

To: Timothy P. White, Chancellor

From: Vicki Dasakis, Registration Fee Advisory Committee Chair 2009-2010

Re: RFAC Recommendations on Student Mental Health Fund for 2009-2010

Date: January 7, 2010

Esteemed Chancellor White:

For the third consecutive fiscal year, the Chancellor's Registration Advisory Committee has met and discussed the following recommendations for the allocation of Student Mental Health (SMH) Fund for 2009-2010. It is my understanding that this fund is derived from part of the increase to the Registration Fee that the UC Regents passed in 2009. Given the nature of the fund's source, student fee committees on each of the UC campuses have been asked to make their allocation recommendations as they would with the normal Registration Fee allocation process.

A summary of the specifics of the process is provided in the appendices enclosed with this letter. The enclosed materials also include the Mental Health Addenda Request Form, annotated with the Committee's recommendations in the far right column. A Student Mental Health Sub-Committee was commissioned to provide the RFAC with specific recommendations. The subcommittee recognized what the priorities were, keeping in mind that due to the economic situation that not much would be changed from the previous year.

From our projected available funds, we recommend a total allocation of **\$563,438**, composed of \$254,097 of Permanent Funds and \$309,341 of Temporary Funds. Regarding the permanent funds of \$254,097 the committee has given permission for the offices of Resource Planning and Budget and the Student Affairs office to determine and transfer a portion of the funds as temporary allocations as needed to align it with permanent SMH funds available. The committee's recommendations include permanent funding for three positions (Programmer Analyst, Web Designer, and Senior Writer), however the amounts allocated are based on current, partial year costs. Thus, another \$81,396 will be needed as permanent funding starting the next fiscal year of 2010-2011. It is the intent of RFAC for these three positions to continue as permanent positions subject of funds available next fiscal year. Money has also been left in reserves to provide some flexibility in the process and provide the various units that can benefit from Student Mental Health funds with the opportunity to revisit this committee with further requests.

I respectfully submit the present letter and the following documents with detailed requests and recommendations for your consideration. If you have any further questions please feel free to follow up with me.

Thank you,



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