

SAFAC MEETING MINUTES

March 1, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Deidre Onishi, Dr. Aubrey Walton, Dr. Joanni Sailor, Alexandra Kolinski, Robert Day, Brandon Gibson, Wyonna Alberty, Nikki Kirk, Lacey Flaig, Taylor Thompson, Sarah Lewman, Zeak Naifeh, Leslie Cothren

ALSO PRESENT: Lindsey Billen, Debbie Mefford

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kelly High, Jamie Hatcher

- I. The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.
- II. Distribution of Agenda, February 23 Meeting Minutes, and Budget information
- III. Dean Naifeh asked the committee to review the February 23 Meeting Minutes
 - a. Motion to Approve – Nikki Kirk
 - b. Second – Robert Day
 - c. Approved
- IV. Sarah Lewman and Lindsey Billen explained the end of year budget information for 2014 and 2015, and hoped the committee would find it helpful.
- V. Proposal review:
 - a. *Education*: Requested \$4,200 in funding. After some discussion the committee decided to tentatively recommend the same funding as last year, \$3,500
- VI. Dean Naifeh wanted the committee to review the departmental responses before the committee continued the Proposal Review; the review went back to Art and Biology.
 - a. *Art*: Requesting \$8,000. Dean Naifeh shared the response from Edna McMillan and the committee felt they still didn't have a clear picture of how the Art Dept. uses its SAFAC funding. The Art Dept. has a complicated budget proposal; they add and spend additional funding from their SAFAC account which makes it difficult to tell exactly how SAFAC funding is spent. The committee decided to table the proposal until later.
 - b. *Biological Science*: Requested \$1,900. Dr. Gaines had clarified the committee's question regarding the \$200 scholarship line on the proposal, stating that they hosted bake sales and other events to raise money to cover the scholarship, also adding additional funding into their SAFAC account. The committee was additionally concerned that the Capstone experience may not be open to all students, and decided to table the proposal until later
- VII. Proposal Review continues:
 - b. *English*: Requested \$1,108, \$392 less than received last year. The committee appreciated the fact that the Gold Mine had tried to cut expenses and requested less funding. Additionally, they felt that the Gold Mine was open to all students to submit works for the publication. The committee tentatively recommended \$1,100.
 - c. *Library*: Requested \$200. The committee appreciates the Library for promoting their services to all students. They tentatively recommend the \$200 requested.
 - d. *Mathematical Sciences*: Requested \$3,000. The committee noted the fact that Math has had funding left the last two years. The committee tentatively recommended funding of \$2,000.

- e. *Military Sciences*: Requested \$6,000. The committee had concerns regarding the fact that ROTC uses a large portion of funding for student meals and if Student Fees should pay for other student's meals. They're also concerned if ROTC events are open to all students. They do like the fact that ROTC brings a lot of recognition to CU and are very willing to assist at many different events on campus. The committee tentatively recommended funding of \$6,000.
 - f. *Music*: Requested \$13,000. The committee is concerned that all of funding requested by Music is for student scholarships/stipends and are unsure if this is appropriate use of SAFAC funding. The committee appreciates the fact that Music students perform at many events on campus, but also feels like they have access to other sources of funding. The committee tentatively recommended funding of \$10,000.
 - g. *Physical Sciences*: Requested \$3,000. The committee is concerned that the Waist Water trip is for a specific class only. They tentatively recommended funding of \$2,800.
 - h. *Psychology*: Requested \$11,535, a \$7,535 increase from last year. The committee wondered why Psychology had so much money remaining at the end of last year that was zeroed out by the Business Office. Sarah Lewman stated that in previous years accounts weren't zeroed out, unless requested by the committee, until last year. Psychology had continued to roll over money that had been building for several years. (In the past the committee has felt strongly that student fees should be spent on the current students who pay them, and had requested that roll over amounts were no longer allowed unless the department put additional funds into their SAFAC accounts.) The committee was concerned about the large cost increase for travel and suggested they try to find additional funding sources, such as Endowed Lectureships. They suggested that Psychology check with Dean Huffman for a list of possible funding sources. The committee tentatively recommended funding of \$4,000, but would like to be sure and come back and review this proposal again.
- VIII. During the discussion about budgets and funding the committee learned from Sarah Lewman that Athletics receives funding for the Pick Axe Band. Music also requests money for the Pick Axe Band. Therefore, the committee would like to go back and review the Music proposal at the end.
- IX. Proposal Review continues:
- i. *Sports & Exercise Science*: Requested \$3,500. The committee believes Sports & Exercise uses their money well to reach a lot of students. The committee tentatively recommended funding of \$3,000, but would like to be sure to come back to this proposal at the end.
 - j. *Student Development*: Requested \$4,100, a \$2,600 increase over the funding received last year. The committee had a lot of questions as to why Student Development was requesting the increase. Dean Naifeh stated that a lot of the programs and events that Student Development currently supports receive funding from other sources, but are actually suitable for SAFAC funding. The committee discussed the different events and activities and felt that they all had good value for students. The committee tentatively recommended funding of \$3,000, but would like to come back to this proposal at the end.
 - k. *SWAHEC*: Requested \$2,315, \$1,815 more than they received last year. The committee is concerned if this proposal is eligible to receive SAFAC funding as the proposal as written. SWAHEC states that the funding would be used to fund Health Professions Society (HPS) a student organization. HPS servers' students who are

