SUFAC Meeting Minutes for February 21, 2013

I. Call to Order

SUFAC Chair Kim Dawson called the meeting to order at 5:16 pm.

II. Roll Call

a. <u>Members Present</u>: Kimberly Dawson, Shawn Brown, John Landrum, SGA Exec., Bea Yang-OFO, Josh Shope, Katie Simson, Kyle Zellner, Jeff Huebner, Trevor Fuller, Reed Heintzkill, Brianna Mollberg, Jack Mellberg.

III. Recognition of Guests: N/A

IV. Approval of Agenda and Minutes: Kim entertained a motion to approve the agenda. Jeff motioned. Kyle seconded. Reed called the question. Katie acclimated.

Kim entertained a motion to approve the minutes from February 14th, 2013. Jeff motioned. Reed seconded. Katie called the question. Josh called the question.

V. Reports

- a. <u>OFO</u>: Contingency is \$28,642.19 and small organization start up is \$1,300.
- b. Senate: None.
- c. <u>SGA Exec:</u> I met with Luann from Student Billing; there is a new policy where you have to sign a payment agreement before you can register for classes. You can look at the policy if you want. The whole student body will be affected by this.
- **d.** <u>Vice Chair:</u> Thanks for coming back. Hopefully we will approve the segregated fee tonight.
- e. <u>Chair:</u> Shawn and I are writing the letter to the chancellor about the segregated fee and we will be drafting emails to all the orgs about what they were approved for in their budget. The emails won't go out until later, so remember confidentiality. The Senate has to approve the segregated fee as well.

VI. Discussion Items:

a. Sub-Committee Formation/Interest

Shawn said on Saturday we had long discussions about the larger orgs. We want to form a small committee to talk to the larger orgs about their future and the direction they are going. We would like to know if anyone is interested in forming this committee. The committee would talk to them so these long discussions do not occur on D-Day. Kim said we will write the names down and then we will contact you about when we will talk to the orgs. We will meet first and come up with questions we want to ask them.

We won't be telling them what to do; it's more of a discussion and what they would like to do. Shawn said we will have a better understanding of what the segregated fee is going towards with these orgs. Reed said we should have a committee that discusses the guidelines. Kim said we won't have a meeting every week in the spring. Spring meetings are about guidelines and improving them. Kim said we are looking at talking to Intertribal, Fourth Estate, and Phlash TV. We aren't in charge of Phlash TV getting a place but we want to talk to them about equipment and what all they need. Reed asked if we would formally decide on the committee. Shawn said the plan was to have the committee meet before hand and think of questions and then meet with the orgs. And we want to keep this more informal. We will bring the information we learn back to the SUFAC board.

Questions: N/A

VII. Action Items

a. Art Agency Contingency

Kim entertained a motion to approve Art Agency for \$1,000. Jeff motioned. Kyle seconded. Reed called the question.

Discussion: Shawn said the Art Agency presenter came in today and talked about the problem we had with the speaker presenting during class time. He said the speaker is not during class time and anyone can go. No one will receive credit for going, but teachers can recommend students to go. Kim read an email she received from Art Agency. Jeff said he is against funding the speaker because we already gave them \$2,000 for Contractual this past year. Kyle said he doesn't feel like that's a valid argument. We shouldn't take into account what they got last year; it was a different board that approved the budget. Jeff asked if the guideline for contractual is \$2,000. Shawn said yes, that is our guideline. In our meeting today he explained that it is not in class and no one will receive credit for it. Kyle said he doesn't believe this has to pass by 2/3rds. Kim said no, it doesn't. Kim said our reserve is to spend money on requests that orgs bring in that sound like a good idea and for new orgs. Heba asked if prices will change if it's not in a class anymore. Shawn said I think he meant it's not during a class period but it's in a class room. Heba asked if it was still going to be 2 days. Shawn said yes they are going to do a big lecture and workshops. Jeff asked if it's not during class, why is it on a Tuesday and Thursday? Kim said that is something you can ask them next time. Kim said the speaker wanted to come for 4 days but they said no due to price. Heba said if we are to table this, could we ask him more questions? Shawn said that is an option. Shawn asked what questions the board has. Heba asked if it needs to be 2 days if it's not in a class and why is it from 6-8:30 pm if it's not in a class. And they have another event this year I want to ask them about. John said we asked them 3 or 4 times if this was during a class period and we never tell orgs when they are able to hold events. Jeff said he is saying different things and this event is held during a class period. Kim said she asked him a couple times about

this and I don't think its fair to him to ask again and again if this speaker is during class.

Roll call vote failed 4-5-0.

b. Segregated Fee Approval

Discussion: John talked to the board about the segregated fee and the FTE number. He discussed why the SUF rate is based off the academic year allocation and not the entire year allocation which includes the summer session allocation. John said the possible increase is .44% for the segregated fee. John discussed the reserve. Jack asked if we need to approve one of the numbers for the segregated fee. John said yes. The board discussed the segregated fee and the reserve. Jeff said he is for a 2.5% increase but will go down to a 2.1% increase. Jack said a 2.1% increase is sufficient. Jeff said we might not be in a position to increase the segregated fee in the future. Shawn said we asked the auxiliary budgets to come in flat this year, which they did, with the intention of increasing the segregated fee to put money in reserve for large projects that are coming up. Reed said we should increase it while we can to build the reserve. Kyle said we need to balance what is best for the university but also what is best for the students. Heba said she would be ok with maybe a 1.8% increase but I wouldn't want to see it go higher because of what Kyle was saying and we made auxiliary budgets stay flat, who may have needed an increase. Kim said if the auxiliary needs more money they can come to us. However, we may not be able to give them what they need if we don't have the large reserve. When we met with the chancellor he said asking for \$300,000 with a \$6 million budget is not too much to ask for. Josh said if we increase it now, will the future be able to stay flat? Shawn said that's the intention. Reed asked if we know what the student body wants. Kim said the board represents the students. Jack said \$20 is not a large increase, but for a student who has a minimum wage job, that's 3 hours more of work and if you have a busy schedule, it may be hard to fit that time in. He also said we are doing this now so in the future it doesn't have to keep going up. Kyle said it may be only increasing \$20 but for students with loans that will keep increasing due to interest. Brianna said \$20 is not that much and I think it's a fair amount. Each member of the board gave their opinion on what the segregated fee should increase by. The consensus was 2.1%.

Kim entertained a motion to approve the segregated fee to be set at \$1378. Jeff motioned. Josh seconded. Trevor called the question. Roll call vote passed 9-0-0.

VIII. Announcements: Shawn said as of right now we do not have a meeting next week unless something comes in. We will have one the week after that to talk about guidelines and bi-laws. He said the board should take a look at those in the next week or two. Kim said I think that something in travel needs to change so we will look at that one for sure. Jack asked when we start meeting on Wednesday nights. Kim said starting in April we will be meeting on Wednesday.

IX. Adjournment: Kim entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Josh motioned. Trevor seconded. Kyle called the question. Jack acclimated. Meeting adjourned at 6:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted by: Lindsay Krapfl SUFAC Administrative Assistant