

AGENDA DASB FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING Wednesday at 4:45 pm, January 21st, 2015 Senate Council Chambers A

Call to Order

Rhea called the meeting to order at 4:45 pm.

Roll Call

Name	<u>Present</u>	Absent	<u>Excused</u>
Rhea	x		
Quang	X		
Nehal	x		
Melanie	x		
Julia	x		
Thao	X		
Arjun	x		
Naeema	X		
Drew	x		

Public Announcements

Please note: Members of the public are limited to two minutes.

- o John: Coffee for deliberations?
 - Rhea: 6 people Rhea, Arjun, Naeema, John, Dennis, Lisa

Approval of Minutes

No minutes to approve.

Business

1. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION

Title: Budget

This item is to discuss the budget requests and strategies going into our budget

deliberation period.
Presenter: Rhea Goveas

Time: 1 Hour

This item was moved to 4:47 pm.

- o Rhea: Need to talk about Gender and Sexuality center. Requesting \$90k for location
 - Julia: Vega would know more about
 - Rhea: Vega will be talking to them next week
- o John: What are we looking to cut? If anyone wants to add money you need to cut from this year
- o Rhea: Put G&S Center on hold
- o Lisa: Where is the student employment?
 - Rhea: In the MCC
- o Thao: Only events they've planned is the Community Conversation but they have a guest speaker event planned for next quarter. Based on notes, they haven't used that much money so they wouldn't need it.
- o Nehal: SSRC w/Julia. They didn't use their \$6k. They get \$120k in donations.
 - Rhea: Most of the \$\$ is for employment...if they're not using their money are they not paying their interns?
 - Lisa: They're only requesting for payroll. At the end of June, they ran out of money and had to pay from another account.
- o Rhea: General Diversity spending money?
 - John: There's \$\$ for certain programs like Israeli history/Muslim history. What about putting one lump sum and then allocating later on?
 - Lisa: A lot of the programs want to know how much money they have allocated going into the year
 - La Donna: For February Veronica and Julie might do something for Black History Month
 - John: What would be easier?
 - La Donna: Try to be equitable
 - Lisa: One fund would be harder to do to allocate throughout the year
 - Rhea: A lot of the programs barely used half their money
 - La Donna: If we were to reduce \$\$ for cultural programs, they'll look at the general budget
 - Thao: If we do make a lump sum, can we plan a way to allocate at the beginning of the year?
 - Lisa: We would essentially have to move it down to each account sooner or later. Staff members would not like that they don't know how much \$\$ they have to spend.
- o Arjun: Point of order need to be recognized by the chair to speak
 - John: Saturday's meeting will be a little less formal and will be more of a discussion (no need to be recognized by chair)
 - Arjun: As a strategy we need to know when and what to limit. Right now these Multicultural Programs are asking for more. Look at other programs who are being efficient in using their money.
- o Rhea: Senate Leadership?
 - Julia: We used it for camping, or we could use for DC trip
 - Arjun: Or Sac
 - John: For DC/Sac it goes from A&P fund
- o Drew: We should focus on the College Services.

- o Rhea: We need to cut from this year's budget
 - Arjun: Cut from this year to fund for next year
- o Julia: Veterans Program had a lot of \$\$ left over
- o Rhea: Last year we didn't fund any food
 - Arjun: Do we know how much that is?
- Naeema: Food \$\$ from Chairs?
 - Lisa: Not all Chairs use that \$50
 - John: Look to the big organizations
- o Thao: Puente project??
- o Arjun: \$28,500 for food
- o Naeema: Back to Puente didn't use a lot of the \$\$
 - Rhea: Lydia Hearn just took over the program, Naeema should go back and ask how much they used
- o Rhea: Tally up the amount of \$\$ to cut as we go along
- o Julia: Flea Market?
 - Lisa: Hard to calculate the classified benefits for paid position
 - John: We don't have a hard number from the district bc of tax laws
- o Naeema: LGBTQQI Task force??
 - Lisa: Not much of the \$\$ has been spent
- o Arjun: Prioritize programs based on visits
- Thao: We should look at how much they actually spent and give them about that much \$\$
 - Arjun: Figure out an online spreadsheet/database to keep a record of that
- Thao: Outreach program?? Bret Watson presented and said we had \$2.3 million, so why do we have a separate outreach fund?
 - John: We live by student headcount. The outreach program focuses on enrollment, so students go back to high schools to "recruit" students
 - Arjun: 3SP had a separate budget for outreach so why is DASB funding that?
 - John: Good question for Rob Mieso
- o Lisa: LGBTQQI Taskforce hasn't spent any money, but that doesn't mean they won't have any activity in the spring
- o Naeema: If a budgeter has more than one program, when visiting talk about both programs
- Nehal: CCP mostly wants money for food
 - Quang: We don't fund for food
 - Naeema: They came in the beginning of the year to ask for \$\$ for food
- John: If you allocate \$\$ for food to one program, all will come. Gave \$\$ to DSS and one other program.
 - Lisa: We gave a small amount \$\$ to ICC as well
- o Arjun: We should not take a stance on not funding food. With \$30k in special al, there's a reasonable amount of \$\$ we can allocate.
- o Rhea: Multicultural/Diversity isn't really using their money
 - John: La Voz covers us heavily, do we want to be the senate that cuts funding for diversity?
 - Quang: We should look at what the benefit is if the money is there, rather

- than what will happen if the money is NOT there.
- Arjun: We need to be in close contact with heads of each account. We shouldn't make a decision based on what we see unless we actually talk to those people
- Lisa: We have different staff members in charge of those programs
- o Naeema: Wellstone?
 - Rhea: They spent all their money
- o Rhea: DAYVUC
 - Lisa: They didn't submit expenses be they probably went through Special Al
 - Naeema: got funding from donations
- o Rhea: HEFAS?
 - Lisa: We can't lower payroll, district payscale has a way for some employees to be paid a little more. It all depends on budgeter. Essentially if we cut \$\$ the budgeter would have to get fewer hours. Accounts assistant gets paid pretty well. We would have to micromanaging for student payroll.
 - Rhea: If we want to reduce \$\$, do we look at students or hours?
- Lisa: We look at total budget request, then it's up to program to figure it out within themselves. Micromanaging would not be the best thing to do.
 - Arjun: Micromanaging would be something to look into since student payroll is one of the main line items
- o Lisa: DASB just started funding some of the programs
- o Rhea: Student payroll is a lot, we should probably cut down for HEFAS. Why do they need so much?
- O Rhea: Honors program last year we cut the funding a lot. What came up was Transfer Admission Preferred. Chances of getting into UCLA through TAP is much higher. Spoke to Mehrdad, goal is not to do cohorts but rather increase the amount of honors classes. If we want to do TAP it has to go through Administration. If we would be funding it would just be expanding the program
 - John: Right now we mix honors and regular classes. UCLA is rigorous and needs specific proof.
 - Rhea: We shouldn't cut honors program. They need more time to figure out things. They did a UC app coaching
 - Drew: Sankofa gets \$13k from DARE, but won't have it next year. However, they can do well without it. Peer advisors/tutors.
 - Rhea: Keep Sankofa at \$6800
- o Rhea moves to extend time by 30 minutes, Drew seconds. Passes unanimously.
- o Lisa: We have \$1.36 million for next year's total budget. See 2015-2016 budget revenue for further details. Card replacement (\$25,407) will not be there next year. \$161,299 is from last year and rolls over to next year. It was remaining from all the expenses form 2013-2014 expenses.
- Rhea: Biggest category that didn't spend is Student Events and Activities. (\$55,340.65)
- o Lisa: Doesn't know the number until fiscal year is over and everything is calculated. the \$161k is in the Reserve Fund Balance. When the fiscal year is over

(June 30th income statement), there will be a new number for that. Requests are always much higher than what we have to allocate. We want the Reserve Fund to be lower because it shows that we were budgeting well.

- o Nehal: Computer Donation Program?
 - Rhea: They stopped bringing in the technician
- o Thao: SSRSC
- o Julia: Veterans Program food funding? We should lower their \$\$ for supplies
 - Rhea: We can cut about \$2k
- o Rhea: Band?
 - Quang: They didn't reply
 - Lisa: Budgeter just retired so they got a new one
 - Rhea: Quang needs to visit or email again
 - Lisa: Perhaps talk to dean of creative arts
- o Rhea: Ask Dance Program why they didn't spend their \$2k (**Drew**)
- o Lisa: Talk to Nancy Cantor, she has to sign off on that
- o Rhea: M&W Tennis?
 - John: Go to Kulwant Singh. If instructors/coaches do not reply, GO TO DEAN.
- o Melanie: M&W Water Polo??
 - Thao: Water Polo and Diving are switched
- o Rhea: Only Speech and Debate didn't spend their money
 - Julia: It's only the advisor, he doesn't get paid.
 - Thao: The amount of students in the team/tournaments varies
- o Rhea: Check for African American Studies Program. For Equity office it's been around but they want to expand. Film and TV?
 - Julia: They had F/TV going on but new person working in the department.
 They want to expand the program and invite professional speakers and film writers.
- o Rhea: MCC?
 - Naeema: printers, student traffic, student assistants working directly with division assistant
 - John: Will be speaking with Donna Jones about why certain students get free printing
- o Rhea: Come at 8:15!!!!
- o John: Honey whipped cream cheese for Julia with Naeema's latte :)))))
- o Lisa: We might not be finished on Saturday
- o Arjun: We have about \$30k to cut

Burning Issues

Announcements/Informational Reports

Adjournment

Rhea adjourned the meeting at 6:20 pm.

Approved by the Senate: Date
Minutes taken by DASB Secretary Brian Romaine
Signed: