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A Bill for Responsible Oversight of Student Fees

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Background

The Problem

- The AS Strategic Plan gives Associated Students a road map for the future to address the issues of the student body. This plan is compiled by a Guiding Group who took the analysis from the undergrad survey and created a survey for AS participants. In addition to asking participants to weigh in on both priorities and ideas for actions AS could take to address the various issues over the next several years.

- In the VISION 2020- AS Strategic Plan, ‘Tuition and Fees’ received the highest response from students from all academic years and AS participants. 83.1% of those surveyed would like AS to focus on this issue over the next five years.¹

  - 59% of those surveyed answered ‘AS is addressing this, but should expand our efforts’²

- Selected comments from the subsection titled ‘Internal AS Improvement Ideas’³

  - “A strange thing about lock-ins is that they almost always pass, which can be good or bad. I feel that there is so much focus on the candidates and parties that people are not very educated on the ups and downs of the various initiatives being presented.”

  - “We need to make this super clear and let students know where their money is going! Possibly a link on the AS website--->fees and where they are going. Breakdown in a clear format the fees that undergrads/grads are paying.”

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  - “Students should be more informed and have more access to information to decide whether they should reaffirm certain lock-ins or not.”

  - “not every bcc needs a lock-in but it seems like everyone gets the option to be placed on the ballot and it usually gets passed. we should stress to the student body what is actually important to get lock in fees overall because 2$ a quarter

¹ AS Strategic Plan, pg. 38
² AS Strategic Plan, pg. 39
³ AS Strategic Plan, pg. 106
here and there for this and that BCC really can add up when there's 10 new ones introduced to the ballot each year”

- **Goals of the Referendum Process**
  - To ensure compliance with Campus and University policies
  - To foster the widest possible discussion and debate in an effort to create a well-informed voting population
  - To achieve the broadest possible consultation among both students and the appropriate campus units during all phases of planning and implementation of the fee.

- **Reform Objectives**
  - To curb the excessive growth of AS student fees over the last decade.
  - To give the voter more tools to gain a sense of understanding of the history of student fees over the years.
  - To give the voter an understanding of where the proposed fees would go.
  - To make applications for rollovers and referenda increases viewable to the public.
Fee Referenda

**PROPOSED REFORMS**

- **Administration**
  - **Objective**: The AS Elections Board shall administer the proposed forms, ballot supplements, and ballot tools. The AS Finance and Business Committee shall maintain an archive of past Fee Proposal Forms, Annual Reports, and Rollover Requests.
  
  - **Proposed**: An existing AS entity, AS Elections Board, shall be tasked to review the proposed lock-ins, and incorporate data on fee history, past and proposed expenditures. AS Finance and Business shall maintain an archive of documents relating to fee initiatives.
  
  - **Changes in Legal Code**:
    - **Section 16. A.S. ELECTIONS COMMITTEE**
      - D) Election Committee Duties and Responsibilities
        - 9) Shall administer Fee Proposal Forms, Annual Reports, and Rollover Requests.
        - 10) Shall incorporate data from the Fee Proposal Forms, Annual Reports, and Rollover Requests into ballot supplements and language.
    
    - **SECTION 11. A.S. SENATE FINANCE AND BUSINESS COMMITTEE**
      - F) Duties and Powers of the Committee
        - 5) Maintain a publicly-accessible archive of submitted Fee Proposal Forms, Annual Reports, and Rollover Requests.
- **Fee Proposal Form**

  - **Objective**: To include an online application form on asfb.as.ucsb.edu for new and recurring lock-in applications.

  - **Proposed**: A fee proposal is a working document that includes the complete text of a fee referendum, the ballot language, and the marketing plan and its budget. The sponsors must submit their fee proposal to the AS Finance and Business Committee and also may be asked to share their fee proposal with units who may be affected by the fee and/or student groups for input. Applications shall be forwarded to the AS Elections Board for review. Fee proposals are accepted by the week one of Winter Quarter.

  - See Appendix for proposed Fee Proposal Form.

- **Changes in Legal Code**:
  - **Article XVII- Elections Regulations**
    - **Section 6. Ballot Measures**
      - **E. Fee Proposal Form**
        - 1) The sponsor shall submit a Fee Proposal Form to the A.S. Finance and Business Committee no later than week one (1) of Winter Quarter. A completed Fee Proposal Form shall include all of the following:
          - A) A specification of the fee duration.
          - B) Amount of fee per quarter.
          - C) Expected increases during the existence of the fee.

        - 2) Submitted Fee Proposal Forms shall be available to the AS Election Board.

        - 3) Submitted Fee Proposal Forms shall be viewable to the public.
- **Election Supplement for Fee Initiatives**

  - **Objective:** To achieve the broadest possible consultation among both students and the appropriate campus units during all phases of planning and implementation of the fee.

  - **Proposed:** A more detailed supplement for fee referenda that includes data on the fee’s history, past expenditures, and proposed expenditures. This data is to be compiled using the online form filled out by the sponsor, and data from past AS budgets and proposals. See Appendix

  - A link to the sponsor’s Annual Report is to be included in AS Election Supplements.

  - A link to the group’s past rollover request applications shall be provided on the supplement.

  - **Changes in Legal Code:**

    - **Article XVII- Elections Regulations**

      - **Section 6. Ballot Measures**

        - **F. Elections Supplement**

          - 1) The Elections Supplement for Fee Initiatives shall include the following:

            - A) The results of recent, defined as five (5) academic years prior to the current year, attempts in reaffirmations or new Fee Initiatives from the sponsor.

            - B) Adequate visual information to indicate context of the proposed fee or reaffirmation with recent, defined as five (5) academic years prior to the current year, fee increases from the sponsor.

            - C) Adequate visual information to indicate, if any, proposed increases within the duration of the proposed fee or reaffirmation.

            - D) Indicate recent, defined as three (3) academic years prior to the current year, attempts by the sponsor for a rollover request.

            - E) Copies of the sponsor’s recent, defined as five (5) academic years prior to the current year, Annual Fee Reports.

            - F) Copies of the sponsor’s recent, defined as five (5) academic years prior to the current year, Fee Proposal Forms.
- G) A copy of the sponsor’s projected budget and expenditures for the next academic year with the proposed fee initiative.
Fee Projections and History on Ballot

• **Objective**: To achieve the broadest possible consultation among both students and the appropriate campus units during all phases of planning and implementation of the fee. The proposed changes to the ballot aims to establish some background of the group requesting fees, and fee allocations.

• **Current Ballot**: The current fee initiatives and reaffirmations page of not include clear instructions for how much students currently pay. Here is the current ballot language: *Full Version in Appendix*

- Notice how unclear the current fees, and how much the proposed increase will bring up student fees.

• **Proposed Ballot**: The proposed ballot aims to provide the voter clear data on the fee’s history, past expenditures, and proposed expenditures. This data is to be compiled by the AS Elections Board, based on the data provided on the online form, past AS budgets, and past applications.

• **The proposed ballot is to include**:  
  - Indicate recent, defined as five (5) academic years, fee referenda requests, including results, from the sponsor.
  - Indicate recent, defined as
three years, rollover requests, including results, from the sponsor.

- A bar-graph of per quarter (excluding summer) fee allocations per student over the past five (5) academic years.

- A bar-graph of per quarter (excluding summer) fee projections per student over five (5) academic years.

- A pie-chart of the sponsor’s proposed expenditures.

• Sample proposed ballot: Full Version in Appendix

• Changes in Legal Code:

  - Article XVII- Elections Regulations
    • Section 6. Ballot Measures
      - G. Ballot
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          - B) Adequate visual information to indicate context of the proposed fee or reaffirmation with recent, defined as five (5) academic years prior to the current year, fee increases from the sponsor.

          - C) Adequate visual information to indicate, if any, proposed increases within the duration of the proposed fee or reaffirmation.

          - D) Indicate recent, defined as three (3) academic years prior to the current year, attempts by the sponsor for a rollover request.

          - E) A copy of the sponsor’s projected budget and expenditures for the next academic year with the proposed fee initiative.
- **Annual Reports**

  - **Objective:** To give students a summary of how fee referenda were used over the past academic year, and to justify any increases in funding.

  - **Proposed:** Throughout the duration of the fee, the sponsors are expected to report annually on the use of fees at the close of each winter quarter.

    - Examples from UC Berkeley: See Appendix
      - tinyurl.com/zvmwc3f
      - tinyurl.com/j25uhfd

    - Annual Reports are to include:
      - An executive summary of the sponsor group
      - Summary of per-student fees
      - Project updates, reports, and metrics
      - A summary of the fee referenda’s goal, and how the group has worked to meet these goals

    - A copy of the group’s Annual Report is to be included in AS Election Supplements.

    - Annual Reports are due September 1st.

    - Annual Reports are to be made available via a public-accessible page on the AS Finance and Business and AS Elections Board websites.

  - **Changes in Legal Code:**

    - Article XVII- Elections Regulations

      - Section 6. Ballot Measures

        - A. Reaffirmations

        - 1) According to Article X of the Constitution, Reaffirmations need to be reaffirmed every two (2) years. Entities being reaffirmed should receive a letter from Elections Committee by Week five (5) of Winter quarter.

        - 2) Sponsors shall submit an Annual Fee Report each year the fee is in effect. Annual Reports shall be submitted to the AS Finance and Business Committee no later than September 1st. Failure to submit an Annual Fee
Report will result in disqualification from reaffirmation. A completed Annual Fee Report shall include all of the following:

- A) An executive summary of the sponsor group.
- B) Summary of per-student fees.
- C) Project updates, reports, and metrics.
- D) A summary of the fee referenda’s goal, and how the group has worked to meet these goals
Roll-Overs

- **Online Form**
  
  - **Objective**: Currently, funds remaining in the account at the end of the fiscal year will go back to the Capital Project Reserve Account. The Executive Director shall submit to the Senate, the request, which shall approve the request as an action item.
  
  - The current form is in paper form and is administered by the AS Executive Director. Then, recommendations are sent to Senate as an action item.
  
  - The Senate does not have access to the form detailing the reason for why the applicant’s funds were not spent over the academic year.
    
    - With an electronic form, the Senate and the rest of the student body would be able to view applications for rollovers.
    
    - The Senate, the press, and the student body, can be knowledgeable, and attain an institutional memory of unused AS fees, and excessive referenda reaffirmations.
  
  - **Proposed**: All Entities who wish to apply for remaining funds to rollover to the next fiscal year must fill out an application at through AS Finance and Business Committee.
    
    - The Executive Director shall submit to the Senate, the request as filled out through the on-line form, which shall approve the request as an action item.
  
  - **Proposed online form**: See Appendix
  
  - This online form, and its responses, shall be made available to the Senate, and be publicly viewable on the AS Finance and Business website, and on election supplements.

- **Changes in Legal Code**:

  - **ARTICLE IV - DISBURSEMENT OF ASSOCIATED STUDENTS’ FUNDS**

    - **SECTION 1. GENERAL POLICIES**
      
      - C) All Operating Account monies not spent by June 30th will be transferred into the A. S. Suspense account and retained for the fiscal year two (2) years hence unless otherwise provided herein.
1) Final approval of all trustee accounts must be completed by the eighth (8th) week of the Spring quarter. If an account is not approved, funds remaining in the account at the end of the fiscal year will go back to the Capital Project Reserve Account. The Executive Director shall submit to the Senate, the requests, which shall approve the request as an action item.

- A) If a rollover request is denied by the Senate, and the account is a lock in fee, the remaining funds will rollover into a category in Finance and Business’ budget to be allocated to any OSL or AS entity requesting funds for a project or program relevant to the specified language of the lock in.

- i) Exceptions listed below: All the Operating account monies not spent by June 30th will be transferred to their trustee accounts.
  - aa) EOP
  - bb) KCSB
  - cc) Program Board
  - dd) Communications Personnel
  - ee) Recycling
  - ff) IV Improvements
  - gg) IV Tenants Union
  - hh) Coastal Fund
  - ii) Community Affairs Board

2) A written request must be submitted by the sixth (6th) week of Spring quarter to the Executive Director, requesting that a trustee account be set up or, in the case of an existing account, maintained. The request should include an explanation of how and when the monies are going to be spent, why monies were not spent during the fiscal year, as well as a valid reason why a trustee account is being requested. Some valid reasons would be staffing considerations, long-range purchases, technical support, and ongoing projects.

- 2) A request must be submitted by the sixth (6th) week of Spring quarter to the AS Finance and Business via an online form, to request that a trustee
account be set up or, in the case of an existing account, maintained. The request should include an explanation of how and when the monies are going to be spent, why monies were not spent during the fiscal year, as well as a valid reason why a trustee account is being requested. Some valid reasons would be staffing considerations, long-range purchases, technical support, and on-going projects.

- a) All requests shall be made available to the public.
- b) The Executive Director shall make an initial decision to be approved by the Senate.
Appendix

- **AS Strategic Plan**

What would you like AS to focus on for the next several years?

**ACADEMIC ISSUES (Campus Survey Q4)**

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Please share other or elaborate on academic issues you care about

| Answered question | 1761 |
| Skipped question | 85 |

Most of the comments received were about class availability (29), diversity (22), fees & tuition (15), faculty quality (15), online courses (12), academic advising (11), and textbook prices (10), with practical ideas AS might implement for diversity, academic advising and textbooks, among others.

**ACADEMIC ISSUES (AS Participant Survey Q6)**

In the campus-wide survey, we asked students to identify their top ACADEMIC ISSUES. Their top choices are below. For each, do you think this is a topic we should take on?

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<th>Answer Options</th>
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<th>AS is addressing this, but should expand our efforts</th>
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Please elaborate: What CAN AS do to address these areas? What would you like to accomplish with regard to ACADEMIC ISSUES in the next five years? If you want to start a new program or expand an existing one, which AS body should lead the effort? How should it be funded?

| Answered question | 78 |
| Skipped question | 33 |

**Participant ideas:**

⇒ The top choices are not things AS can control (tuition, class availability).
⇒ The ratings on this and the other categories indicate that in the majority of participants want to tackle almost all of the issues (highlights show the highest voting percentages).
⇒ Participant respondent's comments about fees are focused on the relatively small fee that AS charges rather than the overall tuition issues that the campus survey respondents want addressed.
⇒ Advising, possibly the area where AS could have the most impact, other than its own fees, had several ideas including: Provide a "why you should meet with an academic adviser" piece with a checklist(s) for students to take to their advising meetings, demand that advisors be trained and have their own checklist to use as well, hold "advising open-houses" inviting advisors from multiple departments to table and present--ask campus to help support these, among others.
⇒ Top participant comments are about text books, advising and AS fee savings.
Lockins and Reaffirmations
A strange thing about lock-ins is that they almost always pass, which can be good or bad. I feel that there is so much focus on the candidates and parties that people are not very educated on the ups and downs of the various initiatives being presented.
We need to make this super clear and let students know where their money is going! Possibly a link on the AS website—>fees and where they are going. Breakdown in a clear format the fees that undergraduates are paying.
Allow Student orgs more time to gather petitions, the one month sort of set limit seems to me largely unnecessary.
F*ck the Bottom Line
New process to get lock-ins on the ballots
More signatures needed for petitions.
There should be a process in lock-ins that states that if the funds aren’t used after a certain amount of time they will go into the unallocated fund or back to students unless they are given an exception because money is being saved for a specific purpose because there are some BCC’s with hundreds of thousands of dollars in their accounts that they will probably never use (write it into the ballot language.)
If this is something the campus needs to be providing, or if it is a want that only student fees can bring about.
BCC awareness and advertising to students. Where their fees go in a simple sheet.
I just can’t believe that so many exclusive and unnecessary lock-ins pass. I doubt enough of the student population votes on them.

not every bcc needs a lock-in but it seems like everyone gets the option to be placed on the ballot and it usually gets passed. we should stress to the student body what is actually important to get lock in fees overall because 2$ a quarter here and there for this and that bcc really can add up when there’s 10 new ones introduced to the ballot each year.
The process to get a spot on the ballot seems too intensive and annoying for not only those who want to get on the ballot, but also for all of the students who have to sign the petition to get on the ballot.
have breakdown easily available online
Students should be more informed and have more access to information to decide whether they should reaffirm certain lock-ins or not.

Senate meetings and operations
- Current Ballot

### AS Bike Committee Fee Increase to Further Improve Bike Infrastructure

The current UCSB AS Bike Committee and its associated fee were established in 1998. Since the creation of the committee, bike traffic has significantly increased. Subsequently, the cost of projects demanded by students has far exceeded the committee’s annual budget. This fee increase will assist the financing of existing, as well as currently unaffordable projects and future proposals. Among other things, funds will be used to install new bike racks, pave bike paths, create safe intersections, and provide bike safety information and equipment. Remaining funds will be used to fund projects that promote bike safety and further improve bike-related infrastructure on campus. The fee will be in addition to the existing fees of $1.57 for Fall, Winter, and Spring quarters and $1.32 for Summer quarter, and a capital improvement lock-in for the construction for a new bike circle on campus of $1.65 Fall, Winter, Spring and Summer collected until Summer of 2017. The current base fee is up for reaffirmation $1.57 Fall, Winter and Spring and $1.32 for Summer this election. Failure to reaffirm the existing lock in fee will constitute a failure of the proposed increase. Do you approve of a fee increase of $1.99 per undergraduate for Fall, Winter, and Spring quarters to support UCSB Associated Students Bike Committee (of the $1.99 collected, $0.50 is for return to aid, $0.10 is for a 7% administrative assessment collected on all non-capital expenditures, $0.01 is for the AS recharge fee, and $1.38 will go to UCSB Associated Students Bike Committee), and $1.68 per undergraduate for Summer quarter (of the $1.68 collected, $0.42 is for return to aid, $0.08 is for a 7% administrative assessment collected on all non-capital expenditures, $0.01 is for the AS recharge fee, and $1.17 will go to UCSB Associated Students Bike Committee)? If passed, the fee would begin Fall 2015, and be subject to reaffirmation every two years as mandated by the A.S. Legal Code.

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<th>Pro Statement:</th>
<th>Con Statement:</th>
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<td>Bike Committee is in the brink of being able to sufficiently meet UCSB students demands for adequate bike infrastructure on campus. We have worked tirelessly over the past couple of years to bring our operating costs down while simultaneously increasing our productivity. Our strong dedication to the UCSB biking experience has yielded successes once thought unlikely. The upcoming construction of the SAASB bike/pedestrian roundabout (in between Campbell Hall and the Recreation Center), expanded Psychology, Arts, South Hall, Music, HSSB bike parking lots, and many similar projects have been on the drawing board for over a decade. We've negotiated your money to make the changes you demand happen.</td>
<td>Our annual budget is currently less than the cost of the impending SAASB roundabout. Now, imagine how much more our committee could do if we had a modest increase in funding. We will work day in and day out to see that your very small investment in Associated Students Bike Committee will return huge positive change for the campus. Our committee is strong because of everyday students who communicate with us what we need to fix on campus. We thrive from this exceptional level of transparency and democratic accountability. Supporting this fee initiative would allow the Associated Students Bike Committee to complete many more projects, and in a much quicker timeframe.</td>
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- Proposed Supplement and Ballot

AS Bike Committee Fee Increase to Further Improve Bike Infrastructure

The current UCSB AS Bike Committee and its associated fee were established in 1998. Since the creation of the committee, bike traffic has significantly increased. Subsequently, the cost of projects demanded by students has far exceeded the committee’s annual budget. This fee increase will assist the financing of existing, as well as currently unaffordable projects and future proposals. Among other things, funds will be used for light new bike racks, pave bike paths, create safe intersections, and provide bike safety information and equipment.

Remaining funds will be used to fund projects that promote bike safety and further improve bike-related infrastructure on campus. This fee will be in addition to the existing fees of $1.57 for Fall, Winter, and Spring quarters and $1.32 for Summer quarter, and a capital improvement lock in for the construction for a new bike circle on campus of $1.65 Fall, Winter, Spring and Summer collected until Summer of 2017. The current base fee is up for reaffirmation $1.57 Fall, Winter and Spring and $1.32 for Summer this election. Failure to reaffirm the existing lock in fee will constitute a failure of the proposed increase. Do you approve or a fee increase of $1.99 per undergraduate for Fall, Winter, and Spring quarters to support UCSB Associated Students Bike Committee of the $1.99 collected, $0.50 is for return to aid, $0.10 is for a 7% administrative assessment collected on all non-capital expenditures, $0.01 is for the AS recharge fee, and $1.36 will go to UCSB Associated Students Bike Committee, and $1.68 per undergraduate for Summer quarter (of the $1.68 collected, $0.42 is for return to aid, $0.08 is for a 7% administrative assessment collected on all non-capital expenditures, $0.01 is for the AS recharge fee, and $1.17 will go to UCSB Associated Students Bike Committee) if passed, the fee would begin Fall 2015, and be subject to reaffirmation every two years as mandated by the A.S. Legal Code.

FEE HISTORY WITH PROJECTION

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BUDGET WITH PROPOSED FEE INCREASE

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<td>Our annual budget is currently less than the cost of the proposed SAAB parking area. How much more can our committee do if we need an increased in funding. We will work hard and pay attention to the safety of all UCSB students.</td>
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- Proposed Rollover Request Form

Rollover Request Form

According to the Associated Legal Code, a written request must be submitted by the sixth week of Spring quarter to the Executive Director, requesting that a trustee account be set up or, in the case of an existing account, maintained. The request should include an explanation of how and when the money is going to be spent, why money was not spent during the fiscal year, as well as a valid reason why a trustee account is being requested. Some valid reasons include staffing considerations, long-range purchases, technical support, and on-going projects.

* Required

Name *

Position *

Organization Name *

Account Number

Current Account Balance *

Expected Account Balance at the End of Spring Quarter *

Rollover Request *

Please give an outline of your budget from this year *

What is your organization planning to do with the rollover funds? Please give specific amounts for each project *

Why did your organization not exhaust its funds from this year? *

Additional Comments

Submit

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