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Date:

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To:

Student Fee Advisory Committee

From:

Willie J. Hagan, President

Subject:

Response/Decision to Student Fee Advisory Committee (SFAC)

Recommendations for AY 2016-17

I wish to thank the Student Fee Advisory Committee (SFAC) members for their diligence in the work accomplished to date. Your recommendations were forwarded by the SFAC staff to my office in January and discussed with the Cabinet members. I determined that alternate consultation would be appropriate for the Category II fee recommendations you have provided.

Vice Presidents Chris Manriquez, Robert Fenning, and ASI President Jordan Sylvestre embarked on a series of alternate consultation meetings with the Academic Senate Executive Committee, the full Academic Senate, and the ASI Board. Upon completion of these consultation meetings, I am rendering my decision on the 2016-17 Fee Proposals.

Category III Course Fee Proposals are accepted as recommended by the Department and the SFAC.

- Establishing Lower Division Chemistry courses 108, 110, 112, & 230 at \$20 per course.
- Increasing existing Upper Division Chemistry course fees for 230 to \$20 and 311, 317, 451, and 456 to from \$17-\$22 to \$48 per course.
- Implementation of Health Science Study Abroad Program fee for HEA 495 Special Topics at \$2,539.

Category II Student Health Fee Proposals were treated as three separate requests.

Eliminate the current fee waiver for Nursing students. The \$75 per semester fee waiver
was initially established because all Nursing students were on-line students, and
therefore not availing themselves of student health services on campus. The proposal to
eliminate this waiver was based on the understanding that Nursing had changed from
being an online program. However, through alternative consultation, it was determined

that the change in modality was not universal. Therefore, the waiver should remain in place.

- Increase the Student Health Fee from \$75 per semester to \$100 per semester, due to increased costs. This fee increase was rejected by the SFAC and I accept their recommendation.
- Establish a new Summer Health Services Fee for state-supported Summer Session at \$40 per summer semester, to partially cover the costs of operation during the Summer Session. This fee proposal was accepted by the SFAC and positively advanced through alternative consultation. I accept this recommendation.

Category II Instructional Related Activity (IRA) Fee.

• Increase the per semester fee from \$5 to \$20. I believe IRA fees require a more extensive alternative consultation process or a full student referendum. Therefore, this IRA Fee proposal and the SFAC recommendation was not approved for the 2016-17 fee process.

Again, thank you for your hard work in reviewing and making recommendations on these important fee proposals

cc: SFAC Staff
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