



## Student Services Fee Advisory Board

OPEN BOARD MEETING  
Friday, March 3, 2017  
3:30-5:00 PM  
San Pedro Room, SUMC

- I. Open Board Meeting Called to Order: **3:31pm**
- II. Roll Call
  - Member Barner -- *present*
  - Member Ciampaglio -- *present*
  - Member Hastings -- *present*
  - Member Byrd -- *present*
  - Co-Chair Crocco -- *present*
  - Co-Chair Harris -- *present*
  - Co-Secretary Ledbetter -- *present*
  - Co-Secretary Blalock -- *present*
  - Treasurer Cox -- *present*
  - Advisor Whetzel -- *present*
  - Advisor Joel Hauff -- *present*
- III. Old Business
  - None
- IV. New Business
  - ❖ PROPOSAL DISCUSSION AND VOTING
    - Quick overview by co-chairs Harris and Crocco about fund limitations
    - SF18.02 -- ASUA Club Funding
      - Summary by Member Ciampaglio -- Proposal to give funding to ASUA clubs, given out through appropriations board. Combined with GPSC club funding now.
      - Motion by Member Ciampaglio to approve SF 18.02 for \$151,100 for 1 year.
      - Member Blalock seconds.
      - Discussion: One of the staple programs that enhances student experience at UA, combining graduate and undergraduate club funding needs. Smaller groups can still benefit from this program to pursue their interests. One reason we have club funding through ASUA -- career related, allow students to travel, expand their classroom experience
      - Motion to amend SF 18. for \$126,700 for one year by Member Crocco
      - Second by Member Ciampaglio

- Discussion on amendment: This is a scalable program, grant-based funding. By scaling this application, we can make it more competitive and ensure it's going to meritorious groups.
  - **VOTE: \$126,700 for one year**
  - *The board approves SF. 18.02 ASUA Club Funding for \$126,700 for 1 year.*
- SF18.04 -- Campus Pantry
  - Summary by co-secretary Ledbetter -- The UA Campus Pantry seeks to provide access to affordable and nutritious foods for those who are food insecure within the UA community. Funding from the Student Services Fee Board to provide students with on-campus employment opportunities, new food storage, and marketing materials in the amount of \$37,500 for one year and \$36,500 for the second year.
  - Motion by co-secretary Ledbetter to approve SF 18.04 for \$37,500 for one year and \$36,500 for the second year
  - Member Armour seconds
  - Discussion: This is a necessary program for SSF to fund because it applies to a critical demographic on UA campus (food insecure students). Campus Pantry was recently accepted as an ASUA service and program. 3/10 undergrads, 1/10 graduate students are food insecure. Scalable, but necessary.
  - Motion to amend SF 18.04 for \$15,000 for one year by Member Ciampaglio
  - Second by Member Blalock
  - Discussion on amendment: Campus Pantry has never previously received SSF funds, this will go a long way to help them. This isn't just based on financial needs, so it's available for all students. We had to make cuts, especially in student wages, but this could be scalable in the future. Pangea Gardens will be a great partnership for Campus Pantry. CP can also now receive donations from UA Foundation, which will also help them tremendously.
  - **VOTE: \$15,000.00 for one year**
  - *The board approves SF. 18.04: Campus Pantry for \$15,000 for 1 year.*
- SF18.06 -- Customized Connections for Career Readiness
  - Summary by Member Barner -- CCCR is a way to tap into UA Alumni network, an online platform to help provide students with externships, shadowing, and potentially even fulltime jobs. Over 50 opportunities in Eller alone, desire of program is to expand to all departments.
  - Motion by to approve SF18.06 for \$39,300 for 1 year by Member Barner.
  - Member Armour seconds
- Discussion: Eller students note the benefits of externships in learning more about careers, finding jobs. As a board, we looked at metrics of the program within Eller and saw success. However, it may be difficult to expand at this time because it is unsure how it would be implemented into non-medical or business programs. We also were reluctant to fund new programs. Want to make sure this applies to all students. Could be great way to connect students with alumni. Potential way for us to connect alumni to get donations.
  - *Division of the House, Roll Call:*
    - *Member Byrd: No*

- *Member Hastings: No*
- *Member Ledbetter: No*
- *Co-Chair Crocco: Yes*
- *Member Barner: Yes*
- *Member Ciampaglio: No*
- *Member Cox: No*
- *Member Armour: Yes*
- *The board fails to pass SF18.06: Customized Connections for Career Readiness.*
- SF18.08 -- Enriching Student Nutrition Knowledge
  - Summary by Co-Chair Harris -- Nutrition calculator and healthy food workshops.
  - Motion to approve SF18.08 for \$10,700 for 1 year
  - Member Barner seconds
  - Discussion: Most freshman don't know how to cook, can be a great program to help students cook and eat more healthy. Calculator funded last year, didn't see metrics justified funding this portion. Didn't see this as essential to graduation or retention and with lack of funding, could not fund.
  - *The board fails to pass SF18.08: Enriching Student Nutrition Knowledge.*
- SF18.09 -- Faculty Engagement Programs
  - Summary Member Byrd by --Connects roughly 50 faculty members with students in their on-campus homes (res halls and cultural centers); Faculty Student Enrichment Grants that also benefit students.
  - Motion by to approve SF SF18.09 for \$121,400 for 1 years
  - Member Barner seconds
  - Discussion: Not necessarily useful. More social and casual environment as compared to office hours.
  - *The board fails to pass SF18.09: Faculty Enrichment Programs.*
- SF18.17 -- GPSC Professional Opportunities Development
  - Summary by Co-Chair Crocco-- POD helps fund roundtables, discussion, bringing in outside speakers.
  - Motion by to approve SF SF18.17 for \$20,200 for 1 year
  - Member Barner seconds
  - Discussion: POD funding is very valuable to grad & professional students in being able to bring in reputable speakers for students and the university. Using similar logic, we thought this could be easily scaled and more competitive. Tied to student success on campus.
  - Motion to amend SF18.17 for \$ for one year by co-chair Crocco.
  - Second by co-secretary Ledbetter
  - Discussion on amendment: GPSC only had 7 grants when they submitted, we would like to see this more competitive and a higher number of requests in the future. Due to the limited nature of funds available this year, we made a cut.
  - **VOTE: \$10,000.00 for one year**
  - *The board approves SF18.17: GPSC Professional Opportunities Development Funding for \$10,000 for 1 year.*
- SF18.20 -- Hub for Financial Education

- Summary by Member Armour -- Works with students to help educate on financial decision making, student loans, budgeting, etc.
- Motion to approve SF18.20 for \$51,100 for year 1, \$51,900 for year 2, and 52,700 for year 3.
- Member Blalock seconds
- Discussion: Saw this as a great opportunities for students and essential to students to be successful. Again, not enough funds to fund a new project. Would like to see this come back. Financial literacy is key to help students pay for college. Value in proposal, but not enough money. In many cases, first time that students are handling finances alone, for graduate students, loans from undergrad plus inability to work due to program. Would like to see this funded through another department.
- *The board fails to pass SF 18.20: Hub for Financial Education.*
- SF18.25 Off-Campus Housing Sustainability
  - Summary by co-secretary Ledbetter -- Off-Campus Housing Sustainability Coordinators seeks \$12,100 for one year from Student Services fee board to fund two students at 10 hours per week each as well as conference registration and travel to the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education conference. These two students work closely with Tucson apartment complexes linked with over 7,500 UA students to encourage sustainable behaviors off-campus through water conservation, recycling, and waste reduction.
  - Motion by to approve SF SF18.25 for \$12,100 for 1 year.
  - Member Armour seconds
  - Discussion: This is a great initiative to provide students the opportunity to be employed on campus, experiential learning, and working with apartment complexes that aren't required to recycle or be sustainable in any way. It starts the ball rolling on sustainable education. The UA is at the forefront of green technology on campus. This proposal furthers the UA mission as a whole. Sustainability should be a priority in this day and age.
  - Motion to amend SF18.25 for \$ for one year by Co-Chair Crocco
  - Second by Member Barner.
  - Discussion on amendment: We can't fund everything in full, but with the suggested amendment we think the program can still be extremely successful. Sustainable education is extremely important for the future. We thought this was a small ask with a great impact.
  - **VOTE: \$7,800.00 for one year, (one opposition for amendment)**
  - *The board approves SF. SF18.25: Off-Campus Housing Sustainability for \$7,800 for 1 year.*
- SF18.27 -- Power Up
  - Summary by Member Cox -- Power Up proposed by Arizona Student Unions to provide charging stations to the SUMC (stations where you can lock up your

phone to charge while you're doing something else). Access to technology is extremely important.

- Motion by Member Cox to approve SF18.27 for \$17,100 for 1 year
- Member Ledbetter seconds
- Discussion: Limited amount of funds available, we could only allocate a certain amount. We did not want to pay to enhance the Union, we felt that they could secure these funds elsewhere. In addition, we think the technology may be outdated at this point. Reservations include: emergency of transportable power banks, commercialization in private sector, viability of this program. Technology changes extremely rapidly, so it's unclear how soon they'd be outdated.
- *The board fails to pass SF18.27: Power Up.*
- SF18.28 -- Project Rush FY 18-19
  - Summary by Member Blalock -- Project Rush seeks funds in order to make financial aid a more helpful, faster process at peak times (before and at beginning of the term) for students. They have a multi-year request for three years totaling \$784,600. I move to approve SF 18.28 in full for \$247,000 for year one, \$267,800 for year two, and \$269,800 for year three.
  - Motion by co-secretary Blalock to approve SF18.28 for \$247,000 for year one, \$267,800 for year two, and \$269,800 for year three.
  - Member Ledbetter seconds
  - Discussion: This program will help students worry about their main focus which is school. Financial aid is stressful and having reduced wait times will assist in decreasing stress, improving financial literacy, and information about financial aid. We support student jobs.
  - Motion to amend SF18.28 for \$90,000 for one year by Member Crocco.
  - Second by Member Ciampaglio
  - Discussion on amendment: Wait times are very short, we see this as a scalable program. We know it will increase wait times, but SSF didn't have more funds available to support the program. There isn't a clear delineation between how the number of employees will be able to decrease or improve wait times. We recognize there are peak times during the day when students may visit FinAid, so we recommend to take this into consideration when scheduling for the year. Prioritizing students over staff hires.
  - Discussion on amendment again: would like to fund more.
  - **VOTE: \$90,000.00 for one year**
  - *The board approves SF18.28: Project Rush FY 18-19 for \$90,000 for 1 year.*
- SF18.30 -- Safe Ride
  - Summary by Member Barner -- on demand service that provides free rides to UA students and faculty in 4 mile radius around campus. App has increased usage and decreased wait times. Saferide provides 40 student jobs and 60,000 rides per year.
  - Motion by to approve SF18.30 for \$217,100 for 2 years (same amount per year)
  - Member Armour seconds

- Discussion: Aware that this has been around since 1984. Clear innovation to make program better and more effective. Developed app last year and came back with metrics to show. Staple at the UA to get to and from campus safely. Creation of app has greatly helped to reduce wait times. Wait time is now down to 5-8 minutes. As a driver, app has made things more efficient. App, though expensive, is essential. Must fund app in full at least.
- Motion to amend SF18.30 for \$150,000 for one year by Member Crocco.
- Second by Member Byrd
- Discussion on amendment: Other universities across the nation have a free service similar to this. This is one of the darkest cities in the U.S., so this is a very valuable service to help students be mobile in a safe way. Beyond convenience, this is also a great safety feature.
- **VOTE: \$150,000.00 for one year**
- *The board approves SF18.30: Safe Ride for \$150,000 for 1 year.*
- SF18.31 -- Scholarship Universe
  - Summary by Armour -- Scholarship Universe connects students with relevant scholarships (especially non-UA ones). To date, it's given out \$6.8 million non-UA dollars. Students want FinAid to be a priority.
  - Motion by to approve SF18.31 for \$78,800 for year 1 and \$84,000 for year 2
  - Member Barner seconds
  - Discussion: This is a scalable program, useful for undergraduate students. The website has improved drastically over time. 2 years ago, SU asked for 3 times the amount and the program has previously listened to the board's recommendations.
  - Motion to amend SF SF18.31 for \$35,000 for one year by Co-Chair Crocco
  - Second by Member Blalock
  - Discussion on amendment: Students want to support this, but we can't support in full. There isn't a lack of work for the student workers to do. We hope the lack of funding won't end up the amount of money students receive from Scholarship Universe.
  - **VOTE: \$35,000.00 for one year, (one opposed to funding the proposal)**
  - *The board approves SF18.31: Scholarship Universe for \$35,000 for 1 year.*
- SF18.32 Student Engagement Skills Training & Scholarship
  - Summary by Member Hastings -- Encourage technical skills training, provide scholarships, prepare students for careers and new technology.
  - Motion to approve SF18.32 for \$53,300 for 1 year
  - Member Armour seconds
  - Discussion: Appreciated detail, but unsure of where the responsibility should fall in university setting. Should be further evaluated as to what department takes this on. Important that technical skills are there, but why not make this a gen-ed requirement to give tech skills to everyone. So much money available to develop classes and workshops. Should offer to all students as a collective. These skills are taught within certain programs, but should consider creating a course available for open enrollment. This is a new program that due to the lack of

funding available this year, we weren't able to fund (fee hasn't been increased since inception).

- *The board fails to pass SF18.32: Student Engagement Skills Training & Scholarship*
- SF18.33 -- University Emergency Medical Services
  - Summary by Member Hastings -- ASUA organization of student first responders for campus and extended area. Student staff, vehicle, and supplies.
  - Motion by to approve SF18.33 for \$260,200 for year 1 and \$256,200 for year 2
  - Member Ledbetter seconds
  - Discussion: UEMS is a proposal that we think is very important to the university. Anecdote about UEMS being first responders. If in a similar situation, Member Barner would like students to be the first responder. This provides first-hand technical experience, as well as management experience for students. Transferrable skills. UEMS are relied on here in the community, we are proud that UA has built a service like this. UEMS mentioned that when they go offline during winter and summer, Tucson Fire & PD are concerned -- reach out to these organizations & Banner to try and secure funding for permanency. In addition, we had a long discussion about having students serve members of Tucson community over breaks, because many students aren't here during those times (is this mostly beneficial for students)
  - Motion to amend SF18.33 for \$65,000 for one year by Member Barner
  - Second by Member Blalock
  - Discussion on amendment: Member Cox thinks this is a fundamental program, local emergency responders rely on us. This program is currently being funded through SSF when we have a Health and Recreation Fee. If we are volunteers during school year, should also be volunteers in summer and winter. Contract with Banner is \$30,000 so it seems like this should be negotiable since they are UA owned. Strange that we have to fund this since it is a community responsibility. Valuable service, but other emergency services should help out more so that we can fund other programs more fully.
  - More discussion: Need to reach out to community and advertise how useful it is but how it doesn't necessarily fit SSFAB guidelines.
  - **VOTE: \$65,000.00 for one year (2 opposed to amendment/to funding this proposal)**
  - *The board approves SF18.33: University Emergency Medical Services for \$65,000 for 1 year.*
- SF18.34 -- Volunteer and Civic Engagement Initiative
  - Summary by Member Ciampaglio -- Supports alt-spring break and community service matching service (locally and elsewhere in U.S.).
  - Motion to approve SF18.34 for \$51,500 for year 1 and \$49,900 for year 2.
  - Member Barner seconds
  - Discussion: Appreciated shift to look more locally for community service in Tucson based on shift in softwares. It is hard to pit proposals against each other in terms of "value". One thing moving forward, we would like to not see money

being spent away from Tucson community because of the local need. Possibly establish a better relationship with Fraternity/Sorority Programs and ASUA. We have a limited amount of funds, and wanted to focus on preparing students for careers if funding initiatives like this.

- *The board fails to pass SF18.34: Volunteer and Civic Engagement Initiative.*

❖ PAR Review:

➤ SF17.04P2: Campus Events and Engagement

- Staff member had to reduce hours, asking to move funds to pay undergraduate interns.
- Co-Chair Harris motions to approve alteration request
- Member Blalock seconds
- Discussion: Wages going to students is a good thing, especially with SSFAB funding. Already funding, just moving around funds.
- **VOTE: Motion passes / PAR approved.**

V. Adjournment: **4:39pm**