

VII. STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Academic and Student Affairs Committee

Services and Activities Fee – University of Washington Bothell: Distribution of Student Long Term Funds

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is the recommendation of the administration and Academic and Student Affairs Committee that the Board of Regents approve for the University of Washington Bothell:

- 1) Distribution of Student Long Term Funds in the amount of \$300,000 for the continued planning, confirmation of program, initial schematic design, and cost estimating for the proposed Student Activity Center.

BACKGROUND

At the November 17, 2011, meeting of the Finance, Audit and Facilities Committee, the Regents approved the recommendation that the President be delegated authority to award a design contract for the UW Bothell Student Activity Center Project with the firm to be recommended by the University's Architectural Commission at their December, 2011, meeting. It was noted at the November 17, 2011, meeting that an item would be brought before the Regents in January, requesting approval of the use of Student Long Term Funds to support this next phase of project development and estimating.

Over the past two and a half years, the UW Bothell Student Services and Activities Fee (SAF) Committee and the Associated Students of the University of Washington Bothell (ASUWB) have supported the development of the Student Activity Center project. In the 2010-11 academic year, SAF provided funding for the preparation of a concept and massing study for the Student Activity Center. This concept study was completed in March, 2011, and based on the findings of this study the SAF Committee and ASUWB are in support of continuing forward with the next steps in developing the project.

The SAF Committee, based on ASUWB's funding request has voted and approved the use of \$300,000 from the UW Bothell Student Long Term Fund to support the confirmation of program, initial schematic design, and cost estimating for the Student Activity Center. Participation in funding from the students or administration of the co-located Cascadia Community College will be explored during this initial phase, and should Cascadia's participation in funding for the facility be confirmed, an Interagency Agreement will be developed to define the role of each institution.

Following this next phase of project definition, and following the anticipated student vote in May, 2012, UW Bothell will come back to the Regents with a request to adopt the project budget, approve the issuance of bonds, and delegate authority to award a construction contract.