

<u>Unit:</u>	Student Conflict Resolution Center
<u>Amount Requested (FY09):</u>	\$225,000
<u>Initial Recommendation (FY09):</u>	\$225,000
<u>Final Recommendation (FY09):</u>	\$225, 000
<u>Amount Requested (FY10):</u>	\$235,000
<u>Initial Recommendation (FY10):</u>	\$235,000
<u>Final Recommendation (FY10):</u>	\$235,000
<u>Vote (For/Against/Abstain) (FY09):</u>	7/0/0
<u>Vote (For/Against/Abstain) (FY10):</u>	7/0/0

Majority Rationale:

It is the opinion of the Committee that the Student Conflict Resolution Center did an adequate job discussing rationale for increased personnel, due to the demand increase from FY08 to FY09. Additionally, the committee felt that the increase in expenses due to inflation was necessary, and thus voted to approve the center for the full amount requested.

Minority Rationale:

None.

<u>Unit:</u>	Learning Abroad Center
<u>Amount Requested (FY09):</u>	\$106,725
<u>Initial Recommendation (FY09):</u>	\$103,725
<u>Final Recommendation (FY09):</u>	\$103,725
<u>Amount Requested (FY10):</u>	\$109,422
<u>Initial Recommendation (FY10):</u>	\$106,422
<u>Final Recommendation (FY10):</u>	\$106,422
<u>Vote (For/Against/Abstain) (FY09):</u>	7/0/0
<u>Vote (For/Against/Abstain) (FY10):</u>	7/0/0

Majority Rationale:

The Committee finds that the Learning Abroad Center has made responsible use of Student Services Fees to provide many benefits to students. Fee-supported programs at the Center include access to peer and professional advising, travel services, a resource library, re-entry programming, and other valuable activities for students. The Center asked for a fee increase to cover the cost of maintaining high quality student and professional staff, which the Committee supported. The Committee also supported funding for three new \$500 Work and Volunteer Grants to replace the expiring Paulo Freire International Community Service Grants.

The Center asked for an additional \$3,000 to cover expenses for a staff member who accompanies students on a new international Work and Volunteer program. After deliberation, the Fees Committee decided that expenses for this staff member will not be covered by Student Fees. As a result, final funding for the Learning Abroad Center is reduced by \$3,000 for fiscal 2009 and fiscal 2010. The majority believes that expenses for this staff member better fit the model of a “user fee,” where students who participate in the program and receive its direct benefit pay for the expense. The benefits of funding this position would be very narrowly focused on the program participants.

Minority Rationale:

None.

Expectations for Future Years:

The Fees Committee requires that students be actively involved in shaping the direction and policies of fees-receiving units. The majority is pleased to see that the Center actively surveys and solicits feedback from its student employees. However, to further enhance the student voice within the Center, the Fees Committee supports the following steps:

- *The Learning Abroad Center is asked to add at least one student member to its Program Advisory Committee.*

The method of selection of this/these member(s) shall be at the discretion of the Center, except that all student representatives shall demonstrate payment of the full Student Services Fee during their time on the committee.

- *The Learning Abroad Center is asked to ensure that their affiliated Student Organization, Global Link, maintains its registration with Student Activities Office.*

In the narrative of its fees request, the Learning Abroad Center names Global Link as an affiliated Campus Life Program that “sponsors activities on campus to raise international awareness and promote international opportunities.” The majority is pleased by the goals

fulfilled by Global Link, but is concerned that this group has not maintained its registration with the Student Activities Office. As of March 27th, 2008, the Student Group directory (<http://www.sua.umn.edu/groups/>) reports that Global Link is expired. The Fees Committee expects student organizations affiliated with administrative units to maintain their registration.

Future Fees Committees are advised to consider the responsiveness to these two points during their deliberations.

<u>Unit:</u>	Minnesota Daily
<u>Amount Requested (FY09):</u>	\$550,000
<u>Initial Recommendation (FY09):</u>	\$550,000
<u>Final Recommendation (FY09):</u>	\$550,000
<u>Amount Requested (FY10):</u>	NA
<u>Initial Recommendation (FY10):</u>	NA
<u>Final Recommendation (FY10):</u>	NA
<u>Vote (For/Against/Abstain) (FY09):</u>	7/0/0
<u>Vote (For/Against/Abstain) (FY10):</u>	7/0/0

Majority Rationale:

The Committee felt that the requested increase in student salaries for the Minnesota Daily was justified. Additionally, the Committee felt that the overall increase on the order of 4.7% in the Minnesota Daily budget was understandable, especially given the loss in revenue sustained this past year.

Minority Rationale:

None.

<u>Unit:</u>	Radio K
<u>Amount Requested (FY09):</u>	\$231,304
<u>Initial Recommendation (FY09):</u>	\$204,930
<u>Final Recommendation (FY09):</u>	\$213,610
<u>Amount Requested (FY10):</u>	\$237,742
<u>Initial Recommendation (FY10):</u>	\$210,778
<u>Final Recommendation (FY10):</u>	\$219,458
<u>Vote (For/Against/Abstain) (FY09):</u>	7/0/0
<u>Vote (For/Against/Abstain) (FY10):</u>	7/0/0

<u>Summer Music Festival Request (FY09):</u>	\$19,750
<u>Summer Music Festival Recommendation (FY09):</u>	\$0
<u>Summer Music Festival Request (FY10):</u>	\$20,343
<u>Summer Music Festival Recommendation (FY10):</u>	\$0
<u>Vote (For/Against/Abstain) (SMF 09):</u>	7/0/0
<u>Vote (For/Against/Abstain) (SMF 10):</u>	7/0/0

Majority Rationale:

The Committee felt that the full amount requested by Radio K was not justified adequately for two reasons. First, the Student Manager Workshop request for \$19,750 in 2008-2009 and \$20,343 in 2009-2010 is a new request. Radio K has never requested student fees to fund sending student employees to conferences before. Although the Committee agrees with Radio K that these conferences can benefit the studio and the student body, the Committee felt that the program should be implemented incrementally, rather than in full immediately. Thus, the Committee recommended a \$10,000 amount to go toward these opportunities, rather than the \$19,750 originally requested. This is a sum to allow Radio K to implement a portion of their new plan, as well as for the Committee to evaluate how the use of these fees benefit the student body in the next fee cycle. Accordingly, the Committee would like a report during next year's review on how these fees were spent and how they benefited the studio and the student body.

Second, the Committee revisited its earlier decision on denying marketing funding to Radio K. An additional amount of \$7500 was added back into the budget for both years, to account for funding toward marketing. It is the feeling of the Committee that the amount requested was still not entirely explained and justified, as Radio K has been producing sampler CDs as a marketing campaign for a number of years, and has just now decided to request funding to support this program. It was decided that just over half of the requested marketing funds would be allocated to Radio K for 2009-2010, in order to support the direct mail promotion and either the Minnesota Daily campaign or the Radio K sampler CDs (or a combination of the two, as Radio K sees fit).

Third, the Committee added the amount requested for student training on the new equipment back into the budget, as the removal of the training budget was an oversight during the initial deliberations.

Finally, the Committee upheld its original decision not to fund the request for the Summer Music Festival, due to the majority of fee-paying students being unable to benefit from the program, as it will be hosted during the summer, when most students are not on campus. It was decided that due to the nature of the program (i.e. alcohol sales, off-campus location, etc...), that it was not something that should be funded using summer enrollment fees during this student fees cycle.

Minority Rationale:

None.

<u>Unit:</u>	Summer Cultural Programs
<u>Amount Requested (FY09):</u>	\$73,000
<u>Initial Recommendation (FY09):</u>	\$73,000
<u>Amount Requested (FY10):</u>	\$75,000
<u>Initial Recommendation (FY10):</u>	\$75,000
<u>Vote (For/Against/Abstain) (FY09):</u>	7/0/0
<u>Vote (For/Against/Abstain) (FY10):</u>	7/0/0

Majority Rationale:

The Committee felt that Summer Cultural Programs offer opportunities and services for summer-enrolled students and the larger campus community that are not provided by any other source. The Committee did express concern for the low levels of reserves that Summer Cultural Programs will have following the purchase of a new bandstand, but the committee appreciates the commitment of Summer Cultural Programs to rebuilding these reserves in the future.

Minority Rationale:

None.