MEMORANDUM

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TO: Jeffrey D. Armstrong, President

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Student Success Fee Allocation Advisory Committee

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SUBJECT: Student Success Fee Allocation Advisory Committee – 2019/20 Base Funding Allocations

The Student Success Fee Allocation Advisory Committee (SSFAAC) met in November to discuss the allocation of base student success fee funds. The committee was provided an estimate of approximately $784,000 in available funds.

With the support of campus leadership, the committee requested staff representatives from Academic Affairs, Student Affairs, Office of University Diversity and Inclusion, and Information Technology Services meet with the committee to provide an overview of proposed projects that would have the most impact on the majority of students (see attached). For your consideration, the SSFAAC approved, by majority vote, the following recommendations:

**Academic Affairs:**
- Three tenure track faculty positions: $525,000
- Tenure track faculty conversion: $ 94,000

**Student Affairs:**
- Diversity Speaker Series: $ 50,000
- Access Specialist in the Disability Resource Center (DRC): $115,000

Please let us know if you have any questions or if we can provide any additional information regarding these committee recommendations.

Thank you.

Approved:

Jeffrey D. Armstrong
President
Summary of All Proposals

- Alison Robinson, representing ITS, presented a proposal for *Investing in Mobile Access to Cal Poly Resources* in the amount of $165,000. This proposal would fund one mobile application development engineer who would lead the process of moving functionality from campus legacy mobile apps to the new platform and develop/implement additional modules and features as prioritized by the mobile governance committee.

- Mary Pedersen, representing Academic Affairs, presented a proposal for *Four Tenure Track Faculty* positions in the amount of $700,000. Each position is $175,000 for salary and benefits. This proposal includes a tenure track position in Statistics with a focus on the scholarship in Data Science; Philosophy with a focus on scholarship in Ethics and Philosophy of Computing Ethical Theory; Computer Science with a focus on scholarship in the area of Computer Education; and Liberal Studies Teacher Preparation Program with a focus on scholarship in Diversity, Inclusion, Social Justice/Social change.

- Jozi DeLeon, representing OUDI, presented a proposal for *BEaCON Mentoring Program* in the amount of $50,000. The BEaCON Mentoring Program has provided opportunities for all students but primarily first generation, low income and underrepresented students who are interested in being mentored and working with a faculty member on research. Both faculty and students receive compensation for their work together. The funding requested pays for the $5,000 compensation for 10 mentor/mentee pairs ($2,000 for the faculty member and $3,000 for the student.)

- Beya Montero, representing Student Affairs, presented a proposal for *Diversity Speaker Series* in the amount of $50,000. The Diversity Speaker Series is a collaborative initiative that highlights critical issues facing our society through deeply engaging and thought-provoking speakers who challenge assumptions around social action and justice, and engage students in the process of lifelong learning.

- Debi Hill, representing Student Affairs, presented a proposal for an *Access Specialist* in the Disability Resource Center (DRC) in the amount of $115,000 (salary and benefits). The Cal Poly DRC cultivates an accessible and inclusive community where students with permanent and temporary disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in all aspects of campus life. Each Access Specialist functions as a generalist and also has specific expertise and training in the various areas of disability.