

# **FOAC**

## **Approval of Student Recreation Center Fee**

### Summary

The Associate Students of Oregon Institute of Technology – Klamath Falls have requested the establishment of a new student fee to fund the construction and operations of a remodeled and expanded Student Recreation Center (SRC). The Board of Trustees and Finance and Facilities Committee have heard presentations on this project several times since its initial proposal in the fall of 2016. The project received legislative authorization through the approval of Article XI-F Bonds (self-funded) during the 2017 Legislature.

Since that time the university has retained an architect, BBT Architects of Bend, OR, and a construction management/general contractor, Modoc Construction of Klamath Falls to design and construct the project. The Vice Presidents of Student Affairs and Finance and Administration have convened a SRC Oversight Committee including students, faculty and staff to provide oversight on the design, scope and financing of the project.

The SRC Oversight Committee put forward several service level proposals at a well-attended student forum hosted by ASOIT-KF and provided information to ASOIT to support their decision making process. ASOIT has subsequently provided the attached recommendation. President Naganathan, through the attached memorandum, supports this recommendation and encourages the Board adopt a SRC Fee, as outlined in the motion and the ASOIT letter dated March 4, 2019 to advance this long-awaited project.

MEMORANDUM



**DATE:** March 4, 2019  
**To:** Dr. Nagi Naganathan, President Oregon Institute of Technology  
**CC:** Dr. Erin Foley, Brian Fox, and Sandra Fox  
**From:** Junmin Yee, President ASOIT Klamath Falls  
**RE:** New Student Recreation Center Student Fee

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Beginning in 2017 ASOIT-KF leadership has been working with university administration officials in pursuit of a remodeled and expanded Student Recreation Center (SRC). During the 2017 Legislature funding was approved for the SRC project. Planning for the project began during 2018, with the hiring of an architect and construction team.

After establishing an oversight committee, conducting student surveys and holding a student forum ASOIT-KF recommends the establishment of a Student Recreation Center Fee totaling \$69 per term, beginning Fall term during the 2019-20 Academic Year. The proposed student fee will be renewed and recommended by ASOIT through the normal student fee process annually.

ASOIT Recommends that the funds generated by this fee be used to fund debt service associated with the Student Recreation Center, its operations, maintenance and services. These services are anticipated to include:

- professional staff to enhance student recreation opportunities available through the university,
- student workers for the SRC and other recreation, athletics operations and group exercise classes,
- maintaining extended open hours in the morning, in the evening and over weekends, and
- expanding available athletic equipment, and the long-term maintenance and replacement of the equipment.

The SRC Project is expected to include the:

- redesign and expansion of the current weight room,
- replacement of the pool with an all-purpose sports court,
- moving the current cardio room into the basement,

- creating a new group fitness room,
- replacing/creating athletic offices in the current cardio room space, and
- other necessary improvements.

We believe it is in the best interest of students to begin the project as quickly as possible, likely during Spring Term 2019, and to complete the project as early as possible. We recognize that this may cause some loss of services while the project is underway. During the period in which the SRC is unavailable due to construction ASOIT and the SRC Oversight Committee will work with the Athletic Director, VP for Student Affairs, Facilities and the VP for Finance and Administration to identify alternative space on campus if possible or to make available recreation facilities off campus for students. The construction process is anticipated to last approximately nine months and extend into early 2020.

This recommendation corresponds with Scenario 1, as described by Athletic Director John Van Dyke listed in Attachment I. ASOIT requests that the Student Recreation Center Oversight Committee work with the Athletic Director and VP of Student Affairs to manage the details and operations of the SRC to meet the budget as approved.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions regarding the adoption of the SRC Fee.

Sincerely,



Junmin Yee  
President  
ASOIT – Klamath Falls

### Attachment I

	Scenario 1	Scenario II	Scenario III
Open Hours (M-F)	6am-11pm	6am-10pm	6am-10pm
Open Hours (Sa/Sun)	9am-6pm/noon-6pm	9am-6pm/noon-6pm	9am-6pm/noon-6pm
Equipment Funding	\$60k/year	\$60k/year	\$60k/year
Student Employees	2 at all times	1 at all times	1 to 2 at peak hours
Professional Staff	1 Full Time	1 Full Time	Part Time/Job Share
Renovation Cost	\$3.0M	\$3.0M	\$3.0M
Description:	Full time staff for Rec Center, intramurals and events, student staffing for operations/classes, open late	Full time staff for Rec Center, intramurals and events, limited student staffing, no drop in classes	Limited professional staff management, limited student staffing,
Rec Fee	\$69 per term	\$61 per term	\$56 per term
I Fee Savings	\$8 per term	\$8 per term	\$8 per term