SBC Meeting Minutes
03-27-2015

In attendance: Antonio Torres, Chance Aucoin, Derek Guidry, Jeanne Bankston, Hunter Christopher*, Joy Ballard*, Derreck Blake Deason (Chair), LeeAnne Sipe (advisor)

**QUORUM NOT YET MET**

Scantron Discussion

Aucoin: I say we just provide them for 1000 level courses and give them to departments.
Sipe: This is the discussion we had in our executive board meeting that we would expand the program to also provide other supplies like engineering paper and then instead of providing them in the office, we would hold events to distribute them or have them at SG meetings.
Aucoin: I don’t know if Engineering Paper is worth it. It’s like $12 a packet.
Sipe: We wanted to serve all students, that was the intent. We may also get a bulk discount.
Aucoin: Only gen ed courses have scantrons. It only really serves first year students.
Sipe: Other colleges also use scantrons beyond the first year, not just engineering and sciences.
Deason: But the question is it worth $10,000?
Torres: As Hunter Christopher said yesterday, at other schools they usually get rid of the program.
Sipe: But if we do, we need to find a way to keep $15,600 in supplies.
Torres: If we move the money into the general supplies line-- would we be able to still buy scantrons then?
Sipe: Yes, that’s a good idea. Then we can decide if we want to continue the program later.
Torres: Let’s cut that $4000 or so, and move the rest to the general fund.

640100 - Supplies

Discussion

Deason: The Pep Band contacted us after the meeting.
Torres: But we had voted that down already.
Christopher: I don’t know if this is appropriate for this committee or not, but I think we should allocate money to repair the kiosks.
Sipe: It might be something more appropriate to submit as bill? Or on the budget. It’s up to y’all.
Christopher: But if we allocate it gets done.
Sipe: Or it could come from the reserve account if we replace them?
Aucoin: Do we add leisure reading since we funded them in the senate this year? Or do we wait to see how it goes?
Deason: It was just over $1,800.

Vote to add $2000 line item for DVD Leisure Library in Supplies
6 yeas - 0 nays - 0 abstentions

Vote to allocate $2000 to the DVD Library
6 yeas - 0 nays - 0 abstentions

Vote to allocate $7,600 to the General Supplies
6 yeas - 0 nays - 0 abstentions

Vote to allocate $2,000 for Hand Sanitizer
6 yeas - 0 nays - 0 abstentions

Vote to allocate $2,000 for Pencils
6 yeas - 0 nays - 0 abstentions

Vote to allocate $0 for Scantrons
6 yeas - 0 nays - 0 abstentions

668000 - Leadership Awards
Discussion
Sipe: The discussion we can have today is to fund Fall and Spring or Fall, Spring, and Summer.
Ballard: Historically, what have we funded?
Sipe: We typically fund fall and spring with a little extra in case they take summer courses.
Deason: For 15 credit hours, tuition is $3,741 for fall and spring and $3,620 for summer.
Ballard: I have no problem funding it all, but how do we figure out how much to budget for the summer?
Torres: Should we budget for two and then divvy it up?
Ballard: If no one takes summer classes, where does that money go?
Aucoin: To the reserve account.
Christopher: How do we keep that money? How can we distinguish it?
Sipe: Make it for pro dev and summer tuition?
Christopher: Or leadership Scholarships?
Various: Yes.
Ballard: Two summer tuitions add up to around $7,250, so $7,500?
Christopher: How does this money work with the tuition waiver?
Sipe: UNO still does not offer a true waiver to my understanding. If business affairs gets that worked out, we can arrange for this to be a stipend.
Deason: So $7,482 for each executive officer, and $7,500 for summer/leadership scholarships?

Vote for to allocate $7,482 for the SG President
6 yeas - 0 nays - 0 abstentions

Vote for to allocate $7,482 for the SG Vice President
6 yeas - 0 nays - 0 abstentions

Vote for to allocate $7,482 for the SG Treasurer
6 yeas - 0 nays - 0 abstentions

Vote for to allocate $7,482 for the SG Secretary of State
6 yeas - 0 nays - 0 abstentions

Vote to add a line item for Summer Tuition/Leadership Scholarships at $7,500
6 yeas - 0 nays - 0 abstentions

Deason: That puts us at $37,428 total for SG Leadership Awards.

620100 - Student Academic Travel Fund
Discussion
Sipe: I don’t have current numbers as LaJana and Andrea are out, but we fund students at up to $400 each or groups at $2000 each-- the students in that group divvy up those funds.
Guidry: So is it whatever’s cheaper?
Sipe: Yes-- each cap is whatever they hit first.
Guidry: Sounds good. We should definitely keep the caps, I just wanted to understand the program better.
Ballard: It seems reasonable to help fund that much.
Christopher: We had reduced it to $30,000 last year because that was about what we’d anticipated spending.
Sipe: I know that we spend roughly $12,000-$15,000 each semester.
Ballard: People seem happy with the program.
Aucoin: Except that it’s due a month in advance.
Christopher: It’s on the form.
Aucoin: But did we spend it.
Sipe: Sorry, maybe I wasn’t clear-- I don’t have those exact numbers because Andrea and LaJana are not here, but we are spending this money.
Ballard: I think the main problem is that students don’t know it’s there.
Vote to raise the cap to $2500 for group travel
   6 yeas - 0 nays - 0 abstentions

Vote to approve $30,000 for student academic travel fund
   6 yeas - 0 nays - 0 abstentions

668000 - Scholarship Support
Discussion
    Aucoin: Do we use all of this?
    Sipe: Yes. The funds are actually being allocated right now by the committee. The amount varies on the number of applicants.
    Christopher: Can we change that SG members can't apply?
    Ballard: That doesn't seem fair.
    Guidry: It's not a conflict of interest.
    Sipe: I wasn't aware that was a policy.
    Christopher: I know Abby [Diez] had some issues when applying last year. Well, just in case, let's vote on it being policy so they're aware.

Allow student government members to apply and be awarded international student exchange scholarships
   6 yeas - 0 nays - 0 abstentions

Vote to allocate $15,000 to SG International Student Exchange Scholarships
   6 yeas - 0 nays - 0 abstentions

87189 - Legal Services
Discussion
    Aucoin: Same fee?
    Deason: Yes.

Vote to allocate $46,000 to Attorney Fee
   6 yeas - 0 nays - 0 abstentions

630100 - Senate
Discussion
   None.

Vote to allocate $85,267 to senate operating
   6 yeas - 0 nays - 0 abstentions

Meeting adjourned at 12:49PM