

Incidental Fee Committee
Minutes

Meeting #8
February 8, 2016 6:00pm
Columbia Room, Werner University Center

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting is called to order at 6:06pm by Tom Peterson, IFC Chair.

2. **Roll Call**

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

Advisors: Darin Silbernagel, Director of Business Services; Gary Dukes, Vice President for Student Affairs; and Eric Yahnke, Vice President Finance & Administration.

Area Heads: Malissa Larson, Access; Keller Coker, Creative Arts; Debbie Diehm, Wolf Ride; Patrick Moser, WUC/SLA/SAB; Adry Clark, Service Learning & Career Development; Rip Horsey, Campus Recreation; Sofia LeVernois, ASWOU; Barb Dearing, Athletics; Rhys Finch, Student Media; and Ingrid Amerson, Childcare.

Other Representatives: Andrea Hugmeyer, Abby's House; Brandon Neish, Budget Office; Glen Harris, Athletics; Stefanie Price, Creative Arts; Jenesa Ross, Student; Jessica Freeman, ASWOU Senate; Corbin Garner, ASWOU President; Joseph Shin, Byte Club; Tyler Somers, Student; Jena Liebscher, Model United Nations; Thelma Hale, Black Student Union; and Randi Lydum, Athletics.

IFC Secretary: Adela Aguilar

Not Present: Mary Ellen Dello Stritto, Abby's House.

3. **Approval of Minutes**

a. **February 3, 2016**

Shannon Haas moves to approve the minutes from February 3, 2016. Justin Ross seconds. The motion passes 7-0-0.

4. **Approval of the Agenda**

Shannon Haas moves to approve the agenda. Jacob Marsh seconds. The motion passes 7-0-0.

5. **Old Business**

a. **Reminders (checklist, plan, clip boarding, advertisement...)**

Tom Peterson, IFC Chair, reminds the Committee of the importance of having adequate discussion and giving justification going into preliminary decisions. He

also notes that Committee members need to get clip-boarding started with the Senate.

Justin Ross informs the Committee that he has drafted a survey to assist with clip boarding. He also suggests sending out an e-mail to get Committee member availability for tabling.

The Committee is unsure as to how to approach the budgets. Caleb Tingstad asks the Advisors for their input. Gary Dukes explains that it is up to the Committee to decide what they want to look at first. He adds that in past years there has been a lot of time spent trying to decide how to start. They can always make adjustments later.

Justin Ross suggests starting with summer budgets and then proceeding to the enhancements or base budgets. Lexie Widmer would rather dig into the main budgets because it feels like the most important piece and doesn't feel like the summer budgets should be used as practice. Jacob Marsh agrees with Justin and wants to start with smaller budgets. Caleb Tingstad also agrees and thinks that starting with smaller budgets will help them prepare for the larger budgets. Gary Dukes notes that one thing that has been successful in the past is for Committee members to present their proposals. It gets the ball going in regards to the discussion component.

Carter Craig has a proposal he is willing to start with. Tom Peterson reminds everyone to use their microphones.

Tom Peterson encourages Committee members to get their availability for tabling submitted as soon as possible.

There is a question in regards to whether Senators and IFC members have to table at the same time. Jenesa Ross notes that they need to table during the same two weeks but not necessarily at the same time. Justin Ross agrees that last year's Senate seemed to be fine with that. He adds that there needs to be clear communication as to the feedback that is collected.

Brandon Neish puts up the survey for the Committee to review. The questions are listed below:

The Incidental Fee goes towards the funding (whether full or partial) of 13 different areas: Athletics, Abby's House, Service Learning & Career Development (SLCD), WOLF Ride, Creative Arts, Associated Students of Western Oregon University (ASWOU), Student Media, Werner University Center, Student Leadership & Activities, Student Activities Board, Health & Wellness Center, Access, and Childcare. This funding comes fully from students

and is decided solely by students (the Incidental Fee Committee). Below are some questions which will assist the Committee with this year's decision.

1. As a student, what is your number one concern while attending WOU?
2. Why did you choose WOU?
3. What are the top three activities you have attended/plan to attend?
4. Beyond your education, what is the most importance service WOU provides for you?
5. If you could change anything about WOU, what would it be? (Use the back if necessary)
6. With the current preliminary decision the incidental fee would be \$0.00 per student per term (\$0.00 for an academic year)
 - a. Do you see this amount as acceptable?
 - b. Do you feel cost & programs associated with the IFC funded areas is an important factor to new and/or existing students?

Shannon Haas notes that she could easily see a student answering the questions in a non-IFC fashion and wonders if they are supposed to steer the conversation in an IFC route. Justin Ross responds that the questions are meant to be broad. Many students go to events without really knowing who puts it on. He understands that they may need to weed out non-IFC answers but believes it is important to keep the questions broad.

Patrick Moser suggests using OrgSync in order to reach out to even more students and notes that OrgSync would make it easier to tabulate the information. Malissa Larson adds that using OrgSync would make the survey more accessible. Corbin agrees with what has been stated and adds that it is also possible to generate QR codes. Tom Peterson asks how they can move forward with OrgSync. Corbin Garner responds that ASWOU can assist with that since they have access to the entire student body.

Justin Ross informs the Committee that he will send out a whenisgood for them to provide their tabling availability.

6. **New Business**

a. **Black Student Union (BSU) – Budget Change Request**

Thelma Hale, explains that the Black Student Union had previously budgeted funds for a Black Excellence Showcase speaker but have decided against the event. The club has paired up with several offices around campus to put on different Black History events. They would like to reallocate the speaker funds towards food for the different events. Thelma adds that BSU had had trouble with spending their funds in the past but are doing their best to fully utilize the allocated funds.

Justin Ross notes that he thought there was a threshold of funds that could be moved. Tom Peterson informs the Committee that the BSU request is in response to Budget Note 13; Food & Clothing Policy.

Justin Ross notes that he would be ok with the reallocation of the funds as food typically attracts students. Jacob Marsh is ok with the reallocation as he feels it promotes a good cause. Caleb Tingstad agrees with what has been stated. Carter Craig also agrees and would like to be flexible. Robin Perkins notes that he does not see the funds going elsewhere and is in agreement with the Committee. Lexie Widmer considers it a swell idea.

Caleb Tingstad moves to approve the BSU budget request. Jacob Marsh seconds. No discussion. The motion passes 8-0-0.

b. Western Oregon University Psychology Student Association (WOUPSA) – T-Shirt/Sweatshirt Request

Tom Peterson notes that a WOUPSA representative was unable to attend the meeting but they provided the following e-mail:

Tom Peterson,

Unfortunately, our executive board members have class or work on Monday at 6, so we're unable to attend the meeting. We did, however, write up a brief explanation for the committee:

"The WOU Psychology Students Association executive board is requesting a transfer of funds for WOUPSA shirts for each of the executive members. The purpose of these shirts is to advertise and promote WOUPSA to fellow students as well as the community. These shirts would be an easy way to spread the word about what WOUPSA is, and would be a conversation starter. Additionally, it is a way for the executive board to showcase the hard work they have done for the club. There are five exec members of WOUPSA who are requesting IFC funding to cover their apparel, T-shirts are \$19, and would show what seat the member holds (Treasurer), additionally Hooded sweatshirts would be \$30. We are requesting that WOUPSA travel funds be allocated to go towards these items (\$95 for a shirt for each exec, \$150 for a sweatshirt for each exec, or \$245 for each)"

Thank you,

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Carter Craig asks why they have travel funds available. Tom Peterson notes that he is unable to answer questions as he does not have prior knowledge of the club.

Trey Shimabukuro suggests tabling the discussion until a WOUPSA representative is available. Corbin Garner notes that the club has travel funds because they typically send students to an annual Psychology Conference he believes takes place in Las Vegas. Shannon Haas is concerned about tabling the item because if a representative was unable to make it to their regularly scheduled meeting they may not be able to make it to another Monday evening meeting. Justin Ross suggests writing down questions for WOUPSA. Robin Perkins adds that WOUPSA allocation is \$2,115. Lexie Widmer does not think they should table the item as she does not see how buying shirts for the executive members is a good use of the fee. Jacob Marsh would like to table it because he feels that the club definitely has reasoning.

Shannon Haas suggests discussing the request and writing down their questions in order to gather further information to aid the Committee in making an accurate decision. Caleb Tingstad agrees.

Caleb Tingstad moves to table the request until the next meeting. Committee members begin to discuss. Jenesa Ross calls a point of information and alerts the Committee that there cannot be discussion once there is a motion on the table until there has been a second or the motion dies. Caleb Tingstad withdraws his motion.

Jacob Marsh would like to know why WOUPSA wants to move travel funds, are there circumstances preventing the travel. Shannon Haas notes that it does not appear they spent their travel funds in FY15 and did not spend even half in FY14, would like an explanation.

Gary Dukes notes that something to consider is that last year's IFC was rather against apparel. He also suggests asking why they need both a shirt and a sweater. Shannon Haas agrees and would like to ask WOUPSA why they feel like they can't pitch in so that the fee is not covering the entire purchase.

Caleb Tingstad moves to table the request until the next meeting. Carter Craig seconds. The motion passes 8-0-0.

c. **Byte Club – Travel Budget**

Joseph Shin, Byte Club President, explains that the previous club president was allocated \$1,200 for an overnight trip to Washington. However, the contact in that situation did not work out and this year the club would like to take two one-day trips instead; will stay within the budgeted amount. The club is looking to travel to Intel and Semantics to give students the opportunity to network with potential employers.

Gary Dukes notes that the travel funds previously allocated were in the form of an enhancement which are required to go towards what the request was. He also asks how many students will be attending and what expenses will be associated with the trips. Joseph Shin responds that they are anticipating 25 students and will only have the charter bus expenses. Gary Dukes also notes that the previous IFC did not allocate the club's full request, things to think about.

Justin Ross notes that the club was funded for the first time last year and that their request had some per diem issues which may account for not being allocated their full request.

Tom Peterson asks advisors if the club is even allowed to go somewhere other than Washington since that was their initial request. Gary Dukes responds that it is up to the Committee to decide that.

Joseph Sin reiterates that the funds will still be used for travel but with different destinations.

Lexie Widmer notes there are 25 seats reserved and asks if that is the number of committed students or available seats. Joseph Shin responds it is the number of seats available on the bus. Jacob Marsh asks how many students they are wanting to take. Joseph Shin responds that they are hoping to fill the bus. Jacob Marsh notes that the two anticipated trips will take up most of their funds and questions what the club will do if other expenses come up or if the charter bus ends up being more than quoted. Joseph Shin responds that they will cover necessary expenses via their Foundation account or personal funds.

Robin Perkins asks for participation numbers. Joseph Shin responds that the general Computer Science department makes up their membership.

Trey Shimabukuro notes that if they follow through with their trips and don't go over their allotment he doesn't see an issue.

Jacob Marsh notes that the funds were previously approved and there is only a destination change so he is ok with it.

Shannon Haas asks whether the intent for the travel is the same as before. Joseph Shin responds that it is.

Justin Ross agrees with the Committee and feels like the intent remains the same despite the changes. He notes that their travel allocation does not include the 7.4% administrative overhead. Joseph Shin reassures the Committee that the club will take care of any overages.

Lexie Widmer notes that travel can be a lengthy process and asks to be walked through the process. Joseph Shin notes they have been in contact with Intel and have set up February 25, 2016 to tour the facility. They are also in contact with someone at Semantics and are awaiting confirmation on a date to tour their facility.

Carter Craig notes that if they are unable to go on the one trip then it would be wise to allow for the destination change to avoid taking away their ability to network and learn.

Shannon Haas moves to approve the Byte Club's travel request to Intel and Semantics. Jacob Marsh seconds.

Discussion

Shannon Haas thinks it's a fantastic idea.

Robin Perkins asks if restrictions should be added since they are splitting the funding. Jacob Marsh feels it would be unnecessary to do so since they will need to use their funds on two trips. Justin Ross adds that the motion on the table already stipulates there are two trips.

Tom Peterson asks for clarification in regards to the destinations and associated costs. Joseph Shin responds that they intend to travel to Intel in Hillsboro and Semantics in Eugene. The charter bus costs for both trips will be in the \$600 range.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

d. Preliminary Decision

Tom Peterson calls for a 5 minute recess at 7:02pm to reconvene at 7:07pm.

The meeting is called back to order at 7:07pm by Tom Peterson, IFC Chair.

As the attendees continue to chatter, Patrick Moser calls a point of order to remind everyone the meeting has started.

Caleb Tingstad suggest those with proposals send them to Brandon in order to compare them and get started.

Jessica Freeman clarifies the Senate's expectation for discussion. She notes that it is unnecessary for everyone to speak before a motion is made but would appreciate everyone's voice on record once there is a motion on the table. She reminds the Committee that it is ok to disagree with each other going through the budgets. Trey Shimabukuro asks if stating that one agrees is sufficient or if everyone must have a unique thought. Jessica Freeman responds that that is up to each member to decide. She encourages them to share whatever thoughts they may have but also adds that they should not feel the need to make something up.

Brandon Neish goes over the preliminary decision spreadsheet the Committee will be working on. Funding all current service level requests would mean an \$18 increase to the fee. Funding all enhancements would be an additional \$14 increase to the fee. A -5% package would create no change to the fee (unless there were enhancements on top of that) while a -10% package would decrease the fee by

\$17. He also notes that he made a quick adjustment to the spreadsheet. While the total funding remained the same he needed to move the dance team funds from Athletics to Campus Recreation.

Gary Dukes also notes that the \$11,000 enhancement for Access should be moved under the base request since the Committee must fund it.

Sofia LeVernois notes that ASWOU is pulling the Triangle Alliance enhancement request due to the incorrect formatting. The request did not specify what their funds go through.

Brandon Neish makes the adjustments to Access which increases the request. Malissa Larson notes that the negative cut packages will also need to be adjusted as she can only offer up WAAM funding.

Once all the adjustments have been made Carter Craig, Caleb Tingstad, and Justin Ross present their proposals.

Shannon Haas notes that she likes the numbers she's seeing. She thinks that an \$18 increase is too high. She thought about it over the weekend and considered how high she was willing to go and concluded that a \$14 increase might be the max. Looking at Caleb's proposal she likes that Abby's House did not receive a cut since they are at minimum operational costs already.

Trey Shimabukuro reminds the Committee that the process is not a competition amongst the programs but rather the student environment at the University. He adds that the dollar amount and enrollment numbers are what they are. Lexie Widmer thinks that the dollar amount is important since that is what they are asking students to pay each term. Jacob Marsh notes that when speaking of student environment he wants to make sure they're providing the service level individual programs are using to get students here. He adds that slashing budgets means offering less.

Jenesa Ross notes that as a student she would question whether the programs are working if enrollment numbers are down.

Shannon Haas asks Carter Craig and Caleb Tingstad why ASWOU shows a 5% cut in their proposals. Carter Craig responds that he chose a standard 5% cut template while making a few adjustments to certain areas. Caleb Tingstad notes that he approached his proposal in a similar fashion to Carter. Shannon Haas notes that her only concern is that ASWOU is, theoretically, a group that affects a diverse population in terms of clubs and puts funds directly into student hands.

Jacob Marsh notes that, so far, he likes Justin's proposal the most. He feels that it would keep services up while making some accommodations. Lexie Widmer appreciates Carter's proposal. An almost across the board 5% cut may seem harsh but seems fair in term of across the board cuts.

Justin Ross notes that his intention is to minimize the fee and work from there. On one hand it's fair to do cuts across the board but looking at the Werner University Center and the Health & Wellness Center are buildings and they don't have much flexibility. He appreciated that ASWOU presented a self-cut which is why he did not cut them further. While Creative Arts did not show a cut they did not ask for expected increased.

Tom Peterson notes that justifying a 5% cut by stating that one started budgeting that way may be insufficient.

Carter Craig notes that his proposal is more nuanced than just a 5% cut. Both Childcare and the Computer Reserve are fully funded. He adds that all the budgets have one thing in common, they are asking students to pay more for less services. Jacob Marsh notes that the cutting budgets further encourages the notion of paying more for less services. Lexie Widmer notes that every department is aware of the potential impacts and are doing their best to manage their budgets. She adds that she does not think it is fair to tell one area that they make a bigger impact and they need to be ready to justify their decisions.

Justin Ross asks to see the total fee for each proposal because he feels that a \$4 increase is often just seen as the cost of a cup of coffee. Tom Peterson asks the Committee to keep in mind that there are students that cannot afford an increase in the fee. He reminds them that there is a food pantry on campus and it is used quite a bit; \$4 could make a difference in a meal for someone.

Justin Ross asks if each dollar generates \$12,000. Brandon Neish explains that there is some rounding that takes place in order to get everything situated. Justin Ross proposes that the Committee go through base budgets before looking at enhancements. He would only give consideration to the Acapella enhancement for travel.

Abby's House – \$6,732

Robin Perkins is currently satisfied with a 5% cut to Abby's House. He realizes that it will affect student hours but thinks they will be ok. He's open to hearing other opinions.

Shannon Haas asks if the center will be able to remain open if student hours are reduced. Andrea Hugmeyer, Assistant Director, responds that a lot of their center hours are staffed through volunteers and advocates. The cut would impact at least one employee; they hire 3-4 depending on their federal work-study. The paid

employees are the leaders in the office and are well connected. When the center relies too heavily on volunteer hours there are hours where students are unable to show up. When discussing direct student impact, a cut to Abby's House would directly impact a students' paycheck.

Justin Ross notes that the budget presentation said there were 14 trained advocates. Andrea Hugmeyer clarifies that that number includes 3 student workers and the remainder are volunteers.

Lexie Widmer agrees with a 5% cut.

Caleb Tingstad feels like there is a general consensus for a 5% decrease. He didn't have a strong opinion for fully funding and would be ok with a 5% decrease.

Shannon Haas does not agree with a 5%. She believes Abby's House is a super important resource she has used and is already at a minimum budget. Would be ok with a cut but not necessarily a 5%.

Trey Shimabukuro notes that the budget presentations stated there were 440 visitors and asks if they were unique visitors. Andrea Hugmeyer responds that they are not necessarily unique visitors. The volunteers keep track of how many people visit the center and the services needed.

Trey Shimabukuro agrees with Shannon, he has friends who have used the services offered at Abby's House and would not be in support of a 5% decrease. Justin Ross initially gave a 5% decrease but realizes that as a straight white male he belongs to the group least likely to use the center and understand the impact of the services. If the same person utilized the center multiple times then that person obviously needed the services. It is important to make sure it is available. He gave a 5% decrease in his proposal because it didn't seem like a huge portion but is not super committed to that and would consider a smaller decrease.

Jacob Marsh notes that Abby's House is a service he would fund even it is not fully utilized. If a student cannot afford an extra \$4 he questions how they will afford a couple hundred for counseling.

Andrea Hugmeyer adds that hers and Mary Ellen's positions are grant funded and do not comprise a full-time equivalency.

Robin Perkins agrees with Justin, Shannon and Jacob. He asks if the Committee would be ok with a 2% decrease.

Jenesa Ross notes that she is hearing the word counseling being thrown out there and wants to be clear that advocates do not provide counseling in the center; they provide referrals. Andrea Hugmeyer notes that Jenesa is correct. She and Mary Ellen are confidential advocates but are not certified counselors.

Justin Ross moves to fund Abby's House at \$6,597.36 which is a 2% cut.

Robin Perkins asks whether the amount should be rounded.

Shannon Haas seconds. Brandon Neish responds they always try to round.

Justin Ross asks Jessica Freeman, ASWOU Senate President, if the Committee is allowed to straw poll. Jessica responds that they could but it was not something she, personally, would allow in Senate. Justin Ross notes that he asked because it seemed to be a point of contention last year.

Justin Ross withdraws his motion.

Patrick Moser notes that it would depend what the Committee was going to straw poll. He would deem it appropriate if they were going to straw poll for a number to then officially vote on.

Justin Ross moves to Fund Abby's House at \$5,598. Robin Perkins seconds. Discussion: Jacob Marsh and Shannon Haas can compromise on a 2% decrease. Trey Shimabukuro and Caleb Tingstad agree.

Jenesa Ross notes that while the decrease is just a bit more than \$100 it is still a percentage of someone's budget. Personally, she would feel attacked if that was said about her budget. It would be like saying that her 2% was less impactful than a different budget.

Carter Craig notes that he was fine with a 5% and is still convinced they could have operated with 95% of their budget. However, he understands that some of his colleagues would feel better allocating 98% of their budget. Justin Ross reiterates that he started with a 5% decrease because it was a starting point but values the services provided by the center.

Brandon Neish notes that based off of minimum wage it would be approximately a 22 hour difference over a year; the difference between a 2% and 5%. Robin Perkins asks how many hours are being cut with a 2% decrease. Brandon Neish responds that it would be approximately 15 hours over an academic year. Justin Ross points out that it would be about a 37 hour decrease if a 5% decrease were to occur.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Access – \$24,744

Justin Ross thinks Carter's approach is sound and would be ok with a cut.

Corbin Garner notes that the WAAM events are the only ones that advocate or campaign for accessibility issues.

Caleb Tingstad asks the Committee how they feel about a 2% cut to Access.

Carter Craig notes that they might as well do a 2% cut across the board since every area is important. He adds that WAAM is composed of many small events

that involve little to no funding and the majority of the funds go towards one big event. These are not the only WAAM funds.

Malissa Larson agrees. While she loves what Corbin added to the discussion she asks the Committee not to spend 30 minutes on a 150 decrease. She jokingly offers to write a check for the difference.

Brandon Neish puts up an across the board 2% cut for the Committee to reference.

Justin Ross notes that given Malissa's input he could be ok with a 5% cut.

Justin Ross moves to give access a 5% cut. Caleb Tingstad seconds.

It is clarified that the 5% decrease is only applicable to the WAAM funds as the remainder of the budget is federally mandated.

Discussion

Robin Perkins appreciates both Malissa's and Corbin's input.

Jacob Marsh notes that Malissa didn't seem too broken up about a 5% cut.

Tom Peterson informs the Committee that the justification should not be based on an area head's feelings.

Robin Perkins retracts his previous statement and notes that a 5% decrease is a good idea because they will still be able to provide their programming.

Trey Shimbukuro agrees that a 5% decrease is justified because the department will be able to make it work.

Lexie Widmer notes that the Committee is going down a dangerous pitfall by using wording that could later be used as an inappropriate justification. Would personally have been ok with fully funding but can get behind a 5% decrease Shannon Haas was originally for fully funding but since the department will still be able to put on WAAM she is ok with a 5% decrease.

Justin Ross initiated the motion and therefore agrees.

Carter Craig initially proposed a 5% decrease and therefore agrees with the motion. He thinks they will be able to make things work despite the decrease.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

ASWOU – 290,699

Justin Ross asks if he should abstain from voting since his wife is employed by ASWOU. Darin Silbernagel notes that he should be fine since they are voting on the budget as a whole as opposed to the personnel expenses.

Shannon Haas feels like it is a very student oriented budget and appreciated that they pre-cut themselves 2%.

Justin Ross also appreciated the pre-cut. He also notes that a lot of the budget goes towards clubs and their activities which is an important aspect. Something to be said for students planning and executing events/travel. He feels that the 2% cut

was reasonable. He adds that last week Portland State University was in the process of leaving the Oregon Student Association (OSA) and asks if that in increase dues for WOU and how ASWOU intends to compensate.

Corbin Garner notes that two budgets (one with OSA and one without OSA) have been presented to the President so it could go either way. However, ASWOU has been told WOU will not be impacted negatively. If they were, ASWOU would do their best to compensate but may need to request reserve funds from the Committee in the future. Unsure as to what will happen at this point.

Shannon Haas asks if the OrgSync programmer position needs to be approved. Tom Peterson notes that he did not receive a request from ASWOU to make it an agenda item but it can be done at a later time. Carter Craig notes that he thought it had already been approved. Justin Ross reminds the Committee that new positions must be approved by them and feels it can be approved at any time since no additional funds are being requested. Gary Dukes notes that it should be an agenda item. Jenesa Ross questions whether it would not already be approved if the presented budget is approved since they have already shifted the funds. Gary Dukes responds that the funds would be approved but not the position. He also adds that if a decrease was voted on then ASWOU would have the opportunity to further move funds.

Shannon Haas does not want to cut ASWOU a full 5% but would like to see a cut. Robin Perkins notes agrees that a smaller cut would be in order, especially because they've already cut themselves 2%. Shannon Haas notes that she would be ok with rounding it \$290,000 and reiterates that she would not support a 5% cut. Carter Craig feels that the Committee is setting a dangerous precedence when referring to ASWOU pre-cutting themselves 2%, it does not mean that they should be rewarded. He set a 5% cut in his proposal because it is what is right for the fee. Shannon Haas notes that she wants the 2% cut to be considered. Jacob Marsh does not believe anyone is looking at the situation as a punishment but rather taking into consideration the 2% cut; they've done some of the work for the Committee.

Tom Peterson notes that every budget has done some work for the Committee when putting their numbers together, they are starting from the numbers presented by every area.

Corbin Garner notes that ASWOU chose not to present a full request as consideration for the fee. He does not think the point is exactly fair because they chose to cut across the board. They have not penalized themselves but they have taken student need into consideration.

Justin Ross adds that ASWOU was presented several enhancements that they had to weed through and only presented a few of them. He understands what Carter is saying but believes ASWOU has shown good stewardship with their funds. He

would be ok with funding at \$290,000 but would prefer funding fully. Jacob marsh agrees with Justin. Thinks it would be reasonable to scrape off the \$699. Tom Peterson asks if that will have an impact on the fee, could it make a dollar difference. Brandon Neish explains that it could later on if the Committee continues to make changes.

Justin Ross moves to fund ASWOU at \$290,000. Caleb Tingstad seconds.

Caleb Tingstad thinks it's a great idea and would be wise to consider it. Lexie Widmer notes that she is struggling with the idea of scraping \$699 off their budgets. She questions how they can justify that decision to the students. She adds that ASWOU has an annual turnover in leadership that other departments do not necessarily have to deal with. Shannon Haas agrees with Lexie and is uncomfortable with scarping the funds off the top.

Justin Ross notes that having worked with ASWOU in the past he would cut their budget the \$28,000 allocated for OSA membership dues. Last year there was a push to get uninvolved with OSA on campus. OSA often tries to conduct events on campus that ASWOU is not ok with and he does not think it is good use of funds.

Lexie Widmer points out that the Committee is not able to line item. Justin Ross clarifies that what he is trying to convey is that if they are uncomfortable funding a \$699 cut then why are they ok with funding \$28,000 for OSA. Brandon Neish notes that the Committee is able to discuss specific items but they can only make a decision on the total budget. It would be up to each department to allocate funds within their areas. Caleb Tingstad asks for more information about the OSA situation. Corbin garner explains that OSA in an organization geared towards advocating for students and has assisted in things such as tuition freezes. OSA membership is comprised of Eastern Oregon University, Lane Community College, Oregon State University, Southern Oregon University, and Western Oregon University. Eastern will be leaving and Portland State is thinking about it. According to ASWOU rules, the student body must vote on whether or not to maintain membership. It was put to the student body last year and there was an overwhelming desire to continue membership. He adds that WOU benefits a lot from the membership but sometimes the events don't correlate.

Shannon Haas notes that because of last year's overwhelming desire to remain with OSA it does not change this year. Her opinion on OSA is not the overall opinion.

Justin Ross clarifies that while he would like to cut the \$28,000 he was not suggesting it. He believes that \$290,000 is something that ASWOU could cope with.

Carter Craig notes that he does not like the arbitrary nature of the \$290,000. He would be more comfortable with \$282,461.

Robin Perkins would be more comfortable with a 4% (and additional 2% cut to ASWOUS's 2% pre-cut) which would be \$284,000.

Justin Ross asks Brandon if Carter's proposed 5% cut accounts for FY17 mandatory increases. Brandon Neish responds that it does not. He also clarifies that while the IFC established them as mandatory items it does not mean that they must also fully fund them but rather that they need to be included.

Jenesa Ross notes that as a student she would ask for justification as to why the other two departments received a 2% cut but ASWOU required an additional cut.

Trey Shimabukuro is comfortable with their initial request. He likes that ASWOU is by students for students, very unique. Is in favor of fully funding. Shannon Haas notes that even though ASWOU pre-cut themselves it looks like Triangle Alliance is not projecting to fully use their allocation. Jenesa Ross asks if Shannon is looking at the Spreadsheet or the budget forms. Shannon Haas replies that she is looking at the spreadsheet.

Justin Ross notes that looking over the spreadsheets (they go through FY12) there has been a lot of rollover in the \$10,000 range. However, he understands that club members do club activities on top of being students and working, it's a lot. That being said, he feels that ASWOU could absorb the proposed cut.

The motion fails 3-5-0.

Jacob Marsh would like to hear proposals from those who opposed.

Trey Shimabukuro would like to fully fund ASWOU. He likes that they are a student run organization and diverse populations.

Caleb Tingstad notes that he understands that ASWOU has pre-cut themselves 2% but they have also had consistent roll over and he thinks they could absorb a cut.

Tom Peterson notes that the 2% pre-cut could have also come from knowing they had excess funds.

Shannon Haas thinks it seems weird to cut them the \$699 and does not think it is a significant amount. She would consider a 1% reduction of their FY17 request.

Lexie Widmer voted against the motion because she thinks ASWOU should be fully funded.

Jacob Marsh voted in favor because he was afraid the Committee would consider a steeper cut and he wanted to keep it as close as to their request as possible.

Caleb Tingstad asks why the Committee would not consider cutting them further given their significant rollover.

Justin Ross responds that asking a student to do the same level of work as a professional is unreasonable. He believes that the 2% cut gets close to addressing

the \$10,000 rollover. He also understand not wanting to overdraw their accounts and he would be ok with fully funding.

Jacob Marsh moves to fully fund ASWOU for FY17. Trey Shimabukuro seconds.
Discussion

Shannon Haas notes that she would still like to see a cut but understands that it is a by students for students organization. Caleb Tingstad would also like to see a cut.

Jacob Marsh asks Committee members where they want to see the cuts. He notes that ASWOU is trying to refrain from over drafting and is the most tangible of funds paid and the results that are seen.

Carter Craig notes that the argument that ASWOU is perhaps the best in engaging students because they put funds in the hands of students has been expressed. However, ASWOU also struggles to get the adequate number of students to vote in order to legitimize their elections.

Caleb Tingstad does not deny that funds are being put into the hands of students but they are in a year that requires cuts and their rollover seems inappropriate. He would be ok with \$290,000, whatever they can do as a Committee will eventually help the fee.

Justin Ross notes that if Carter Craig has an idea in regards to getting students to vote he would gladly fly him to Washington D.C.' low voter turnout is a national problem.

Jessica Freeman informs the Committee that there is a motion on the table and members cannot leave their placards or they lose their vote. Tom Peterson asks if that means that Justin Ross can no longer vote. Jessica Freeman notes that he would not be able to vote. However, President Garner brings up the point that it was not made clear from the beginning so she would leave it up to the Chair to decide.

Tom Peterson allows it but reminds the Committee to remain with their placard.

The motion ties 4-0-0.

Tom Peterson, IFC Chair, feels that ASWOU has many student interactions through clubs and activities with good programming outcomes which provides students a unique experience. He votes to fully fund.

The motion passes 5-4-0.

Tom Peterson calls for a 5 minute break at 9:17pm to return at 9:22pm.

Tom Peterson calls the meeting to order at 9:26pm.

Tom Peterson reminds the Committee that as 10pm approaches they will need to vote on whether or not to extend the meeting to midnight.

Justin Ross moves to extend the meeting until at least midnight. Shannon Haas seconds.

Patrick Moser calls point of clarification on the 'at least' wording of the motion since the building closes at midnight.

Justin Ross rescinds his motion.

Justin Ross moves to extend the meeting until midnight. Shannon Haas seconds. Robin Perkins notes that he still has a midterm to study for. Jenesa Ross notes that if the Committee ends their meeting too early they may take longer the next time around. Trey Shimabukuro adds that he does not want to go too long but thinks midnight is realistic. Tom Peterson reminds the Committee they could also finish up the following Monday. Justin Ross notes that last year the meeting ended at 12:15 and adds that the longer the Committee takes to decide the less time students have to look the information over. Shannon Haas adds that they could always adjourn before midnight if they finish.

The motion passes 8-0-0

Creative Arts – 318,367

Jacob Marsh notes that he appreciated that Creative Arts also included a pre-cut in their budget. Keller Coker clarifies that they did not necessarily pre-cut their budget but they did choose not to request anticipated increases. He estimates the anticipated increases to be about 1% of their budget.

Caleb Tingstad notes that, in a way, ASWOU was rewarded for giving themselves a pre-cut and while Creative Arts didn't bring a 2% cut he would consider 1%-1.5% cut. Lexie Widmer disagrees that ASWOU was rewarded and notes that their 2% pre-cut was simply taken into consideration. Tom Peterson reminds the Committee that their role is not to reward or penalize but rather to provide justifications for their decisions. Keller Coker notes he is cognizant of the difficult year ahead which is why they decided not to ask for increases. Shannon Haas is in agreement with Caleb Tingstad.

Brandon Neish informs the Committee that the initial Creative Arts budget was \$1,333 more.

Justin Ross asks the Committee how they would feel about \$315,000; approximately a 1% cut of the request. Caleb Tingstad is in agreement. Jacob Marsh thinks it is a reasonable compromise in terms of keeping the fee low without going overboard.

Trey Shimabukuro asks if the theatre production numbers for 2014-2015 are for one or multiple plays and whether there is a reasoning for the significant drop in student attendance. Keller Coker notes that he is unsure whether it was one or

multiple productions as that changes. He adds that the popularity of the production also has an impact on the student attendance but the number of students and hours involved in putting on the productions remain consistent. Stefanie Price adds that in 2014-2015 student tickets were free but the Committee did not provide free student tickets for the current year.

Lexie Widmer is comfortable with a 1% cut. Shannon Haas is also comfortable with a 1% cut and believes students will still be able to get the same knowledge and experience. Jacob Marsh also thinks that a 1% cut is reasonable. Robin Perkins is in agreement. Carter Craig is at peace with a 1% cut. He is in favor of raising the fee if students were getting more but is uneasy about having students pay more money for the same or, in some cases, less services. Trey Shimabukuro notes that he was unaware that there were so many programs available and is in agreement with the 1% decrease. Robin Perkins agrees with Carter in regards to paying more for less but with the decline in enrollment they still need to provide for the current students. Justin Ross notes that it is how the economy works, the same amount of money won't always buy the same. He understands what Carter is saying but does not think it is applicable. Carter Craig notes that comparing the worth of a nickel's worth over the past 50 years is not applicable and the same thing is happening to the dollars students are being asked to pay. Jacob Marsh would like to stray away from how much a dollar get you because there is also an education component. Tom Peterson asks if there would be academic repercussions if Creative Arts was cut 10%. Keller Coker explains that the only are affected would be the activities provided to both major and non-major students.

Shannon Haas moves to cut Creative Arts by 1% (funding at \$315,184). Lexie Widmer seconds.

Caleb Tingstad is in favor. Trey Shimabukuro asks if they must all restate their thoughts on the motion. Corbin Garner notes that it would be redundant but it is important that the opportunity for further discussion is given.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Athletics – \$1,316,380

Justin Ross notes that in the previous year Athletics received a 5% decrease along with some enhancements. He adds that last year was the first time they were cut in some time. His proposal shows a 5% decrease but he is not super attached to it.

Robin Perkins asks if enhancements must go towards the request. It is explained that enhancements can only be used for the purpose requested. The budget office tracks that for a year.

Barb Dearing notes that Athletics has been cut the previous 3 years. She adds that if the Committee cuts any percentage it would compound what has been previously cut. There are several things that the department is already unable to fund without potential cuts. She thanks the Committee for their consideration.

Brandon Neish notes he does not have the figures for previous cuts to Athletics but does know there were both cuts and enhancements in the previous year. He reiterates that an enhancement must be used for the purpose it was requested the first year but can be reallocated depending on their need after.

Lexie Widmer notes that it looks like there was \$108,000 in rollover for FY15. Brandon Neish explains that approximately \$25,000 of it is a result of post-season travel. The remainder of it is from across the board and not associated with the funds put aside for the audit. Justin Ross notes that the carry-forward is quite different from other years so it must not be typical. He adds that he understands where Barb is coming from but is not sure that all the requests are of the same urgency.

Trey Shimabukuro asks if the soccer enhancements were withdrawn. Barb Dearing confirms that they were withdrawn. She adds that if they had to choose between their base budget and enhancements they would prioritize their base budget.

Lexie Widmer notes that for the sake of consistency she would be ok with a 2% decrease. Justin would like to hear from Carter. Carter Craig would like to see a midpoint between their funding and a 5% decrease. Tom Peterson asks the Committee how they would feel about Carter's proposal of allocating \$1,290,000. Jacob Marsh asks about Justin's proposal. Justin Ross explains that he started with a 5% decrease but knows it is not practical. He feels that the department is important and gets their name out to other students athletes. However he adds that it has been mentioned that Concordia has joined the conference but they do not have a football team since they have expanded their department in different areas. Football is one of the most expensive sports at WOU and other Universities are evaluating the way they do sports.

Barb Dearing notes that Division III schools in the area have started football programs in the last three years to increase male student enrollment. She adds that Athletics will do their part as other areas do their part to help with student enrollment. There are Athletic programs and schools are using them to drive their enrollment in Division III.

Shannon Haas is on the fence because there are many students who have stated they came to WOU for the athletics. She does believe that they aid in enrollment because students think they have a better shot at playing at a small campus.

Justin Ross questions whether there is an adventurous area head that would put forward how many students are actively involved. Athletics is an area that is serving 329 student athletes and 14 cheerleaders; do these students deserve over a million dollars. Robin Perkins notes he is thinking the same thing but it's a large fee and is unsure how one student experience values over another. Jacob Marsh notes that it is a lot of money in comparison to the headcount. Justin Ross questions whether the student athletes deserve \$25,368, the difference between their request and Carter's proposal. Caleb Tingstad is unsure as to how the Committee should deliberate the idea of students deserving funds. Athletics is important because it provides a University a chance to get their name out there. Getting on ESPN for the Miracle in Monmouth. It increases a person's pride in the University. Those type of things cannot be accounted for when focusing on the number of students within the budget.

Jenesa Ross notes that Athletics is performance based similarly to Creative Arts. She questions the difference between cutting 2% of Creative Arts and this other performance based activity. Shannon Haas notes that the decrease is nearly 2% and is fully fair. Lexie Widmer is in agreement. She does not believe she has enough information in regards to the students she has spoken to. The students she interacts with are at WOU for their education. When they see the numbers they zero in on Athletics because it is such a large number. Reiterated that a 2% cut would be fair. Jacob Marsh notes that he knows a lot of Creative Arts majors that came to WOU specifically for their program. He thinks that sometimes they oversell the importance of Athletics. He had no idea what the Miracle of Monmouth was and he lives in Monmouth. Justin Ross works at Buffalo Wild Wings and did think it was awesome to see WOU on ESPN on all the screens. He asks about the possibility of funding Athletics and Carter's proposal and then have student athletes pay a fee, approximately \$77 per athlete.

Gary Dukes reminds the Committee that they are able to set the budgets but cannot tell an area that they have to charge student athletes. Eric Yahnke reiterates that it would be up to the department. Justin Ross asks how the HWC's fee came to be. Darin Silbernagel notes that it was voted by the students. Gary Dukes adds that it pays for the building itself.

Robin Perkins asks Barb Dearing if there is a fee associated with sport participation. Barb Dearing responds that there is no regulated fee but that student athletes purchase their practice gear and shoes, in a way, they set their own fee. Carter Craig adds that they do a lot of fundraise and put a lot of time into community service. Corbin Garner notes that in talking about it being hard to be a student while working it is not acknowledged that student athletes have to put in several hours to be able to participate and that's not fair. Jacob Marsh notes that raising the fee would also not be fair because they would be taxing all the

students. Tom Peterson notes that since the fee would be assessed to everyone it seems like a pointless discussion.

Caleb Tingstad moves to fully fund the Athletics budget. Shannon Haas seconds.
Discussion

Shannon Haas does not agree with fully funding as it would be unfair.
Lexie Widmer would consider it unfair since other areas have been cut.
Robin Perkins agrees it would be unfair since other areas must also meet operation costs.
Justin Ross is also against fully funding.

Jenesa Ross notes that as a student she would not think that it being unfair is sufficient reasoning. Shannon Haas adds that the funds allocated to Athletics affects a little over 300 students and she would not like to increase the fee \$19 when it does not benefit the entire student body.

Barb Dearing clarifies that the benefit is not only to the 329 students and 14 cheerleaders. They are the direct performers, like in Creative Arts. They've had over 1,000 unique students participate and game entrance is free.

Justin Ross notes that Barb makes a good point. There is no cost to attend the games. Creative Arts had their attendance numbers doubled when their tickets were free. Ticketing may be the route Athletics needs to take in order to meet their need, then the cost would be turned to those who want to be involved.

The motion fails 0-8-0.

Shannon Haas moves to allocate Carter's proposal of \$1,290,000 for FY17.
Jacob Marsh seconds.

Discussion

Justin Ross notes that he feels the discussion has already occurred. He is more comfortable with the current number, thinks it is a number students can accept. Carter Craig will be voting for the reduction based on the attempt to reduce the fee as opposed to the merit of Athletics.
Jacob Marsh would not like to see cuts but realizes they are facing a difficult year.
Lexie Widmer agrees with the need for reductions, they need to work with what they have.
Trey Shimabukuro and Robin Perkins are in agreement.

The motion passes 7-1-0.

Childcare – \$57,567

Justin Ross notes his proposal includes a cut to Childcare but, personally, he feels like it is a very important because both the students and their children. He proposed a cut because he suspected no one else would.

Lexie Widmer notes that she was originally against funding Childcare but changed her mind when she learned it was a subsidy, the different services provided, and the fact that they provide services for children with disabilities. She would be in favor of fully funding. Shannon Haas thinks that it's an amazing program. She did consider decreasing it but potentially serving the same number of students at a decreased subsidy but also does not want to cut it. Trey Shimabukuro agrees with everyone and would like to fully fund it. He is impressed with all the opportunities provided for WOU students. Justin Ross notes that having worked in a daycare before he is amazed that the Childcare cost has not increased in the last decade.

Brandon Neish notes that Childcare has also had left over funds due to enrollment fluctuation. At the end of last year they had \$14,000 and are projecting the same for this year.

Ingrid Amerson acknowledges that it has been an issue in the past but that it is a new year and they have a new center. When she gave her budget presentation there were only 8 kids and now there are 14; 3 WOU students are taking advantage and there's another student interested. She believes the shortage will decrease with the new center.

Robin Perkins notes that there are now two facilities and asks if there has been a waitlist. Ingrid Amerson responds that there is a waitlist for the community but there has not been one for WOU students as of February.

Lexie Widmer believes she is being inconsistent in regards to how other departments were handled and would advocate for a 2% decrease. Justin Ross asks if the IFC reserves would be considered or if the subsidy percentage would need to be decreased if Childcare received a cut. Shannon Haas notes that she considered reducing the subsidy from 30% to 25% because it is tough on students. She questions how many students are benefiting from the service and whether the subsidy can be reduced to 25%. Tom Peterson notes that the Committee can decrease their budget but not make them change the percentage. Brandon Neish adds that it could be presented as a suggestion but it would still be up to the department. Jacob Marsh questions if lowering the subsidy would affect the access for non-traditional students. Jenesa Ross asks the Committee to consider how many other programs are offered to non-traditional students at WOU.

Carter Craig notes that the students who use the Childcare subsidy are less likely to attend the other services provided because they are preoccupied with the child,

their education, and potentially a job. He would consider it fair to fully fund Childcare.

Jacob Marsh clarifies that the Child Center is self-supported and the IFC funds go towards the subsidy for a child's tuition costs. Other students would still benefit from the Center. But he is not sure that he is comfortable with a 2% cut.

Carter Craig moves to fund Childcare at their full request of \$57,567.
Shannon Haas seconds.

Discussion

Caleb Tingstad does not believe they should fully fund.

Tom Peterson notes that sometimes cutting one area and not another is not always unfair; depends on how it is perceived.

Robin Perkins thinks it is a question of quality and equity.

Lexie Widmer notes that she is trying to be consistent in advocating for a 2% cut.

Robin Perkins asks if he can amend the motion. Patrick Moser call a point of information to confirm that he is able to amend the motion.

Robin Perkins moves to amend the motion to state a 2% decrease. Shannon Hass seconds.

Amended motion: to fund Childcare with a 2% decrease (\$56,416).

Discussion

Jenesa Ross urges the Committee to present their logic for their decisions but stating whether something is fair or not is not necessarily good reasoning.

Brandon Neish understands the statement but notes that the Committee has very difficult decisions to make and are doing the best they can. He adds that maybe there isn't a reason other than not wanting to ask students to pay an additional \$19 and that is ok. Jenesa Ross notes that Brandon's response is satisfactory; it is a way for a department to contribute to lowering the fee.

Darin Silbernagel notes that the department may choose to do it differently but if they applied the cut to the subsidy percentage they would be looking a 29.4%. Justin Ross whether the .6% is even worth it and thinks they should fully fund Childcare.

Amendment vote: motion does not pass 2-5-0, a voting member failed to vote.

Amendment re-vote: motion does not pass 2-6-0.

The motion on the table is to fully fund Childcare at \$57,567
No further discussion.

The motion passes 6-2-0.

Student Media – \$153,960

Shannon Haas would like to see a 2% decrease and notes that she has extreme confidence that Rhys (Student Media Advisor) will be able to make up the difference in grants. Lexie Widmer is in favor of a 2% decrease in light of how they've been approaching the other budgets. Justin Ross agrees with a 2% decrease.

Shannon Haas moves to set Student Media's FY17 as with a 2% cut; \$153,960. Lexie Widmer seconds.

Jacob March and Caleb Tingstad are in agreement.

Tom Peterson reminds the Committee to provide reasoning for their decisions.

Trey Shimabukuro notes that he has nothing but good things to say about Student Media. They are involved in the community and you can find *The Journal* all over Monmouth.

Shannon Haas does not want to raise the fee \$19 and notes that Rhys had previously mentioned there was an overproduction of *The Journal*.

Rhys notes that he has already incorporated a 7% cut to the Student Media budget; 5% is due to his salary not being as high as his predecessor but the remaining 2% is in an effort to be more sustainable. Justin Ross was in favor of fully funding but thinks they could take a 2% cut to help with the fee. Shannon Haas notes that since Student Media pre-cut themselves maybe they should consider a 1% reduction instead. Justin Ross notes the difference between 2%-1% is \$1,070. Carter Craig agrees with the sentiments from the Committee. He is in favor of a 5% cut but it would not fit in, is ok with a 2% cut.

The motion passes 7-1-0.

WOLF Ride – 30,556

Justin Ross notes that he will be abstaining because his senior project revolves around WOLF Ride. Lexie Widmer notes that he is not being paid by WOLF Ride. Justin Ross reiterates that he feels it would be a conflict of interest. Carter Craig notes that the decision would be for FY17 and asks whether that would still affect the work he is doing revolving WOLF Ride. Patrick Moser, point of information, anyone can choose to abstain at any time for any reason.

Shannon Haas notes that Debbie provided numbers during the budget presentation and she is curious of the actual usefulness to the full student body. She would like to see a cut but not a full 5% cut. Caleb Tingstad notes that he suggested a 10% cut in his proposal but realizes it is not realistic. During the budget presentation it was noted that a cut would impact the operation hours but also that there was

significantly less usage on certain nights. Trey Shimabukuro thinks they could still run efficiently on the busier days. Lexie Widmer notes that she has an on-campus position and have utilized WOLF Ride for safety concerns, convenience, and other reasons. It's a good resource in the evenings when students don't want to venture out alone. She adds that there are several students without a license and/or car. Tom Peterson notes that he has used the service to go grocery shopping before. Justin Ross notes that the proposals provided show a 10% cut which would mean ending service at 10pm and not offering it at all on two nights. He would not be comfortable cutting it to the point where they couldn't offer service 7 days per week. Robin Perkins thinks only on-campus students use it.

Shannon Haas moves to set the WOLF Ride budget with a 3% cut; \$29,640. Jacob Marsh seconds.

Discussion

Caleb Tingstad understands that a 10% cut is not feasible and is ok with a 3% cut. Robin Perkins notes that the reduction in funding is in an effort to reduce the fee. Carter Craig thinks it is good that the Committee is lowering the projected increase to the fee even though it's not as much of an increase as he wanted. He is fine with a 3% decrease.

The motion passes 7-0-1

Tom Peterson asks the Committee if they would like to end the meeting. Justin Ross suggests that they at least tackle the computer replacement fund.

Computer Replacement Fund \$30,500

Justin Ross would like to fully fund the computer replacement fund since it annually replaces a specific number of IFC computers through University Computing Services. He explains that the fund was put in place because several areas were submitting enhancement requests to replace computers.

Caleb Tingstad agrees.

Lexie Widmer notes that it is not funded through University Computing Services (UCS). Justin Ross clarifies that they are able to take advantage of the bulk pricing through UCS. Trey Shimabukuro agrees that it should be fully funded and will promote efficiency.

Caleb Tingstad moves to fully fund the Computer Replacement. Robin Perkins seconds.

Discussion

Shannon Haas thinks it is a great fund because technology is more of a requirement as opposed to a luxury.

Robin Perkins asked if anyone else could provide some insight into the replacement program.

Corbin Garner explains that it replaces computers on a 5 year cycle instead of having departments ask the Committee for computer enhancements. Robin Perkins asks if all areas have equal access. Corbin Garner responds that computers are replaced based on the date they were originally purchased. Brandon Neish notes that they did leave a little flexibility in case a computer cannot be fixed and needs to be replaced. Corbin Garner adds that the fund is meant to replace basic computers. Anything extra is up to the department to cover. Carter Craig and Jacob Marsh are both ok with it. Robin Perkins notes that it is similar to the depreciation set up for WOLF Ride and is ok with funding it.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Brandon Neish lets everyone know that the preliminary decision spreadsheet has been updated and is till available online.

7. **Announcements**

a. **Meeting 2/15/2016**

Tom Peterson reminds everyone that there will be meeting next Monday (2/15).

Corbin Garner reminds the Committee that they will need to table preliminary decisions before adjourning.

Malissa Larson notes that she may have made a joke in regards to writing a check for her area that may have offended some attendees. It was not her intention and she apologizes if anyone was offended.

Justin Ross moves to table preliminary decisions until the next week. Caleb Tingstad seconds.

Discussion

Robin Perkins agrees.

The motion passes 8-0-0.

Barb Dearing notes that on Thursday (2/11) the Men's Basketball was having a red out at 7pm against Western Washington. At 6pm they were having a watch party in the Deschutes lounge to watch the women's team compete against MSU Billings via ROOT Sports.

Shannon Haas reminds everyone that there is a Tuition Advisory meeting on Friday at 9pm in the President's Conference Room.

Justin Ross reminds Committee members to fill out the whenisgood for tabling as soon as possible.

8. **Adjournment**

Shannon Haas moves to adjourn the meeting. Caleb Tingstad seconds. The motion passes 8-0-0 at 11:53pm.