

**Student Organization Council: Special Interest
Funding Board
Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Date: April 14, 2009

Meeting Time: 8:45 p.m.

Meeting Location: KC 0058

Attendance

Chair: Jarrett Martus

Advisor: Michelle Burke

Board Members: Amra Keener, Michael Rapin, Brad Yanalunas, Roy Lowing, Nicole Kahn, Will Burgess.

Gallery: Chris Farber (Photo Club), Greg Copeland (I.M.P.A.C.T.), Donna St. Lous (Classics Society), Justin Tomei (College Republicans); Jessica Dougherty (Disney Alumni Association); Samuel Jones (I.M.P.A.C.T.), Anna Alferink (Future Alumni Association); Rob Brogan (Apples & Oranges); Nick Nelson (Comic Book Club); Kenneth Reid (I.M.P.A.C.T.); Sc. Scott Schupbach (Classics Society)

Funding Board Announcements/Business (include any requests that were tabled and the reason for tabling):

For accounting purposes, any requests made for “cents” are rounded up to the next dollar. This is our final meeting for the semester. The next Council meeting is September 8th at MAX it Out and the next Funding Board meeting will be the week of September 14th.

FUNDING REQUESTS

Requesting Organization: Comic Book Club

Title of Request: Equipment

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Nick Nelson

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7004 Supplies	230	175
TOTAL	230.00	175.00

This request is to provide copies of comic books and graphic novels in print for use by members of the Comic Book Club. We hope to expand the interest of students at the University.

Questions: Would this request cover several issues of the same comic? Yes, it is book that is a collection of issues. Do you have other ideas for private funding for the group like fundraisers or private donations? Perhaps we fund half and the club can match the other half. The idea is to get this supply and then have a Community Reading for members. Do people in your group have these already? Some of them, yes, and we do plan to share what we have. Do you have specifics about prices of the books? Do you charge dues to your members? Not yet, we are a new group.

Discussion: Could the group use half of what they are requesting? What they are requesting is reasonable. Members who have their own copies might not want to share their personal copies. Other groups have fundraisers to generate income. This is just as good as a UPO package to promote a club.

Motion to reduce 7004 to \$115.

Motion fails 2-3-2.

Motion to reduce 7004 to \$175.

Motion passes 5-0-2

Motion to approve amount as amended.

Motion passes 5-0-2.

Is the allocation recommendation

FINAL

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Requesting Organization: I.M.P.A.C.T. – Inspired Men of Purpose Amendment
Conduct and Truth

Title of Request: Campus Life Night Recruitment

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Kenneth Reid, Greg Copeland

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
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7032 University Promotions	185.00	185
TOTAL	185	185.00

These promotional items will be used at Campus Life Night and throughout the fall semester to promote the organization. The group is new and wants to recruit new members. We will promote events and meetings.

Motion to approve amount as requested.
 Motion passes 7-0-0.

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Requesting Organization: I.M.P.A.C.T. – Inspired Men of Purpose Amendment
 Conduct and Truth

Title of Request: Open Mic Nights

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Kenneth Reid, Greg Copeland

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7022 Food Service	45.00	45
7233 Copy Center	9.00	0
7022 Food Service	180.00	180
7004 Supplies Admin	15.00	0
TOTAL	249.00	225.00

These events are open discussions for the entire campus. This will be 3 events during the semester (September, October, November). They expect about 30 people at each meeting.

Questions: Do fundraisers cover these costs? We are a new group and we've only had one fundraiser. These cover costs that are unexpected and honoraria for guest speakers. Money from dues help to seed the fundraisers and pay for things not provided by Senate. Is the pizza from on campus? This cost is based on campus pizza. Can we expect the same request for second semester? We are focused on the first half of the year now but we will make a request as we plan those events.

We can cut \$9 from 7233.
 We can cut \$15 from 7004.

Motion to approve amended amount.
 Motion passes 7-0-0.

Is the allocation recommendation

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Requesting Organization: Future Alumni Association

Title of Request: Dinner with 7 Strangers

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Anna Alferink

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7019 Advertising	160	0
7151 Postage	30	15
7022 Food Service	1688.40	1689
7032 University Promotions	146	146
TOTAL	2024.400	1850

This program is done at other schools but is a new program at GVSU. This event will be held at the Alumni House. Each table will have one alumnus, one faculty/staff member, and six students. This will help students get to know new people. The group will use facebook, printed invitations to students nominated by faculty. The event is open to all students. The Alumni Association will create “theme” tables. The event will be a catered, plated meal (\$23 per person through Classic Fare). This will be a kickoff event, but they want to have more events on a smaller scale (at UCLA the dinners are hosted by alumni in their homes).

Questions: Will this be free to students? Will this be a free dinner for those who attend. What is the postage for? To mail letters to alumni, maybe just 9 (could cut it down). Do you need both the Lanthorn ad and a UPO package? We could cut out the Lanthorn ad since we are promoting in so many different ways. What if you have more students than spots? We’ll create a waiting list and invite those students to future events. If you’re working through the Alumni office, could alumni donate to help with this event? That’s a possibility, but we want the alumni to host future events, so this would be the kickoff for the entire series (we won’t need money for future events).

Motion to reduce 7019 to \$0.

Motion passes 6-0-0.

Motion to reduce 7151 to \$15.

Motion passes 6-0-0.

Motion to approve amount as amended.

Motion passes 6-0-0.

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Requesting Organization: Apples & Oranges
Title of Request: Campus Life Night Promotions
Name(s) of Presenter(s): Rob Brogan

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7032 University Promotions	125	125
TOTAL	125.00	125.00

This will provide a UPO package to promote the group. The group is new and doesn't yet charge dues. What happens at meetings? We talk about new Apple technology and applications. We also help other members and students with questions about their Apple computers. Sharing interests and provide tech help.

Motion to approve amount as requested.
 Motion passes 5-0-2.

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Requesting Organization: Photography Club
Title of Request: Promotional banners and flyers
Name(s) of Presenter(s): Chris Farber

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7032 University Promotions	299	299
TOTAL	299	299.00

The photo club is new on campus. UPO Promotional Package #6 would help promote the group.

Motion to approve amount as requested.
 Motion passes 4-1-2.

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Requesting Organization: College Republicans
Title of Request: Beginning of the year activities
Name(s) of Presenter(s): Justin Tomei

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7022 Food Service	100	100
7032 University Promotions	146	146
TOTAL	246	246.00

The problem is retention, not recruitment. We want a package to promote the weekly meeting times. The first and last meeting of the year usually includes food, so enough to fund some Papa John's. The next big election is August 22, 2010.

Questions: Do you really need \$100 for pizza? We had 50 people at our first meeting last year. Last year there was an election, will there be as much interest this year? We certainly hope so. The focus next year is all about Grand Valley and building membership in preparation for future elections.

Motion to approve amount as requested.
6-0-1.

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Requesting Organization: Classics Society

Title of Request: Campus Life Night

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Donna St. Louis, S. Scott Schupbach

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7022 Food Service	200	200
7032 University Promotions	207.50	208
TOTAL	407.5	408.00

This is a social organization for Classics majors and anyone else interested in the Classics. The Roman Banquet is the signature event for the group. This year most members are graduating seniors, so recruitment will be very important. UPO packages don't always suit our needs.

The UPO request covers 50 buttons to be worn by Classics professors and members (word of mouth is the best advertising); 12 square foot vinyl banner (3x4) for events; 50 11x17 color pluggers that they will cut themselves to post on academic bulletin boards and hand out to people at Campus Life Night (Classics FAQ); plus 1 hour design time.

At Campus Life Night, they usually serve Pomegranate Punch at Campus Life Night and it was very successful. They would also like to serve some kind of snack (\$1-3 per person).

Questions: Do you have any funds right now to go to this? Our off-campus bank account exists and we do charge dues. Our current treasurer is graduating and we need to transfer to bank account access to the new officers. About \$40 is in that account. How much has

the group received in the past? They haven't had to recruit like this in the past. The food at Campus Life Night last year came from the off-campus account. Are there any other fundraisers?

Motion to approve amount requested.
 Motion passes 7-0-0.

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Requesting Organization: Disney College Program Alumni Association

Title of Request: Welcome Back Party

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Jessica Dougherty

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7022 Food Service	60	60
7022 Food Service	21.25	22
7233 Copy Center	7.5	8
7022 Food Service	8	0
7022 Food Service	22.5	23
TOTAL	119.25	113.00

The group consists of 6 campus reps and all the students who have participated in the Disney College Program. Around 20 students are completing the program now. This is a welcome back for them and also a way to recruit interested new students. This is a safe environment before they meet with the Disney professional recruiter.

Questions: have you done any fundraisers? We just opened an off-campus account and do plan to have fundraisers. Will any of that be able to cover costs for this event? We don't plan to request funds for second semester. We really want to recruit at the beginning of the year.

We can cut 7022 from \$8 to 0.

Motion to approve amount as amended.
 Motion passes 7-0-0.

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Requesting Organization: Disney College Program Alumni Association

Title of Request: Disney College Program Campus Presentation

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Jessica Dougherty

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7032 University Promotions	70	70
7022 Food Service	36	36
7022 Food Service	6.75	7
7022 Food Service	4	0
TOTAL	116.75	113.00

This event is co-sponsored with the Disney Company and the professional recruiter runs the presentation. Normally campus reps take on promoting the event.

We can cut \$4 from 7022 for plates.

Motion to approve amount as amended.

Motion passes 7-0-0.

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A total of \$3,739 was allocated at this meeting.

A total of \$3,739 has been allocated to date for the 2009-10 fiscal year.

With a starting point of \$40,000, the remaining amount in the Special Interest Council's Budget is \$36,261.

Meeting adjourned at 9:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Michelle Burke