

**AGENDA
CFAC Meeting**

**November 22, 2019
11:00 A.M.**

Montezuma Hall (East end) – Aztec Student Union

CFAC Meeting is open to SDSU students, Faculty & Staff
Guests must present SDSUcard (REDID) at check-in

- 1. Review and Approval of November 8, 2019 Meeting Minutes**
(Attachment 1)
- 2. Informational Items**
 - a. Student Health & Wellness and Instructionally Related Activities Fee results (Attachment 2)
 - b. 30 minute open comment period – guests must sign up to speak at check-in and are allotted 1 minute to speak
- 3. Action Items**
 - a. Student Health & Wellness and Instructionally Related Activities Fee increase recommendations to President de la Torre
- 4. New Business**
- 5. Reminder – Next Meeting Date – Friday, December 06, 2019 at 11:00 A.M.**
Student Services West – Room 2620

CAMPUS FEE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

November 8, 2019

MINUTES

ATTENDEES

Members:	David Ely	Radmila Prislín
	Rashmi Praba	Matias Farre
	Mark Bruno	Christian Onwuka
	Kyla Blaylock	Angelica Espinoza
	Dustin Adkins	George Scott
	Sophie Chance	Christian Holt
Non-voting Members:	Dana Smith	
Guests:	Augie Garibay	Andrea Dooley
	Crystal Little	Joshua Pederson

The meeting was called to order at 11:08 A.M. by Christian Onwuka, CFAC Chair.

Review and Approval of October 18th Meeting Minutes

Mr. Onwuka introduced and reviewed the October 18th meeting minutes and asked if there were any questions; there were none.

Ms. Espinoza moved to approve the minutes and Ms. Blaylock seconded; the motion was approved unanimously.

Informational Items

a. Student Affairs representative change

Mr. Onwuka informed the committee that Ms. Praba has replaced Mr. Chung as the Student Affairs representative for CFAC.

b. Fall 2019 Open Forums Update

Mr. Pederson updated the committee on the attendance at the forums held to date. He stated that 28 open forums had been held and approximately 900 students had attended. He further noted that approximately 80 percent of attendees had submitted a feedback form.

Dr. Dooley added that 14 open forums are still scheduled, and that Dr. Wheeler would be sending the informational video to faculty to share with their students. She also noted that four students had watched the recorded presentation in the test center and submitted feedback.

Ms. Smith encouraged CFAC members to attend at least one forum if they had not already done so.

Mr. Scott recommended using social media to gain students' attention; Dr. Dooley noted that social media is already being used but she would have Student Affairs Communication ramp up their social media outreach.

Mr. Holt expressed support for having faculty play the video at the beginning of their classes.

Dr. Dooley asked if the drop-in location at the test center was sufficient for students to provide feedback; Mr. Onwuka asked if a drop-in location could be set up in one of the residence halls. Dr. Dooley responded that the STAR centers in the residence halls were possible locations, but noted the importance of maintaining the security and integrity of the process. Ms. Espinoza stated that adding additional drop-in locations would be an inefficient use of time and resources based on only four students having used the test center.

c. Format for CFAC Meeting on November 22, 2019

Ms. Smith informed the committee that the location for the meeting will be the east end of Montezuma Hall and briefly described the layout of the room. She further noted that security measures were being explored to maintain order at the meeting. She also emphasized the importance of all CFAC members to be in attendance at the meeting.

Ms. Smith also gave a brief outline of the structure of the meeting.

Requests

a. None

Action Items

a. SSF-ARP Level 3 Recommendations

Mr. Scott moved to approve the recommendations and Ms. Espinoza seconded to open the item for discussion. Mr. Onwuka asked Dr. Prislín to present the recommendations.

Dr. Prislín presented the recommendations and briefly described the evaluation process. She noted that the total amount to be awarded this year was \$1.7 million. Ms. Chance asked if Engineering received more or less than last year; Dr. Prislín responded that proposals from Engineering were much better this year. The motion was approved unanimously.

New Business

Mr. Adkins informed the committee that the Aztecs Rock Hunger is still collecting donations through 11:59 P.M. on Sunday, November 10, 2019.

Public Comment

None

Mr. Onwuka adjourned the meeting at 11:34 A.M.

Reminder: Next meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 22nd, at 11:00 A.M. in the Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union – Montezuma Hall.

Student Health & Wellness and Instructionally Related Fee Proposals Fall 2019 Alternative Consultation Process

At its meeting on September 20, 2019, the Campus Fee Advisory Committee (CFAC) approved a motion to recommend to the President the use of an alternative consultation process to measure student support and at what fee amounts for two Category II mandatory fee increases for the Student Health and Wellness and Instructionally Related Activities Fees. An alternative consultation was recommended as the mechanism to best achieve appropriate and meaningful consultation based on the complexity of the fees and given that alternative consultation will allow for greater interaction and exchange of information with students. President de la Torre approved the use of alternative consultation on September 25, 2019.

CFAC used various approaches to communicate these two fees proposals and open forum information to students. The open forums were announced on Blackboard, WebPortal, The Daily Aztec newspaper, State Up to Date newsletter, digital displays, flyers and posters, social media, various student newsletters, residence hall publications, student organization publications and university computer home screens in advance of and throughout the open forum period. A mass email was sent to all students and emails were also sent to student organizations encouraging them to host forums. Additionally, an email was sent to all faculty midway through the forums requesting that faculty share the forum schedule with their students. All announcements referred students to the Alternative Consultation page of the CFAC website <https://sdsu.edu/alternativeconsult> for additional information. The Alternative Consultation webpage included the forum schedule and information pamphlets as prepared and approved by CFAC, as well as provided students the opportunity to submit comments and questions to CFAC (cfac@sdsu.edu). Additionally, a short informational video was available on the webpage and shared on social media to provide a quick overview of the fee proposals and to encourage students to attend an open forum.

In an effort to achieve maximum student participation in the alternative consultation process, CFAC held 41 open forums during the three week period of October 21 – November 15, 2019. There were 42 forums scheduled but one was cancelled due to a power outage on campus. The open forums were scheduled at various times during the day to be flexible in accommodating the availability of students. CFAC also solicited student organizations to host an open forum during its regularly scheduled meeting to encourage participation from its members. A schedule of public forum dates, times, locations and approximate attendance is provided. The presentation materials and feedback form for the open forums were reviewed and approved by CFAC to ensure students were provided with an objective analysis of the proposed fee. FAQ's were provided on the Alternative Consultation website.

Prior to the open forums, pilot presentations were made to various campus stakeholders and at the October 18, 2019 CFAC meeting, providing faculty, staff and students the opportunity to learn about the alternative consultation process and the proposed Student Health & Wellness and IRA fee increases. Attendees asked questions and provided valuable feedback to CFAC in preparing for the open forums.

At each of the 41 open forums, students were provided with a 30 minute presentation of the alternative consultation process and the proposed fee increases and then given the opportunity to ask questions and/or provide feedback on the proposed fee increases. The information pamphlets for both fee proposals was posted on the Fall 2019 Alternative Consultation website. At the conclusion of the presentation, students were provided the opportunity to submit a feedback form to share their opinion of the proposed fee increases. Students were also provided the option of watching the video at Testing Services and completing a feedback form. On the feedback form, students were to select one of the following options for the Student Health & Wellness Fee: (1) a \$73/semester fee, (2) a \$61/semester fee, (3) a \$55/semester fee or (4) no fee; IRA Fee: (1) a \$40/semester fee or (2) no fee. Students were also encouraged to provide comments about the proposed fee on the back of the feedback form. To ensure that only one feedback form was submitted for each student, the student's SDSUcard was verified that it matched the RedID submitted on the feedback form. The data from the feedback forms was

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compiled by the office of Budget & Finance and RedIDs were verified to ensure only regularly-enrolled SDSU students were included in the results. Feedback was received from 1,008 students which is representative of 2.96% of the fall 2019 student enrollment (headcount). The results are provided for review and consideration by CFAC.

**SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY
 PROPOSED FEE INCREASE OPEN FORUM SCHEDULE**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Host</u>	<u>Approx. Attendees</u>	<u>Feedback Forms Received</u>
Tuesday, October 22, 2019	7:00 PM	Tula Community Center	Residential Halls	235	221
Wednesday, October 23, 2019	11:30 AM	Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union, Student Life and Leadership		4	3
Thursday, October 24, 2019	12:00 PM	Professional Studies & Fine Arts Building, Suite 100		0	0
Thursday, October 24, 2019	4:00 PM	Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union, Visionary Suite	Asian American Pacific Islander Coalition & (AAP)Iphany	18	16
Thursday, October 24, 2019	5:30 PM	North Education Building, Room 60		0	2
Thursday, October 24, 2019	7:00 PM	Student Services West 1500	Asian American Pacific Islander Coalition	17	15
Friday, October 25, 2019	10:00 AM	Fowler Athletic Center Auditorium		0	0
Friday, October 25, 2019	1:00 PM	Calpulli Center, 4th Floor Conference Rooms	Peer Health Education Trainees	17	17
Monday, October 28, 2019	1:00 PM	Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union, Theatre	Professional Studies and Fine Arts College Council	11	10
Monday, October 28, 2019	5:30 PM	Tula Community Center	Residence Hall Association	29	28
Tuesday, October 29, 2019	5:30 PM	Black Resource Center	Collegiate Black Caucus of SDSU	29	14
Wednesday, October 30, 2019	2:00 PM	Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union, Tehaunco Suite	SHAC/Students for Public Health	19	18
Wednesday, October 30, 2019	3:30 PM	Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union, Theatre	Associated Students	52	42
Thursday, October 31, 2019	10:00 AM	Calpulli Center, 4th Floor Conference Rooms		1	1
Friday, November 1, 2019	10:00 AM	AMC A&B Classrooms		0	0
Friday, November 1, 2019	2:00 PM	Storm Hall 109	Elymash Yuuchaap	23	23
Monday, November 4, 2019	1:00 PM	Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union, Theatre	College of Sciences Student Council	8	7
Monday, November 4, 2019	3:00 PM	Cuicacalli Suites Seminar Room	SDSU Ambassadors	87	65
Monday, November 4, 2019	5:30 PM	Parma Payne Goodall Alumni Center	Student-Athlete Advisory Council	32	31
Tuesday, November 5, 2019	4:00 PM	Tula Community Center		7	7
Tuesday, November 5, 2019	7:00 PM	Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union, Park Blvd	International Security & Conflict Resolution Student Society	9	9
Wednesday, November 6, 2019	10:00 AM	Tula Community Center		7	4
Wednesday, November 6, 2019	12:00 PM	EOP Learning Support Center	EOP Student Advisory Board	38	34
Wednesday, November 6, 2019	3:00 PM	Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union, Metzli		0	0
Thursday, November 7, 2019	12:00 PM	Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union, Student Life & Leadership		19	19
Thursday, November 7, 2019	2:00 PM	Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union, Theatre	Associated Students: Your Voice Matters	75	72
Thursday, November 7, 2019	4:00 PM	Calpulli Center, 4th Floor Conference Rooms	SISSTER & FratMANers	101	88
Thursday, November 7, 2019	5:30 PM	Center for Intercultural Relations	Womxn's Outreach Association	23	18
Friday, November 8, 2019	3:00 PM	Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union, Visionary Suite	Chinese Student & Scholar Association	29	25
Tuesday, November 12, 2019	10:00 AM	Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union, Theatre	Business, Engineering & Health and Human Services College Councils	5	4
Tuesday, November 12, 2019	3:30 PM	Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union, Theatre	Associated Students: Your Voice Matters – CANCELLED	0	0
Wednesday, November 13, 2019	12:00 PM	Tula Community Center	Education Without Borders	12	9
Wednesday, November 13, 2019	3:00 PM	Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union, Pride Suite	Afrikan Student Union	58	43
Wednesday, November 13, 2019	4:30 PM	Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union, Pride Suite	The Black Student Science Organization	18	18
Wednesday, November 13, 2019	7:00 PM	Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union, State Suite	Alpha Pi Sigma Sorority	6	5
Thursday, November 14, 2019	1:00 PM	Calpulli Center, 4th Floor Conference Rooms	Active Minds	27	22
Thursday, November 14, 2019	4:00 PM	North Education Building, Room 60		33	31
Thursday, November 14, 2019	6:00 PM	Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union, Council Chambers	Graduate Student Association	9	6
Thursday, November 14, 2019	7:00 PM	Student Services West 1500	Aztecs for Education and Student California Teachers Association	20	17
Friday, November 15, 2019	11:00 AM	Conrad Prebys, Aztec Student Union, Theatre	Arts & Letters, Education & Undeclared College Councils	10	8
Friday, November 15, 2019	1:00 PM	Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union, Park Blvd	Andres Bonifacio Samahan	41	30
Friday, November 15, 2019	3:00 PM	Storm Hall West 011	Goodwin Scholars	21	18
Multiple	Multiple	Test Center	N/A	8	8
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FALL 2019 ALTERNATIVE CONSULTATION OPEN FORUM RESULTS SUMMARY

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

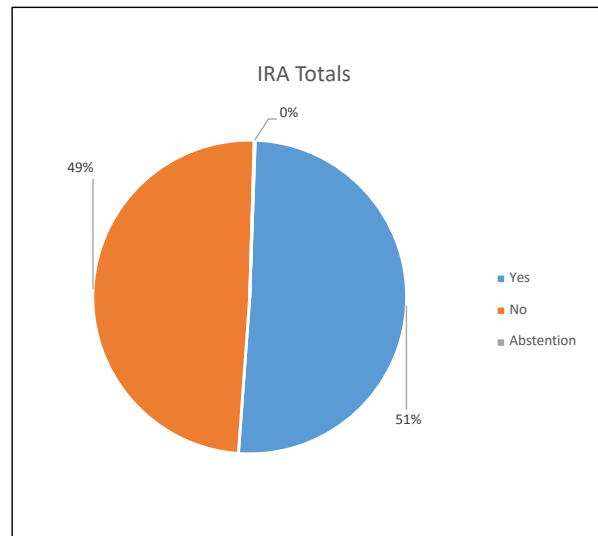
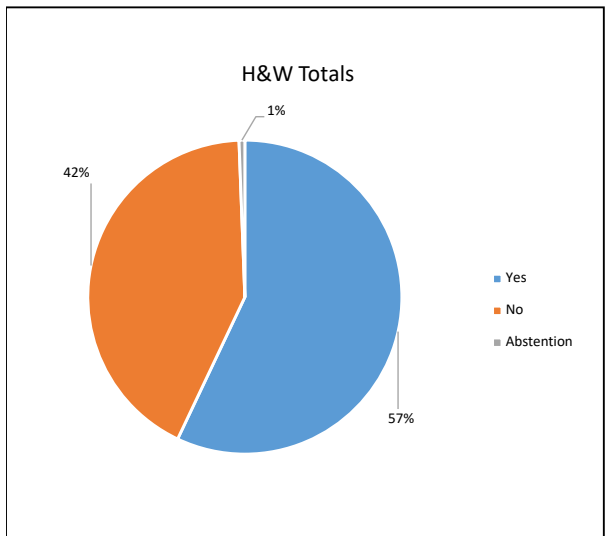
Total Enrolled Students (Fall 2019)	Total Student Attendees	Total Feedback Received	Response Rate	Total Enrolled Students Attended	Total Enrolled Student Feedback Received
34031	1158	1008	87.05%	3.40%	2.96%

H&W FEEDBACK SUMMARY

Yes or No	H&W Totals	Pct
Yes	575	57.0%
No	427	42.4%
Abstention	6	0.6%
Grand Total	1008	100.00%

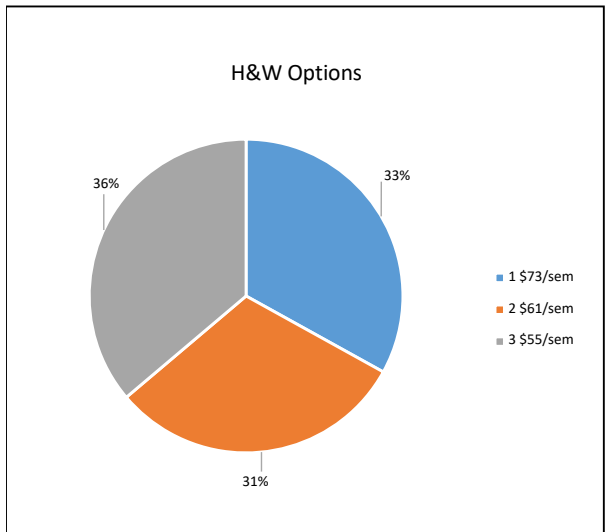
IRA FEEDBACK SUMMARY

Yes or No	IRA Totals	Pct
Yes	510	50.6%
No	497	49.3%
Abstention	1	0.1%
Grand Total	1008	100.00%



H&W OPTION SUMMARY

Option	H&W Totals	Pct
1 \$73/sem	190	33.04%
2 \$61/sem	177	30.78%
3 \$55/sem	208	36.17%
Grand Total	575	100.00%



FEEDBACK COMMENTS

<p>This just seems like the easy way out for the university. It makes us students lose faith in the true intentions of the university and its priorities. Why propose the ARC fee and Mission Valley last year before mental health? Why invest money in something that only makes the university look good, look new, look flashy. Mental health and well-being is objectively more important than expanding the ARC or building a new campus. It's shady and makes the university look dishonorable. The university - if it really cared - would shoulder the fee increases instead of pushing it off onto students. Student fees is a lazy, easy answer for the university to say they care when they truly are doing nothing additionally to help us students.</p>
<p>Mental health should be a school allocated program, not put on students; this puts a target on minority students' backs because students that don't use these centers might get upset about having to pay for minority centers, causing backlash</p>
<p>Why are we begging students C&PS? Why isn't proper funding already included in the budget? These students who can't afford to find a difference therapist off campus and rely C&PS won't be able to afford these increases either.</p>
<p>This is more important than building a new dorm. Allocate your money better!</p>
<p>Would be good to offer long term treatment rather than sending out to other places; Very expensive</p>
<p>Please go paperless next time! A Google form would be nice.</p>
<p>Fee increase will have more stressful consequences. Instead of increasing fees, the centers should focus on managing money appropriately; I feel like the counseling center has failed me and many of my friends and I don't think it's related to money and the amount of therapists.</p>
<p>Why do we need a new ARC??? Find the money somewhere within our fees.</p>
<p>Allocate your funds wisely (instead of ARC renovations and President's inauguration) and stop making higher education inaccessible *for students that are already underserved*</p>
<p>I agree/support the programs. But these are things that SDSU should already be providing, not billing students for. If their thought is "they don't have enough money," then readjust the budget that allowed the President to build an unnecessary garden and give herself a raise.</p>
<p>How can you expect students to fund \$5.5 million into a state school? Go ask the government; The resources are important and necessary, but stop asking students for more and more money every year. This is a state funded school, use your resources (aka government).</p>
<p>Cut executive salaries to help pay for some of this too.</p>
<p>The school should pay for it. Apply for Federal aid.</p>
<p>Such a fee increase serves the continued marginalization of such communities; Mental health is a structural issue, not an individual! School produces anxiety and stress, namely tuition! Offering more services is simply reactive, not proactive.</p>
<p>Holding an alternative consultation is very beneficial. In the future if referendums can be avoided, that would be best. I still am not happy with the ARC referendum passing. The difference of votes between allowing the ARC expansion passing were only a few hundred. If more alternative consultations were used to inform students, that would truly allow people's choices to be heard.</p>
<p>I want more funding for psychological services and resource centers, but I as well as most other students cannot afford this. We don't understand why this is coming out of our pocket. We see million dollar buildings being built and don't understand why the university prioritizes new buildings over new services. It makes the students resent the university and feel like they are getting ripped off.</p>
<p>Please do try online booking!</p>
<p>I am already a student that needs financial aid and still need more money to pay what I owe. I have also needed counseling before and to have heard that there is a waitlist is hard because I would like the counseling services but can't afford this expense.</p>
<p>I feel it would be beneficial to take a wider poll of SDSU students regarding this fee increase - the groups here are not representative of the whole.</p>
<p>Find funds elsewhere</p>
<p>Makes no sense to say these funds will help financially for other students into a fund. Why increase fees when this will be another financial stressor which will then lead to the need for counseling?</p>
<p>People come to this school and expect resources. It shouldn't be on our backs to pay when we don't have money. I can't afford to be here. Why should I pay more for resources that should already be at the school?</p>
<p>RIDICULOUS. DISGUSTING. LOWKEY... I'm dealing with so much already trying to graduate and EXIST. Now this? Nah</p>
<p>Email me when you all are ready to have a constructive dialogue about my future and education. Ask yourself. Why are we charging students for resources that we don't have? DO NOT HAVE!</p>
<p>I believe that 3% return to aid will not support all the students that will need aid.</p>
<p>With 83% of undergrads using financial aid, the 3% will not support the students that need help paying this fee. Students are under enough stress trying to pay for school, don't make it worse.</p>
<p>I believe these fees should be absolutely last resort and I think there are multiple avenues to take to tackle these funding shortfalls. Instead of creating a fee, each party asking for this funding along with the University should put together an ad hoc committee to discuss and explore all the possibilities before asking students to pay more for the services they deserve at the basic level when coming to SDSU. Students, faculty and staff have a lot of knowledge and connections and when banded together I believe another route for the funding could be found and pursued.</p>

FEEDBACK COMMENTS

<p>As a A.S. representative for SDSU, I would recommend no fee increase right now, for so many reasons that students are struggling to pay despite they have FAFSA, scholarships and work. Student debt is a concern for every person here are SDSU. Although, they are working students are facing a lot of hardships with their studies and every day financial status. I'm FAFSA dependent not working if the amount of money is added I feel more concerned how to focus on my studies. Student health and mental services fees are not supposed to be passed because all anxiety and stress coming up from the debt and financial concerns.</p>
<p>The fee increase would be very beneficial for students. However, I simply cannot afford any of the options. I do not get scholarships and financial aid opportunities as I am International. It is also disheartening to see the IRA fee went go toward the ISC which is in desperate needs for funds and international students need resources as they struggle with ... in comparison to domestic students. I feel really bad about my choice saying no to new fees but I can barely support myself now. Also in 2021 \$390 rec fees start too so that is over 600 of fees if this new to get through. However, I will support the choice of SDSU students because every single student opinion is important.</p>
<p>Revisit the Athletics fees within IRA first before you burden students with more fees. Add hiring more counselor/therapist for specific communities of color into this Health and Wellness fee, then market that. Communities of color deserve therapist/counselors from their respected communities.</p>
<p>92% of the current IRA fee is going to Athletics when not even half of the students play a sport, is ridiculous. This issue and how things are divided up really needs to be revisited. ASAP.</p>
<p>I would like to bring up how much of the current IRA fee goes toward Athletics and why we cant redirect some of those funds to resource centers.</p>
<p>As a former student Athlete, I understand the necessary measures and ideas concerning arts/liberties vs sports. However, I think 92% of a single fee meant to serve all students going to a very privileged and select group is ridiculous. I would very much like to discuss reallocations of what gets what, even with the fee increase I would support this.</p>
<p>These fees work on a model which puts a financial burden on students in order to ask them to succeed. The role of the university is to help students succeed not ask marginalized students every year to pay the university on top of their tuition to excel and help every other student identity excel.</p>
<p>Mental health is super important, having enough resources is vital.</p>
<p>These fees should be optional; If I can't use these why would I pay for it?</p>
<p>With this there needs to be greater outreach from CPS about their services so the new therapists will be receiving patients.</p>
<p>Maybe create centers one at a time</p>
<p>Incremental help rather than a huge jump in prices, i.e. eventually reach 1:1000 ratio.</p>
<p>Add resource centers systematically, i.e. one at a time with fees that are already available, rather than increase student fees to add three centers at one time.</p>
<p>Where would these resource centers be? Seems like a bias in the population selected.</p>
<p>Why is the ARC and Mission Valley being prioritized over student health?</p>
<p>How would creating all of these "resource centers" benefit student inclusion?</p>
<p>This is not a fair process and the timing is horrible. Full time students with jobs don't have time for this. This is a shady way to increase tuition; it all adds up when it's time to register for classes. Higher mandatory fees increase stress. As minority group member I am not interested in a minority center, so I don't want to pay for one.</p>
<p>While only being allowed to mark one option for the Student Health & Wellness fee, I would like to add that any of the fee increases would be appropriate. I marked the middle choice because I believe a middle-grade increase could help alleviate the financial struggle for students while also still positively impacting C&PS. However, I would also support the lowest fee increase and the highest. I think it would be inappropriate and detrimental to the students to not increase it at all. The current situation is unacceptable.</p>
<p>As a first generation college student born and raised well under the poverty line, that is eligible for and receives the Pell grant, I cannot understand the idea of raising mandatory fees at an already expensive university. Instructionally Related Activities should NOT have an increased mandatory fee, but should be donation based. This measure would directly and negatively impact the very students that the measure is trying to help. For many financially struggling students, \$40 of additional fees may not be feasible. Even after Pell grant and maxing out my personal loans, I have to come out of pocket for school costs. Causing additional financial strain on already struggling students is burdensome and unnecessary. On the presentation, the slide for 6 year graduation rates was misleading. The overall 6 year graduation rate is 75.3%, not 77%. 77.1% is the 6 year graduation rate for non-Pell students. The 3% set aside for financially struggling students seems woefully insufficient. 1 in 10 CSU students face housing insecurity. Many students at SDSU face food insecurity. Is this benefit going to be very obvious and easy to apply for? Will it be easily accessible, or will the fund be rarely tapped into due to students not being informed of its existence?</p>
<p>These services are extremely important and we can all recognize the need to have more funding, but I do not feel it is fair to ask students to pay.</p>
<p>Please look for other financial support if possible. Present need to university and show that these should be supported.</p>
<p>These are things all students at SDSU are entitled to. Yes this is going to create an additional "financial hardship" which wouldn't exist if the the school stopped making their students continuously pay for things we deserve. The school will find a way to pay for anything that creates revenue but because this isn't something that is going to bring money to the school, the school doesn't care.</p>

FEEDBACK COMMENTS

<p>As the number of students increases, the money the school receives does too. So where is this money going? Instead of making 3 new resource centers why not make one that will be open to all students? Also, not everyone uses these programs, so why is everyone required to pay? Not everyone has the money for these fees and there is no guarantee that they will get assistance from the school to pay for them.</p>
<p>I feel as a public institution, the funding for these programs and centers should come from the state as opposed to the pockets of students. It seems a bit counterproductive.</p>
<p>Since the whole presentation was about improving mental health and resources on campus then you are aware that adding more than a \$100 fee on each student is a lot. If the school can afford a \$86.2M expense buying the Mission Valley site and rebuilding the ARC then there should be funding for these things anyways. I'm going to graduate before I can use any of it, yet I will be paying the money which seems unfair.</p>
<p>So this feels like we are voting but in the end you will do what you want? Seems misleading to act like we can vote but it's "feedback"</p>
<p>How about an East Asian Center?</p>
<p>It is great that you all are looking to "help" and "serve" us with these resources, but why must I be paying for a resource that as a campus claim that is free for me? Look into other departments to reallocate funds rather than asking broke college students for more money that we do not have. Whoever is in charge of reaching out to donors either needs to be changed or work harder! There are ways to get donations for resource centers, mental health resources, etc. because I can promise you there are people who care more about the students as a whole than just making sure the state's prestige stays intact when it comes to sports and athletics. Do not ask us for money that we do not have. Thank you.</p>
<p>Sorry but paying for food and education is already expensive and students should not have to pay for resources that should already be appointed and available to us. Thank you.</p>
<p>Reallocate the money from other places! I can barely afford what I pay now. Sports and athletics don't need as much money as they're getting.</p>
<p>As a student at SDSU, I do not understand why my funds being paid to SDSU are going towards athletics rather than my well-being both culturally and academically. What if the fees collected do not cover/work for the well-being of students? Why aren't fees from students going towards diversity and cultural efficiency from SDSU? Students shouldn't need to pay SDSU to support its students! If fees are given to Counseling & Psychological Services, are our students truly going to be provided with the services to benefit the student body? SDSU students don't have more money to give the university -- we don't have the funds. Find it somewhere else. A forum has been open about athlete fees since 2009 -- why are these \$55M funds still sitting in the the sports department?</p>
<p>I do not support.</p>
<p>I am broke.</p>
<p>This university has too much money to be asking students for money for these fees. Do more investigation, look elsewhere, especially athletics, and help students. Y'all sound broke.</p>
<p>I do not understand how we are presenting statistics about student wellness and stressors but are asking students to come out of pocket, equating to more stress. Why are we not proposing for people who are able to pay to pay it?</p>
<p>My "no" vote on this tuition increase does not mean a "no" on expanding programs and funding for current and opening centers. My "no" is on the university, once again falling back onto students and expecting us to pay for spaces that the university has failed to allocate funding for in the first place. I voiced my opinion to Jessica Nare alongside my colleagues at the Black Resource Center that this forum should have been reconsidered before asking students to, again, go out of their way to fight for spaces that the university should have already provided as a resource. Thanks for another burden. And by the way, financial aid ain't helping me -- y'all already taking my grants!</p>
<p>As well as establishing these services, we need to make these services more well known (e.g. announced on Blackboard with information on what these resources provide). I am a graduating senior and have never been to the Women's Resource Center because I didn't know about until this year.</p>
<p>So we are paying fees plus fees for students who can't afford it? Demand for crisis intervention has increased due to a lot of traumatizing events happening on campus; minimize fraternity activities and minimize discrimination/hate crimes. Isn't there a state revenue surplus?</p>
<p>It is completely unreasonable to ask students to continuously increase their fees to support a university that does not have their best interest in mind. Without transparency and reallocation of funding, it is difficult to trust SDSU with more funding that I will struggle to provide.</p>
<p>No models showing prospective income and where each dollar will be going specifically.</p>
<p>Personally, I don't agree with this increase. I am a DACA student who gets limited financial aid and I need to pay out of pocket. As a Biology major I am required to buy all my textbooks (no renting) therefore, adding a new fee would increase my financial stress in paying for tuition.</p>
<p>As a student in the LGBTQIA community who has faced crises during undergrad, I don't know where I would be without these services on campus. My junior year I planned to drop out due to homelessness but Counseling & Psychological Services gave me the resources to stay.</p>

FEEDBACK COMMENTS

I don't know if anyone will actually read this but in the rare chance of it being taken under consideration...I have to work at my job a lot to be a student here. You say your goal is to have us graduate on time, but I don't see that to be true for my case at least. I'm going to have to work more days in order to pay for more fees which will result in the postponement of graduation. More days working result in more days and time I'd have to study and graduate. I already struggle to pay. Please don't have me pay more for something that does not apply to me and others.

I think we should have the option to vote to take funding out of sports and put into these programs.

This is an inequitable solution. Don't punish the underprivileged because it hurts them more.

Centers had 18,438 total visits, of that how many were grad students? 0... Moving forward how do these centers plan to include grads since we will be paying and already do pay these fees?

It's not that I don't want these organizations to gain funds. I would just like money to get disbursed more appropriately, instead of students spending more money we don't have.

This process and timeline feels really rushed, I think that there should have been more time or extend the forums for a couple of weeks to allow students to provide more input. I also think there needs to be more trust between the students and administration.

I think all students should get to vote. Less than 5% are making this decision. I don't think this is fair for international students who are not eligible for financial aid and already pay by unit. We would be paying and financing for others, when it's already hard to be in the U.S. without an income, scholarships, and the public aid available for residents and citizens.

I don't believe enough focus was put on diversifying funding sources. The person working on getting funding from alumni needs more support to do better. A.S. hasn't been involved, potentially fund from them. Get a commitment from the President to fund centers, there is money. Maybe stop admitting more people or creating more courses. We need to take care of the students we have. We are already going to be paying close to \$1,100/semester! Not that affordable CSU :(

EMAIL COMMENTS

I feel you have missed the mark here. Most students have private insurance through their parents. In CA the limit for dependency on parents insurance plans is 25 years old. Start a marketing campaign for kids to access their parents behavioral health plan. if they have no insurance, then you provide it for them.

Please do not pass on this liability to the students who are already over burdened with your fees.

Please decrease the annual salaries of your presidents and vice chancellors to offset your costs.. You consistently push the burden of your mismanagement of funds to the students and their parents. You are the reason why college costs 100k per student. You are the reason high schools are creating pathways to circumvent college.

You are the reason students live with college debt for decades. Yet you still do the same thing. That is the definition of insanity.

In closing, If I ran my real estate business like you ran your college, I would be bankrupt.

There is no need to reply. I know you will do nothing. You don't have the creativity to even begin to put a plan in motion to solve this issue.

I am against the price increase, some students are struggling to even pay the current price, the increase would put students in an unstable financial situation.

Stop charging more money for things like this. Kids can't pay for school already. How about make things cheaper.

Hello, my main concern is that I and many our students don't use these resources, whether it's due to time that students can't go even if there was more spaces available, many students have to work. Also those students who have no relation/ connection or use for these resources, seems like we are paying for others to use something many won't for whatever reason or have these resources fulfilled outside of school. Personally I work when ever I'm not in school and don't have time in between classes, but also I have the privilege that my work pays for counseling if need be.

How can we protest or oppose the proposed fee increases? They are monetarily significant, and would do more harm than good.

Hello President De La Torre,

I wanted to update you on my experience voting on the proposed fee increases (Student Health and Wellness Fee and Instructionally Related Activities Fee). I submitted a form opposing the fee increases by physically going into the testing center according to the instructions on sdsu.edu/alternativeconsult. I had to physically go to the SDSU testing center and watch a very biased 25 minute video before the staff let me turn in the form there. The video was very one sided and biased in favor of the fee increase. Also before I even watched the video the staff gave me a form to read that said the final decision was up to you and had the same information that was on the website. They did not let me use my own headphones even to watch the video. I asked one of the staff if I could use my own headphones. He told me to wait and asked his manager. His manager then probably asked the boss of the department because she was gone for awhile. In the end, they said no, that I could not use my own headphones to watch the video. I relented and used the testing centers uncomfortable over the ear headphones that squeezed my head. My vote is cast opposing the fee increase. You don't have to respond if you don't want to, I just wanted to let you know how biased, improper, and difficult my experience was just trying to submit my opinion regarding the proposed fee increases.