



An Executive Order Modifying Procedures and Issuing Recommendations for the 2020-2021 Organizational Activities Fee Review Committee

WHEREAS,

- The Student Government is the official governing body of the Student Association and exists to represent the present and long term best interest of the Student Association in the formulation of the University policy and in the fulfillment of the University mission; and
- The 2019-2020 Student Senate approved an executive order establishing the operating procedures for the Organizational Activities Fee (OAF) Review Committee¹; and
- These procedures established a two-year review cycle, with the review of fee-based organizations alternating with the review of the Athletic Fee, the Environmental Fee, the Collegiate Readership Program Fee, and administrative-controlled fees; and
- The 2019-2020 OAF Review Committee was tasked with reviewing the three fee-based organizations; and
- The Committee was unable to issue their scheduled report and ballot initiatives for the three fee-based organizations, due to the transition online after spring break; and
- The completion of this review cycle was to be carried over to the 2020-2021 OAF Review Committee; and
- The 2019-2020 OAF Review Committee did complete a ballot initiative to defund the Collegiate Readership Program, which passed by vote of the student body²; and
- This ballot initiative charged the “2020-2021 OAF Review Committee to look further into student interest and logistics of online-based newspaper subscriptions³,” and
- The operating procedures for the OAF Review Committee require the three presidents of the fee-based organizations to select the Chairperson of the Organization Activities Fee Review Committee by October 1; and

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https://docs.google.com/document/d/1s_4to5XGpLRhwHAhxJ-zhaOeYMJpmfVv_CnkANn-yfM/edit?usp=sharing

² https://drive.google.com/file/d/1QPEOeIJ_eqi7A5VimC8EAJyXdyZ26Y0c/view?usp=sharing

³ https://drive.google.com/file/d/17nHgPUVkyJOEOMJbKhA_-AkkDH4LjpP4/view?usp=sharing

- Due to the continued challenges our organizations and the University as a whole faced with returning to campus in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, we were not able to initiate the OAF Review Committee in the Fall 2020 semester; and
- Our procedures dictate that “If a unanimous decision [for the chairperson] cannot be reached among the three fee-based student organizations by October 1st, the Vice President of Student Affairs shall make the executive decision on how to move forward;” and
- The three presidents of the fee-based organizations for 2020-2021, including Katie Alexander, Student Government; Josh Jay, Student Activities Board; and Braden Leuthauser, Funds Allotment Council, met to discuss modified procedures for the OAF Review Committee in light of these challenges and the work remaining from the 2019-2020 review period; and
- The presidents came to a consensus under the guidance of Laura Bates, Director for Union and Involvement Services; and
- Janna Stoskopf, Vice President of Student Affairs, has approved the modifications and recommendations;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT,

- I, Katie Alexander, President of the Student Association, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Standing Rules of the Student Government, do hereby issue this executive order to modify the procedures for the 2020-2021 Organizational Activities Fee Review Committee, as follows:
 - The three fee-based organizations will work to publicize applications for the 2020-2021 OAF Review Committee beginning immediately; and
 - The three fee-based organization presidents will review applications over the winter break; and
 - The presidents will make every effort to interview applicants over winter break; and
 - The presidents will agree upon a committee chairperson and a slate of committee members for approval of the Student Government in January 2021; and
- Issue the following recommendations for the timeline of the Committee:
 - To prioritize identifying an online newspaper source for the student body and bringing a ballot recommendation on the Collegiate Readership Program for the Spring 2021 elections; and
 - If necessary, to wait until the end of the academic year to issue reports on the remaining review items; and
 - If necessary, to move ballot initiatives on the other review items to the Fall 2021 elections; and

- Formally request, on behalf of the three fee-based organization presidents, that no increase of the Student Activities Fee is brought to the student body this spring, in light of the continued financial burdens for students in the COVID-19 pandemic.

Respectfully submitted on this, the 22nd day of November 2020,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Katie Alexander". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Katie Alexander
President of the Student Association