

Student Fee Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
June 3, 2025
Kerr Hall #278 or Zoom
3:00 - 4:30 pm

Present: Marshall, Mel, Trey, Lucy, Lauren, Fernanda, Katie, Cheryl. Quorum is achieved.
Guest: AVC Amber Blakeslee, BAP

1. Welcome and Introductions
 - a. Members introductions: Name, Pronouns, Year, Major, and Space.
 - b. Order: Cowell, Stevenson, Crown, Merrill, Kresge, Porter, Oakes, RCC, C9, JRL, GSA, GSC, SAB, Provost, SUA, Lisa, Lucy
2. Approval of Agenda & Minutes
 - a. Approval of Agenda and May 27th Minutes. Approved by consensus.
3. AVC Amber Blakeslee will present on current campus budget updates
 - a. [Amber's Slide Deck](#)
 - b. The May revised budget came out and that was an improved position for the campus. A negative offset is everything happening at the federal level.
 - c. Budget reduction targets have been based on core funds (SSF and M7) however divisions can "pay" the cut with any fund source. The goal is to balance the fee level.
 - d. Budget Reduction Strategies
 - i. Central
 1. Increasing revenue
 2. Centrally managed costs: contracts, commitments
 3. Revenue Augmentation Committee
 - ii. Instructional
 1. Category represents the academic instructional resources that are controlled by the CP/EVC, including faculty lines (reduce the number of new faculty recruitments)
 - iii. Strategic
 1. Strategic initiatives and organizational changes such as those that may be recommended by the Strategic Organizational Committee (consolidations, centralizations, changes)
 - iv. Divisional
 1. Expenditure budgets managed by the academic and administrative divisions.
 - e. Amber offers to come back in the fall to present again, at which point she will have more set information on the budget reductions submitted on the divisions.
4. Public Comment
 - a. No one here for public comment.


5. Announcements & Updates

- a. Tabling at Cornucopia
 - i. Cornucopia is happening the Monday before classes begin. Please join us if you are here!
 - ii. Cheryl will table.
- b. This is our last meeting; have a wonderful summer everyone!
- c. Position Posting.
 - i. The SFAC positions are now posted in Handshake. Lucy will share a flier soon and everyone can assist with advertising.
 - ii. Lucy will update the pay, and hours - to 4-5 hours.
 - iii. Check the roles of the committee members in the bylaws to make sure these are aligned.
 - iv. Update the qualifications to remove the majors
 - v. Marshall, Trey, and Lucy will meet this week to discuss the process for reappointment for Trey and Shirley

6. Further discussion on the LSS Fee

- a. Fee language:
<https://deanofstudents.ucsc.edu/elections/pdf/2015/measure-63.pdf>
- b. Budget
- c. Vote on summer fee level
- d. Discussion
 - i. Marshall asks if folks believe the LSS expenditures over the last summer reflect a need to maintain the full fee. Current fee level is \$12.00.
 - ii. Carryforward amount is 13% which is fine because LSS is a non-core fund.
 - iii. Marshall suggests keeping the full fee at \$12.00. What do others think?
 - iv. Cheryl is supportive of this fee. It is really helpful that LSS is offered via online sessions.
 - v. Marshall motions to keep the rate at \$12.00. Trey seconds the motion.
 - 1. 7-Yes. 0-No. 0-Abstention. Motion carries.

7. Pay Discussion

- a.  New Pay Schedule/Budget FY 25
- b. Lucy explains that the new pay structure which is being proposed by SFAC leadership would move us from a stipend model to an hourly model, to help promote more engagement and accountability.
- c. By going to an hourly model, we will be able to access work study.
- d. Lucy will cover the summer costs for committee payroll for the selection process, it's about \$1400.
- e. Mel motions to approve the pay schedule. Trey seconds.
 - i. 6-Yes. 1-No. 0-Abstain.
 - ii. Motion carries.

8. Other Business

- a. The committee discusses some additional investments this fiscal year, including hosting one of this year's CSF. \$500 for investments.
 - i. Mel motions for \$500 for supplies. Lauren seconds. No objections. Motion carries.
- 9. Adjournment

Upcoming Guests/Topics:

- 1. Next year - Lisa would like to discuss SFAC being involved in developing policy on pausing or reducing fees.
- 2. [Tracking Sheet](#) for Campus Based Fees ongoing discussion