

COSAF Survey Results and Recommendations

Endorsement of New Unitrans Referendum Ballot Language

COSAF Meeting: January 11, 2019

UNITRANS UNDERGRADUATE FEE REFERENDUM

Undergraduate Voting Members Present: **15**
Law School Voting Member Present: **1**
Total: **16**

I endorse the Undergraduate Unitrans Fee ballot language as is:

Yes - **13**
No – **3**

Action Item #022

NO comments:

- Do not include automatic CPI increases. The increase of \$13.33 and \$24 is fine, just have CPI evaluated yearly thereafter.
- COSAF doesn't have oversight of CPI increases.
- The referendum lacks full transparency as to where the received funding will be going and why it's been chosen the way it has. There should be a budgetary outline which discloses the percentages of the fee which will be allocated to payroll, bus repair or general operations cost. Additionally, there is no indication for how they will use this money to prevent further debt (i.e. no plans for future reserves or any revenue increase). From a daily rider perspective, there is a significant lack of organization for how the busses are run which is evident in their lack of organization of budgetary issues.

YES comments:

- We are not giving students and opportunity as a governing body (COSAF) to approve CPI increases. Including CPI increase for life is not realistic to industry standards within private businesses. There needs to be oversight. I suggest 8 years from now, CPI increase sunset clause, then CPI voting resumes.

GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION UNITRANS FEE REFERENDUM

Graduate Student Voting Members Present: **2**
Absentee Graduate Student Voting Members: **1**
Total: **3**

I endorse the Undergraduate Unitrans Fee ballot language as is:

Yes - **2**
No – **1**

NO comments:

- If possible, could you please add some language clarifying that graduate students currently do not pay the Unitrans Fee and instead opted (specify the date) to pay per ride.