UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

SERVICES + ACTIVITIES FEE

Services and Activities Fee Committee Meeting

October 9, 2026 | 1:00 PM | Husky Union Building 303

MINUTES

Call to Order

The SAF Committee Meeting was called to order at 1:13 PM on October 9, 2026.

Roll Call

No.	Name	Position	Attendance
1	Aiden Reeder	SAF Chair	Present
2	Josue Villalobos	ASUW Finance & Budget Director	Absent
3	Shuchita Ajmera	ASUW Representative	Present
4	Sofiia Hetman	ASUW Representative	Present
5	Moises Jacobo	ASUW Representative	Present
6	Sarah Parker	ASUW Senate Liaison	Present
7	Haley Chee	GPSS VP of Finance	Present
8		GPSS Representative	*Not Appointed
9		GPSS Representative	*Not Appointed
10		GPSS Representative	*Not Appointed
11		GPSS Representative	*Not Appointed
12	Felipe Martinez	SAF Advisor – Student Life	Present
13	Kristian Wiles	SAF Advisor – OMA&D	Absent

Approval of Agenda

The agenda for the October 9, 2026, SAF Committee Meeting was approved.
Motioned by Moises Jacobo, seconded by Haley Chee; unanimous vote to approve the agenda.

Approval of Minutes

The agenda for the May 29, 2026, SAF Committee Meeting was approved.
Motioned by Haley Chee, seconded by Moises Jacobo; unanimous vote to approve the agenda.

Public Comment [10 minutes]

Nominations & Elections

Old Business

New Business

Discussion

1. Committee Orientation

- **Aiden** presented a PowerPoint with orientation information for the Committee.
- **Sofiia** asked why CIRCLE was a probation unit.
- **Aiden** explained that it was important to have it that way in order to observe the unit before taking them on as an official SAF unit.
- **Sofiia** asked how much the SAF budget for this current year is.
- **Aiden** said that the SAF allocation is approximately $24 million but the actual revenue is variable because it depends on the students paying the fee. The SAF reserve is around $9.5 million, which can also be utilized, if needed.

2. OPMA Training

- **The Committee** watched the OPMA Training video.

3. Implicit Bias (TEDx Talks) Training

- **The Committee** watched the Implicit Bias Training video.
- **Aiden** asked if anyone has any takeaways from the video, ways that they can address, mitigate, and mitigate their own implicit bias.
- **Shuchita** said to have more understanding of other cultures.
- **Noor** said to be more aware of what others has gone through, the social status that one is coming from.
- **Aiden** asked how the SAF Committee will utilize this information when it comes to understanding what students need and what units need.
- **Sarah** said to create a safe space for people to be able to share their opinions.
- **Moises** said acknowledge that your perspective is limited, just because you don't utilize a resource doesn't mean it's not needed by others.

4. Budget Priorities

- **Aiden** gave an overview of the FY27 Budget Request Packet.
- **Felipe** asked what happened if units don't spend their full SAF allocation.

- **Aiden** said that is answered in the request packet. Other than that, SAF don't reclaim any unused funds that units were not able to utilize, which allow them to generate their own reserve.
- **Sofiia** asked if SAF make any changes to the unit allocations based on minimum wage increases.
- **Aiden** explained that the units have to make this request, it is not SAF obligation to do this.
- **Sofiia** asked if Aiden thinks the minimum wage ($21.30 / hour) in Seattle will increase in the future.
- **Aiden and Felipe** agreed that it will keep increasing.
- **Aiden** briefed the Committee on things to look for in the budget packets (i.e. new positions, wages, student impact, etc.) and stressed that the Committee will have to make hard decisions because we're not able to fund every in all requests. They asked the Committee to understand the dynamic needs of all student populations at UW, such as underserved and international students.
- **Aiden** asked what concepts the Committee would like to prioritize for this year.
- **Sofiia** asked if this information is not confidential.
- **Aiden** confirmed that it is not confidential and encourage the Committee to bring their friends to the meetings.
- **Felipe** asked if the Budget Priorities are applied to all the Budget Packets during allocation time.
- **Aiden** agreed but also clarified that we're not beholden to the Budget Priorities that we make now.
- **Noor** asked about the expectations of Committee members.
- **Aiden** said the Committee members are expected to come to the meetings ready, have read the necessary documents, do the site visits and ask questions, as necessary. They added that all units have good relationships with SAF, that the staff are doing this because they care about students, such that they will be able to answer questions and attend SAF meetings as needed.
- **The Committee** discussed and added to the 2026-2027 Budget Priorities document.
- **Noor** asked how her role as an ASUW Senator for CIRCLE affects her involvement in the Committee.
- **Aiden** answered that it won't.
- **Shuchita** asked about the SAF Unit Investment Strategies.
- **Aiden** explained that SAF don't currently have any investment, as we're completely dependent on what revenue we can get from students. As that number fluctuates, and the fee increasingly rapidly in the future, we should look for other source of investment. They would like to work with ASUW lobbyists explore this more. Aiden also added that an example of the investment is to get interests from the SAF Reserves. They noted that pending conversations regarding the Health Fee can also impact this, as the Heath Fee can alleviate a large amount of funding that health units are current receiving from SAF.
- **Shuchita** asked about the field trip.

- **Aiden** said that the Committee will visit SAF units at their locations and learn more about the work that they do, and this will be scheduled during regular meeting times.

Announcements

Adjournment

The SAF Committee Meeting was called to adjourn at 3:00 PM.
Motioned to adjourn by Moises Jacobo, seconded by Sarah Parker; 3-0-1 vote to adjourn.