SSI FEE BOARD MINUTES | APRIL 21, 2014

DETAILS

Minute Taker: Jen Christion Myers
Present: Emily Bowling, Jen Chrisiton Myers, Andrew Futerman, Patrick Mahedy, Tim Oravec, Jesse Pettibone, Olivia Poblacion, Cassidy Radloff, Andrew Spaeth, & Brandon Trelstad
Absent: Jesse Pettibone arrived at 4:20 after director hiring discussion

AGENDA

Travel Grant Application: Nithin Marthandam, presented by Cassidy Radloff
Carbon Off-set legislation, presented by Andrew Futerman
Director Hiring, presented by Cassidy Radloff
Student Wage Equity, presented by Olivia Poblacion & Patrick Mahedy
SIFC Feedback, presented by Patrick Mahedy
Fee Board Recruitment, presented by Cassidy Radloff
Director Reports, presented by Andrew Spaeth

MINUTES

TRAVEL GRANT APPLICATION: NITHIN MARTHANDAM
DISCUSSION
- Board members were split on whether to fund this travel grant proposal. We will consider partial funding because it’s relevant to sustainability although it’s not well presented here.

ACTION ITEMS
- Cassidy Radloff will contact the applicant to request more information.

CARBON OFF-SET LEGISLATION
DISCUSSION
- First reading of carbon offset legislation will be Tuesday April, 22 and Wednesday, April 23. No official senator sponsors yet. There is one house sponsor. Andrew Futerman hopes it will be voted on next week.

DIRECTOR HIRING
DISCUSSION
- Confidential hiring committee meeting.

DECISION(S)
- TBA
STUDENT WAGE EQUITY

DISCUSSION
- Will SIFC make recommendations for student wage equity across student-fee funded departments? Emily and Jen are gathering data from HR at the SLI about how the recommended wage chart is being implemented in other departments. We also need information from comparable departments, including the Sustainability Office and Campus Recycling. Patrick said he has raised the issue with SIFC, but they are focusing on other priorities at the moment. He recommended pursuing a contingency fund request for wage increases for all of SLI (check SIFC by-laws for instructions).

SIFC FEEDBACK

DISCUSSION
- SIFC goals for next year: they are responding to budget process feedback, seeking to reduce fee board frustration, move from nit-picky focus to more philosophical discussions about how budgets are being managed. They hope to create a template for a shorter submissions
- Revolving Loan Fund: SIFC wants us to come in and explain how the proposal to change the RLF amount to $470,000 will change the current working capital fund and explain the value of using our working capital to support loans

FEE BOARD RECRUITMENT

ACTION ITEMS
- Current members will invite candidates to apply. We’ll start advertising on the SSI website and listserv with a May 12th deadline at 5 pm

DIRECTOR REPORTS

ACTION ITEMS
- The SSI Director will present a 5 minute update about current activities at the beginning of each Fee Board meeting