

**The University of Texas at Tyler Student Fee  
Advisory Committee – FY24  
Monday October 31, 2023**

	<b>In-Person</b>	<b>Virtual</b>
Voting Members Present	Robert Bennet	Adam McGuire Beverly Luna Chloe Dix Leonard Brown Cynthia Sherman Vicky Bond Soren Peters
Voting Members Absent	Ronald Carnes III	
Non-Voting Members	Ona Tolliver – Ex-officio Rick McGill - Ex-officio John Sprenkle - Ex-officio Katrina Smith - Support	

**I. Welcome and Introductions**

**II. Updates**

- a. Rick McGill – shared a rendering of the expanded fitness & exercise space in HPC. He estimated that changes to the racquet ball court would be approximately \$50k of the \$350k request. The request would only be for fitness changes. New equipment will be purchased from other sources.
- b. Joshua Neaves – Explained that the second priority request would go towards expanding the scope of events already planned for this year, additional funds will allow for students to participate in each event, i.e. more food and swag for each, the prices of food and merchandise have also increased. Additionally new technology is needed for e-Sports and office staff, not all machines are working properly after migration. First Priority Request – Homecoming currently has a budget of \$96K and traditionally Advancement has supported a large portion of homecoming, but they are now shifting to more alumni focused events and additional funds are needed to continue Homecoming traditions. Homecoming is geared towards students, but Faculty, Staff and Alumni are allowed to participate.
- c. Joseph Berthume – The Internship request would support the restructuring of the University Center and Housings websites – it is vital that these sites are made more navigable for students. The website is the main avenue for communication with students and should be more interactive. 1 intern would work over the summer full-time at \$12/hr to update both sites – this position would work with Marketing on the University website changes that are happening for the entire institution and would help provide the content.
- d. Ona – updates for questions from 10/30/23 meeting
  - i. Have not heard back from MANA/MARK about student travel – we cannot fund faculty travel
  - ii. Athletics request for the HPC door would fall under Rec Sports and was not on their list of priorities
  - iii. Summer Tennis Courts restrooms – has no current debt service, all utilities and current costs are being paid by Athletics
  - iv. Military and Veteran Services – The request was to attend the National Conference

and would cover registration & travel for 4 students and 2 staff

- v. Housing's Bicycle request – The University has added additional bike racks on campus already and currently has 6 bikes in the share program with more that need repairs – they have had only 1 request so for a bike

### III. One Time Requests

- a. Robert Bennet, Committee Chair, proposed that first priority requests be allocated funding first and voted on before second priority funds are allocated, The Student Fees Advisory Committee supported this recommendation.

Quorum was lost at 11.27am, and voting will be facilitated electronically

Dept	Request	Description	Priority	Funded
Rec Sports	\$ 350,000.00	Expansion of fitness & excersice space	1	\$ 300,000.00
Housing	\$ 292,314.00	Furniture for Foundry	1	\$ 146,000.00
Student Engagement	\$ 150,000.00	Homecoming & new student programming	1	\$ 100,000.00
Athletics	\$ 110,000.00	Renovate Restrooms - STC	1	\$ 110,000.00
Dept Student Success	\$ 81,535.00	Marketing Student wages	1	\$ 49,000.00
Athletics - Cheer	\$ 25,000.00	Uniforms, spirit flags & game day signs	1	\$ 20,000.00
MVSC	\$ 10,500.00	Student travel - SVA National Conference	1	\$ 6,000.00
Student Equity	\$ 10,145.40	Student wages - TSI support	1	\$ 6,000.00
Stu Counseling & Wellness	\$ 10,000.00	Group Therapy furniture, computers & software	1	\$ 6,000.00
UC	\$ 6,992.00	Outdoor Movie Screen	1	\$ -
ACCT FINA BLAW	\$ 5,000.00	Fabel Fest Event	1	\$ 2,000.00
Total Funded				\$ 745,000.00
Student Engagement	\$ 75,000.00	Events, tech & golfcart	2	
Rec Sports	\$ 60,000.00	Purchase 12 passenger Van	2	
Housing	\$ 20,000.00	Bicycle project	2	
UC	\$ 16,725.00	Marketing Student Wages	2	
Stu Counseling & Wellness	\$ 11,000.00	Mental Health initiative	2	
Dept Student Success	\$ 10,539.00	Marketing Student equipment & support	2	
Athletics	\$ 5,000.00	HPC Loading Dock modifications	2	
MANA & MARK	\$ 5,000.00	Research Travel	2	
MVSC	\$ 4,500.00	RUO travel - SVA National Conference	2	

- b. All funding, \$745,000, was exhausted in allocations to first priority requests and as such the following requests and amounts will be voted on via Qualtrics by this committee.

### IV. Next Meeting