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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Dr. Dean Bresciani, Vice President for Student Affairs

**FROM:** Mr. Josh Peschel, Chair of the Student Service Advisory Board

**DATE:** February 16, 2007

**SUBJECT:** Student Service Fee Advisory Board FY08 Recommendations

In satisfaction of the requirements stated in the Standard Operating Procedures of the Student Service Fee Advisory Board (SSFAB), the Chair of the Board submits the Board's recommendations for the Student Service Fee, University Health Center Fee and Recreational Sports Fee to the Vice President for Student Affairs (VPSA), and provides a copy of these recommendations to the Student Senate and Graduate Student Council. This report contains the SSFAB recommendations for the Student Service Fee, Health Center Fee, and Recreational Sports Fee for FY 2008 and satisfies the requirements of the SSFAB standard operating procedures.

Currently, the Student Service Fee at Texas A&M University is \$13.08 per semester credit hour, with a \$250 per student maximum per semester. At this rate, the Student Service Fee generates approximately \$13.2 million in funding for 20 departments receiving Student Service Fees. The Student Service Fee state-mandated cap is \$250 per semester.

### ***DETAILED DEPARTMENT BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS***

#### **Student Health Services**

Student Health Services has requested a \$6.00 per semester fee increase for FY 2008. **The Student Service Fee Advisory Board recommends that the Health Center Fee for FY 08 be increased from \$60 per semester to \$66 per semester.**

#### **Student Center Complex Fee**

The Student Center Complex did not request a fee increase for FY 2008. **The Student Service Fee Advisory Board recommends that the Student Center Complex Fee for FY 2008 remain at \$40 per semester.**

#### **Recreational Sports**

Recreational Sports did not request a fee increase for FY 2008. **The Student Service Fee Advisory Board recommends that the Recreational Sports Fee for FY 2008 remain at \$98 per semester.**

#### **Student Service Fee**

**The Board recommends the Student Service Fee be increased from \$13.08 per semester credit hour (\$250.00 maximum) to \$13.83 per semester credit hour, beginning September 1, 2008.** This recommendation reflects an increase to the Student Service Fee of \$0.75 per semester credit hour (or 5.7%).

## ***Approved Request Details for Permanent Funding***

### ***I. Becky Gates Children's Center***

FY 2007 Allocation:	\$94,300	FY 2008 Approved:	\$8,200
FY 2008 Request:	\$8,200	FY 2008 Allocation:	\$102,500

The Board recommends funding for the following items:

1. Student Rate Subsidy	\$8,200
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### ***II. Choral Activities***

FY 2007 Allocation:	\$362,119	FY 2008 Approved:	\$81,600
FY 2008 Request:	\$82,541	FY 2008 Allocation:	\$444,660

The Board recommends funding for the following items:

1. New Choral Director	\$69,600
2. Diversity Music Student Organization	\$12,000

### ***III. Disability Services***

FY 2007 Allocation:	\$254,441	FY 2008 Approved:	\$33,500
FY 2008 Request:	\$71,000	FY 2008 Allocation:	\$325,441

The Board recommends funding for the following items:

1. Full-Time Staff Interpreters	\$33,500
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### ***IV. Greek Life***

FY 2007 Allocation:	\$254,760	FY 2008 Approved:	\$30,500
FY 2008 Request:	\$55,500	FY 2008 Allocation:	\$310,260

The Board recommends funding for the following items:

1. Graduate Assistant	\$18,000
2. Program Coordinator Reclassification	12,500

### ***V. Information Technology***

FY 2007 Allocation:	\$377,537	FY 2008 Approved:	\$65,542
FY 2008 Request:	\$65,542	FY 2008 Allocation:	\$443,079

The Board recommends funding for the following items:

1. Division Graphics Designer	\$65,542
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### ***VI. International Student Services***

FY 2007 Allocation:	\$207,877	FY 2008 Approved:	\$18,450
FY 2008 Request:	\$22,235	FY 2008 Allocation:	\$230,112

The Board recommends funding for the following items:

1. Graduate Assistant	\$12,450
2. Student Receptionist	\$6,000

### ***VII. Memorial Student Center***

FY 2007 Allocation:	\$2,432,506	FY 2008 Approved:	\$62,968
FY 2008 Request:	\$232,314	FY 2008 Allocation:	\$2,664,820

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The Board recommends funding for the following items:

1. Position Reclassifications	\$35,000
2. Computer Replacement Parts	\$15,000
3. Annual Outdoor Sculpture Exhibit	\$5,408
4. International Football Symposium	\$5,000
5. Aggies Are We	\$2,560

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**VIII. *Multicultural Services***

FY 2007 Allocation:	\$819,742	FY 2008 Approved:	\$8,000
FY 2008 Request:	\$14,000	FY 2008 Allocation:	\$833,742

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The Board recommends funding for the following items:

1. Position Reclassification	\$8,000
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**IX. *Student Activities***

FY 2007 Allocation:	\$1,968,578	FY 2008 Approved:	\$34,100
FY 2008 Request:	\$76,279	FY 2008 Allocation:	\$2,044,857

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The Board recommends funding for the following items:

1. Staff Recruitment and Retention	\$34,100
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**X. *Student Counseling Services***

FY 2007 Allocation:	\$2,815,231	FY 2008 Approved:	\$61,133
FY 2008 Request:	\$208,791	FY 2008 Allocation:	\$3,024,022

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The Board recommends funding for the following items:

1. Psychologist	\$61,133
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**XI. *Student Government Association***

FY 2007 Allocation:	\$178,942	FY 2008 Approved:	\$4,939
FY 2008 Request:	\$5,451	FY 2008 Allocation:	\$184,393

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The Board recommends funding for the following items:

1. Position Reclassification	\$3,439
2. Faculty Fish Camp	\$1,500

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**XII. *Student Life***

FY 2007 Allocation:	\$1,178,218	FY 2008 Approved:	\$5,000
FY 2008 Request:	\$57,920	FY 2008 Allocation:	\$1,236,138

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The Board recommends funding for the following items:

1. Gig'Em Week	\$5,000
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**XIII. *University Art Collections***

FY 2007 Allocation:	\$134,453	FY 2008 Approved:	\$7,000
FY 2008 Request:	\$12,000	FY 2008 Allocation:	\$146,453

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The Board recommends funding for the following items:

1. Graduate Student	\$5,000
2. Art Conservation	\$2,000

**XIV. FY 2008 Salary Pool**

The Vice President for Student Affairs has proposed a salary pool to be allocated to all departments receiving student service fees for the purpose of staff and graduate assistant salary increases in the event the University authorizes a salary program for FY 2008. Allocations will be made to departments in accordance with guidelines approved by Texas A&M University Interim President Ed Davis.

In the event the University does not authorize a salary increase program, the funds will be held centrally until a salary program is authorized.

The Board recommends funding for the following items:

FY 2008 Request:	\$349,163
FY 2008 Recommendation:	\$349,163

***Approved Request Details for One-Time Funding***

***I. Disability Services***

The Board recommends funding for the following items for one-year:

1. Interpreting Services	\$37,500
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***II. Greek Life***

The Board recommends funding for the following items for one-year:

1. Operating Funds Increase	\$10,000
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***III. International Student Services***

The Board recommends funding for the following items for one-year:

1. Phone Upgrades	\$1,375
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***IV. Multicultural Services***

The Board recommends funding for the following items for one-year:

1. Community Conversations	\$4,000
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***V. Study Abroad***

The Board recommends funding for the following items for one-year:

1. Graduate Assistant	\$9,310
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cc: Student Senate  
Graduate Student Council