



MEMORANDUM

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TO: Jeffrey D. Armstrong, President
FROM: Shayna Lynch, Co-chair (signature)
Cynthia Vizcaíno Villa, Co-chair (signature)
COPIES: Cynthia Jackson-Elmoore, Keith Humphrey, David Valadez
SUBJECT: Student Success Fee Allocation Advisory Committee – 2021/22 Base and One-time Funding Allocations

The Student Success Fee Allocation Advisory Committee (SSFAAC) met in May to discuss the allocation of base and one-time student success fee funds. The committee was provided an estimate of approximately \$1.33M in available base funds and \$2.1M in available one-time funds.

With the support of campus leadership, the committee requested staff representatives from Academic Affairs and Student Affairs 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:

Base Funding:

Academic Affairs:

Access to Classes & Tenure Density \$1,328,000

One-time Funding:

Academic Affairs:

Student Success Support within the Colleges \$2,070,000

(The majority of funds will provide access to classes for students, with the remainder for equipment, lab and classroom upgrades.)

Student Affairs:

WITH US: Center for Bystander Intervention \$ 75,000

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

Thank you.

Approved:

(Signature of Jeffrey D. Armstrong)

Jeffrey D. Armstrong
President



Summary of All Proposals

- Dr. Jackson-Elmoore, representing Academic Affairs, presented a proposal for base funding for Access to Classes and Tenure Density in the amount of \$1,328,000M. In order to meet student demand and provide adequate courses to students while not adversely affecting tenure density, additional tenure-track faculty are needed. The continued high demand in our polytechnic core necessitates an investment providing access to classes and tenure-track faculty (with related faculty costs) to satisfy the growing demand for these high-cost programs. Tenure-track faculty are needed to support learn by doing capstone experiences as well as faculty-directed student research. Funding will ensure access to classes, improve progress towards a degree, and will provide critical funds to enhance the student academic experience.
- Dr. Jackson-Elmoore, representing Academic Affairs, presented a proposal for one-time funding for Student Success Support within the Colleges in the amount of \$2.07M. This proposal would provide the Provost with the ability to direct crucial funds to high priority areas of need: Access to classes, equipment repairs and replacement, lab costs and improvements, and classroom improvements.
- Kevin Grant and Andres Hernandez, representing Student Affairs, presented a proposal for one-time funding for WITH US: Center for Bystander Intervention at Cal Poly in the amount of \$75,000. WITH US was established to broaden the mission and peer-led bystander intervention education model of Aware Awake Alive, a national non-profit organization founded by Scott and Julia Starkey following the alcohol poisoning death of their son Carson, a first-year student at Cal Poly. SSF funding support will sustain critical staff and operating expenses dedicated to advocating, researching, and creating evidence-based movements of bystander intervention, and would offset expenses related to staffing (salary and benefits), student-employees and AmeriCorps positions, and other operating expenses to run the programs and services in FY 21-22.