. Nicole Green, Executive Director of CAPS stated that the more service you provide the more students would show. ***Jazz Kiang*** stated that CAPS is the first resource for students. The need for mental health services has grown. How can the burden be taken off CAPS. ***Paolo Velasco*** stated that CAPS is paid by student fees and does make an impact. ***Richard White*** suggested about presenting preventative measures.

***Neemat Abdusemed*** stated mental health information is given during orientation.

* 1. SAIRO
     1. ***Richard White*** opened the floor for discussion. ***Cody Trojan*** stated that the director did not seem to appreciate the distinction between what the money is allowed to go to and what general funds are used for. Student should not be paying taxes and fees to help the academic senate run.
     2. ***Neemat Abdusemed*** stated that this department is research and would be casted under academics. The training of students for students to gain that skill is considered professional development and is funded across departments. SAIRO has students work on surveys and provide services for departments that provide student services. The work is for students to help other students. ***Marilyn Alkin*** stated SAIRO was originally set up for Student Affairs information research. SAIRO has grown and provides good data bases that they collaborate with other units on campus to share that data. ***Mike Cohn*** stated that have now developed a good reputation. ***Karen Rowe*** stated that she puts SAIRO in the same category as the technology office.
  2. Graduate Division
     1. ***Richard White*** opened the floor for discussion. ***Cody Trojan*** asked is this an acceptable fee by policy. ***Karen Rowe*** stated that there were charges last year and that a proportion of a staff member’s salary would be picked up by SFAC funds. ***Cody Trojan*** stated that SFAC is paying graduate students to mentor other graduate students on how to apply for a fellowship because after doing surveys of departments, they found that graduate students were not getting the support needed from faculty. ***Neemat Abdusemed*** stated that there is a huge gap in academics that is actually the main person of Grad Division. ***Cody Trojan*** proposed to not fund the program. Asked is this a violation of policy. ***Karen Rowe*** stated that because of the failures of the academic department, students should not have to pay.
  3. UCOP Tax
     1. ***Richard White*** opened the floor for discussion and asked if SFAC should cover the UCOP tax. ***Cody Trojan*** asked how student’s fees should be allocated. ***Richard White*** stated that if SFAC did not fund the tax, the fees would go directly to the units. ***Ellen Hermann*** responded that Students Affairs would have to pay for the tax whether SFAC funds it or not. ***Paolo Velasco*** challenged the notion that student fees should not be used to support UCOP because there is a Student Affairs division in UCOP.

***Neemat Abdusemed*** asked if SFAC was paying UCOP to their job. Ellen Hermann stated that revue comes in forms through tuitions, state money, etc. The revenue is disbursed to the campuses and none goes to UCOP unless the tax is paid. UCOP has people hired and they need to be paid. ***Cody Trojan*** stated that UCLA should pay the tax but should student be paying for it. ***Mike Cohn*** asked do other departments within the university pay this tax, who pays for it, and where is it going. ***Ellen Hermann*** responded that every campus unit pays this tax. ***Cody Trojan*** stated that the majority of the tax levy upon UCLA is paid directly by the Chancellor out of the central budget.

***Barbara Wilson*** rephrased we need a unit review from UCOP. ***Ellen Hermann*** stated that every time a student service is provided they are incurring a UCOP tax because of the way it is currently being distributed at UCLA.

* Budget Discussion: Temp to Perm
  1. ***Richard White*** opened the floor for discussionand asked what would be SFAC’s main target. Hestated that Regents are voting for SSF in May. ***Jazz Kiang*** stated that they asked forperm requests. ***Paolo Velsco*** asked to see future year assumptions. ***Barbara Wilson*** asked how long SFAC has been getting the 5% increase. ***Jazz Kiang*** replied 4 years. ***Richard White*** stated that last year was the first year that SFAC started doing new perm requests in many years. ***Barbara Wilson*** asked when someone is asking for permanent funds, can they only ask for permanent funds if they have already been granted temporary funds, or can it be a brand new request all together. ***Richard White*** responded no prerequisite necessary. ***Paolo Velasco*** expressed one concern regarding the3% increase for career staff that SFAC funds. If SFAC did not fund this, it would be tough for departments to fund it and possibly lose a staff member to pay for another person’s salary. ***Ellen Hermann*** stated that certain employees are mandated by UCOP to get the 3% increase in pay each year.
* **Announcements**
  1. ***Richard White*** asked sub-committees to meet next week.
  2. No SFAC meeting on February 23rd.
  3. ***Richard White*** asked ***Jazz Kiang, Katie Kim*** and ***Paolo Velasco*** to finish their units first and will presenting first.
  4. ***Richard White, Javier Rodriguez*** and ***Karen Rowe*** will be presenting second.
  5. ***Richard White*** is still working on meeting time for next quarter.
  6. Happy 21st Birthday, ***Richard White.***
* **Adjournment** 
  1. A motion was made by ***Karen Rowe*** and seconded by ***Cody Trojan*** to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.Meeting adjourned at ***5:05***pm.