COSAF Assessment and Comments

Student Activities and Services Initiative (SASI)

COSAF Meeting: December 4, 2020

Per SASI referenda language, CPI adjustments will be applied each year to all SASI fee recipients. COSAF is charged as the oversight body to provide commentary based on each recipient’s fiscal stewardship of SASI revenue.

The following SASI fee recipients presented to the Council on Student Affairs and Fees during Fall 2019:

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On December 4, 2020, following the final SASI presentation, COSAF voting members provided the below written assessment and recommendations for each SASI recipient.

### Cross-Cultural Center

The Cross Cultural Center offers important services that promote and foster diversity in an educational manner. Great that they are offering virtual services and hopefully they can keep some virtual things post-COVID-19 to increase use of their services.

I loved how they displayed their weekly schedule. Even in a virtual environment, they still managed to have plenty of informative events going on. It’s great to see that the money is being used as COSAF intended it to. Also, that the Cross Cultural Center was able to boost their online engagement by thousands.

I appreciate the commitment to recruit and retain students from diverse backgrounds. Students from low-income households and underrepresented ethnic groups face challenges that are not experienced by the majority of their peers. It’s great to hear about some of the supports they are offered through the CCC as well as the recruitment efforts from high school students. I think it’d be great to provide departmental administrators with an "audit" of their student demographics and provide them with ways CCC can assist them in recruiting/retaining students from diverse populations.

I thought this group had good answers to fielded questions.

I really appreciate the way they were creative in their programming and their ability to transform themselves to better serve our UC Davis community.

I appreciate how the Cross Cultural Center is engaging with students virtually and maintain informative resources and representation from traditionally marginalized groups of students. I believe it is hard work and I appreciate them for taking time to provide this resource for the UC Davis community.

I’m glad the Cross Cultural Center is still operating to the best of their abilities. The presentation was clear and easy to follow, and I have no additional comments pertaining to the Cross Cultural Center and the use of the SASI fee.
I love that the CCC has been able to drive engagement in other ways since all programming is currently virtual. The social media engagement is impressive and I am excited about the podcast idea. Can’t wait to see what other creative ideas are implemented to keep students engaged.

Also very good transition to virtual. Really like the podcast idea!

Easy going presentation/easy to understand

Wonderful program.

### Campus Recreation

Great that Campus Recreation adopted virtual methods to maintain student engagement with their events. Also great that they are looking into the future and already considering what virtual events they can keep holding after COVID-19.

I appreciate how Campus Recreation still has so many students employed during this pandemic. Having a steady source of income is crucial for maintaining basic resources at this time.

Great job adapting the services to a virtual environment and helping keeping our campus safe and healthy!

It wasn't clear what the additional Facility/Maintenance funding would go to if the ARC is closed. It isn't clear how increased maintenance would be used in a closed facility.

Campus Recreation is using the SASI fees well.

I appreciate how they have become available to students and provide resources virtually.

The Campus Recreation presentation and the use of the SASI fees were understandable and easy to read. I do not have any other comments regarding Campus Rec. and the SASI fee uses. Thank you for the presentation.

I am super appreciative of Campus Rec finding ways to provide activities virtually to students as I believe they play a significant role in strengthening the mental health of students. Thank you!

I thought they did a good job with the transition to remote services. Very informative presentation.

It was very informative and the way the presentations described the SASI fee and Campus Rec, made it easy to understand. Thank you.

Love what y'all are doing to continue supporting students!

### Intercollegiate Athletics

So long as ICA continues making itself a space for student athletes to do what they love, their use of the SASI fee comports with its intended goals. The fee increase seems reasonable. Though ICA should strive to minimize programming costs since it makes no sense for it to be going up by almost $260,000 during COVID-19. Otherwise, I would expect a decrease in expected allocation once ICA fully resumes post-COVID.

Intercollegiate Athletics presentation was very transparent and straightforward. I also appreciate their ability to maintain having student employees during this time.

I appreciated the commitment to transparency and frugality in expenses. Great examples were selected. Thank you!

It wasn’t clear why there will be a hike in student salaries. I assume that no travel and fewer games will require fewer student managers and other student staff members.
Intercollegiate Athletics are good stewards, and we need the good feeling that sports bring, but I would still like to see how other revenue resources can support Athletics in lieu of students paying to support athletics.

I agree that the SASI fund regarding intercollegiate athletics, as mentioned, is an integral part of the D1 status and maintaining current operating conditions and expenses.

I'd like to say thank you for clarifying and distinguishing the differences between Intercollegiate Athletics (and the use of the SASI fee) and Physical Education. I have no other comments and thank you for the presentation, and to Kevin, I hope you have a wonderful time at Golf Canada back in Toronto.

I always appreciate how straightforward and transparent ICA is. I was happy to hear the detailed explanation on how some of the losses are being balanced out by cut in costs.

As usual, their presentation was informative and clear. I would recommend making the information about live streaming games more widely available! Also, look into virtual fan options for games!

Very informative

Sensibility in budget is incredible.

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**Women’s Resources and Research Center**

Liked the emphasis on intersectionality in the presentation. Would have liked to see a bit more discussion in the presentation about their funding allocations for their activities, such as specifics on their cost of goods and services as described in their templates.

The Women’s Resource & Research Center is one of the more crucial resources our campus provides in my opinion. I love that they provide free menstrual supplies to anyone. I know people that have gone there to get those supplies in their time of need. Also, having their own library with books that typically aren’t found anywhere in Davis is really cool. It could come in handy for students trying to find their books for classes.

Thanks for sharing examples of the diversity of your services to the student body—which much more expansive than implied by the name. Many graduate students are also parents, and they definitely appreciate assistance! Thanks for a great presentation.

This presentation gave a good overview of the needs of the Women’s Resources and Research Center.

I really enjoyed how the Center is building community and reinventing itself to meet the needs of their community. I also like the way they are inclusive and meeting the needs of many.

I appreciate the services and resources they are providing to the student parent population and any students who may have dependents.

I have no comments regarding the Women’s Resources and Research Center presentation and their use of SASI fees. The presentation was straight forward and easy to understand given the pandemic.

The WRRC provides invaluable support to many students and members of the UC Davis community, thank you for continuing to provide resources especially in these tough times.

Love the virtual office idea! I think you should share that with other centers! It was one of the most unique virtual programs I have seen from any of the centers.

Is a great resource and I learned a lot more about the services provided. This is a great center and I am happy I was here to listen. Thank you!

Love the support for student parents/guardians!