

Segregated Fee Committee
Meeting Agenda
Thursday, April 30th, 2015, 5:00PM
Reeve Union 220

1. Call to Order at 5:01pm

2. Roll Call

- a. Adviser
 - i. Jean Kwaterski
- b. Students
 - i. Chase Mitchell (Chair)
 - ii. Nicole Lehto (Assistant Chair)
 - iii. Elizabeth Blohm
 - iv. Jordan Hansen
 - v. Caitlin Hopper
- c. Alternate Students
 - i. Christopher Stockus
- d. Academic Staff
 - i. Erin McArthur
- e. Classified Staff
 - i. Thomas Wolf
- f. Faculty
 - i. Aaron Karst
- g. Administrative Services (Non-Voting)
 - i. Jennifer Borgmann

3. Approval of the Minutes

- a. Approved

4. Approval of the Agenda

- a. Approved

5. Reports

- a. Student Allocations Committee (Chair: Nate Koffke)
 - i. Nate: About a \$94,352 gap however they can fund about half of this. If Seg Fees is unable to fund the other half then they will do a 4% cut across the board.
 - ii. Jean: You should be able to use your reserves and Seg Fees; wouldn't have to fund and have \$159,000 in reserves with a minimum of a \$20,000 sweep up which should still be fine. There shouldn't be a reason to increase their budget and Allocations shouldn't have to make any cuts.
 - iii. Chris: What about the 3% increase in the Allocations budget for next year?
 - 1. Chase: That will stay for next year and we will not increase the budget any more.
 - iv. Chase: Any objection to authorize the 3% increase for next year? None.
- b. Green Fund Committee (Chair: Daniel Dennis)
 - i. Description of history of Green Fund and the three proposals this Spring 2015. Current budget for this semester was \$20,000 however only funded

\$19,350 based on the proposals given. Expecting more proposals next year with more marketing.

- ii. Chris: Will the Executive Board stipends stay the same?
 - 1. Daniel: Yes but it is per semester. However each year this is voted on.
- iii. Chase: The extra money will not carry over and you will start with \$60,000 next year.

6. Discussion

- a. Counseling (switching from 102 to Seg. fees)
 - i. Petra: Because of the financial situation of the UW System and UW-Oshkosh the proposal is to move Counseling positions from the 102s to Seg Fees instead of cutting counseling positions. That will be about \$410,410 with benefits being transferred to Seg Fees. Is Seg Fees willing to consider/discuss to take on this move?
 - ii. Jordan: I think it's something that should be considered at the least.
 - iii. Chase: When does this need to be actionable?
 - 1. Petra: Early in the fall probably.
 - iv. Aaron: Will this be a permanent move?
 - 1. Petra: Yes
 - 2. Chase: It will almost be impossible to change back.
 - v. Aaron: Are we the only institution where this hasn't been changed already?
 - 1. Petra: Yes. Eau Claire is half and half on GPR and Seg. Fees. We feel this is a commitment we need to provide to our students.
 - vi. Jean: Passed around a spreadsheet showing the numbers with this move over a 2 or 3 year span.
 - vii. Chase: Couple things we could do: we could make a commitment on a 2 year span or a 3 year span or we could wait until the fall. We could also have a discussion on which timeline is more feasible.
 - viii. Chris: What is the possibility with the involvement of the Health Center for more overlap there?
 - 1. Petra: It's something to consider however the differences between mental and physical health are immense and very difficult to close that gap. In La Crosse they did that and had to move it back.
 - ix. Caitlin: I think the 3 year plan is better.
 - x. Jordan: But then there is more risk if a Seg Fee freeze happens.
 - xi. Chris: Could discuss that in the fall.
 - xii. Caitlin: However the reserves are larger in the 3 year plan.
 - xiii. Chase: Petra, is this discussion enough or would you like a formal statement?
 - 1. Petra: I'd like to be able to say we had discussion and that they are seriously considering two options so that I can have a certain amount of counseling positions for the next year etc.
 - xiv. Chase: Would the committee like me to create a formal document to give to Petra, OSA etc.?
 - 1. Nicole: Yes.

- xv. Caitlin: I move for the Chair to create a statement regarding the committee's initial thoughts on the Counseling move.
 - 1. Seconded by Chris.
 - 2. Vote: Unanimous.
- b. Student Recreation, Director Salary
 - i. Petra: The Director of Student Recreation used to also be the Director of Intramurals which used to be a 102. Tom Patt is on a 102 budget and so since we are trying to reduce the 102 budget we want to put this under the Student Rec and Wellness Budget. With juggling they can add this without having to increase Seg Fees in a phased timeline. We wanted your approval to do that first.
 - ii. Jean: Tom gave us his budgets with using his reserves which lowers them to the lowest amount possible and built it into the Seg Fee budget within 2 year timeline. Most of this is because the RecPlex has been pushed back and they have higher reserves.
 - iii. Chris: After these two years and after the tuition freeze what is the increase going to be?
 - 1. Jean: It won't add to the already projected 2-3% increase.
 - iv. Jordan: So it won't really affect us?
 - 1. Petra: No, but it is a shared governance perspective.
 - 2. Jordan: Then as long as it doesn't really affect us then I think we can approve this.
 - v. Chase: Would you need a statement for this as well?
 - 1. Petra: Yes it would be good for record keeping sake
 - vi. Caitlin: Moves for this statement to be written.
 - 1. Seconded by Jordan.
 - 2. Vote: Unanimous.
- c. RecPlex, commitment by the Segregated Fee Committee
 - i. Chase: Did everyone see the tentative statement from Seg Fees? I thought we needed this in case the RecPlex can't financially support itself then Seg Fees will step in.
 - ii. Petra: I personally think the business plan that was created is very good however there is some concern regarding the Escrow account. If we build it they will pay to come and I am secure in that belief.
 - iii. Chase: Is everyone ok with what the commitment statement says?
 - 1. Committee: Yes.
 - iv. Chris: Moves to accept the proposed statement.
 - 1. Seconded by Jordan
 - 2. Vote: Unanimous.
- d. Budget Cuts
 - i. Petra: We are looking everywhere to save money and are looking at some options for getting one-time budget requests for the greater good without disrupting services or programs. We are still looking into this and are planning to come to Seg Fees later on next year.
 - ii. Chase: Has this ever been done before?
 - 1. Petra: It has but not in this way.

- iii. Aaron: What will the outside perceptions be of doing this?
 - 1. Petra: The legislature is seeing this as having \$49 million slush fund and don't differentiate between the different pools.

- e. Bylaws

- i. Chase: Stipends should be changed based on my personal opinion and based on the amount of work the Chair and Vice-Chair need to put into the Committee. Bring it up/think about it in the fall.

7. Elections

- a. Nominations

- i. Caitlin: Nominates Nicole Lehto

- b. Statements

- i. Nicole Lehto

- c. Voting

- i. Chase: Any discussion etc...
- ii. Chase: Start voting. Vote: Unanimous.

8. Adjournment at 6:31pm

- a. Motion by Caitlin

- i. Seconded by Chris