

MEETING NOTES

Council on Student Affairs and Fees (COSAF) Meeting

April 21, 2017

Memorial Union, Mee Room

11:30 am – 1:00 pm

I. Call to order – Briar Tanner

II. The Green Initiative Annual Report – Arianna Stokes

- See Report
- Q. (Briar) Do you currently have any staff? A. (Arianna) No. They are planning to hire, the cost would be approx. \$50,000.
- Q. (Samantha) What type of projects should be funded by TGIF. A. (Arianna) That is what we are finalizing right now. We are building different categories of projects we will accept. We will favor projects that have strong undergraduate involvement, and projects that will reduce greenhouse gas emissions on campus.
- Q. (Briar) Aside from staffing and Return to Aid, does the remaining go to the grants? A. (Arianna) Yes, we will use funds collected this year for grants next year.

III. Student of Color Conference (Sarah Shemery)

- See Template
- SOCC is an annual event established by the University of California Student Association and is hosted by university campus each year.
- In the past year, we had enough funding for 100 students. This year, the budget was only enough to accept 46 students.
- Would like to lay the groundwork so that this event can happen each year, without the stress of not-knowing year to year.
- We laid out a budget to host 56 students, we hope more can be accepted in the future.
- Q. (Madeline). Last year, you did not get approval from Student Affairs until just before the conference? A. (Sarah) Yes, we were waiting for an answer, then scrambling at the last minute.
- Q. (Nathan) In the past, how much has Student Affairs funded? A. (Sarah) All of it, \$10,000-\$15,000.
- Q. (Madeline) So is ASUCD support discontinuing? A. (Sarah) ASUCD doesn't give us the funds, we have to request, it is a last resort and would be a small amount.
- (Janice) SOCC was originally funded/supported through the Cross Cultural Center, then ASUCD, it doesn't have a permanent home which makes it challenging.
- Q. (Chun-Lung) How do you select the people to join this conference? A. (Sarah) We gather community members, try to diversify the group, and review the applications.
- Q. (Laura) Do you reach out to graduate students as well? A. (Sarah) I'm pretty sure grad students are able to go, but none applied this year. I would love to have them there.

IV. Mental Health Conference & Awareness Month (Samantha Chiang)

- See Template
- Our conference occurred in February and were able to bring in over 115 students, with a limiting factor being our budget. We had 214 people apply.
- Played video highlighting the conference and its purpose.

- 1 in 4 adults live with a diagnosable mental health disorder.
- Suicide is the 2nd leading cause of death in college students.
- Anxiety is the top concern for college students.
- The UCD Davis Mental Health Conference brings UC Davis students and Mental Health Professionals together to engage in DE stigmatization and education efforts.
- In 2017, 150 attendees and volunteers attended, limited by budget. Was able to get free photography from SAMSI, and use connections to save costs.
- In 2018, we hope to get 350 attendees and volunteers.
- UC Davis Mental Health Awareness Month will be in May. Marginalized communities are disproportionately affected by mental health. Several activities planned, including State Assembly member, Kevin McCarty who will be on campus to speak about his work with mental health in the legislature.
- Student Affairs and ASUCD have been contributors this year, but is not a reliable source.
- Testimonials from 2 students to support the Mental Health Conference
- Q. (Briar) How much are you requesting to be funded? A. (Sam) \$22,000.
- Q. (Laura) How much did your community partners contribute? A. (Sam) Only one sponsor that gave us \$600. Made 50 phone calls.
- Q. (Jessica) What are the “event” costs, “program” costs, “healing space”. The 2 programs are one for the month, one for the conference. “Event” is for the month, cost to fly a speaker in. Healing Space is for the conference, a place for attendees to go if they are feeling too overwhelmed.
- (Daniel) Also a lot of the donations were services and people’s “time”.

V. CEI Template: Student Community Center (Rebecca Miller)

- I have had the oversight of SCC events and operations since it opened in 2012.
- SCC is home to 5 student life centers: AB540, Cross Cultural Center, Computer labs, classrooms, drop-in study, LGBTQIA Resource Center, Undergraduate Research Center, WRRC.
- Extensive hours to maximize accessibility to students
- Review of information on PowerPoint
- The SCC does not have a formal tracking system of usage, however, the centers inside the building do their own tracking. We do have staff that take hourly counts of the public space in the building.
- Review of Template
- Q. (Madeline) This information is just for the building space, not the Centers within it? A. (Rebecca) That is correct.
- Q. (Briar) Is there a planned project for the reserves, \$2,000,000? A. (Rebecca) Furniture updates and building upkeep from storm damage.
- Q. (Nathan) Was the custodial change mandatory? A. (Rebecca) Yes, it was.
- (Luci) The reserves are currently being used for items outside the CEI initiative. Undocumented Student Center to be supported temporarily plus 2 staff. And some were for AVC discretionary. Will be transitioning these to be funded by Student Service funds over the next couple years. It is about \$600,000.
- Q. (Madeline) So once the reserves are exhausted, will these program go away? A. (Luci) No, they are not going away. (Adela) No, we have not received any information or suggestions from the Office of the President that these centers should be changed or altered in any way.

VI. CEI Template: Campus Recreation (Deb Johnson)

- See PowerPoint
- Sports Clubs uses the majority of the CEI funds. 2016 added new clubs due to financial reason and high demand. Currently have 38 clubs and they are completely run and managed by students. 2400 student athletes in the Sport Club programs. Had 4 championships last year which is very exciting.
- We allocate about \$144,000 to Sports Clubs annually. Other than that, the teams raise all their own money for travel, uniforms, fees.
- We have a reserve we are building. We are on a 10 year replacement plan for Dairy Field turf.
- Q. (Madeline) How do you pick the sports clubs to approve? A. (Andy) We have a Sports Club Council. The students present a budget allocation. Has a lot to do with facility needs.
- Q. (Madeline) How many teams actually use the Dairy Field turf? A. (Andy) It is all of our intramural soccer – all Fall and Spring. We put lines on the field for men’s and women’s La Crosse, men’s and women’s soccer. Any time we have room and can’t play on the fields, almost all field teams practice on it. It is used quite a bit, 3:00-5:00 pm.
- Q. (Aaron) Do you see any potential change in staffing with going more toward career staff instead of student staff? Because students have such varied schedules. A. (Deb) Right now it is working very well. We have governing bodies for everyone in the sports. We are setting them up for success with structure and support.

VII. CEI Template: Intercollegiate Athletics (Kevin Blue)

- See Template
- The entirety of our fee revenue goes toward scholarships for our athletic programs
- When the initiative was passed, it was intended to fully fund scholarships, but right now there is a gap of about 1 million which we need to generate from other sources.
- 650 student athletes complete at the varsity level for UC Davis
- 1/3 are on no scholarships, 1/3 on partial scholarship and 1/3 on full – roughly.
- With an increase in tuition coming up, it increases the amount needed for scholarships
- Video played showing highlights of the NCAA games with UC Davis men’s team.
- Displays the strength of exposure for the entire university, the university as a whole. Over 3 million viewers.
- I encourage you as you think about this vote, it should be thought of as an investment in the campus.
- Q. (Daniel) You talk about publicity to the greater US, but the student’s here are the ones paying the fees. With a fee increase it is a burden on us and while that’s nice to have outside publicity of Davis, it is also nice to connect with the people that are taking the brunt of these fees. What can students see in the future regarding Athletics?
A. (Kevin) I understand the perception that there is a large group of people funding one particular part of campus. We are taking action to engage the entire student body. The sport is an opportunity for students to socialize and build school spirit. Will be having some activities this Fall. Still developing tactics.
- Q. (Madeline) Do you fundraise at all for these scholarships? A. (Kevin) Yes, we have some scholarship endowment funds. (Mike) Probably about 40-50 currently. Q. (Madeline) What determines a full or partial scholarship? (Kevin) Athletic performance, NCAA rules, and based on the need of the athlete. Several factors are taken into consideration.

Q. (Chun-Lung) What total number of students are supported by the scholarship program?
A. (Kevin) The total number of athletes minus the walk-ons. (Mike) A little over 400 receive some type of funding. (Kevin) Athletics at the varsity level is much more than participation opportunities, it's about what the success of Athletics can bring to the campus. I would encourage you all to view it this way. This is the reality of what successful athletics does for a campus.

- Q. (Briar) How will not getting the CPI adjustment effect how you give scholarships? A. (Kevin) Reduce the number of scholarships given out, or operational costs such as equipment, team travel. (Mike) The offers are made well in advance. Those funds are pretty much committed. (Kevin) It's not an option for us to not fulfill the scholarships we have offered.

VIII. Discussion Among the Council of Non-CEI Presentations

Meeting adjourned, 1:00 pm