Allocable Segregated Fee Resolution Supporting Material

Artifact I: UW Systems Administrative Policy 820 (Formally F50)

Link: https://www.wisconsin.edu/regents/policies/funding-of-university-facilities-capital-costs/

III. Non-allocable SUF

A. RESPONSIBILITY OF CHANCELLOR

The chancellor of each institution is primarily responsible for the development of the non-allocable SUF budget, and shall ensure that the institution's annual budget proposal for non-allocable SUF will generate sufficient monies to cover these commitments.

B. STUDENT REVIEW

In accordance with Regent Policy 30-5, Policy and Procedures for Segregated University Fees, students are to be given an opportunity to review and offer advice upon the budget of each program and activity that is funded primarily with non-allocable SUF. To that end, campus administration, with their student governance groups, shall develop specific procedures to ensure that there is an opportunity for SUFAC to conduct a timely and meaningful review of the non-allocable SUF budget. This shall include the ability for student governance groups to request earlier and more extensive participation in specific program areas such as but not limited to transitibus and intercollegiate athletics programming. A copy of these procedures, signed by appropriate campus administrators and student representatives, shall be filed with the UW System President's designee. The agreed upon procedures shall be reviewed with student governance groups annually and consistently followed from one year to the next. Any changes to those procedures will be documented and filed with the UW System President's designee. Consistent with section B.1 of Regent Policy 30-3, Guidelines for Student Governance, the President's designee shall mediate if a campus administration and its student representatives cannot reach agreement upon the procedures to be followed.

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Artifact II: Regent Policy Document 30-5

Link: https://www.wisconsin.edu/regents/policies/policy-and-procedures-for-segregated-university-fees/)
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Artifact III: Wisconsin Stats. 36.09(5)

“(5) The students of each institution or campus subject to the responsibilities and powers of the board, the president, the chancellor, and the faculty shall have primary responsibility for advising the chancellor regarding the formulation and review of policies concerning student life, services, and interests. Students in consultation with the chancellor and subject to the final confirmation of the board shall have the responsibility for the disposition of those student fees which constitute substantial support for campus student activities. The students of each institution or campus shall have the right to organize themselves in a manner they determine and to select their representatives to participate in institutional governance” (Wis. Stats.).

Artifact IV: Regent Policy Document 30-3

Link: https://www.wisconsin.edu/regents/policies/guidelines-for-student-governance/

4. PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY:

Because § 36.09(5) grants to students primary responsibility (subject to the responsibilities and powers of the board, the president, the chancellor, and the faculty) “for the formulation and review of policies concerning student life, services, and interests,” each institution, through consultation with its student government association, should identify the student agencies (organizations, committees, councils, etc.), or agencies with a preponderance of student membership to whom responsibility can be delegated for initiation and review of policies of a particular category. Where no formal student group exists in a particular area, procedures shall be devised by the student government association to address the appointment of student participants.

Primary responsibility means that students have the obligation and authority to initiate policies concerning student life, services, and interests, and to review existing and proposed policies in these areas before they are amended or adopted by the other constituencies of the university. Where approval of such policies rests with the faculty or administration, the basis for changing or denying the student recommendations shall be substantial and shall be communicated to the recommending student agency in a timely manner. Institutions, in consultation with the student government association, shall define the area of “student life, services, and interests” with particularity, observing that this area cannot be defined to include those areas assigned in §§ 36.09(1), 36.09(2), 36.09(3), 36.09(4), and 36.09(4m) as primary responsibilities of the regents, president, chancellor, faculty, and academic staff. The fact that areas are not a primary responsibility of students does not, however, preclude their active participation. It is presumed that the membership of committees dealing primarily with formulation and review of policies concerning student life, services, and interests as defined by the institution will have a majority of students.
Artifact V: Allocable Segregated Fees Recommendation Legislation

WHEREAS, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (UWM) Financial and Administrative Affairs (FA&A) has provided the Senate Finance Committee (SFC) with recommendations to preserve departments funded by the allocable segregated fee and package the remaining allocable student services into a Student Activity Fee.

WHEREAS, SFC has reviewed the original document and sent preliminary amendments back to FA&A for review on February 27th, 2017.

WHEREAS, SFC has discussed the amended document and further amended it on March 3rd, 2017.

WHEREAS, SFC has made informed votes within this document that best preserve departments funded by the allocable segregated fees and that set the Student Activity Fee rate.

WHEREAS, SFC is forwarding this document to the UWM Student Association for final approval.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; Contingent on the passage of the allocable segregated fee opt-out measure of the proposed biennial budget, UWM Student Association approves the attached Allocable Segregated Fees Recommendations.

Mike Sorensen
Student Association President

3/5/17

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Legislative History
March 5, 2017 – Introduced by Benjamin Gerard
March 3, 2017 – Passed by Senate Finance Committee
March 5, 2017 – Passed by Senate
Division of Student Affairs
Allocable Segregated Fees
Recommendations
March 3, 2017
(Schedule Attached)

Except for the fees that directly support student activities, move all allocable segregated fees to either a non-allocable segregated fee funding model or a user fee funding model. This recommendation is supported by UW System Financial Administration Segregated University Fees FS0 which provides legal and policy principles applicable to the administration of student fees.

After review of all programs, fees and possible alternative funding, Student Affairs and Finance & Administrative Affairs has developed recommendations for funding what are currently allocable segregated fees. These recommendations would be effective 7/1/2017. We are requesting the Student Association review and approve these recommendations.

Recommendations include:

1. Create a new allocable segregated fee that funds the following student activities at $37.25/semester for FY18, which has been passed by the Senate Finance Committee:

   a. Student Association $2.40
   b. Student Appropriations Committee $13.25
   c. University Legal Clinic $2.40
   d. Sport Clubs $6.70
   e. Green Fund $0.50
   f. Pantherfest $8.60
   g. Campus Activities Board $3.40

   Please see the attached schedule for each program’s proposed FY18 fee.

2. Athletics, Center for Community Based Learning, Leadership and Research, Student Association Professional Staff, UPARK, UPASS, B.O.S.S., NWQ Parking and Pavilion Student parking would all become non-allocable.

3. MAVRC would move to a 100% GPR funded model, upon approval of campus administration. Currently, 62% of the program is already funded with general purpose revenue funds. If this is not approved, the Military and Veterans Resource Center allocable segregated fee will become non-allocable.
WHEREAS, student voice is critical to representing students and advocating for college affordability.

WHEREAS, the Student Association (SA) at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (UWM) utilizes a process of determining allocable segregated fee rates to fund vital campus services and programs.

WHEREAS, those services and programs impact recruitment, retention and student life at UWM.

WHEREAS, the Student Finance Committee has taken appropriate action to reduce the cost of college by reducing the allocable segregated fee both in FY16-17 and FY17-18 SA budgets.

WHEREAS, even with the prudent financial behavior of student governments like the UWM SA, Governor Walker’s biennial budget proposal would allow students to opt-out of paying allocable segregated fees under the auspices of college affordability.

WHEREAS, Governor Walker’s biennial budget announcement regarding allocable segregated fees reads, “Allow UW students to opt-out of allocable segregated fees. Allocable fees do not go towards long-term commitments or ongoing operational costs of university owned and controlled buildings. They provide support for campus student activities and services that are allocated by campus student government and university chancellors. Allowing an opt-out helps students make the decisions on what they do and do not want to fund.”

WHEREAS, UWM is taking appropriate action to preserve vital campus services that are currently funded through the allocable segregated fee process based upon the Division of Student Affairs Allocable Segregated Fees Recommendation.

WHEREAS, many programs currently funded by allocable segregated fees will be funded with general-purpose revenue or non-allocable segregated fees, where student representation is not as prevalent in decision-making.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; That UWM SA recommends that the UWM administration along with student stakeholders develop a similar process that mirrors the current allocable segregated fee process in allocating both non-allocable and general purpose revenue for programs currently being changed from allocable funded services and programs.

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; That this developed system then be applied when allocating student dollars to these services and programs.

THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED; That this resolution be forwarded to the Chancellor, Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs, Vice Chancellor of Financial and Administrative Affairs, Dean of Students, etc.