

Meeting Summary
Mandatory Student Fee Advisory Committee
Thursday, November 7, 2019

1. Welcome and Minutes

Committee members and attendees introduced themselves. Per the attached attendance list, all eight student members were present. One faculty member was absent. Both staff members were present, including a third non-voting member. The Committee reviewed the minutes from October 31, 2019 and no amendments were proposed. The minutes were approved as posted on the website.

2. Mandatory Fee Presentations

Staff presented overviews of their respective program areas funded by mandatory fees as follows:

- **Student Center Operations** ([Presentation](#)) – Lindsay Bryant updated the committee on the status of the Student Center Operations and services funded by the fee. The Student Center is not asking for a fee increase this year.

Questions:

Q. Is the \$85 for the fee per semester?

A. Yes.

Q. Has this information been relayed to the rest of the student body?

A. That is one of the functions of SGA and the senators

Q. Is the \$25 increase you mentioned per semester?

A. Yes.

Q. Will summer student be effected by this increase?

A. No, the fee will start in January prorated and then pick back up in the fall.

Q. Are some of the services going to be effected with the move?

A. Some services like Under the Couch, we will not have space at first so they will have to be suspended but they will resume once we are all in place

Q. So, after all the renovations it will be a big meeting space?

A. Yes.

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- **Campus Recreation Center Operations** ([Presentation](#)) – Michael Edward updated the Committee on the status of the Campus Recreation Center Operations fee and services provided by them. Campus Recreation Center is not asking for a fee increase at this time.

Questions:

Q. Given the participation increase in fitness programs and outdoor recreational activities, will CRC:

- a) Continue to offer such programs and/or
- b) Offer more of these type programs (realizing that costs are associated with more programs)

A. We plan on increasing the program by going out of the box and with the partnership with housing.

Q. Being involved in running groups for decades, I enjoy not just the activities, but also the sense of community. Is there a way to promote the community aspect of these programs to reach more participants (and raise more revenue)?

A. Of course, this may already occur, but I think promoting community is always a plus!

Q. This may have been covered (not sure based on slides) but are there other outside sources of revenue such as:

- a) Renting space to campus organizations for events/banquets

- b) Allowing people in close proximity to the university some sort of fee based membership

- c) Rent out space for summer camps.

- d) Raise \$ from sponsors.

A. a) Currently, we rent out any and all available space not being used by our programs. This is a main source of revenue for us. These rentals include, external groups of all sorts. If it is not being used we book it and charge rental and direct costs

- b) Currently, we are not able to sell memberships to the outside community. This has to do with risk and liability. We do however, have programs such as swim lessons and scuba classes that have internal and external customers. The cost for the internal customer is lower than the outside customer. In addition, we do have a member plus one program. This program allows for an internal customer to sponsor an external customer for membership.

- d) We have not got into the sponsor business very much because of the time and effort needed for little to no return. There are also some BOR and State rules that make it very difficult.

Q. Is there a way you could get student who are good athletes to teach the classes instead of paying pro or series athletes?

A. We haven't thought of that. That is something we will look into.

Q. How much room is there for growth?

A. Partnership with housing will help, we need to communicate that the gym is open before 4pm, Development of City life- app used to see what machines are open.

- **Athletic (Presentation)** – Marvin Lewis updated the committee on the status of the Athletics and services funded by the fee. Athletics is not asking for a fee increase this year.

Questions:

Q. Any foreseeable increases?

A. Short term - No.

Q. What is the athletic association's view on the NCAA likeness issue?

A. It is good for the athletes but that money won't come from the athletic association or Georgia Tech, that money comes from sponsors.

3. Future Meetings

Meeting IV – Thursday November 21st, 2019 – 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM WVDC

Votes on fees

Alternative Dates

Thursday December 5, 2019 – 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM

Marc Muehlberg made a motion to abandon the meeting scheduled for Thursday November 14, 2019 – 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM. Seconded by Lea Harris and the motion carried by acclamation.

FISCAL 2020 COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER FISCAL 2021 FEES Thursday, November 7, 2019	
Member	Attendance
<u>Students (8 members)</u>	
Pooja Juvekar, Undergraduate Student Body President (UG)	Present
Divyesh Gutta, Joint VP of Finance (UG)	Present
Emmett Miskell (UG)	Present
Josh Eastwood, Undergraduate Representative (UG)	Present
Narayan Shirolkar, Graduate Student Body President (G)	Present
Lea Harris, Graduate Student Senator (G)	Present
Marc Muehlberg, Graduate Student Senator (G)	Present
Chandler Thornhill, Graduate Student Senator (G)	Present
<u>Faculty and Staff (4 members)</u>	
Jamie Fernandes, Exec Dir, Inst. Budget Planning & Administration (Co-Chair, MSFAC)	Present
Isabel "Yiny" Lynch, Budget Mgr. (Co-Member w. Jamie Fernandes & does not get an additional vote)	Present
Angela Hicks, Asst. Director – Financial Ops., College of Mechanical Engineering	Present
Jacqueline Garner – Lecturer, Sheller College of Business	Absent
Chris Reaves – Director, Center for Academic Enrichment	Present
<u>Support to Committee:</u>	
Kevin McConnell, Institute Budget Planning and Administration	

<u>Other Students and Staff in Attendance:</u> Michael Edward, Perry Kchao, Edo Diabaka, Dan Taylor, Benjamin Holton, Kasey Helton, Lindsay Bryant, Robert Junko, Barbara Hanschke, Marvin Lewis
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