Undergraduate students and graduate students will vote on these three initiatives:

**University Children's Center Support Fee**

Do you approve of a mandatory fee of $3.00 per undergraduate and graduate student per quarter, including summer, in order to provide funds to maintain service levels for Counseling and Career Services? If passed, the fee will begin fall 2005 and be subject to reauthorization in spring 2009.

**Counseling and Career Services (CCS) Fee**

Do you approve of a mandatory fee of $3.50 per undergraduate and graduate student per quarter, including summer, in order to provide funds to maintain service levels for Counseling and Career Services? If passed, the fee will begin fall 2005 and be subject to reauthorization in spring 2009.

**Women's Center Support Fee**

The Women's Center support fee would support programs such as the Rape Prevention Education Program (RPED) and the Resource and Counseling Center (RCC) dedicated to women's needs. Additional funds may be needed in the future to maintain support for the existing programs and to develop new programs. If passed, the fee will begin fall 2005 and be subject to reauthorization in spring 2009.

**Recreational Activities Fee**

Do you approve of a mandatory fee of up to $5.00 per undergraduate and graduate student per quarter, including summer, to provide additional recreational opportunities not currently funded by the university? If passed, the fee will begin fall 2005 and be subject to reauthorization in spring 2009.

**Student Medical Emergency Relief Fund (SMERF)**

Do you approve of a mandatory fee of $0.89 per undergraduate per quarter, including summer, in order to provide funding for the Student Medical Emergency Relief Fund (SMERF) for students who are not able to access the costs of medical procedures? If passed, the fee will begin fall 2005 and be subject to reauthorization in spring 2009.

**Associated Students Community Affairs Board (CAB) Service Fee**

Do you approve of a mandatory fee of $0.85 per undergraduate student per quarter, including summer, in order to continue to support the Community Affairs Board (CAB) Volunteer and Learning Center? The fee is in addition to the existing $1.15 per student per quarter (full, winter and spring) and $0.75 for summer currently charged. If passed, the fee will raise an additional $315,000 per quarter. These funds will be used for the Volunteer and Learning Center programs. Each year the CAB members coordinate events and programs in which students participate. Examples of two major projects are:

- **Ferale Literacy Program:** a tutoring program in which students help elementary school children improve their reading skills.
- **Camp Ronald McDonald for Good Times:** a charitible walk during spring quarter that enables children with cancer to attend special camp events.

The CAB fee is assessed only to full-time students.

**Undergraduate student fees**

One hundred and seventy-five full-time students, ages 3 months to 5 years, attend the Orkide Family Children's Center on West Campus. The center is accredited by the National Academy for Early Childhood Programs and is committed to recruiting and retaining highly qualified teachers and support staff. Fifty per cent of the faculty and 75 per cent of the staff are union members.

The fee will provide funds to the hiring of additional staff at the center, including teacher and support staff, and for the purchase of additional supplies and materials. Additional revenues may be necessary in the future to maintain support for the existing programs and to develop new programs. If passed, the fee will begin fall 2005 and be subject to reauthorization in spring 2009.

**Voter Turnout Requirements**

A minimum 20 percent voter turnout is required in order for the elections to be considered valid. A sliding scale based on the number of active student voters (30 percent for undergraduates, 25 percent for undergraduates and graduate students combined) is used to determine how much of the student body's contribution is used to fund these programs. Do you agree that the 30 percent voter turnout, two-thirds of those voting must support the measure. If the turnout is 30 percent or higher for those voted on by undergraduates only, or 20 or 30 percent higher for those voted on by both undergraduates and graduate students, a 20 percent plus one voter approval is needed for the initiative to pass. Requirments must be met in order to vote. Voter turnout requirements may be increased in order to maintain funding levels in a fair and consistent fashion, ensuring fair representation.

**The Election Is On Line!**

How to vote:

To use the UCSB Gold system and follow the instructions after pressing the "Student Elections" button.

You may vote at any computer with internet access. Computer labs are located at the UMC, Dovision Library, and many residence halls.

Any difficulty voting should be reported to 893-8824.