

Services and Activities Fee Committee (SAFC)

November 21, 2025 3:30pm GWP 320 and Zoom

MEETING MINUTES 07

Attendance:

| Voting Members | |
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| Moira Kelley – P | Ex-Officio Members |
| Kailey Lawless – P | Bernard Anderson – P |
| Colin Sica – P | Samuel Pena-Rojas – P |
| Charlotte Skinner - P | Gordon Craig – P |
| Erandy Zuniga – P | Cherie Berthon-P |
| Rainger Flynn - P | |
| Remi Iponla - P | Guests |
| Administrative Staff Sean Schmidt – P | Ryan Wicklund |

Call to Order. Colin called the meeting to order at 3:32pm.

Land Acknowledgement. Colin read the UWT land acknowledgement.

Safety Briefing. Colin gave the safety briefing.

Roll Call, Guest Introductions, Connection-Building Activity. Roll call is as shown above.

Approval of Agenda and Minutes. Without objection, Colin approved today's meeting agenda and the minutes of the meeting held November 14, 2025.

Open Public Forum: Ryan commented on the proposed MEDEX reciprocity agreement (attachment 1). MEDEX students enroll in, and pay fees to, Seattle campus but attend classes in Tacoma; the proposal is intended to let them use SAF-funded services at UWT. This has been a matter of concern for several years. Committee members noted we'd consider the proposal under old business.

Reports & Updates:

• Chair: Charlotte self-nominated for vice chair. There were no other nominations, so Colin declared Charlotte elected.

Colin welcomed our two new members, Rainger and Remi, to the committee. Sean will schedule a meeting

to give the committee orientation briefing. Colin and Sean will also work with Charlotte to orient her to the vice chair role.

- Vice Chair: N/A
- Subcommittees:
 - HR Subcommittee: Sam reported that the job opening for the SAFC administrative assistant was posted to Handshake.
 - Others: N/A.
- Members gave these updates:
 - o Jaden, MSB senator, is creating an internship panel (forum) to share information.
 - An information session about the UWT master plan is scheduled for January 21, 2026, during the Husky Hour.

Old Business:

MEDEX Reciprocity Agreement. To begin consideration of the proposed MEDEX reciprocity agreement (attachment 1), Moira moved its adoption; Rainger seconded. Cherie updated the committee on what the office of the Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration (VCFA) is doing. Vice Chancellor Sylvia James is trying to organize a meeting of stakeholders to get clarity about what services the agreement would cover, what MEDEX students get from UWT, and what UWT students would get in exchange. Gordon suggested the committee refer the agreement to the VCFA for further research and a recommendation to the committee on what further action it should take. Rainger moved to refer the agreement to VCFA; Moira seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

<u>Norms & Values – Additional Review</u>. Last week, members agreed to keep all items carried forward from last year's agreement. This week, members agreed to add a preference for in-person attendance to the norms. Voting members should prioritize in-person attendance at least at the first meeting each month unless extenuating circumstances apply. Without objection, members adopted the norms and values.

Autumn Special Allocations. Colin assigned people to various applications; members expressed no objection. Rainger moved setting the total amount to allocate at \$350,000; Charlotte seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Members then discussed the review process. Gordon reminded members that VCFA accounted for allocations at grant worktag level; he recommended the committee consider multiple proposals assigned to the same worktag as if they were a single proposal. Rainger and Erandy agreed they'd be ready to discuss proposals assigned to them for review by the next meeting on December 5, 2025. Colin will add these proposals to that meeting's agenda.

New Business:

Discussion Items: None

Announcements: The committee won't meet on November 28 because of the Thanksgiving holiday.

Adjournment: With the agenda complete and without objection, Colin adjourned the meeting at 4:30 pm.

Prepared by Gordon Craig

Attachment 1: Proposed MEDEX Reciprocity Agreement

To whom it may concern,

The purpose of this reciprocity agreement is to resolve an equity issue in students' fees which has persisted for over 10 years. The MEDEX program is a Rural PA education program offered by the UW Seattle School of Medicine, meaning that all MEDEX students pay the Seattle SAF and STF fees. However, the MEDEX program is not exclusively administered on the Seattle campus, but also the Tacoma campus. Many students are enrolled in a delineated Tacoma MEDEX program and thusly utilize the Tacoma campus as their only college campus despite being officially enrolled in Seattle. However, many of the equivalent services provided by the Tacoma SAF and STF fees on the Tacoma campus are only usable to UW Tacoma enrolled students. This means that Tacoma MEDEX students pay a fee which they are not able to benefit from in the same way that other Seattle students are, and they attend a campus which they are not able to benefit from in the same way that Tacoma students are. Thus, we propose the following reciprocity agreement:

MEDEX Tacoma students will be henceforth allowed access to all services afforded to students of the University of Washington Tacoma campus by the Services and Activities Fee and the Student Technology Fee of the University of Washington Tacoma campus in the same manner that they are afforded to University of Washington Tacoma students.

This proposal was written in express cooperation by the Graduate and Professional Student Senate President and the MEDEX Tacoma Class 13 President and Student Representatives, and is proposed to the Services and Activities Fee Committees of the Seattle and Tacoma campuses and to the Board of Regents. We thank you kindly for your consideration.