Campus Health & Recreation Fee Student Advisory Board Minutes from the initial meeting December 6, 2010

Members present:

Student members – Swapna Aravind, Andrea Corral, Karen Johnston, Monica Meginniss, Michael Mojica, Jennifer Reich, Brenda Verdugo-Gonzalez, Andrew Wall, Jack Williams, Joey Yonan
Ex-Officio members – Kriss Pope, Jeff Ratje, Mark Zakrzewski

Guests – Frank Farias, Harry McDermott, Cody Nichols, Ron Roberts, Melissa Vito

Members absent:

Student members – Alyssa Bradbury, Michael Colletti Ex-Officio members – Kris Kreutz

- I. Introductions given that this was the initial meeting of the advisory board and officers had not yet been chosen by the board, Harry McDermott chaired this meeting. All of the attendees introduced themselves and provided some brief information on their student or staff affiliations at the UA.
- II. Purpose of the Health & Recreation Fee Student Advisory Board Melisa Vito, VP for Student Affairs

Dr. Vito provided information on the purpose of the Health & Recreation (H&R) Fee and the Student Advisory Board. The Health & Recreation Fee was created to replace State dollars and University of Arizona retained fees (tuition based) funding of the Campus Health Service and the Department of Campus recreation in order to stabilize the financial support provided to those two units. The Health & Recreation Fee Student Advisory Board was formed as a part of the fee development process to allow for transparency in how the fee funding was being utilized by Campus Health and Campus Recreation and a mechanism for review and input from a broad range of student constituencies into the use and priorities of that funding. This first meeting was to give the 30,000 foot perspective regarding the fee and the use of fee revenues in the current fiscal year (FY 2011), as well as to review the plan for how the board will operate going forward. Subsequent meetings early in the spring semester will provide more financial detail and discuss fee funding utilization in the next fiscal year (FY 2012).

She answered a question about why fees were being implemented now by saying that past UA leadership was reluctant to apply fees. However, the current leadership feels that fees are a more effective way to cover certain expenses because those paying the fees know exactly where those dollars are going and fee revenue is more budget cut resistant so those services supported by fees can be preserved.

She also discussed her core values for this process, which are that the process is managed with:

- Transparency
- Active dialogue

In addition, Dr. Vito talked about some fee issues that the UA is addressing including:

- 1. Working with the Graduate College to address how fees are managed with Graduate Teaching Assistants and Research Assistants
- 2. Making sure that students who are distance learners, and therefore not in a position to utilize these on campus services, do not have to pay the fee.
- III. Review of the H&R Fee Student Advisory Board Governing Document Harry McDermott, Executive Director of Campus Health Services

Harry McDermott provided information on the history of the Health & Recreation Fee (see Appendix A) and reviewed the Health & Recreation Fee Student Advisory Board Governing Document (attached).

IV. Review of the H&R Fee related financial information – Frank Farias, Assistant VP for Student Affairs, Mark Zakrzewski, Interim Director of Campus Recreation and Harry McDermott

Frank Farias reviewed the comparisons of Campus Recreation and Campus Health fees from peer institutions with the current UA H&R Fee, as well as the fee amount that will be applied in FY2012. See the attached documents for these fee comparisons.

Mark Zakrzewski reviewed the financial breakdown regarding how Campus Recreation is utilizing this fiscal year's H&R fee funding. See the attached document for the Campus Rec figures.

Harry McDermott reviewed the financial breakdown regarding how Campus Health is utilizing this fiscal year's H&R fee funding. See the attached document for the Campus Health figures.

V. Next steps and next meeting – Harry McDermott

Harry McDermott provided information on the proposed meeting schedule for the spring semester. It is anticipated that the second meeting of this year's H&R Fee Student Advisory Board will be held by mid January 2011 and the third meeting by mid February 2011 prior to Campus Health and Campus Rec submitting their FY 2012 budgets to the UA Budget Office.

Two things that we hope to accomplish at the next meeting are to provide more detail on the use of this year's H&R Fee funding and preliminary plans for the use of next year's funding. The student members of the advisory board will also need to select officers at this meeting with the anticipation that the student officers will run the third meeting of the advisory board, which will likely be the final board meeting for this academic year.

VI. The meeting was adjourned at 6 pm.

Appendix A

History of the UA Campus Health & Recreation Fee

Summer 2009 and early Fall 2009 -

Meetings were held with leaders from various student organizations including:

- Associated Students at the University of Arizona (ASUA Chris Nagata)
- Graduate and Professional Student Council (GPSA David Talenfeld)
- Associated Students of Arizona (ASA David Martinez and Nicole Pasteur)
- Parent & Family Association (PFA Earl and Claire Mendenhall)

A Health & Recreation Fee Committee was formed that included representation from:

- ASUA
- GPSC
- ASA
- Student Health Advisory Committee (SHAC)
- Recreation Advisory Committee (RAC)
- Campus Health Service (CHS)
- Campus Recreation (CR)
- This committee had four key accomplishments in the fee proposal and approval process that included:
 - Developed and distributed a fee survey to parents through the PFA (December 2009)
 - Developed and distributed a fee survey to students (January 2010)
 - Researched and documented health and recreation fee data from UA peer institutions (Fall 2009)
 - Drafted the fee proposal (January 2010)

January and February 2010 -

The draft Campus Health and Recreation Fee proposal was vetted with the following:

- ASUA leadership and representatives
- GPSC leadership and representatives
- PFA Board
- ASA
- UA Central Administration
- ABOR Student Regents (from ASU and NAU)

<u>March 2010</u> -

The Campus Health & Recreation Fee proposal was presented to the ABOR at their March 2010 meeting to be implemented in 2 phases in the following manner:	
Year One (Fiscal year 2010-11) -	\$40/semester to Campus Health
	\$35/semester to Campus Recreation
	\$150/year total fee
<u>Year Two</u> (Fiscal year 2011-12) -	\$80/semester to Campus Health <u>\$73/semester to Campus Recreation</u> \$306/year total fee

The approved fee proposal included provisions for the development of a Health & Recreation Fee Student Advisory Board, which was the impetus for organizing this group and this first meeting.

Summer 2010 and Fall 2010 -

The Governing Document for the Health & Recreation Fee Student Advisory Board was drafted by administrative staff from Campus Health and Campus Recreation along with the Vice President for Student Affairs. The first advisory board was formed later in the Fall semester with its first meeting held on December 6, 2010.