

SAFAC MEETING MINUTES

March 3, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Deidre Onishi, Dr. Justin Walton, Dr. Holly Rice, Colton Rancourt, Kristina Hill, Madison Geiger, Cody Jackson, Nikki Kirk, Casey Meek, Zeak Naifeh, Leslie Cothren

ALSO PRESENT: Debbie Mefford

MEMBERS ABSENT: Alexandra Kolinski, Sidney McCormack

- I. The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.
- II. Distribution of remaining SAFAC books and agenda.
- III. Introductions of committee members.
- IV. Zeak Naifeh explained SAFAC's purpose and reviewed the Bylaws. He also stated that the meeting would be kept informal until the final vote at the end.
- V. Election of a Chair for the Committee
 - a. Nikki Kirk was elected unanimously
- VI. 2015-2016 SAFAC budget overview and update was given and last year's SAFAC account information was discussed. The Guidelines were also reviewed.
- VII. Nikki Kirk called for the committee to begin the review of proposals:
 - a. *Agriculture*: Requested \$5,000 in funding. After discussion, the committee would like some additional information regarding the type of trips Agriculture has planned for the upcoming year and when they plan to go. The committee would also like to know if the same students go on all the trips. Additionally, they would like to know what the \$364, listed as miscellaneous, consist of. Dean Naifeh will email the Dr. Fischer.
 - b. *Agriculture-Livestock Judging*: Requested \$40,000 in funding. The committee recognizes that this could be a vital program for Cameron University, but the funding is just not there to honor the \$40,000 request. The committee would like to tentatively recommend \$5,000 and revisit the recommendation after a complete review of the proposals.
 - c. *Art*: Requesting \$8,500. The committee is concerned that some of the events are only advertised to Art students, they would like to impress to the Art Department to advertise their events across campus. The committee tentatively recommends \$6,000, and will revisit the recommendation after a complete proposal review.
 - d. *Biological Science*: Requested \$3,500. The committee likes the way the Biology Dept. reached many students and thinks that they use their money wisely. Tentatively recommends full funding of \$3,500, to be revisited after a complete proposal review.
 - e. *Business*: Requested \$5,800. The committee believes Business has set in place some good programs including workshops and various student activities, but they feel they are asking for too much money for refreshments (\$2,700) and they do not want to fund the Student Recognition Night, feeling that this does not include all students. Tentatively recommends funding of \$3,050, covering travel expense, speakers fee and promotional expense, to be revisited after a complete proposal review.
 - f. *Communications*: Requested \$48,000. The committee discussed the fact that CU has a very successful Forensic Team and is becoming quite well known, but doesn't want

to fund additional scholarships. The committee would like to give a 5,000 increase over last year, but for travel expenses only. Tentatively recommends funding of \$35,000, to be revisited after a complete proposal review.

- g. *Collegian*: Requested \$30,000. The committee thinks the Collegian writers have to put in a lot of hours and to keep the newspaper they will have to be compensated. They are requesting \$23,000 for scholarships and the committee would like to know how they award the scholarships; who gets paid and how much. Additionally, there is currently \$20,000 in their account and the committee would like to know how they plan on using the money. Dean Naifeh will email Dr. Keller for the information. The committee tentatively recommends \$30,000, to be revisited after they receive the additional information from Dr. Keller.
 - h. *CUTV*: Requesting \$10,000. The committee tentatively recommends a flat funding level of \$2,000, to be revisited after a complete proposal review.
 - i. *Computing and Technology*: Requesting 12,865. The committee recommends a slight increase to cover some additional travel expenses and the department's overage from last year. Tentatively recommends funding of \$5,500, to be revisited after a complete proposal review.
- VIII. Dean Naifeh recommended that the committee break for the day and continue at the next scheduled meeting, Wednesday, March 4 at 3:00 p.m. The committee voted unanimously to resume at the next meeting.
- IX. Dean Naifeh told the committee that he would contact the tabled proposal representatives for the requested information and asked the committee to please review the next proposals for in preparation for the upcoming meeting.
- X. Adjourn
The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER THE MARCH 4TH MEETING WAS CANCELED. THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE MARCH 10, 2015.