Student Fee Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Winter Quarter Week 3, 1/24/2020 PC West Eleanor Roosevelt College Room 2:30-4:00PM

- I. Call to order
 - -- 2:33 PM
- II. Roll call
 - -- PRESENT: VCSA Budget Consultant John Hughes, Sixth Representative, Council of Provosts, Marshall Shadow, Marshall Representative, Muir Representative, GSA Representatives, Vice Chair, Chair, Revelle Representative, Roosevelt Representative, Secretary, Sixth Shadow, VCSA Staff Liz Henry, Campus Budget Office Louie Cruz, Warren Representative
 - -- ABSENT:
- III. Motion to approve last week's minutes
 - -- Motion: Marshall Representative; Second: Revelle Representative
- IV. Discussion of preliminary rankings
 - 1. Undocumented Services
 - 2. International Peer Coaches
 - 3. Grad Peer Coaches, Medical Records, and Winterfest TIED
 - 4. ArtPower
 - 5. Tritons Together
 - -- WinterFest would have scored higher if their request was similar to last year's, but this year they asked for a full time position. They needed greater justification on what they would do, especially since it seems a bit seasonal. What would they do the other 9 months of the year?
 - -- Perhaps combining the role where a smaller programming request is being included with a different role so it's added as a FTE?
 - -- How would peer coaches help with students from different departments? Do graduate students have a unified set of needs that can be addressed uniformly instead of specially? Perhaps hire them where the need is greatest. Dissatisfaction mostly in social sciences and humanities so perhaps they will be hired for mostly that department. It's nice because hired students get a stipend and tuition remission for those that can't get a TA position and help people that need someone to talk to at least.
- V. A visit from VCSA Satterlund asatturlund@ucsd.edu
 - 1. ERC Rep: Admin and the VCSA should do more about student outreach. Having more town meetings or opportunities to be face-to-face with students. The ability to talk to someone personally is really great. Having more events by the VCSA. Tabling would also be helpful.
 - 2. Revelle Rep: More direct or streamlined approach to allowing office to read student

- feedback. CAPS fee referendum going on. Concern that once services need more funding, the additional funding is taken from students instead of other possible resources. Seems like problems are being billed to the students.
- 3. Vice Chair: TritonFest and SunGod are important events that should still be supported. There are struggles with campus wide identity because of the design.
- 4. GSA: There's a lot of money issues and people unhappy about housing and parking. I know admin has access to various money sources but it's not super transparent so it's hard to tell where all the strings are attached to.
 - i. VCSA: Budget forum hosted last year. There are not a lot of money sources.
- ii. GSA: If the university is clear about the money linked to the law that's causing restrictions on certain things, then students might not blame people that cannot change things. If there was a centralized resource explaining all that.
- 5. Warren Rep: Transparency and Accountability from admin. At times it feels like students have to bear the burden of funding resources.
- i. VCSA: Isolation between colleges where students might not have as much opportunity for community building between colleges. Unity grant where colleges could collaborate for events. University should be student-centered. Focus group, Gradvantage, etc. Information will be taken and advocate for student perspective.
- ii. Warren Rep: Mental Health should be a basic need and part of health care. The university should provide and we're currently below the recommended amount provided for that service.
- lii. VCSA: Many students are paying SHIP. The state said we cannot use basic needs funds with mental health; only housing and food security. Diversify psychotherapy teams, meeting a donor to provide for this service, etc. The funding we get for mental health from the state, the rate we are reimbursed for the work is at a rural rate and not a metro rate. The expectation that we tax students is deeply problematic.
- 6. Muir Rep: The construction next to Muir is well under way. Many feel that they're very connected to their own college and not so much with the rest of the university. Cross-college relations would be good at closing the gap.
- 7. Marshall Rep: Accessibility and Transparency. Parking is the number one issue for students but it also affects Admin. Accounting for all students that want to have resources for mental health. Tuition increase happening next year, the cohort based tuition, a lot of students don't understand the purpose of it or want to be apart of it.
- i. VCSA: Regents will discuss that at their next meeting. Strategy needed to secure additional funding.
- 8. Marshall Shadow: As an OL, we pushed access to mental health crises and it is funded by student fees.
- i. VCSA: SHS is funded by UCSD Health, private insurance, etc. Talked about different factors that have contributed to wait times at CAPS. Looking for 3 FTEs for CAPS so having them also embedded in different departments, to get services directly to students and also ease some of faculty/staff duty. Utilizing telemedicine as rigorously as possible. Had a pilot with them and reported a great experience.
- 9. Council of Provosts: Number of events hosted by the university or a variety of colleges

so we need to get the word out so students feel that they can participate at different college events. We're aware of these concerns and working on it actively.

- 10. Sixth Rep/Shadow: Student experience is being sacrificed for transaction. How to build community identity.
- I. VCSA: Just finalized strategic plan on student experience. Just completed UC undergraduate student experience survey and UCSD has always been the 8th or 9th out of 9.
- 11. Liz: Having a spirit brand
- i. Marshall Rep: When we have Sun God, it unites everyone and increases hype. That makes people proud of the school.
- 12. GSA: Nothing around UCSD to connect everyone such as integrating the trolley system in a social manner. A lot of other universities have a college town vibe. That seems to be the biggest issue to me.
- i. VCSA: the sincere hopes with the trolley is to increase transport between areas back and forth but also working with retailers to create retail opportunities for students and the community. A strategic plan is already in place for locations within downtown that students can visit back and forth.
- 13. ERC: Grocery shuttle buses are amazing; entryway into projects that can happen now to bridge gaps between avenues. Manu has been working on that.
- 14. Liz: Quality over quantity when it comes to campus events.
- VI. Announcements
 - A. Preliminary Voting
 - B. CSF Winter Meeting / VCSA Meeting
 - C. Warren College Fees Event
 - I. Meeting with Chancellor soon, so if you have any questions let Warren Representative know
- VII. Adjournment
 - -- 3:56 PM