

## **2017 CONTINUATION OF THE STUDENT CENTER & CROSS-CULTURAL CENTER (SC/CCC) REFERENDUM**

Do you approve of continuing the current portion of the Student Center and Cross-Cultural center (SC/CCC) referendum fee of \$47.50 per student per quarter, which has been assessed each fall, winter, spring, and summer quarters, but is set to expire in the fall of 2017?

This fee would provide continued support of student employment opportunities and student activities while maintaining current service levels, support of daily operating expenses, and continuous facility maintenance and improvements.

If this referendum is approved, the \$47.50 portion of the SC/CCC referendum, which is set to expire in fall 2017, will remain in effect and result in the continuation of the existing fee of \$136.50 per student per quarter. This is not a new fee but a continuation of the current SC/CCC fee which will remain in full effect until fall 2032 when a scheduled \$24.00 reduction per student per quarter will go into effect.

Whereas operating expenses have increased while state support has decreased, Student Center continues to book and administer Ring Mall reservations, classrooms/lecture halls and park areas throughout the campus at no charge to students. In addition, room rental rates and labor rates have remained static for eight years while the number of Registered Campus Organizations has risen 175% from approximately 200 organizations to 550. This referendum ensures the many amenities that students need will continue without interruption and without additional costs.

- The fee will continue to be charged to undergraduate and graduate students.
- The fee will be assessed each fall, winter, spring, and summer quarters beginning fall 2017.
- Student Center and Event Services will manage the fee collected and will report to the Student Center Board of Advisors on a semi-annual basis.
- In accordance with return-to-aid policy, 25% of the 47.50 portion of the fee will be returned to financial aid to help offset the cost of this portion of the fee for students who are eligible for financial aid.
- Starting fall 2018, the fee will increase annually based on California Consumer Price Index (CPI). The CPI will be taken from the California Department of Finance's calendar year annual average of all urban consumers CPI-U.
- A majority student board shall oversee the operating budget and administration of the fee-funding activities, and will be responsible for writing and distributing an annual report on the activities funded by this fee initiative. Upon request, the report shall be made available to the Chancellor and students.
- This fee will sunset on its 30<sup>th</sup> year (2046-47), unless the student body reaffirm this fee. This fee can be reaffirmed as early as the 26<sup>th</sup> year (2042 – 43); otherwise, if there is no vote to reaffirm this fee by the end of its 30<sup>th</sup> year (2046 – 47), the fee will terminate.
- In order to pass, this referendum will require a 25% eligible total undergraduate and graduate combined voter turnout rate during the Spring Elections, of which 60% of those votes need to be Yes votes.

\_\_\_\_ Yes, I support continuing the \$47.50 per quarter portion of the Student Center/Cross-Cultural Center fee for a total fee amount of \$136.50 during the fall, winter, spring, and summer quarters.

No, I do not support continuing the \$47.50 per quarter portion of the Student Center/Cross-Cultural Center fee for a total fee amount of \$136.50 during the fall, winter, spring, and summer quarters.

Abstain