

Council on Student Affairs and Fees (COSAF) Meeting
November 6, 2015
ARC Meeting Room 1
11:30 am – 1:00 pm

- I. Call to Order 11:31 am (Naftali)
 - (Chairs) Update on Health Fee Committees
 - Nathan Sy, who is unable to attend the COSAF meetings this quarter, has agreed to be the COSAF rep on the Health Fee Committees. He will write notes from the meetings that will be shared with COSAF. Information will be presented next quarter.
 - VC Adela de la Torre attended. John Campbell introduced her and she shared a few words:
 - She is excited that COSAF has emerged. It helps her and the Chancellor understand student body feelings about using student fees. She thanked the committee members for their time, recognizing that participation in COSAF is a lot of work. She has an open door policy and wants members to feel free to bring her questions.
 - Chairs suggested questions could also go to them to be brought to Adela.
- II. CEI Presentation – Unitrans (Anthony Palmere, Unitrans general manager. Several Unitrans career staff also attended)
 - Gave PPT presentation, which is in the Meeting Resources section of the COSAF site. Some highlights or additional information are noted below.
 - Unitrans is 7th in the country regarding cost (is low)
 - Is 3rd largest (volume) in CA
 - Student fees total \$33/quarter via a few different referenda
 - There has been a great growth in ridership since 1990
 - All parts of the City of Davis are within ½ mile of a bus stop, and most are within ¼ of a mile
 - Q: of the 75% of budget that goes to salaries, how much goes to students?
 - About \$2.3M/year goes to students, which is roughly = the fees
 - Q: Amount to non-students?
 - ~\$700,000-\$800,000
 - They need to have a 5-10 year program in place to get grants (Capital Program slides)
 - They are planning for in increased student population with the 2020 initiative
 - Federal grants enable them not to spend down the reserves too much; they leverage student fees with federal \$
 - Q: Is Unitrans looking to electrifying a large portion of the fleet?
 - Not sure how quick the transition will be
 - Air Resources Board will be requiring no-emission vehicles
 - They are watching the efficiency and stability of buses
 - They are planning ahead, e.g. the new bus terminal is set up to easily retrofit for electric charging if necessary.
 - Q: (R: revenue chart) How routine is the grant-writing process?
 - There are “formula funds” that are stable – the City gets an amount per year and contributes to Unitrans. We just need to remain eligible to get it.
 - Some grants are more competitive, mostly on the capital side of things
 - There is not as much opportunity to increase for operating costs
 - CEI is specific for the capital side of things
 - Naftali: If people have questions for Anthony, send them to him and Vidur and they will pass the questions along.
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- III. CEI Presentation (and overview) – Student Health (Michelle Famula, Director, and others from SH)
- Requested permission to record the session in order to improve the presentation based on questions or things that didn't seem clear – OK'd
 - PPT Presentation is posted on COSAF website. Some notes/highlights are below
 - They serve roughly 54% of the campus; more and more students use the services each year
 - It is important that everyone feels they have access. Service is available to all, not just those who have SHIP. Only Physical Therapy and Optical are billed directly to private insurance. Otherwise, they pay out of pocket and submit to private insurance for reimbursement.
 - 33% increase over 4 years, while campus growth overall has been 4%
 - Wellness services are now at no charge, so they are now being accessed more
 - Urgency triage is set up now, so they are seeing urgent needs more accurately
 - Psychiatry need has not decreased, but use appears flat due to flat staffing
 - CAN has been a successful program, which increased demand and resulted in CAN doing more counseling than was planned for.
 - Optometry and PT – the income generation allows increased staffing which has led to a dramatic increase in utilization.
 - Operations is where the majority of the CEI funds go – facility, furnishing, equipment – labs and machines
 - Debt Service – also CEI
 - SH also administers the SHIP plan, so staff are involved in everything – enrollment, insurance counseling, ensuring continuity of care if student goes home then returns, etc.
 - They are committed to health education, which can make a profound impact for the rest of students' lives.
 - The operation costs a lot, and takes a lot of student fees
 - User fees are underwritten by referenda for a variety of fees
 - Q: Where does SHIP figure in?
 - It is an insurance offered to students who do not have another plan. Because it's a large group, of low-risk age, allowed for low-cost insurance
 - SHIP is the primary care on campus, so it has gone up in price
 - It is not the major portion of the cost, though – that is major medical
 - The SHIP Advisory Committee is an open committee
 - It only controls the SHIP administrative fee for services
 - CEI is for facility, maintenance, debt service, equipment, purchasing, operations (HR, accounting, communications, computing)
 - Debt service is increasing this year – using reserves for that
 - Health Fee has a cap on how much it can go up
 - Salaries and benefits are increasing
 - It is a complex process to bring staff on due to the licensing and credentialing necessary in addition to the recruitment
 - Specialty, non-career staff are costly
 - Q: How much has the health fee been altered?
 - It has increased \$36/quarter over 20 years
 - Q: What is the #1 ranking?
 - They were ranked #1 by the Princeton Review, but really have not much idea how the ranking was determined. Michelle knows of no students who were asked for input. She assumes it is simply because the students here are aware of the services offered and use them.

- They do their own surveys internally and are consistently rated between 4.6 and 5.0 out of 5.0
 - The goal is turnaround – getting students back to class so health is not a roadblock to academic success
 - Graduate and professional students who use the service use it twice as much as others, but they have twice as many undergraduate visits as they have graduate ones.
 - Q: What's the percent of graduate students who use the services vs. the % of undergrads?
 - Can get that info if needed
 - 85% of grad students are on SHIP
 - 45% of undergrads are
 - Q: What is the future capital plan
 - Some needs can be anticipated, some not
 - Reconfiguring spaces, e.g. to add optometry clinic
 - Computing costs are always increasing due to the need to ensure security of information
 - The purchase of equipment and supplies (e.g. vaccines) is very costly
 - Want to increase wellness space on campus
 - (JC) There is a balloon payment coming up, which is part of why there is an increased reserve. It will be used for that payment and is about 3 years out.
 - Q: Last year \$1.2M was taken from reserves. What for?
 - To cover 2013-14 expenses when money was taken from clinical reserves for computer upgrades to the facility, which was more appropriate to be from CEI funds, so they did a sort of "exchange" or correction of funding source
- IV. SCC Presentation was scheduled, but was pushed to the next meeting due to lack of time
- V. Chairs' Update
- (NM) Mentioned Acronym Sheet – was sent out to committee as Google doc
 - Will add HFOC
 - (JC) Some students are coming forward with a request for a new Campus Based Fee, so that will be on the next agenda. More information may be sent out ahead of the meeting.
 - (NM) Reminded members to send any questions to Naftali or Vidur. They will forward them along to the appropriate people
- VI. Meeting adjourned 12:58 pm