CAMPUS FEE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

February 18, 2011

MINUTES

ATTENDEES

Members: David Ely Grant Mack

Amanda Pascoe Candice Luistro
Krista Parker Kevin Gruidl
Kimberlee Reilly Cathie Atkins
Debra Bertram Ethan Singer

Student Alternates: Jeff Plourd

Faculty/Staff Alternates: Linda Lewiston for Eric Rivera

Non-voting member: Ray Rainer

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 P.M. by Dr. David Ely, CFAC Chair.

Approval of January 31, 2011 CFAC Meeting Minutes (Attachment 1)

The minutes were reviewed. Mr. Mack made a motion to approve the minutes, which was seconded by Ms. Parker. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Action Item

a. CFAC Description in SDSU Policy File (Attachment 2)

The SDSU senate asked every university committee chair to review their committee's descriptions in the policy file. In reviewing CFAC's description Dr. Ely found that it still makes reference to EO 1040, which has been superseded; the role of CFAC changed as well when EO 740 was superseded by EO 1040. Attachment 2 includes these recommended revisions, which are proposed to be forwarded to the Senate's Constitution & Bylaws Committee.

Mr. Mack moved to approve the revised CFAC description and forward to the Senate's Constitution & Bylaws Committee, the motion was seconded by Ms. Pascoe. All committee members voted in favor; the motion carried unanimously.

Discussion Items

a. Voting in the Student Success referendum by students with double majors

The committee discussed two major scenarios: (1) letting double majors vote in the referendum for each college in which they have a major and (2) letting double majors vote only in the referendum for the college housing their primary major. Several committee members agreed that it would be best to give the student a vote for each major since s/he could end up paying the fee if the fee were not approved for the college housing the primary major but was approved for the college housing the secondary major. Students should vote for any chance they would have to pay this fee (Ms. Bertram). A blanket statement was suggested for the ballot instructions in Webportal for double majors stating they need to vote in the referendum for each college where they have a major but would only pay for one fee if both pass.

Mr. Mack made the motion to move this item to action; the motion was seconded by Ms. Luistro.

Mr. Grant made the motion to allow double majors a vote in each of their colleges and insert the necessary language on WebPortal to clarify that students only pay one fee if more than one college votes for the fee. Ms. Pascoe seconded the motion. All committee members voted in favor; the motion passed unanimously.

b. Referenda Timeline Template

The time students are given for pro and con statements has been an issue with spring referenda; Dr. Ely invited the committee to consider adopting a template; he drafted one to illustrate a possible timeline. Dr. Ely suggested forming a subcommittee to evaluate and refine the referenda timeline template. The new timeline will deviate from what has been done in the past; to begin the process in the fall semester, finalize the pamphlet and publish the solicitation of pro/con statements in December. This way every student will be given the opportunity of developing statements in December. An email reminder can still be sent the first day of classes; they will also have a few more days to write the rebuttal statements. Several committee members agreed with forming a subcommittee to draft a template.

c. Criteria for choosing alternative consultation

Since there is nothing in the elections code on conducting alternative consultation, it might be useful for CFAC to develop some language to pass on to AS for consideration to add to the elections code. Mr. Grant recommended that any policy be internal committee guidelines since the elections code only addresses referenda and not alternative consultation. Ms. Reilly added that EO 1054 already talks about alternative consultation and anything done by CFAC has to be approved by the campus president. In theory, per EO 1054, a group that wants to pursue a fee goes to the president with a process in mind; the president accepts it and then explains to CFAC why it will result in more meaningful consultation (Dr. Ely).

The following members are interested in serving in the subcommittee: Krista Parker
Grant Mack
Dan Cornthwaite
Kevin Gruidl

Mr. Mack made the motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Ms. Parker. The meeting adjourned at 2:35 PM.

Reminder: Next Meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 4 at 2:00 PM in SS-1608.