Findings: General Student Use

1. General Student Use
   
   1.1. Technology Fee Intent.
   
   The Student Technology Fee Committee recognizes and supports the original intent of the technology fee, which was to increase the availability of technology resources exclusively for general student use.

2. Definitions
   
   2.1. General Student Use.
   
   A technology that can be used directly by any student whom chooses to do so. Not only does the student benefit from the presence of the resource but they also benefit from the direct use of the resource.

   Illustration of General Student Use: A microwave in the food court available for any student to use. The student can use the microwave to heat his/her food. (Note: STF does not fund microwaves)

   Example of General Student Use: A computer, monitor, printer, etc. that a student physically touches and/or utilizes for academic or student life purposes.

   2.2. General Student Benefit.
   
   A technology that cannot be directly used by all students yet students would benefit from the presence of the technology overall. This does not meet General Student Use Guidelines.

   Illustration of General Student Benefit: A microwave behind the counter in Baldy’s that is used by the kitchen staff to heat a student’s food. The student benefits from this resource but does not actually use the resource.

   Example of General Student Benefit: A technology purchase that students may indirectly benefit from but with which they don’t/can’t personally utilize or operate.

3. Determining General Student Use
   
   3.1. Criteria
   
   The following criteria are used in determining the degree to which technology is available for general student use:

   1. Whether and to what degree technology is available for any student to utilize and employ the resource.
   2. Whether the technology will be located or used in an area that is accessible to any student.
   3. The resource must satisfy more than just General Student Benefit as it pertains to the above definition.
4. Findings.

4.1. The committee feels that the appropriate use of these student-controlled funds is for technology resources available for General Student Use.

5. Policy

5.1. Initiatives meeting the General Use Criterion will be considered for funding prioritization by the Student Technology Fee Committee.