The grants review committee activities are primarily confined to the winter term and consist of a review of grant applications for the State Faculty Support Grant program and the selection of Student Research Competition presentations. However, the committee met on 12/10/2010 to discuss the use of approximately $25,000 of excess funding resulting from the following:

1. The Chancellor’s Office awarded more funding than was originally anticipated. The committee can only use an approximate funding amount during its deliberations since the actual funding from the Chancellor's isn't known for several months after the end of the academic year.

2. Due to a change in the circumstances of two awardees, approximately $12,000 was placed back in the award pool.

As a consequence, five proposals (from the 2009-2010 cycle) were awarded. These proposals were originally considered by the committee and were deemed to have merit. However, the proposals had not originally ranked high enough to be given an award at the presumed funding level.

The committee will meet again in either late in the winter term or early in the spring term to evaluate State Faculty Support Grant proposals and submissions to the CSU Student Research Competition. The CSU Student Research Competition will be held at CSU Stanislaus on March 11th, 2011. Each evaluation meeting is separate and the Student Research Competition evaluation involves an all-day Saturday meeting where students present their research ideas.