# The California Aggie Fee Voting Results and Summary of Comments

COSAF Meeting, April 6, 2018

### **Quorum Met**

Per the Council on Student Affairs and Fees Bylaws: *Voting on issues associated with CPI for fees must have a quorum, defined as half the voting membership, rounded up to the nearest number.* 

Total Voting Members: 17

In Attendance: 9

Quorum was met at 53% attendance

## California Aggie Fee CPI Vote

Per the Council on Student Affairs and Fees Bylaws: Votes to approve CPI adjustments on Campus Based Fees must pass by **66%**, rounded to the nearest number.

Below tally includes 2 absentee votes

	# of Voters	# Needed to Pass (66%)	YES	<u>NO</u>
The California Aggie Fee	11	7	9	2

COSAF'S recommendation to the Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs will be to allow the CPI adjustment to the California Aggie Fee in 2018-19.

Action Item #055

#### **Summary of Comments**

#### No

- Cut spending on printing, I see many Cal Aggie newspapers that are not picked up around the Memorial Union.
- The Aggie provides a very important service to UC Davis; however, I do not believe The Aggie requires an increase in funds in order to achieve these services. The Aggie should instead look to decrease operating costs, namely, by discontinuing printing of newspapers.

# Yes

- The Aggie Fee CPI increase is important to build up resources for a sustainable operation.
- The CPI adjustment seems necessary based on their proposed budget and increase in cost in general.
- I support the increase. I would like to suggest the Aggie consider switching over completely to paper-free newspapers to save costs and resources

- I think the Aggie is a good opportunity for students interested in journalism, and therefore think the fee should be adjusted accordingly. However, a paper newspaper is not the future of this org., so when they eventually do not have a hardcopy paper to distribute, the fee should be reevaluated.
- The Aggie is a very important part of our campus community.
- I vote to increase the CPI adjustment to The Aggie because I am a strong proponent of fiscal responsibility. The Aggie has shown great financial strength by properly accumulating a reserve to continue its continuation without another referendum. I firmly believe that because they will have to go through increased scrutiny in the event they attempt another referendum, they know how to prioritize protecting the reserve and spending it down in an effective manner.
- I support the student newspaper and I am glad they are evolving to meet the information needs of students.