Student Senate Appropriations Committee
Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 11/17/2015
Meeting Time: 4:30 p.m.
Meeting Location: Kirkhof Center Room 2259

Chair: Jeremy Turnbull
Advisor: Valerie Guzman
Board Members Present: Benjamin Solits, Caleb Devries, Ben Commet, Olivia Kolc

Requesting Organization: Pre-Med Club
Title of Request: Premed Club MSU College of Human Medicine Speaker Gifts
Date of Activity: 12/01/15
Name(s) of Presenter(s): Tyler Johnston

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Narrative description of presentation/discussion and details on what was approved or unapproved in the request:
Requesting funding to give to medical student speakers Amanda Bernard, Joey Perosky, Adam Kurdirka, Megan Masten, and Lauren Smith.

Motion to: Approve in full.
5 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

The allocation recommendation is:
X FINAL
☐ Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Requesting Organization: A Cappella GrooVe!
Title of Request: Promo for GrooVe Ugly Sweater Concert 2015
Date of Activity: 12/05/15
Name(s) of Presenter(s): Cynda Molina and Nick Ciliak

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Narrative description of presentation/discussion and details on what was approved or unapproved in the request:
Motion to: Approve in full.
5 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Is the allocation recommendation
X FINAL
□ Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Requesting Organization: Subject to Change (Improv Comedy Team)
Title of Request: Upright Citizens Brigade Comedy Troupe Performance
Date of Activity: 01/27/16
Name(s) of Presenter(s): Lewis Stone

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Requesting funding to bring in the Upright Citizens Brigade from Chicago, IL to GVSU.

Motion to: Approve in full.
5 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Is the allocation recommendation
X FINAL
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Requesting Organization: Alpha Phi Omega
Title of Request: APO’s Awareness Day Event
Date of Activity: 12/04/16
Name(s) of Presenter(s): Sierra Williams

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Narrative description of presentation/discussion and details on what was approved or unapproved in the request:
Requesting funding for catering and promotions for the Fight the Red Stigma HIV/AIDS awareness event. This event provides students a safe place to engage and participate in learning about HIV/AIDS and how it’s no longer a death sentence.
There will be three student performances, a professor speaking of the importance of honesty and consent of sexual relationships, and a presentation of Empowered: Alicia Keys.

**Motion to:** Approve in full.
5 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

**Is the allocation recommendation**

- X FINAL
- □ Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

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**Requesting Organization:** You Beautiful Black Woman
**Title of Request:** YBBW’s Hair Talk
**Date of Activity:** 12/07/15
**Name(s) of Presenter(s):** Sierra Williams

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**Narrative description of presentation/discussion and details on what was approved or unapproved in the request:**

Requesting funding for catering and promotions for YBBW’s Hair Talk. This event is designed to be an informative discussion on the importance of embracing and learning about hair and its variability from person to person and culture to culture. This event will address the discrimination of the variations of hair among all ethnic groups.

At the end of the event there will be a Q&A for students.

LIB 100 approved.

At the event they will discuss stereotypes against black hair, but will also have white, Hispanic, and Latino hair as well.

Projecting roughly 100 students to attend.

No fundraising, however they are paying for speakers gifts, shirts, and GV apparel out of club funds.

**Motion to:** Approve in full.
5 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

**Is the allocation recommendation**

- X FINAL
- □ Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

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**Requesting Organization:** You Beautiful Black Woman
**Title of Request:** YBBW’s Annual Hustles and Hot Wings
**Date of Activity:** 12/11/16
Name(s) of Presenter(s): Sierra Williams

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Requesting funding to host Hustle and Hot Wings. This event helps promote unity across GVSU’s campus by teaching students new dances, the different hustles, while enjoying wings. This event is open to all student organizations.

Motion to: Approve in full.
5 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Is the allocation recommendation
X FINAL
☐ Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Requesting Organization: Alpha Kappa Psi
Title of Request: AKPSI PBLI
Date of Activity: 02/12/16 – 02/14/16
Name(s) of Presenter(s): Ashley Spann

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Narrative description of presentation/discussion and details on what was approved or unapproved in the request
Principled Business Leaders Institute is mandatory for members to attend in order to enhance our professional development skills, networking skills and to gain more skills to better their chapter. The conference will also give members new national and regional information that will help the chapter make the necessary changes within our chapters to better service our schools and the community.
Requesting funding for van rental and hotel accommodations.

Motion to: Approve in full.
5 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Is the allocation recommendation
X FINAL
☐ Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly
Requesting Organization: Swing Dance Club  
Title of Request: Lindy Focus  
Date of Activity: 12/26/16 – 01/01/16  
Name(s) of Presenter(s): Rachel Deppe

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Requesting funds for hotel accommodations and conference fees for three members. This conference would give the students a knowledge and improvement on dancing, which they can bring back to their club. Going to this conference and getting GV’s name out, could possibly bring a Lindy Conference to Grand Rapids. Paying for food, gas, and vans out of pocket. Fundraise in conjunction with another club.

Motion to: Approve in full.
5 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Is the allocation recommendation
X FINAL
☐ Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Requesting Organization: National Science Teachers Association  
Title of Request: NSTA National Conference  
Date of Activity: 03/31/16 – 04/03/16  
Name(s) of Presenter(s): Bailey Keller

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Requesting funds for lodging to attend the NSTA National Conference in Nashville, TN. At the conference students learn how scientists learn their skill sets and what sound science looks like. Students will develop understanding of the nature of science for all learners and explore how science and scientific tools have progressed over time. Have been fundraising to put towards registration. Students are paying for gas and registration out of pocket.
**Motion to:** Approve in full.
5 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

**Is the allocation recommendation**

- FINAL

- Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

**Requesting Organization:** Alpha Kappa Psi

**Title of Request:** AKPsi Yoga and Pancakes

**Date of Activity:** 12/13/15

**Name(s) of Presenter(s):** Ashley Spann

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Requesting funds for catering for the Yoga and Pancakes event. This event is meant to help students relieve stress during finals week.

**Motion to:** Approved in full.
5 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

**Is the allocation recommendation**

- FINAL

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**Requesting Organization:** Greek InterVarsity, InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, and Athletes InterVarsity

**Title of Request:** Urbana 15

**Date of Activity:** 12/27/15 – 12/31/16

**Name(s) of Presenter(s):** N/A

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Requesting funds to attend the Urbana 15 conference. Urbana is one of the largest student missions conference in the world and is held every three years. This conference will have plenary sessions staff-led small groups, exclusive access to global leaders, and an interactive learning environment participants will be empowered to embrace their unique vocation, engage the entire campus, and give their whole lives for God’s global mission.
Motion to: Approve in full.
5 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Is the allocation recommendation

X FINAL

• Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Meeting adjourned at (time): 6:00 p.m.
Respectfully submitted by (name of secretary): Amber Downs