



Incidental Fee Committee Open Hearing #1

Monday February 23, 2026 | 12:00 PM

WUC Willamette Room

Rhylie Sevits in Chair

Minutes

1. Call to Order
 - 12:07PM
2. Roll Call
 - IFC Members
 - a) Rhylie Sevits
 - b) Brooke Wittgow
 - c) Madi LaCrosse
 - Advisors
 - a) Tina Fuchs
 - IFC Secretary
 - a) Paula Taylor
3. Message from IFC Chair
 - Rhylie Sevits reads [IFC Chair opening statement](#)
4. Old Business
 - None
5. New Business
 - Open Hearing
 - Student Testimony
 - a) [In Person student testimony](#)
 - b) [IFC FY27 Student Feedback Forms](#) read by IFC Members
 - c) [Involve Feedback form](#) read by Paula Taylor
 - Colton Lucas: I have a question about computer replacement and athletics. I thought we were no longer purchasing computers, just maintenance?
 - a) Rhylie: Any IFC area that has computers that are funded by the IFC, if they are out of date they can get replaced.
 - Colton Lucas: I do think athletics is important but I feel like the funding for it fine,

but do they make money? Or do they bring in money?

- a) Rhylie: The IFC does not fund the entire Athletics budget. It is just a portion. Athletics does fundraising and has revenue from ticket sales.
- Ethan representing Athletics: A lot of misconception around athletics. Cut athletics as a whole is saying we should cut creative arts as a whole. There is a lot of money that goes towards athletics. There are programs that are not profitable but bring in marginal amounts of revenue. Budget for different sports are not equal.
 - a) Rhylie: I don't know the numbers off the top of my head by any means, but there's different areas of the budget that are going to things like the gym and student employment and replacing equipment.
- Beaugard Montgomery: I kinda glossed over it during my testimony I know for sure in music, a lot of the incidental fees go directly towards people's major classes. All of the music through the art department, all of the accompaniment, all of what makes the music department run is funded through IFC, and I am not a music major myself, so I don't benefit from it quite as directly, but I have a lot of classmates that, if we couldn't afford our music, our sheet music, there's a lot of programs that wouldn't run.
- Ethan: How does IFC committee work?
 - a) Rhylie: There is 9 of us and we work over the course of the winter term. We listen to presentations and we make a preliminary decision on how we want to allocate the budget. Then we have Open Hearings and listen to student feedback and we take that information and make a final decision.

Rhylie puts meeting in recess at 12:30PM

Rhylie calls meeting back from recess at 12:45PM

- Joaquin Yoos: I am a music major and a lot of things that were funded are no longer funded due to budget cuts. A lot of things are advertised in the school. When I was a freshman, it was like, hey, we have all these programs that are doing all these cool things, come to school, and then me and many others came to the school to be very much disappointed that none of those things were true. And upon asking, they realized, they told us there's a budget cut, so we had to stop doing all the cool things we advertise that we do.
 - a) Tina: A lot of things that you are talking about are related to academic programs and IFC does not fund those. Let me make you an appointment with the Dean of Liberal Arts

Rhylie puts meeting at recess at 12:52PM

Rhylie brings meeting back from recess at 1:02PM

6. Messages from the Floor

- None

7. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 1:02PM