

COUNCIL ON STUDENT AFFAIRS AND FEES (COSAF) MEETING

April 6, 2018
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM
MU Garrison

Meeting Notes

1. Call to Order, Announcements, Lunch

Zac Bouchard, Volunteer Chair

- UCOP/UCCSF Trip
 - Jessica and Aaron attending today and tomorrow, Oakland and UC Berkeley
- Council member updates:
 - **Michael Gofman** replacing Josh Dalavi at ASUCD President
 - We will be having **2 new ASUCD Senate appointees** to replace Michael Gofman and Rahi Suryawanshi
 - Madelena Pabon left the council, therefore, **Courtney Schultz** moves from Alternate member to a Voting member
- GSA vote results for CPI adjustment, Pass
- Survey Results
 - DW044, ECS 122B Informal Dinner, **DENIED** Action Item #050
 - DW045, Post Final Exam Celebration CHA101L, Sec. 9, **APPROVED** Action Item #051
 - DW046, CHA101L Post Final Party, **APPROVED** Action Item #052
 - DW030, Fair Trade Campaigns Nat'l Conf. – **APPLICATION PULLED** Action Item #053
 - SD031, San Francisco Career Forum 2018, **APPROVED** Action Item #054

2. Student Programming Fund Presentation: Foster Care Awareness

Valeri Garcia

- *See slide deck on COSAF website: Resources, Meeting Resources, Student Programming Fund, **Foster Care Awareness Presentation.***

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Q. Sheila Bird. Where did the \$2,000 come from for the event last year?

A. Valeri. All our funding comes from donations and grants.

Q. Britta Heiss. How many students attend the retreat?

A. Valeri. My hope is 45-50 students would go.

Q. Dr. Hilt. Do you have anything going on during the Summer?

A. Valeri. We meet with new students before they start their first day of classed.

3. Student Programming Fund Presentation: HackDavis 2019

Karen Chi

- *See slide deck on COSAF website: Resources, Meeting Resources, Student Programming Fund, **Hack Davis 2019***

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Q. Aislinn. Do you have any other funding?

A. Most of the money comes from sponsors, internal UCD departments, grants or funds such as this.

Q. Sheila. Since your budget is higher, are you requesting more funding from COSAF?

A. Karen. Yes, our original request was based on wi-fi costs from last year's event, which has now doubled. We are now asking for \$45,000 but will take any amount you can give.

Q. Dr. Hilt. How often have you done this?

A. This will be the 4th time. We started off with 300 participants and have grown beyond that. We have attendees from all over, even the Bay Area.

Q. Cory Vu. Have you considered contacting AT&T or other wi-fi providers to decrease the cost?

A. We work with campus IET to open up some of the ports, then bring in vendors that have industrial access points.

Q. Aislinn. When you receive applications, what criteria do you use to cut down the number you accept?

A. We look to see if they are passionate about learning code.

Q. 32% of attendees are women. Is that a concern to increase the number of females, and if so, how would you do that?

A. The number has actually been increasing and it is something we hope to change going forward. We try to get as even as a split as possible, however, the whole computer science field has a larger issue with this in general.

4. **The Green Initiative Fund (TGIF) Orientation**

Zac Bouchard, Jason Lorgan

- See handout on COSAF website: Resources, Meeting Resources, TGIF, **TGIF Orientation**.
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5. **TGIF Presentation**

Sarah Risher, TGIF Chair

- See slide deck on COSAF website: Resources, Meeting Resources, TGIF, **TGIF Presentation**.
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Q. Britta. For the mini awards, do you have any plans to review how the money is being utilized?

A. Sarah. Yes, we check in with them periodically. Twice a quarter we send them an email and request updates. Sometimes the project amounts will adjust from the original proposal, or funds are redirected to different aspects of their project. So we approve these adjustments as they go along. We have been requesting detailed reports along with receipts, however, without a Grant Manager at this time we are still figuring out this process so that every dollar of the grant money can be accounted for. Grant Manager will be hired soon.

Laurie. Each project is required to have a faculty or staff sponsor, to make sure they are on track.

Sarah. We are trying to come up with a system so that the students don't have to front the money then wait 3 weeks for a reimbursement.

Greg. I assist with allocating the funds. I am responsible for making sure the money is spent in a fiscally responsible manner.

Q. Zac. Do you have a length of time requirement for the projects?

A. Sarah. For the Fall mini grants, they have 2 quarters. For the larger grants, they have a full academic year.

Aislinn. I'm assuming that you are trying award the amount you have brought in from the fee?

Sarah. We are not trying to max it out. This year we are trying to keep a buffer because we are anticipating that each year we will receive more requests.

6. **Student Activities and Services Initiative (SASI) Orientation**

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- See handout on COSAF website: Resources, Meeting Resources, SASI, **SASI Orientation**.
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7. **SASI Budget Review**

Luci Schmidl, Divisional Resources Budget Manager

- See handout on COSAF website: Resources, Meeting Resources, SASI, **SASI Financial Summary by Unit 2016-17.**

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Q. Zac. Why are there no reserves, except for Campus Recreation?

Anissa. For Athletics, we don't have enough funds to set aside reserves. We use it all for operating.

Jason. Campus Recreation has reserves for turf on Dairy Field. Turf has 8-10 year life cycle and we're in year 5. Other big funds we oversee, CEI & FACE, the CPI was written into the initiative, that the oversight body would vote on it. The reason SASI is automatic is because the referendum was written differently, to say that a CPI adjustment will be made each year. The oversight body, CURB, voted in 1996 to require a 3% operational reserve for SASI. If COSAF would like to change this rule, it would need to be adjusted in the Bylaws. The most important reason to have operational reserves is when it backs up a facility. So, we are not really sure why CURB voted for this reserve.

Laurie. This has come up most every year, but it hasn't really been addressed to change it or enforce it.

Jason. As each presentation happens, you might want to ask about their reserves.

Zac. Will we also be providing our comments to the Vice Chancellor?

Jason. Yes.

Zac. What exactly will be advising on?

Jason. It will be a recommendation. If you see that a department is not using the funds according to the referendum language, you would make note of this in your comments/feedback to the Vice Chancellor.

8. **The California Aggie Fee Vote**

All Voting Council Members

9. **Announcement of The California Aggie Voting Results**

Sheila Bird

9-Yes 2-No **PASS**

Action Item #055

Meeting adjourned