

Rome wasn't built in a night;
your program won't either

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Once upon a
time...A long
time ago

- **No ruby slippers or seven little helpers**
 - Differences of opinions
 - Limited library support
 - No administrative support
 - Limited faculty interest/knowledge

A little bit later

- **Student Government Association (SGA)**
 - \$50,000
- **Library support**
 - \$10,000

Foundation of the Brave

- **Brave (or willing) faculty**
 - Even the brave don't go it alone
 - FY 13: 11 Applicants- 9 Awarded
- **Limited application window**
- **Freshman/Sophomore level focus**
- **Library recall unused funds**
 - Only \$6,750 spent

Second Year Sediment

- FY 14: 11 Applicants- 11 Awarded
- Go with what worked FY 15 Funding:
 - \$30,000 SGA
 - \$10,000 Library

Growth Spurt

- Report to Provost and President
- New Digital Scholarship Center
- New partner (me- Rebel)
- Ripe for picking
 - FY 15: 20 Applicants- 13 Awarded
- SGA OER videos
 - <https://youtu.be/nHjsyW2RjBI>

Growing Pains

- **Founding partner retirement**
- **Cross training in center**
- **New funding source needed**
 - Money offered...delayed in delivery and pre-spent
- **“Dip” in applicants**
 - FY 16: 9 Applicants- 8 Awarded

Sustainability

- **Removed application window – Allowing rolling submissions**
- **Student fee**
 - \$10.00 per course (Not credit hour)
- **Updated Website**
 - Faculty page
 - Student page

Sustainability

- **Multi-level support**
- **New focus: High enrollment- any level course**
- **Foundation Account**

Culture Change

- **FY 17: 34 Applicants- 34 Approved**
- **Invitation to Present at:**
 - Deans and Department Heads Round Table
 - Board of Trustees- Top Three
 - Board of Governors

Culture Change

- **Textbook Collection Development Library Policy**
 - Connecting textbook affordability efforts w/ OER
- **President Shultz took open/alternative platform to interview (and landed the job)**

Icon

- Open/Alternative icon



Community Acceptance

- **Foundation Funding**
 - ~\$75,000
- **Donor funding**
 - ~\$77,000
- **Whole program transitions**
- **Departmental staff seeking training**

Continued Growth

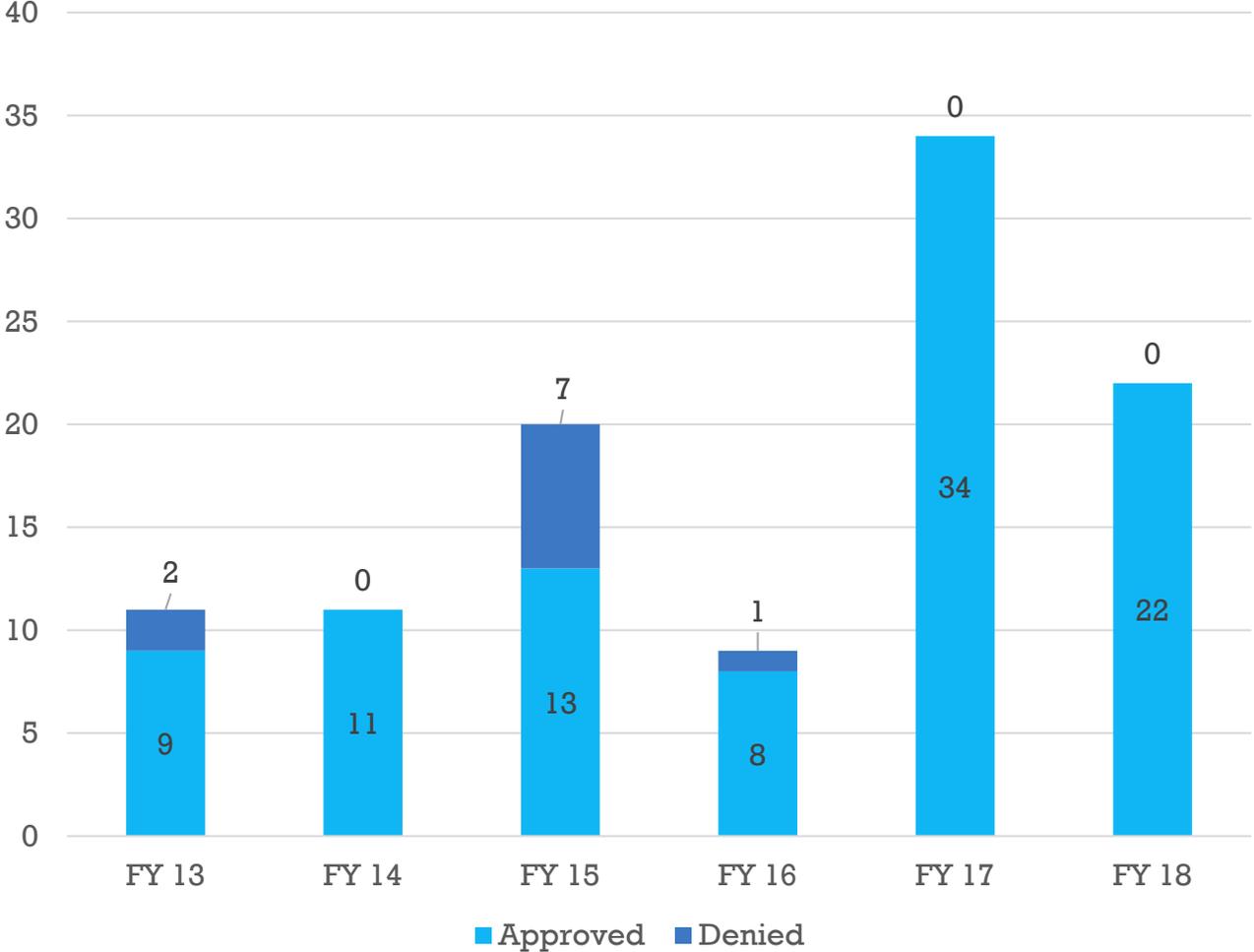
- **FY18: 23 Applicants- 23 Awarded (22 Paid)**
- **Continued Foundation and Donor Funding**
 - 3 Million Dollar gift to library specifically naming open/alternative initiative
 - ~\$75,000
- **Fee funding collected used to support awards**

Loss and Disaster

- One promotional video (for the donors) could not be used as featured speaker (President) left the university
- Personnel turnover
 - SGA Every Year
 - Library leads loss
 - Rebel Cummings-Sauls – Leading Florida Statewide OER
 - Rachel Miles- Filled in Briefly, now @ NC State
- Fire
 - Library Space

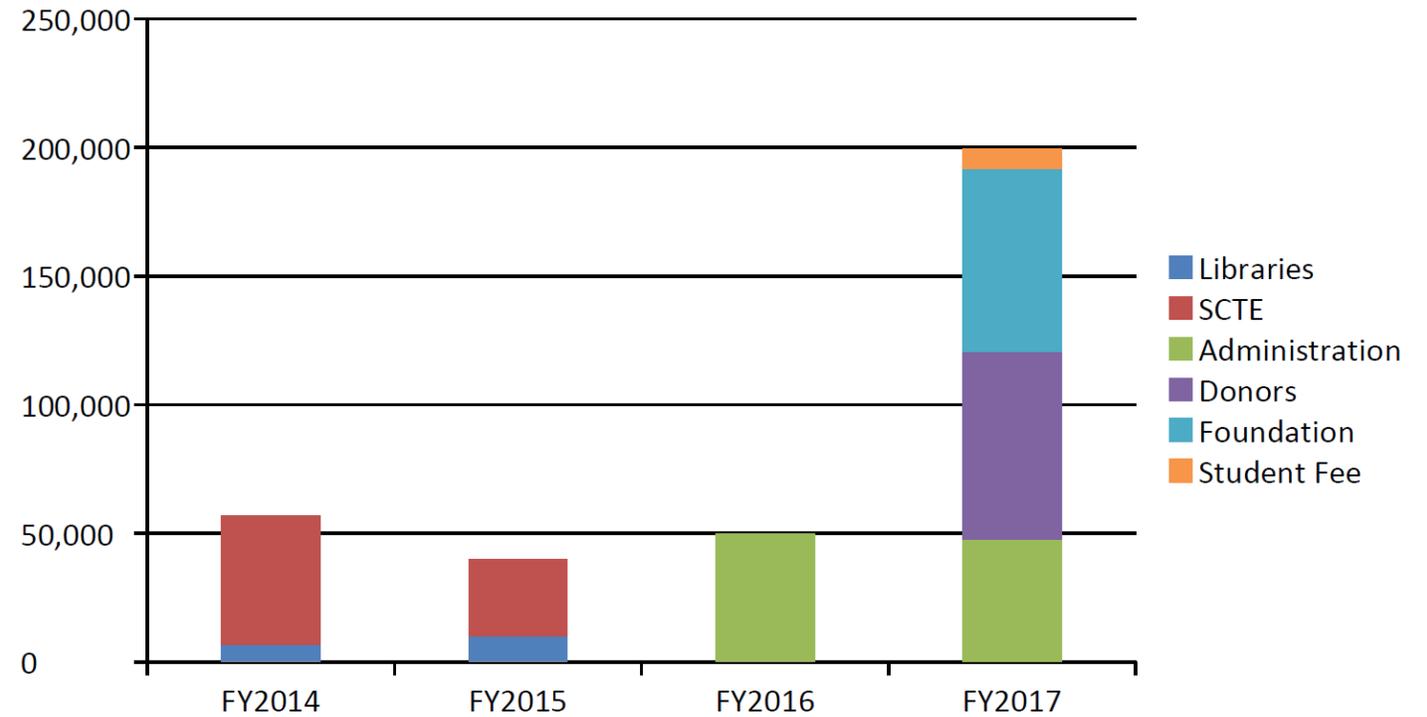
Snapshot of Awards

Faculty Awards



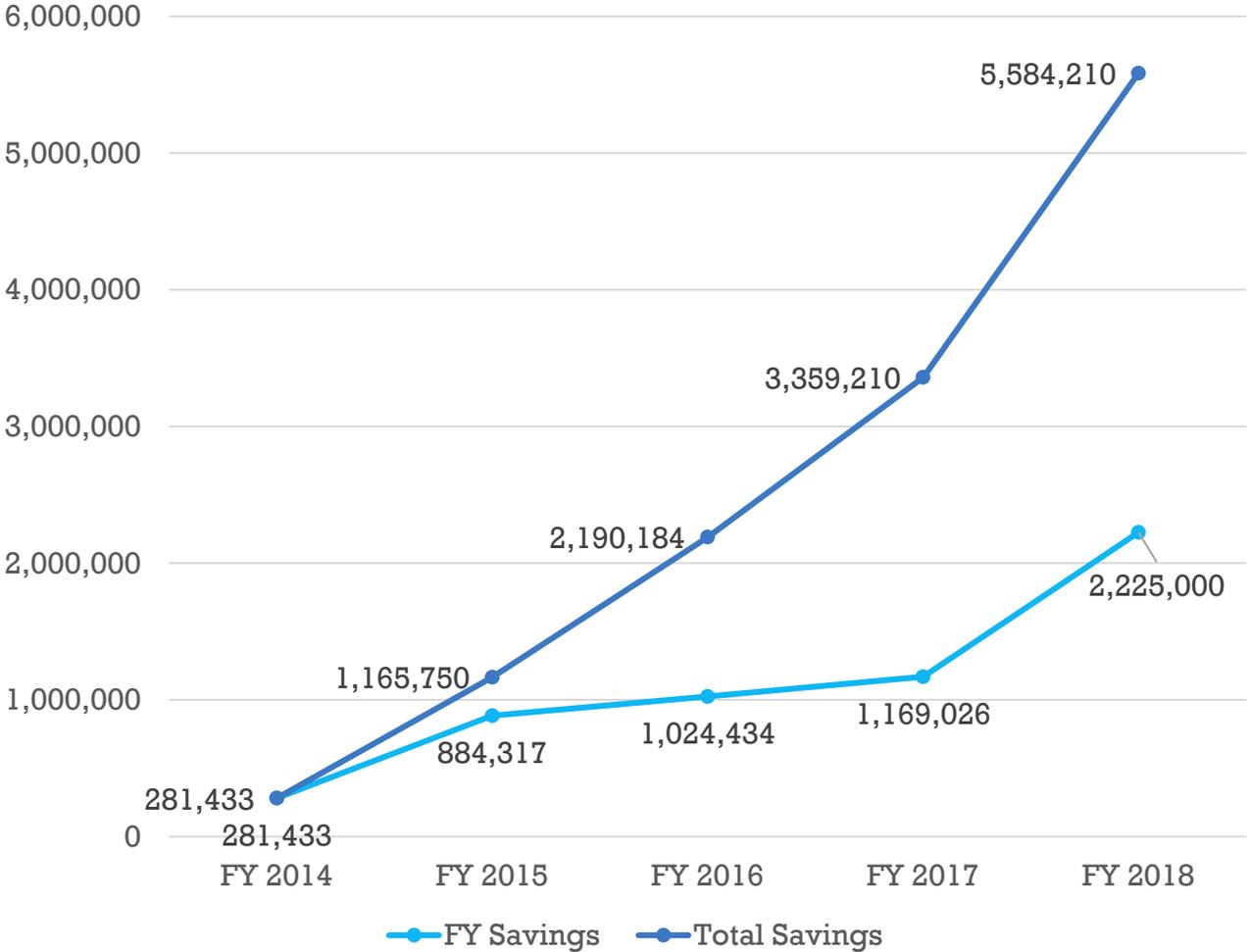
Snapshot of Funding

Initiative Funding Sources



Snapshot of Savings

Estimated Savings



Thank you!

Questions and Comments?
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