

Student Senate Appropriations Funding Board  
Meeting Minutes  
11/22/2019 1:30 PM  
Student Senate Office  
Chair: Madeleine Samuels  
Advisor: Eric Stevens

Student Senators Present: Eric Siegrist, Richie Deberry, Harrison Benet, Brandon Love, Anthony Paquet

Appropriations Funding Board: Marissa Accardo, Adam Gordon

Agenda

- 1.Swing Dance Club
- 2.Subject to Change
- 3.Voices\* Was not present, delayed until next week
- 4.Students for Special Olympics Advocacy
- 5.Farm Club
6. Phi Chi Theta

*Discussion of Presenting Requests*

Requesting Organization: Swing Dance Club

1. Title of Request: Swing Dance Club Holiday Party
2. Name(s) of Requester(s): Caitlin Van Essendeift
3. Amount Requested: \$285.00
4. Description of Request: On December 5th, the Swing Dance Club will be hosting our annual Holiday party! There will be food, dancing, games, and merriment.
5. Discussion: The price per head is within the standard for campus programming. The catering is also the only cost.
6. Final Motion to: Approve in full.

7 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN  
Final Amount Allocated: \$285.00

Requesting Organization: Subject to Change

1. Title of Request: December Improv Show- Subject to Change Improv
2. Name(s) of Requester(s):Kate Marsh
3. Amount Requested: \$355.00
4. Description of Request:

5. Discussion: Subject to Change is holding their annual holiday show. They wanted to request funding for promotional materials as well as film and video recording. VP Samuels asks what the reasoning for requesting filming/video services for this specific event. The presenter explains that this is their biggest show of the year, and is more of a special event than other shows. This won't be a monthly request. Additionally, filming also allows Subject to Change to expand their audiences and potentially recruit new members.

6. Final Motion to: Approve in Full

7 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Final Amount Allocated: \$355.00

*Discussion of Non-Presenting Requests*

Requesting Organization: Students for Special Olympics Advocacy

1. Title of Request: SSOA Winter Social

2. Name(s) of Requester(s): Taylor Tyszkiewicz

3. Amount Requested: \$167.00

4. Description of Request: Funding for food for our winter social with Area 12 athletes

5. Discussion: This event brings together different RSOS from across campus to support and celebrate with Area 12 athletes. This request meets all guidelines

6. Final Motion to: Approve in Full

7 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Final Amount Allocated: \$167.00

Requesting Organization: Farm Club

1. Title of Request: Farm Club - Northern Michigan Small Farm Conference (Farm School and Conference)

2. Name(s) of Requester(s): Michael Hinkle

3. Amount Requested: \$234.00

4. Description of Request: The northern Michigan small farms conference is an educational and networking event revolving around the connections of the various small farms across Michigan. This particular event seeks to educate current and upcoming farmers on different topics that improve farm life.

5. Discussion: This is a standard conference request. The request meets all the travel guidelines.

6. Final Motion to: Approve in Full

7 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Final Amount Allocated: \$234.00

Requesting Organization: Phi Chi Theta

1. Title of Request: Professional Development trip to Nashville

2. Name(s) of Requester(s): Bradley O'Connor

3. Amount Requested: \$1,062.75

4. Description of Request: Annual Professional Development Trip. Each year the Zeta Epsilon Chapter of Phi Chi Theta partakes in a professional development trip that allows members to tour businesses in different cities around the United States. This year, Phi Chi Theta is requesting transportation to take members to Nashville, Tennessee. In Nashville, members will tour local businesses like Hylant and Feyen Zylstra. Members will also partake in a tour of a Master of Business Administration program at Vanderbilt University. Additionally, members will have time to visit the National Country Music Hall of Fame. Phi Chi Theta will also visit and learn the operations of Nissan Stadium. As a tradition, Phi Chi Theta will participate in a professional dinner.

Phi Chi Theta currently has 15 members interested in attending this trip. As the President, I am requesting funding for 3 enterprise rental vans to take members and their professional luggage. The Office of Student Life has determined the cost of the vans for this trip to total out at \$1,062.75. Members fundraise all year long in order to keep the cost low. This funding would greatly help out with allowing everyone an equal opportunity to attend.

5. Discussion: This is a group van request for a conference in Nashville. The higher price for the group vans can be attributed to a longer rental duration.

6. Final Motion to: Approve in Full

7 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Final Amount Allocated: \$1,062.75