# Incidental Fee Committee Minutes

Meeting #10 February 18, 2016 5:30pm Pacific Room, Werner University Center

#### 1. Call to Order

The meeting is called to order at 5:37pm by Tom Peterson, IFC Chair.

#### 2. Roll Call

**IFC Members:** Justin Ross, Shannon Haas, Robin Perkins, Tom Peterson, Jacob Marsh, Carter Craig, Trey Shimabukuro and Caleb Tingstad.

**Advisors:** Darin Silbernagel, Director of Business Services; and Gary Dukes, Vice President for Student Affairs.

**Area Heads:** Keller Coker, Creative Arts; Patrick Moser, WUC/SLA/SAB; Rip Horsey, Campus Recreation; and Ingrid Amerson, Childcare; Debbie Diehm, WOLF Ride.

Other Representatives: Stefanie Price, Creative Arts; and See attached list.

IFC Secretary: Adela Aguilar

**Not Present:** Lexie Widmer, IFC Member; Eric Yahnke, Vice President Finance & Administration; Mary Ellen Dello Stritto, Abby's House; Sofia LeVernois, ASWOU; Barb Dearing, Athletics; Malissa Larson, Access; Adry Clark, Service Learning & Career Development; and Rhys Finch, Student Media.

#### 3. Approval of Minutes

#### a. February 15, 2016

Shannon Haas moves to table the minutes for February 15, 2016 until the next meeting. Robin Perkins seconds. The motion passes 7-0-0.

# 4. Approval of the Agenda

Justin Ross moves to approve the agenda. Shannon Haas seconds. The motion passes 7-0-0.

#### 5. Old Business

#### a. February 8, 2016

Carter Craig moves to approve the minutes for February 8, 2016. Justin Ross seconds. The motion passes 7-0-0.

#### 6. New Business

# a. Open Hearing

Justin Ross goes over the Committee's preliminary decision. He adds that individuals will be given 2 minutes and groups will be given 4 minutes to speak.

There were 62 sign in. Below is the breakdown;

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Abby's House = 4; 2 speakers
ASWOU = 18; 3 speakers
       International Club = 2
      Oregon Student Association = 3
       Multicultural Student Union = 5
      Rugby = 2
      Model United Nations = 1
      Communication's Club = 3; 1 of which also noted Dance
      M.E.Ch.A = 2
Athletics = 15; 1 speaker
      Rugby = 5
      Football = 2
      Soccer = 5
      Blank = 3
Campus Recreation = 5; 1 speaker
      Rugby = 5
Creative Arts = 16; 5 speakers
      Dance = 9; 1 of which also noted Childcare
      Theatre = 1
      Music = 3
      Blank = 3
Werner University Center = 1
BLANK = 3
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#### **Breakout Sessions**

Minutes provided are attached.

# 7. Announcements

# a. Open Hearing Monday

Tom Peterson reminds the Committee that the next Open Hearing is the following Monday.

Tom Peterson tells the Committee that he will be presenting to the ASWOU Senate on Wednesday at 6:00pm. Caleb Tingstad, Tom Peterson, Carter Craig, and Justin Ross agree to attend. Trey Shimabukuro notes that he may be available.

# 8. Adjournment

Caleb Tingstad moves to adjourn. Robin Perkins seconds. The motion passes 7-0-0 and the meeting adjourns at 6:55pm.

**Breakout Session** 

Open Hearing #1 - 02/18/2016

IFC Reps: Carter & Caleb

#### 1. How do you feel about the fee overall?

The fee is currently \$322 per term. Do you think that it is affordable and covers the activities you would like it to cover?

- They felt good about it because it goes towards good things
- It is steep but still understandable and acceptable, appreciative that it is lower than it could have been.

# 2. What do you feel the strongest about in the budgets? (Positive or Negative)

Is there a cut or enhancement that you like/dislike? Is there something that was left the same that you think should be changed?

- MSU is putting on a lot of events but getting less and less money; limited and constrained in what they can do.
  - Aprreciates that the needs of creative arts are met; really values guest performers.
  - MUN is glad there we rent more cuts since their budget is so travel focused.

# 3. Do you think you benefit enough from the services provided by the fee? How?

The fee covers 13 departments on campus. Do you feel you benefit from the services provided with the fee? How?

- Benefits through funding of Concerts, on-campus programs, and Club funding.

# 4. What do you think could be improved in the budget? What do you disagree with?

- Most of the funding benefits students on-campus or heavily involved.

IFC Reps: Robin & Trey

#### 1. How do you feel about the fee overall?

The fee is currently \$322 per term. Do you think that it is affordable and covers the activities you would like it to cover?

Tuition is already high, but this fee is reasonable since it isn't funding the administration, but rather actual student activities.

One individual was okay with the fee, because it helps people get involved and invest in their future

The fee is what it is, it funds programs that students otherwise wouldn't be able to do. It's like investing in the university.

One individual was upset that Abby's house had its budget cut.

One person said they were passionate about the topic of high tuition, but that the fee is different in that it has a great benefit. A small increase is important to continue to fund the all the activities that potential students see. Continuing to downsize budgets will not help the enrollment situation. Some of these areas are the most visible programs that people see.

# 2. What do you feel the strongest about in the budgets? (Positive or Negative)

Is there a cut or enhancement that you like/dislike? Is there something that was left the same that you think should be changed?

Diminishing the Abby's house budget is a bad idea, because it is a resource on campus for a lot of important reasons, including Title IX. Also, we've had bad press recently in regards to sexual violence.

The fee helps fund groups that come visit campus for the music department, and other programs for the music department which help students develop their musician careers.

One person said they were feeling positive about the fee since 2% is better than a bigger cut. They also disagreed w/ cutting Abby's house, because it is an important resource for women that provides them with support networks.

One person advocated for fully funding ASWOU since it and the organizations under its umbrella are student run organizations. ASWOU connects with other schools.

# 3. Do you think you benefit enough from the services provided by the fee? How?

The fee covers 13 departments on campus. Do you feel you benefit from the services provided with the fee? How?

The fee helps students play sports, and helps fund the food pantry, which keeps people fed. Taking away from the budget would affect the lives of students.

Campus has a lot of resources to create the best experience, and men's rugby needs the IFC support.

SLCD also offers service trips which are a great experience. And, MSU offers many opportunities. It opens doors for students, It helps them speak out, try new things and it helps with retention.

Clubs and organizations help students build their resume, and cutting back the budget will hurt that.

# 4. What do you think could be improved in the budget? What do you disagree with?

Didn't yield any responses, since the question is very similar to the previous questions.

**Breakout Session Survey** 

Open-Hearing #1 - 02/18/2016

IFC Reps: Tom and Shannon

1. How do you feel about the fee overall?

What is being covered is good for the increase in the fee.

Currently support the preliminary decision.

Just don't cut any more.

2. What do you feel the strongest about in the budgets? (Positive or Negative)

No response given.

3. Do you think you benefit enough from the services provided by the fee? How?

Yes.

Students are not aware of where IFC dollars go

Cutting groups make it harder for them to promote, which makes it harder to have high student attendance, which makes it more likely for them to get cut the following year.

4. What do you think could be improved in the budget? What do you disagree with?

Good enough as long as the budget doesn't get cut anymore.

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