



# UBC Athletics and Student Recreation

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# Student Recreation

- What \$207 gets you:
  - Drop-in sports, limited aquatic centre access
- Additional fees required for:
  - Birdcoop/climbing cave, intramurals, tournaments, events (ie. Storm the Wall), fitness classes, lockers, outdoor rec, tennis centre, field rental, gym rental, rink rental, hockey/skating drop-in, additional aquatic centre access, varsity games

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Birdcoop, Pool rates all went up**

**So did the surplus**

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- 3. UBC REC is overpriced**
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# 1. Birdcoop = Rip-off

- Most universities → access to gym is included in fees.
  - Few that do charge → memberships are much cheaper
    - UVic (\$67/academic year)
    - UBC-O (\$30/academic year)
    - Birdcoop (\$248/academic year)
- } Cost of gym membership
- Rates went up again this year
    - ↳ increases up to 20%

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Tried to close gym last year

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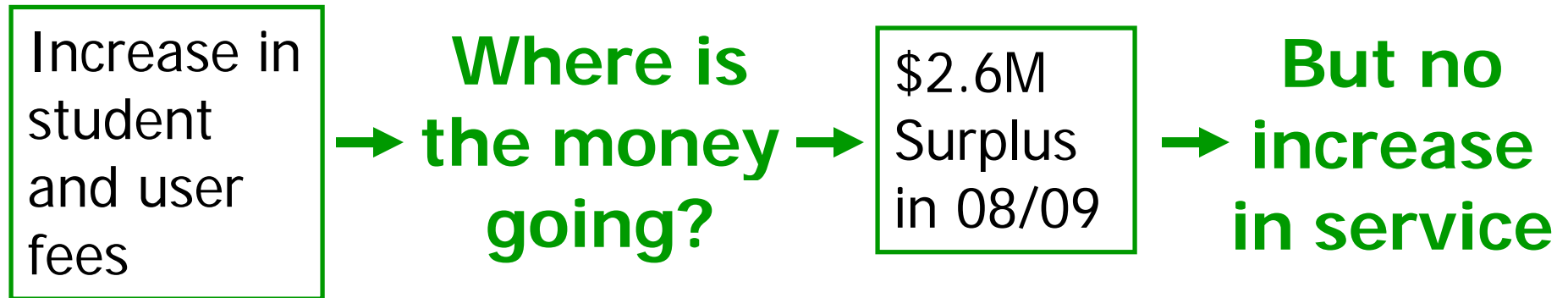
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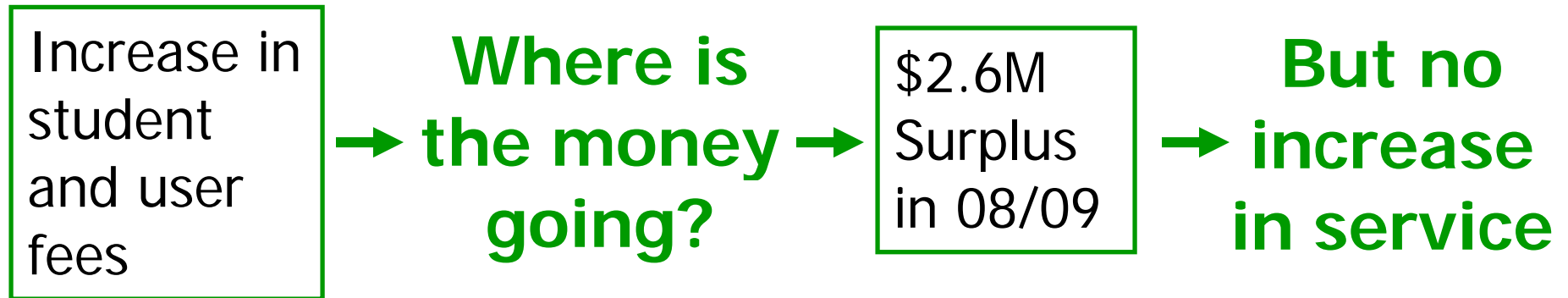
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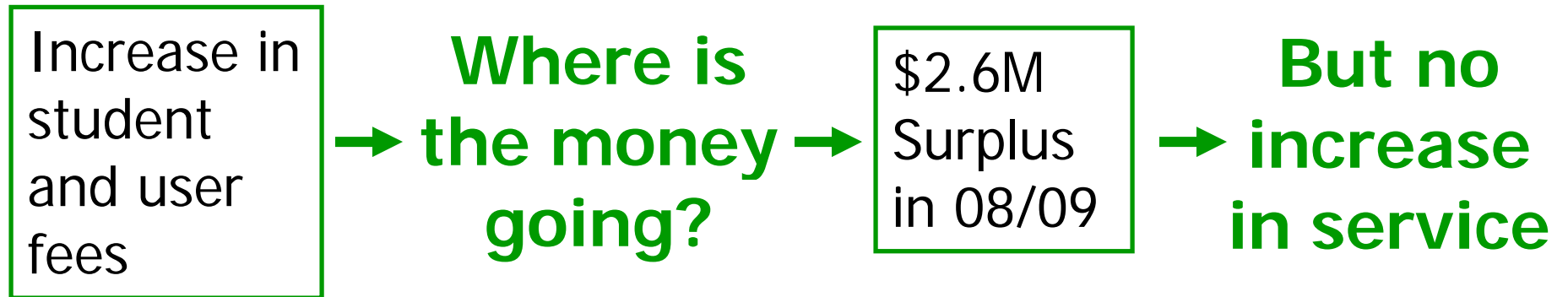


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- Result: For every dollar of student fees that goes into UBC REC, **FOUR** dollars goes into varsity program





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- Huge amount of money into capital improvements without consultation

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# What's Next?

- Soliciting feedback from students
  - What improvements would they like to see?
- Written report on the state of athletics at UBC
- Lobbying Athletics and Brian Sullivan to implement proposed changes

# UBC is #1!

	Athletics Fee	Gym membership (8 months)	Total
UBC-V	\$207	\$248	\$455
McGill	\$214	\$35	\$249
U of Toronto	\$229	\$0	\$229
UVic	\$140	\$67	\$207
McMaster	\$102	\$102	\$204
Ottawa	\$191	\$0	\$191
U Calgary	\$165	\$0	\$165
UBC-O	\$125	\$30	\$155
SFU	\$125	\$0	\$126
U Alberta	\$119	\$0	\$119