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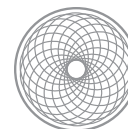
Meeting Summary

April 24, 2008

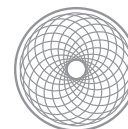
Durham 206

Members Present: Jim Davis, Mike Bowman, Denise Schmidt, Jamie Fath, Jim Twetten, Carl Bauer, Trevin Ward, Melissa Suek, Substitute for William Meeker, Fred Gulden, Dwight Dake, Quinn Warnick, Volker Hegelheimer, Allan Schmidt, Cameron Campbell, Brandon Vong, Jonathan Salvador

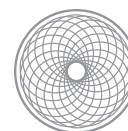
- Meeting called to order at 5:11PM
- Agenda approved and minutes approved
- Mike Bowman, Financial Report
 - Report Approved
- Jim Davis, ITS Report
 - Had some issues with an AFS server, caused outages in Webmail
- Old Business
 - Discussion of proposals not funded at the minimum requested amount
 - Campbell: It would seem clear that CAC should not fund items that have been stated as not appropriate for funding, however I don't think CAC should otherwise make editions to proposals.
 - Ward: It seems fully within the purview of the committee to make line item alterations.
 - Campbell: If editions are made to the proposals, there should be an opportunity for the proposers to weigh in on the changes
 - Davis: If there are questions or concerns from the committee on a proposal
 - Hegelheimer: Agrees that the committee has the ability to apply line-item editions, and that it's possible that there's padding
 - Warnick: In LASCAC, line-item editions are common. But then the committee has someone ask the proposers why they were asking for certain items that were stricken by the committee, and a final meeting where final changes in recommendations can be made.



- Allan Schmidt: How does the question answering process of using the online response site fit into the recommendations?
- Bowman: CAC has a pretty good record of providing funding that the proposers accept.
- Gulden: We need a way for the group to be able to ask these questions, and we don't currently have that.
- Bowman: Also, is the first cut done by CAC in the proposal process really necessary?
- Davis: Summing up the discussion, perhaps we don't need to do the first cut, and we expand the final decision making process to two meetings; we make our initial recommendations, and then any writers on proposals on which there were lingering questions or line-item deductions made can have the chance to come back to us with a response and we make our final decision at a later meeting. Also, most here seem to agree that CAC has the right to make line-item deductions.
- Regarding Proposals 3 and 5
 - Campbell: The deduction made to proposal 3 is essential to the project
 - Gulden: Move to fully fund proposal 3 at minimum level
 - Trevin: Second
 - Motion passes
 - Campbell: Proposal 5 requires the ink to get the project started. And if CAC does not fund the ink, since this is a multi-college project, how does that get handled?
 - Ward: The colleges need to come together and figure something out, because student fees should not fund any expendables
 - Gulden: I agree with the feelings, but it seems to be well within the guidelines
 - Bowman: Your call for proposals does not allow expendable items
 - Campbell: This concern is withdrawn, since it's specifically addressed in the call for proposals
- Regarding the CELT proposal
 - Schmidt: The change in funding for a proposal clearly changes what can then be done or provided. So how are we expected to live up to our stated goals for a given funding level, if our funding is in fact less than that?



- Campbell: Move to allow CELT to keep current funding and to rewrite their proposal to allow them flexibility, so as to not be bound by the maximum funding level requirements.
- Gulden: That motion isn't necessary, since it's already approved for that level of funding
- Campbell: Motion withdrawn
- New Business
 - Volunteers for Summer Sessions
 - Davis: We'll need some volunteers to convene to clean up the call for proposals
 - Volunteers for summer: Ward, Suek, Gulden, Campbell, Hegelheimer
 - Review of CAC process
 - Davis: There seems to be interest in reducing the amount available for projects and distributing more funds out to the colleges.
 - Campbell, Warnick: That would improve competition
 - Warnick: How do we handle units that have no revenue stream, and so go to CAC or LASCAC to request funds for IT support? Is that allowable?
 - Davis: These are good issues for the summer session.
 - FY10 CAC fee
 - Bowman: Engineering and Business are not going to be increasing their special fees. The question is, what is the committee's take on the increase in the standard fee? In the past, the committee has proposed a minimal fee increase in accordance with HEPI (Higher Education Price Index). In the past when there were no increases, it forced a sudden major increase in the student standard fees.
 - Ward: A HEPI increase would be appropriate. Anything beyond that would require better justification contingent on the quality of the reports coming from the colleges.
 - Meeker: Move to increase student fee in line with HEPI
 - Motion passes
 - CAC Committee Operation:
 - Davis: We'll discuss if the college presentations this year were helpful
 - Davis: Remember that FY08 reports are due September 1, 2008.



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- Ward: Possibly an ex-officio representative from Computer Science?
 - Davis: Good thing to consider over the summer or next year.
- Meeting adjourned at 6:51PM