

FEE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

December 11, 2006

Members Present

Nadir Vissanjy, Co-Chair
Cheryl Moore
Lynn Stauffer
Paula Hammett
Stella Sedletskaya
JC Abajian

Associated Students President
Staff Representative
Academic Senate Chair Designee
Academic Senate Student Affairs Committee Liaison
Associated Students V.P. of Finance Designee
Student at Large

Members Absent

Tristan Kelley
Katie Burroughs

Senator for Undeclared Students
Student at Large

Staff Present:

Katie Pierce, Co-Chair
Roger Zim

Committee Staff, AVP for Academic Resources
Committee Staff Support

MEETING AGENDA

- I. Minutes from November 20th meeting
- II. Informational presentation regarding IRA loan to The Center of Performing Arts - Floyd Ross
- III. IRA Applications for Eligibility
- IV. Spring semester FAC meeting schedule

MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED (prior to meeting)

- Agenda
- Minutes of 11/20 meeting
- Copies of eight Applications for Eligibility for 07-08

Nadir Vissanjy, Co-Chair, convened the meeting at 10:36.

I. The minutes of the November 20th meeting were approved. Cheryl Moore abstained since she was absent at the last meeting.

II. Floyd Ross, Executive Director of the Green Music Center reported on the loan to the Center for the Performing Arts (CPA) from IRA reserve funds.

In 2005 the CPA had the opportunity to acquire an organ, designed by John Brumbaugh for the Ashland Avenue Baptist Church in Toledo Ohio. The unique instrument has a significant history as well as functionality and sound that make it highly desirable for the instructional space of the Green Music Center. An anonymous donor offered to donate the \$300,000 purchase price of the organ. President Arminana approved a loan from IRA reserves of \$371,000 to cover the costs of design modifications to the recital hall and transportation and assembly of the organ. The loan was made in June, 2006. The CPA will have 5 years to repay the loan. First payment is due in September, 2007. Floyd reports that they already have a donation for half of the first payment and they intend to continue fundraising for that purpose.

There is still approximately \$450,000 in the IRA reserves. Since reserves are integral to the function of the IRA program, a report on the current reserves will be on the Committee's agenda early in the next semester.

III. IRA Applications for Eligibility

Eight applications for eligibility were received and evaluated as follows:

Computer Science Colloquium

This is a program similar to the Math colloquium and has been a fixture on campus for over 13 years, with funding provided entirely by faculty donations. The Colloquium brings experts and professional to campus for informational programs and interaction with students. Eligibility recommended.

SSU TV (formerly Detour Sonoma)

Faculty Advisor, Ed Beebout sought affirmation of eligibility, because the program is poised for significant expansion including opportunities for student participation in program production and broadcasting. Members believe the program is going in a positive direction. Affirmation of eligibility recommended.

Kinesiology Health and Wellness Program

FAC members were impressed with the opportunities the program would provide for Kinesiology Students and the SSU community. Eligibility recommended.

Supplemental Instruction Activity

This program seems to be part on the ongoing tutoring program and could not be differentiated from programs which are currently funded. In the view of the Committee, the new model of tutorial activity could be worked in to existing services. Eligibility not recommended.

The Committee did not reach a recommendation regarding the following programs; during review of the applications questions arose that were not answered in the proposals:

1. The READ Activity
2. SSU Writing Center's Writer's Consortium Publications and Festivals
3. SSU Writing Center Tutoring for English 99 and 99T
4. Adventure Programs

Their faculty advisors will be invited to the first meeting of the Committee next semester. A separate recommendation to President Armiñana will be forwarded regarding these programs.

IV. Spring semester FAC meeting schedule

Because many of the Committee did not have their spring class schedule, a meeting schedule for the next semester was not completed. However, the Committee decided to meet on Monday, January 29 to continue the review of Applications for Eligibility. [The meeting was subsequently cancelled due to scheduling conflicts.]

The meeting adjourned at 11:50.

Respectfully submitted,
Roger Zim