Student Activity Fee Allocation Committee (SAFAC)
Unapproved Minutes: March 3, 2005

Members Present: Cathy Blackman, Jennifer Holland, Jim Heflin, Kaci Michael, Adam Perry, Elizabeth Yochem, Frank Myers, Leah Hicks, and Jenny Jackson

Members Absent: Scott Richard Klein, Aaron Russell, and Jacob Johnson

Ex-officio, non-voting members present: Courtney Hardin, Larry Kruse

Ex-officio, non-voting members absent: Donald Hall.

Others present: Carole Wydur and Delois Byrd.

Handouts:
Updated committee member list
Updated SAFAC Allocation Proposal spreadsheet from Dr. Larry Kruse
SAFAC Agenda for March 3, 2005 from Dr. Larry Kruse

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Adam Perry at 2:30 p.m. in Howell Hall, room 106. A motion was made by Jim Heflin and seconded by Frank Myers to approve the February 24, 2005 minutes with no corrections. The motion passed.

1. Review of the committee’s charge
Kruse brought members up-to-date who did not attend the last meeting. He discussed the formation of the SAFAC committee, the funding recommendations based on percentages, who is eligible for funding based on the SAFAC by-laws, and how recommendations would be made.

2. Sam Carroll, Director of Athletics
Carroll made a presentation during which he explained why Athletics is requesting additional funding for this year for scholarships and travel. The primary funding concern is the two new sports coming on campus in the fall of 2005: Women’s Golf and Men’s Cross Country. Carroll said that in order to field competitive teams, he asks for each team to be fully funded (the NCAA decides how many scholarships can be offered in each sport). He said very few athletes have full scholarships and four sports have never been fully funded. Some of the shortfall in funding is made up by fundraising. The costs associated with the Cameron Mascot are funded through the Cheerleading budget. Carroll said the money received by SAFAC each year is greatly appreciated.

Jenny Jackson asked if athletes can live in the new Cameron Village apartments. Carroll said “yes”, if they pay the money difference between that cost of the cost of living in the dorms.

3. Tony Allison, Chair of Communication
Communication: Allison is asking for an increase of $4,000 for the Speech and Broadcast majors. They go to four or five contests each year. Because of regulation changes and increased mileage costs, they will have trouble meeting expenses and may have to cut back on their tournaments. Allison said he would hate to do that because the Speech team is ranked nationally.
Collegian: Allison asked for an increase of $13,264 for the Collegian, primarily to help offset printing costs. Allison said the newspaper is a cash-starved program which starts out each academic year with a deficit. The majority of advertising revenue goes toward funding scholarships; this increase has attracted a larger and more dedicated staff, the outcome of which is a larger and better newspaper. But, if funding is not increased, they must cut back on the size of some editions of the newspaper.

Jennifer Holland asked Allison about the $1003 expense associated with Newswire. He said Newswire is used as a backup in case lead stories fall through and something needs to be inserted quickly. Allison also said Cameron students contribute to the Newswire. He was then asked if news writing students still contribute to the Collegian. He replied in the affirmative.

4. **Preliminary Funding**
   
   "Soft" Money Recommendations
   
   After some discussion, the committed recommended the following "soft-money" preliminary recommendations:
   
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5. **Next meeting date and time**
   
   Tuesday, March 8, 2005, at 3:00 p.m. in Howell 106

6. A motion to adjourn was made by Jenny Jackson and seconded by Kaci Michael. The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.