



**Student Service Fee Advisory Committee**  
**Friday, March 13, 2015; 4:00 to 6:30 PM**  
**HUB Room 379**  
*Draft*  
**Meeting Minutes**

Name	Association	Voting Privilege <sup>1</sup>	Attendance
Alexander Taliaferro	ASUCR	X	P
Jon Cassell	ASUCR	X	P
Fernando Echeverria	ASUCR	X	A
Sean Fahmian	ASUCR	X	P
Nafi Karim	ASUCR	X	A
Iris Jiang	ASUCR	X	P
Wen-Yu Chou	ASUCR Alternate	-	A
Jordan Meltzer	ASUCR Alternate	-	P
Suraj Wadhvani	ASUCR Alternate	-	P
David Chavez	GSA	X	P
Terrance Stewart	GSA	X	P
Jason Rothman	GSA	X	P
Ted Mock	Faculty	X	P
Luis Alvarez	Staff	X	P
Cindy Flannery	Staff	X	P
Susana Salazar	Ex-Officio RP&B	-	P
Cathy Eckman	Ex-Officio VCSA	-	P
Diana Echeverria	Secretary	-	P
Sue Lillie	Staff Support	-	P

P: Present A: Absent L: Late E: Excused

<sup>1</sup> X indicates voting privilege

1) Call to Order: **4:06 PM**

2) Approval of Agenda

*Motion to Approve Agenda by Jason, Second by Iris*

*Vote: Yes: 6, No: 0, No: 0*

***Agenda Approved Unanimously.***

3) Approval of Minutes for 3/6/2015

*Motion to Approve Minutes by Jon, Second by David Chavez*

*Vote: Yes: 5, No: 0, Abstain: 1*

***Minutes Approved.***

4) Continue Committee Review of all subcommittee recommendation

a. Finalize dollars and vote to approve

**Sue Lillie:** The new person who is starting at the Career Center will start at \$44,600. So

potentially you can lower the amount of \$55,000.

#### **Subcommittee D**

##### ***Health and Wellness***

**Jordan Meltzer:** Our total recommendation without priority five for the student worker is \$20,592. That's an increase from last year.

**Luis Alvarez:** If we replace priority five with a student, it would be \$6,435 plus the four percent. They will have 19 and a half hours.

**Jordan Meltzer:** She had spoken to me that she needs a student for about ten hours a week.

**Alex Taliaferro:** If ten hours is enough, there's no need to get beyond that. Also, we did not fund active minds support last time but they seemed to still function without it.

**Jordan Meltzer:** It seemed that she really needed another worker.

**Alex Taliaferro:** What are the case manager student assistants?

**Jon Cassell:** Line item 6 was not funded last year so we can take that off.

**David Chavez:** Professional development has also been cut from other departments.

**Luis Alvarez:** Her duties are split and hence the request for another employee but we proposed a student.

**Alex Taliaferro:** So with cutting the \$5,500 from professional development, the next thing to cut would be the admin support. It wasn't in their addenda and it wasn't funded last year. \$17,012 is the total subcommittee recommendation.

##### ***Student Health***

**Alex Taliaferro:** There only request is \$40,000 for the gynecologist.

**Sean Fahmian:** I say we maintain that.

##### ***Counseling Center***

**Alex Taliaferro:** So it's for one psychologist and computing fees. It's all eligible for student mental health. The total is \$102,787.

##### ***Student Conduct***

**Alex Taliaferro:** It's a little under the amount from last year. I agree with the subcommittee recommendations. We'll tentatively agree to an amount \$44,298.

##### ***Student Life***

**Iris Jiang:** For their first priority, we recommend to fund fully. For their second priority, we did not recommend to fund it at all.

**Luis Alvarez:** That was for campus vitality. There are no implications to not having a band so we decided not to fund.

**Iris Jiang:** For the program assistance, we recommend to fund half of what they were asking. Lastly is for their highlander link and we recommended funding that fully.

**Sean Fahmian:** We are responsible for these positions and that's what killing us right now. We have to cut other things because we have made commitments to funding certain positions in the past. Should we cut programming or cut positions? We will be stable with the budget if we cut positions such as the Student Life officer for \$61,000.

**Alex Taliaferro:** It's easier to say we should cut positions but harder to say which positions.

**Luis Alvarez:** The total recommendation for now is \$94,000.

##### ***The Well***

**Jason Rothman:** We recommended funding priority one because it makes up 2/3rds of the programming. We recommend funding their second priority at \$64,890. Priority 3 is for office supplies. We should look into departments sharing office supplies.

**Luis Alvarez:** The Well is all eligible for student mental health.

**Sean Fahmian:** I think \$10,000 is too much for office supplies.

**Luis Alvarez:** It's not just office supplies, it's also mail services.

**Alex Taliaferro:** I agree to cut the office supplies.

**Alex Taliaferro:** On the Student Service Fee side, we are over \$3,209 for mental health and \$177,945 for the rest. I'm leaning towards cutting supplies from The Well.

**Sean Fahmian:** Should we supply a partial amount for the position for the Well. Maybe we can fund it at 80%.

**Jason Rothman:** We should take out supplies.

**Sue Lillie:** To zero it out it would be around \$6500 for supplies. Now we are at \$142,673 for The Well at this moment.

Beginning of total review:

#### ***Academic Resource Center***

**Sean Fahmian:** If they really need it fund , or they can find another way to fund it. \$93,000 is a lot and it's a program that can find funds elsewhere. I think we can fund it down to one graduate student. It'll bring it down \$26,714. That's for one graduate student.

#### ***Career Center***

**Sean Fahmian:** This one is clear. This is a great position and it benefits a very large population of the students.

**David Chavez:** Is there a consensus that we want to fund that? I agree it's important but the overall budget of the Career Center is big.

**Alex Taliaferro:** This is one of the last positions I would cut. It serves all students.

#### ***Graduate Student Association***

**Sean Fahmian:** I think we can cut another \$2000 from co-sponsorships. Because they reorganized their own office, should the burden be placed on the Student Service Fee for a new student position?

**Sue Lillie:** GSA has a pretty small budget.

**Alex Taliaferro:** We can fund half of that. For an informal vote, who would cut this student assistance by half? 3 for, 2 opposed. We'll come back to this one.

#### ***International Education Center***

**Jason Rothman:** I would get rid of it

**Luis Alvarez:** I think the campus should cover that if we are pushing for more international students.

**Jon Cassell:** That rent will stay the same year after year

**Sean Fahmian:** I say we leave it.

**Terrance Stewart:** We can ask them to come back for an appeal and explain that we are open to programming.

**Cathy Eckman:** They would cut programming either way to pay for their lease.

#### ***KUCR***

**Alex Talieferro:** It's a small budget. Even if we cut the whole thing it still wouldn't make too much of a difference.

#### ***Athletics***

**Alex Taliaferro:** Here we do have a chance to make some serious cuts. They have 1.5 million in permanent money and then they have their own separate budget. \$50,000 would be a less

detrimental cut that we could make. It would be felt by relatively smaller amount of students.

**Suraj Wadhvani:** Maybe we can cut the funding for meals in half.

**Terrance Stewart:** I think that the \$6,000 for drug testing is nothing to them.

**Sean Fahmian:** Neither is \$25,000.

**Alex Taliaferro:** I'm not opposed to funding athletics at 0. Let's leave \$25,000 there for now.

#### *Graduate Division*

**Alex Taliaferro:** We are at \$141,000.

**Sean Fahmian:** I think that we adjusted it enough. Graduate students deserve to have programming funded by SSFAC.

#### *Student Special Services*

**Alex Taliaferro:** There's not much to cut except the position that they said was important.

#### *VCSA Technology Services*

**Luis Alvarez:** There may be salary savings for the positions.

**Alex Taliaferro:** A lot of technology services are not supplemental to instruction but more critical to the functioning of the school.

**Luis Alvarez:** I recommend we drop it down to \$0. There are potential salary savings from the other positions.

**Sean Fahmian:** I agree.

#### *African Student Programs*

**Jon Cassell:** I think we should have a max because the ASP is bigger than other programs.

**Alex Taliaferro:** Copiers and leases would be the best way to cut costs and collaborate.

**David Chavez:** I think we should have an average amount for mail services and fund that amount.

**Alex Taliaferro:** Is there anything else we want to cut other than mail services?

#### *Asian Pacific Student Programs*

**Alex Taliaferro:** This amount is very similar to last year's. There's not much to cut here.

**Sue Lillie:** So it's \$4,400 for phones, copiers and mail services?

#### *Chicano Student Programs*

**Alex Taliaferro:** If we were to cut hours for student assistance it would be \$10,800 instead of the \$17,000.

**Jon Cassell:** I don't think we should cut from their first priority. I would cut mail services and programming.

**Alex Taliaferro:** We did not fund any mail services last year.

#### *LGBT Resource Center*

**Alex Taliaferro:** There is one position that we were discussing to fund. We can not fund it and wait for an appeal for this position.

**Jon Cassell:** I think this is a critical position.

**Jason Rothman:** I think we need to go back to Athletics and not fund the \$25,000.

#### *Middle Eastern Student Center*

**Alex Taliaferro:** There is not much to cut. We can cut the retreat since it's a lower priority.

**Jon Cassell:** They are in the process of trying to expand themselves so student assistants and computing will help them expand. I would cut the programming since they are still a small group.

**Sean Fahmian:** I would rather cut another student position from the ARC than to cut this

programming. Programming allows them to expand.

***Native American Student Programs***

**Alex Taliaferro:** Most of the increase would be from the increase of student assistance. \$23,000 this is more than enough to cover a full time desk assistant. They have been doing a great job with the \$16,000 from last year.

**David Chavez:** They only have one staff member.

**Cindy Flannery:** I would take out the office supplies.

**Alex Taliaferro:** I am in favor of cutting student assistance to reflect the amount we funded last year.

**David Chavez:** I don't see the point of that. Are we really going to have appeals for a few thousand dollars?

**Terrance Stewart:** I think we should think about how we are giving this \$3,000 to rather than who we are taking away from.

**Jason Rothman:** He is doing all the work on his own and a student assistant would be beneficial.

***Student Health Services***

**Alex Taliaferro:** It's a great service but it only serves about 100 students.

**Jordan Meltzer:** These students that are visiting the gynecologists are there because they tested positive for something and it can be traumatizing. It's better to have a gynecologist on campus to help them through this.

**Sean Fahmian:** We can not fund it and have them come back to appeal.

**Jason Rothman:** I would not recommend going this route.

***Student Conduct***

**Sean Fahmian:** Priority number 11 is a front desk assistant. I don't think it's crucial to their office if it's their last priority. That's \$7,000.

**Luis Alvarez:** I'm good with cutting that.

***International Education Center***

**Sean Fahmian:** I fully support either funding it or not funding it to support the deficit.

**David Chavez:** I support keeping it at \$11,000.

*Final Review and vote:*

***Academic Resource Center***

Total: \$53,384 in temporary funding

Vote: Yes: 8, No: 0, Abstain: 1

***Career Center***

Total: \$88,778 in temporary funding

Vote: Yes: 7, No: 0, Abstain: 2

***Graduate Student Association***

Total: \$69,511 in temporary funding

Vote: Yes: 8, No: 0, Abstain: 1

***International Education Center***

Total: \$11,000 in temporary funding

Vote: Yes: 7, No: 1, Yes: 1

***Child Development Center***

Total: \$0

Vote: Yes 5, No: 0, Abstain: 4

***KUCR***

Total: \$14,933 in temporary funding

Vote: Yes: 8, No: 0, Abstain: 1

***Athletics***

Total: \$0

Vote: Yes: 8, No: 0, Abstain: 1

***Graduate Division***

Total: \$141,305 in temporary funding

Vote: Yes: 7, No: 0, Abstain: 2

***Student Special Services***

Total: \$90,601 in temporary funding

Vote: Yes: 8, No: 0, Abstain: 1

***VCSA Technology Services***

Total: \$0

Vote: Yes: 8, No: 0, Abstain: 1

***Women's Resource Center***

Total: \$33,698 in temporary funding

Vote: Yes: 8, No: 0, Abstain: 1

***African Student Programs***

Total: \$39,743 in temporary funding

Vote: Yes: 8, No: 0, Abstain: 1

***Asian Pacific Student Programs***

Total: \$23,688 in temporary funding

Vote: Yes: 8, No: 0, Abstain: 1

***Chicano Student Programs***

Total: \$36,471 in temporary funding

Vote: Yes: 8, No: 0, Abstain: 1

***LGBT Resource Center***

Total: \$83,425 in temporary funding

Vote: Yes: 7, No: 0, Abstain: 2

***Middle Eastern Student Center***

Total: \$28,976 in temporary funding

Vote: Yes: 8, No: 0, Abstain: 1

***Native Student Programs***

Total: \$40,962 in temporary funding

Vote: Yes: 7, No: 0, Abstain: 2

***Dean of Students***

Total: \$29,976 in temporary funding

Vote: Yes: 8, No: 0, Abstain: 1

***AVC Health and Wellness***

Total: \$17,012 in student mental health money

Vote: Yes 8, No:0, Abstain: 1

***Student Health Services***

Total: \$40,000 in temporary funding

Vote: Yes: 9, No: 0, No: 0

***Counseling Center***

Total: \$102,787 in student mental health

Vote: Yes: 8, No: 0, Abstain: 1

***Student Conduct***

Total: \$36,810 in temporary funding

Yes: 8, No: 0, Abstain: 1

***Student Life***

Total: \$94,940 in temporary funding

Vote: Yes: 8, No: 0, No: 1

***The Well***

Total: \$142,673 in student mental health money

Vote: Yes: 8, No: 0, Abstain: 1

*Motion to fund the total recommended \$958,201 of SSF money and \$262,472 of student mental health money by Jason, Second by Sean.*

Vote: Yes: 8, No: 0, Abstain: 1

***Motion to Fund Recommendations Approved.***

5) Administrative Issues.

**Alex Taliaferro:** We will probably have appeals. We can think about this more.

**Cathy Eckman:** Once she sends out the letter she will instruct them if they have appeal.

**Sue Lillie:** It's a process.

6) Adjourn **6:32 PM**

*Motion to Adjourn by Jon, Second by Jason*

Vote: Yes: 9, No: 0, Abstain: 0

***Adjournment Approved Unanimously.***