Call to Order – 3:09

Minutes – Teagle’s presence

Acceptance of minutes pending any corrections 3:10

New Business:

Never set a standards of business. Didn’t think it was necessary. Brought up by several members in interim. Chair and Vice Chair present to vote? Teagle is against it. He must go out of town end of March beginning of April. From now on opinions advice to budget committee. We will now be the advisory committee to the students on the SG BC. How would we like to conduct business?

Shawn: Full meetings with week before. The following week someone who wasn’t at the previous meeting with half people from meeting week before. Meeting was half the people as the first meeting; and made a vote and completely restructured things. Kind of underhanded.

Christy: Agrees with him. Make decisions on how things are set up to make changes on what we had already voted on and discussed things logically already.

Teagle: What would we like to see in the future?

Shawn: Have to have 2/3’s. There might a time when things need to be changed. How do you restrict yourself without having to restrict yourself?

Teagle: Discuss quorum. Quorum has been operating with the concept of a Senate’s operating. A chair and two committee meeting to meet quorum. 50% + 1.

Shawn and Christy: better for a small group.

Langston: introduces himself. 3:16 Greek.

Teagle: Motion to move and make quorum to make it 50% of members +1. Will not be able to make a vote on anything. Call to vote: all in favor of mandatory quorum 50% +1; this committee 7. Vote is unanimous.

2nd point of business practices: call to vote. Chair and Vice Chair. Motion that the votes can only be called and motions can only be recognized the chair or in their absence vice chair. Questions about what that means?

Motion? 5 to 2. Shawn and Hat nay. No abstentions.

Teagle: showcased edited version of bill that showcases better the changes that represents this committee better. Referendum the SG would like to present for a vote they are giving to this committee. One fee this is being covered on this bill that has not been discussed is the SG and SAC. The Senate is not in favor of presenting a solid fee. They want to present each to the student body as an individual. Stated the subcommittee bill would not pass the floor. The uncertainty is that it will be killed in the Senate. SSAF is what it will be called and the SGA operations fee. This will completely replace the 1987 referendum. In the enacted parts (section 2) they want to ask these questions… That is asking about each fee individually. 4 – every individual fee that we talked about. The fees are exacting the same as the original fee amounts were voted on. The
Christy: when you propose the fees to the students is it a survey?
Teagle: restricted email and website address that allows them to vote through a polling program. Only has one or two choices: yes or no.

Shawn: ask about each dollar amount? Senate just killed athletics?
Teagle: yes. Athletics needs to come to the table and they need to argue their own fee.

Langston: has there been an athletics rep so far?
Teagle & Olivia: yes, at the original meeting.

Teagle: concern that athletics will be voted down if it goes to the students.

3:30 Senator Ballard – who authored the bill.

Teagle: concern came up, discussed previously, this would kill athletics.

Joyce: does not have an issue with voting on them as a block. That being said, if they make it into what they want? Once they see it? Better shot of convincing them of that. Some Senators completely against that in general.

Teagle: feelings that they are completely against athletics? Separating it will kill athletics. Shawn, Teagle, & Dr. Kemker have discussions with athletics… they will be dead if they are not funded soon.

Langston: solely funded by student?

Teagle: small fee taken out for fee by students. Currently from Whip Carry Grant through UNO foundation is how currently funded (around 3 million/year – ~1 million self generated). Out of that the current fee only gives them 600,000-700,000. Around 2.5 million they need to make up the difference. Grant money will be gone in ~2 years. Depending on schedule and travel dictates how long. Nothing else can be cut from athletics to keep it legal. We can offer no less scholarships, 14 teams to keep NCAA status for Division 1. Nothing else can be cut. Block makes sense for the marketing of a university. We have reached a place at UNO where he is tired of arguing the importance of sports to students.

Christy: a lot of people voting no because of that. Trading all the fees for athletics and the rest of the fees voting?

Teagle: technically up to Senate and Teagle. This referendum reflects the will of the committee with the exception of one and the SG fee as well. Want to risk it all in one vote or risk it all with keeping sports?

Shawn: If, then argument. Half of these will not pass. Depending on the highest percentage of demographics of student’s votes they will pick and choose.

Ballard: scared SGA fee will not go through. Scared it will not go through so it will not fund other things.

Shawn: student involvement as well.

Teagle: same people vote for everything. SAC, Greek life, UNO ambassadors, OLs. Then approximately 2% of the rest of the people who do not vote. Not concerned about SGA fee because of these people. Doesn’t want to write a bill that is specifically for these people. Wants it for everyone.

Teagle: anyone in the committee want it to be separate?
Christy: can see people looking at it and saying $380 more. If you chop it down and let them know what they are paying for. Already paying one (tech fee). Pros and Cons for both (chopping down).

**Hat:** if you split it up the people who pay the money get to put it up to who it goes to.

Langston: best interest to keep it as a block. Higher chance of it passing at being in a block.

Josh: 3:43pm arrived

Shawn: in regards to financial aid, your financial aid award every year you will be eligible. Your estimated need will increase thus increasing your award. Faculty, if you split it out, more than likely talk up academics and down others. If you keep it together, everyone hangs together or hangs themselves.

Teagle: if split, there will be people who will not see the need for giving the colleges extra money. Budget cuts have hit the rest of the college except for academics. Has been in staff side thus far. Hang together hang separately if we break it up. Not just academics, SGA, atheltica, etc. Technology fee is one he is really scared about. Personally, hang together hang separately.

Ballard: not opposed to putting them back together. Senators of the mind set rather get something done.

Josh: from a marketing perspective much easier to get it done as a block.

Teagle: if broken down we have to sell it to the student body. If separate nothing stopping UL system. The board of regents also. They will have the option to pick and choose as well. The only way to guarantee that all the fees go through is have them all go together.

Ballard: do you agree with sentence…. Can we explain in the referendum?

Teagle: everything in article 4 must be explained. Also, article 5, 6, & 7 must be listed in the referendum that goes to the students.

Christy: in favor of putting it together as putting block together of $384. We will have to sell it. We have a great structure here of where fees would go. It shows where money is being used, why important, etc. Why important, why care, and how you should fund it.

Shawn: feels strongly about each thing listed here. Transparency. That’s why blocked together. Once grouped and explained.

Teagle: what will happen, if we make a recommendation on this, this will go to the senate on Tues. There will be a special session probably next Friday to vote on it then. If they pass it a forum will be at those to sell it. We have to answer for what we did to showcase the reasoning behind the reasons for what we did.

**Motion to vote for a block or individual fee? Favor of blocked together. 1 abstention.**

**Call to vote: all in favor recommending this bill to the senate as a representation**

Hunter: address how it is allocated per semester. Is there no more annual budgeting?

Teagle: nondiscretionary percentages.

Hunter: if splitting up. Up to bylaws and constitution. Central budget committee, is up to.

Teagle: Senate gets a percentage (set amount). SAC auto allocated. Reserve auto allocated. Only thing added greek, privateer, and senate. Taken out of CVC.
Hunter: groups that aren’t currently in existence?

Teagle: bottom.

Hunter: large amount into a maybe. More than 4 times what we are giving to SIL.

Teagle: right now, huge percentage of SIL budget is divided between Greek Life and SIC. Take weight off them and potentially hire someone else. Free up their remainder of their. Senate automatic allocation.

Hunter: how will this work from presidency to presidency.

Teagle: how different? Up to SBC and bylaws. How is this radically different than what we are doing now other than auto Senate certain amount of money?

Hunter: $ to spend from, or separate.

Teagle. These are operating accounts.

Hunter: 15% has to cover annual budgeting of SG and SAC.

Teagle: Know that SG needs more funds. SG & SAC need more. Need to balance that with asking students to pay more in completely different areas. What’s more important? SG & SAC are important, how do we get the students to see this? Issue is, at $85. Promised SAC 25% at the beginning of committee.

Langston: questions pertinent to vote we are about ot have?

Teagle: questions Hunter is asking is beyond the criteria, along with section I, beyong scope of this committee. Question before us do we block, SGA fee? Specific budget and allocations. How is this differnt from 10% we are giving to campus beautification?

Hunter: purpose vs. organization.

Teagle: don’t need to worry about how groups budget money.

Langston: committees are groups of adults and budget for themselves.

Shawn: must follow state guidelines?

Teagle: yes.

Hunter: legal services, scantrons, approved budgetary items? By locking in 25% into the senate restricting the.

Teagle: cut senates nondiscretionary and give it to CBC?

Hunter: CBC does not determine SG where the budget is going. What is after all these programs have been funded?

Teagle: making argument about consituitive discussion. Concerns?

Hunter: not having senate get automatic funding is a good idea. Internally on a annual basis. Remaining funding can be done in budget policy. Achieves same purpose. SAC should get, executive should get defined funding.

Teagle: that is an argument should be taken up with Senate.
Hunter: are we making subject between each of these. SGA operations fee. Are they different budgets because of diff %.

Teagle: up to Senate to set the recommendation of the fee. Not up to this committee. Only thing is whether the $85 breaks the bank. However the SG wants to do it.

Hunter: decidn whether should be included.

Teagle: deciding whether this bill is the consensus of this committee. Senate floor or constitutional committee.

Josh: valid debate; but beyond scope of this committee. Includes Senators.

Teagle: SGA budgetin is internal SG problem. Anyone with valid reservations as to whether making a recommendation of this bill (caviet section 9).

Hunter: Section E?

Ballard: no longer serves FYE, can be used anything that promotes campus prive or retention rates.

Teagle: more in line with what this committee established with the UNO experience fee. Any other concerns? Excluidng subection 9. Specific amount SG by SG operating fund? As Christy brought up bring total from 399 to 284. Will replace the 1987 referunum. Any concerns or talk about $85.

Christy: no problem with $85. Different opions regarding 277 vs (my words 300).

Teagle: had no expcations of fees being combined. Thought SAAFs would be separate and SGA separate. As you can tell, we are not done debating the level the SGA fee. First time someone has put down a number.

Langston: do we know number of studetns with financial aid?

Teagle: %70 all financial aid, 60% Stafford system, other percentage of grad assistants, tops outside Stafford system. ~87% students receive some form of…

Langston: if fees goes up and ifnancal aid… this is no fee.

Teagle: Non-traditional students, lower middle class – EFC greater than $1300, but they are in a family that makes less money and grad studetns are the only ones effected. Popele with EFC 1300 or less will not feel this.

Langston: w/ vast majority not being hit, problem?

Teagle: grad students to not get assistance with fees (brought up by Christy). They usually either give them a salary or tuition waiver. They will never have seen this coming. Greatest as risk population. ~800 really effected.

Ballard: 800/9200 who are not going to vote.

Teagle: Christy raised this point, T talked to grad student about it. They usually pay a lot less than everyone else.

Lnagsont: financial will not cover this? Loans will cover this.
Teagle: people who receive loans will get a little bigger. You will get more money. Unmet need is increased therefore you loan amount will be calculated at a higher amount. Completely up to not making recommendation with I.

Ballard: do not think I will pass by itself. Will not ever see the $ if its not together.

Teagle: saw this a hour before committee did. Any further concerns? 5 more minutes to discuss on this issue.

Hunter: talk about all numbers? Or $85 the number we want?

Teagle: best numbers they think students could afford. Knows athletics would love $100 fee, academics $200, etc. No matter what we do going to dis-en-fran-chise small group of studetns at UNO. Worst case scenario, ex. 13% cannot afford to go here anymore, to hopefully guanretee that would better serve the other %87. Are we going to make university better with these fees? Concrete impact?

Hunter: redistributing $ for Student affairs and enrollment side. Relooking at $299 number. % of entire whole

Teagle: do you want to create a fee or take $ elsewhere? Suggestin take $ from somewhere else or saying add $ to the fee?

Christy: learning commons doesn’t use $ all in on eyear Can this $ go to health services?

Langston: how effective programs are at filling this purpose?

Shawn: Kristy, enrollment indoctrinates students. 45% undergrad could enhance transfer programs mentor programs, transition camps, parent family programs, lgbtq, internainal, privateer camps. Used to have 3-4 orientations; had to cut that down along with meals they provide.

Teagle: back to main point. Retention programs are very effective. Do we want to take $ that we have decided to give someone and give to UNO experience. Or add money and increase fee separately?

Langsont: take from campus beautification fee. If expereicen is good enough you notice things less.

Christy: to stay here you have to be attacted to come here.

Teagle: flaws less when you love something. Cant develop love that classroom’s heat is on. Heat on in August? Joy of differed maintenance fee. Every other fee you pay that’s not a SAAF that doesn’t go there. Initially set up to pay that, but goes into general fund that is vaat of putty, $ may have been set aside of a particular purpose.

Hunter: old Student services fee transferred from . $28 for other. Once more students here and staying longer we have more overall.

Teagle: looking at something we can do a impact for immediately. Specifcally privateer camp. Enough 2 camps, insane accomplishment. Double retention first year. $15 more would be limit. Enrollment is imporatn agreed. Don’t want to basically fund enrollment services; crutch not artificial leg.

Hunter: doesn’t work with athletics fee. Enrollment is short term benefits right now.

Teagle: other members of committee need ot increase UNO experience fee? Or UNO enrollment services?
Shawn: thinks we have done enough and thinks this would be adequate.

Olivia: 10 enough, future subcommittees can figure that out.

Christy: not in favor of raising anymore.

Blake: leave it for the future.

Langston: we know the school

Hunter: 1/17 depts, all wanted to bring up. Bunch of things,

Teagle: most FYE & FYAs budget is salary. We cannot though that.

Josh: understand merit in more programs more money. Fine here.

Hat: 10 is good.

Teagle: really delicate proposal so far. Too much one way or other is going to break it. Ask for recommendation. **Vote on subsection I on this recommendation? SG operations fee. Call to vote: all in favor of including subsection I. 7 for 1 abstension. Will include subsection I if they promote this bill.** Under caveat, replacing 1987 memorandum, per semester, be a block allocation. **All in favor caveat these changes be made, reflects committees opinion, 7/1.** If this bill moves forward to the senate we are done with fees except the forums. Expect as many people as possible to come. SG will put together. Need committee there to answer questions of why. Move to 2ndary role; serve as advisory committee to university budget committee. Starting next week going to be much more involved with process in UBC. Weekly reports from members and then advising on these things. Shawn sitting on benchmarking committee with Dr. Kimpker. Any other business? Concerns? Thank you for really difficult task. Tough decision state and university put this decision on us. Sad relying on us to save them. Thanks for stepping up and doing it.

Shawn: our chance to take control of our money.

Teagle: last option – sell this way. Don’t hide the fact we are screwed.

Meeting adjourn 4:49. 3pm next week.