

**Student Senate Appropriations Committee
Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Date: 03/15/2016

Meeting Time: 4:30 p.m.

Meeting Location: Kirkhof Center Room 1142

Chair: Jeremy Turnbull

Advisor: Valerie Guzman

Board Members Present: Rachel Travis, Benjamin Solits, Caleb Devries, Ben Commet, Olivia Kolc, Nikhil Watsa, Tyler Tester, Julia Sturvist, Jaci Reck, Chad Jackson

Requesting Organization: Les Francophiles (French Club)

Title of Request: Fete de la Francophonie 2016

Date of Activity: April, 2016

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Michael Foster

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7032	\$132.00	\$132.00
7032	\$16.50	\$16.50
7041, 7027	\$50.00	\$50.00
7022	\$44.97	N/A
7022	\$80.00	N/A
7022	\$128.00	N/A
7022	\$479.40	N/A
7022	\$350.00	N/A
7022	\$749.00	N/A
7022	\$180.00	N/A
7022	\$320.00	N/A
7022	\$60.00	N/A
7022	\$80.00	N/A
7027	\$25.00	\$0.00
7027	\$50.00	\$0.00
7019	\$60.00	\$0.00
7027	\$75.00	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$2,879.87	\$999.00

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

Fete de la Francophonie is an annual event put on by French Club. It's a French-speaking Festival celebrating French-speaking culture all over the world. It promotes cultural understanding and appreciation of French-speaking regions all over the world.

They requested \$400 from other college sources and it was received. There's a possibility of more in the future.

This would come from Academic and Professional, which is depleted.

The cost of Loosemore should be able to be waived, along with the AV/Projector (line items 14, 15, 17).

The main issue as it stands is food. Promotions are necessary, but the rest is expensive for the event.

100 people showed last year and that's the same number expected for this event.

Prefer to offer a lump sum for catering, rather than offer suggestions.

Motion to compile line items 4-13 into a single lump-sum line item for catering and cut line item 14-17. Making the total \$999.

No fundraising has been done besides co-sponsors from Departmental/College.

Motion to: Approve adjusted budget.

7 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

The allocation recommendation is:

FINAL

Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Requesting Organization: Pre-Pharmacy Association

Title of Request: Pre-Pharmacy Speaker Gifts

Date of Activity: 03/17/16 & 03/29/16

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Jessie Pankey

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7046	\$25.00	\$25.00
7046	\$25.00	\$25.00
7046	\$25.00	\$25.00
7046	\$25.00	\$25.00
7046	\$25.00	\$25.00
TOTAL	\$125.00	\$125.00

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

Requesting funding for speaker gifts for an LECOM speaker three students from U of M, and Ferris State.

Motion to: Approve in full.

6 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Is the allocation recommendation

FINAL

Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Requesting Organization: Pre-Students of Osteopathic Medical Association

Title of Request: Speaker Gifts Winter 2016

Date of Activity: 03/02/16

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Josh Sackleh

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
--------------	------------------	------------------

7046	\$50.00	\$50.00
TOTAL	\$50.00	\$50.00

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

Requesting funding for speaker gifts for Dr. Brandt and Dr. Paff. Neither are GV affiliates.

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

Is the allocation recommendation

- FINAL
- Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Requesting Organization: Public Relations Student Society of America
Title of Request: PRSSA Regional Conference
Date of Activity: 04/07/16 – 04/09/16
Name(s) of Presenter(s): Ashley Mamula

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7023, 7024, 7025	\$1,170.00	\$557.00
TOTAL	\$1,170.00	\$557.00

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

Requesting \$1,170 to attend a Conference in Cincinnati, OH. Funding would cover registration and a hotel for three nights. Six students are signed up, with two available spots.

Students are paying for food, gas, and parking out of pocket.

The precedent set in the past is around \$100 per student on travel requests, so this should be taken into account.

The trip is still possible if the request is significantly cut.

Motion to: Approve adjusted budget.
7 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Is the allocation recommendation

- FINAL
- Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Requesting Organization: Exercise Science Club
Title of Request: National American College of Sports Medicine Conference 2016
Date of Activity: 05/30/16 – 06/05/16
Name(s) of Presenter(s): Katie Morris

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7083	\$2,000.00	\$800.00
TOTAL	\$2,000.00	\$800.00

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

They are trying to send ten members to the 2016 conference where several students are presenting. There will also be a few faculty members attending. Students are paying for registration at \$110 per person. The funding would cover eight students as the presenting students are not traveling with the group and have received funding from outside sources. The travel cost is \$250 a person. Following precedent, this is not acceptable and cutting to around \$100 a head would be preferable.

Motion to: Approve adjusted budget.
7 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Is the allocation recommendation

- FINAL
- Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Requesting Organization: Professional Organization for Women Entering Reality
Title of Request: Guest Speaker Vision and Life Coach, LaToya Early
Date of Activity: 03/16/16
Name(s) of Presenter(s): Dechelle Richards

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7032	\$60.00	\$0.00
7046	\$1,000.00	\$600.00
TOTAL	\$1,060.00	\$600.00

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

Alpha Kappa Psi and P.O.W.E.R. are working together to bring LaToya Early to campus to speak to students; asking for \$700 each. They're promoting through social media, flyers, and people coming to workshops; Alpha Kappa Psi will promote through their personal promotions team. The event might be able to go on with a cut in funding, but it's not for sure. With the proper promotions, the event is likely to be successful. Motion to Approve both at \$600 each (POWER and Alpha Kappa Psi).

Motion to: Approve adjusted budget.
6 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Is the allocation recommendation

- FINAL

- Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Requesting Organization: Muslim Students' Association

Title of Request: MSA Launch Meet and Greet

Date of Activity: 03/31/16

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Omar Abada

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7032	\$216.00	\$90.00
7022	\$450.00	\$400.00
TOTAL	\$666.00	\$490.00

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

Requesting funds to build awareness for the MSA, through promotions and catered food from East Lansing.

Outside food can't be brought into campus without a waiver, and until a waiver is given, the request can't be heard. Campus Dining probably can't approve the waiver, but could provide Halal food. An estimate for Halal food has not been provided.

Promotions Package changed from package 4 to package 2 for \$90.

Motion to: Approve adjusted budget.

7 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Is the allocation recommendation

FINAL

- Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Requesting Organization: The Victorious Women of Virtue

Title of Request: Women Worth – Victorious Women of Virtue

Date of Activity: 04/02/16

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Sierra Salaam

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7002	\$817.00	\$500.00
7004	\$25.00	\$0.00
7032	\$66.00	\$66.00
7032	\$2.30	\$2.30
7023, 7024, 7025	\$6.00	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$916.30	\$569.00

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

The speaker gift would be going to a GV faculty member, so that line item cannot be heard.

They will be paying for the speaker gift out of pocket now that it is realized it cannot be funded.

The food requested adds to the ambience of the event, so finger food, h'orderves, or something of that nature takes away from the event.

It's open to anyone.

Motion to: Approve adjusted budget.

7 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Is the allocation recommendation

FINAL

Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Requesting Organization: Wesley Fellowship

Title of Request: Why Have Hope? Interfaith Panel

Date of Activity: 04/13/16

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Lyndsey Poterek

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7032	\$216.00	\$30.00
7022	\$240.00	\$240.00
TOTAL	\$456.00	\$270.00

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

This is an annual event with five different faith groups. Will be LIB 100 and 201 approved.

50 people attended in the past, with more in and out as the event progressed.

The promotions package seems large, as other events with more attendees requested less.

Motion to strike promotions from \$216 to \$30.

Motion to: Approve adjusted budget.

7 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Is the allocation recommendation

FINAL

Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Requesting Organization: Swing Dance Club

Title of Request: Lindy Hop workshop with Andi Hansen

Date of Activity: 03/31/16

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Brenden Hoektra

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7041, 7027	\$200.00	\$0.00

TOTAL	\$200.00	\$0.00
--------------	-----------------	---------------

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

Andi Hansen comes in to instruct members and provide instruction to group leaders to teach in the future. 30 people came to the last workshop, but it was the same weekend as Sibs ‘n’ Kids.

The Swing Dance Club requests often, but the club is very active, and Performing Arts is in a surplus. Despite this, promotions are almost non-existent, and the audience is largely for club members.

The event seems more structured to a beginning-of-semester event to attract members. Organizations shouldn’t be penalized for being “overly active”.

Motion to: Deny request.

5 FOR 1 AGAINST 2 ABSTAIN

Is the allocation recommendation

FINAL

Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Requesting Organization: Swing Dance Club

Title of Request: Swing Dance Showcase

Date of Activity: 04/22/16

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

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7022	\$269.00	\$269.00
7032	\$4.60	\$4.60
7027	\$200.00	\$200.00
TOTAL	\$473.60	\$473.60

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

This is the first time the event is being held. They’re reaching out to Belly Dance Club and other organizations to perform.

Motion to: Approve in full.

7 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Is the allocation recommendation

FINAL

Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Requesting Organization: Swing Dance Club

Title of Request: 20's Dance
Date of Activity: 03/24/16
Name(s) of Presenter(s): Adam Pierson

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7032	\$5.00	\$5.00
7022	\$173.00	\$173.00
TOTAL	\$178.00	\$178.00

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

Food and promotions seem reasonable.

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

Is the allocation recommendation

- FINAL
- Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Requesting Organization: Colleges Against Cancer
Title of Request: Relay for Life 2016
Date of Activity: 04/08/16 – 04/09/16
Name(s) of Presenter(s): Rachael Allen

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7032	\$276.00	\$276.00
7022	\$882.00	\$882.00
7027	\$550.00	\$0.00
7030	\$6,256.00	\$6,256.00
7233	\$85.00	\$85.00
7027	\$900.00	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$8,949.00	\$7,499.00

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

This is a large request with food, rentals, promotions, and activities for the entire Relay For Life.

The price is higher than last year by around \$700. Also, it would normally be submitted in January but this year the late submission resulted from a long wait time for Corporate Sound to provide a quote in time.

No fundraising done for this event, but some for other activities are done by the group. The photo booth doesn't seem necessary, because 48 West could provide a photo booth for free. So funding the photo booth is not really an option.

The Media Package is really non-negotiable.

The inflatables seem to be a fairly integral part of the even, but a sponsor could be found for the inflatables, so that is struck.
 In total, the amount funded (if approved) would be \$7,499 including Promotions, Food, Media Equip., and Copy Center.

Motion to: Approve adjusted budget.
 6 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Is the allocation recommendation

- FINAL
- Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Requesting Organization: Students for Life
Title of Request: Equal Rights Institute Apologetics Training and Campus Outreach
Date of Activity: 04/16/16 – 04/19/16
Name(s) of Presenter(s): Abigail DeVries

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7041, 7027	\$1,200.00	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$1,200.00	\$0.00

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

Requesting funding for staff accommodations for two days of training with Equal Rights Institute.
 No promotions yet. Fundraising will be done in the future specifically for this event.
 There are funds coming from outside sources; the total speaker contract is \$6,000, and the group is only requesting \$1,200.
 The instructor would be going to other schools, so that must be taken into account.
 What exactly is being paid for is up in the air, there are many questions being raised that can't be answered currently so this request would have to be tabled until a future date.

Motion to: Table request.

Is the allocation recommendation

- FINAL
- Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Requesting Organization: Campus Lions Club
Title of Request: Campus Lions Club
Date of Activity: 04/10/16
Name(s) of Presenter(s): Quentin Callahan

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7022	\$2,160.00	\$139.00
7032	\$139.00	\$1,160.00

TOTAL	\$2,299.00	\$1,299.00
--------------	-------------------	-------------------

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

Speakers are coming in to talk about their experiences with Blindness. It raises awareness about people with visual impairments and leader dogs.

The food will include more than GV students; obviously will fund for the 225-250 GV students, but not for the expected faculty and outside people.

No much fundraising done, they're more oriented towards service events as far as the Lions Club activities go.

In the past they requested less, but the room size is larger with more people expected, thus more money can be allotted towards food than in the past.

Motion to: Approve adjusted budget.
6 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

The allocation recommendation is:

- FINAL
- Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Requesting Organization: Farm Club

Title of Request: Tree Planting

Date of Activity: N/A

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Matthew DeJonge

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7004	\$1,709.00	\$500.00
TOTAL	\$1,709.00	\$500.00

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

Requesting money to provide new trees for the Sustainable Agriculture Project; giving the GV Project more sustainability.

The trees are species that are major pollinators to help sustain the Beekeeping Project.

The trees, though perhaps important, can wait, and be passed on for further funding.

The presenter is the organizations president and wants to see the project through himself, as a final action on campus, as he is graduating soon.

A lump sum would be acceptable, with a reevaluation of what trees can be purchased.

Motion to approve \$500 as a lump sum for the discretion of the group to be used on the groups.

Motion to: Approve adjusted budget.
6 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Is the allocation recommendation

- FINAL

- Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Requesting Organization: Alternate Realities Gaming Club

Title of Request: Alternate Realities Winter 2016 Budget

Date of Activity: N/A

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Joshua Callison

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7004	\$30.00	\$30.00
7004	\$70.00	\$70.00
7004	\$40.00	\$40.00
TOTAL	\$140.00	\$140.00

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

A similar request was made in the past, and the games are securely stored, with common ownership. Members can submit information, and be put on the list to access the games.

Motion to: Approve in full.

6 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Is the allocation recommendation

FINAL

- Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Requesting Organization: Voices (Gospel Choir)

Title of Request: Evan Lauchie

Date of Activity: N/A

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Colette McCalvin

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7041, 7027	\$550.00	\$550.00
TOTAL	\$550.00	\$550.00

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

Asking for payment for Assistant Director, Evan Lauchie. Lauchie's a vital part of the organization, and adds a lot through his work.

Though he takes one class, he is not considered a student, per se.

This is a stipend, of sorts, to show appreciation for his work to the group.

Motion to: Approve in full.

6 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Is the allocation recommendation

FINAL

- Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Requesting Organization: Formula SAE Student Chapter

Title of Request: FSAE Lincoln Travel

Date of Activity: 06/14/16 – 06/20/16

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Gregory Quante

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7083	\$6,600.00	\$2,000.00
TOTAL	\$6,600.00	\$2,000.00

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

The club designs and builds formula one style racing cars. The travel is to a competition among other groups.

In the past, funds have come from the School of Engineering for general expenses.

The group is incredibly well-run, and they function on an extremely small budget for their expenses. Still, a travel request can't go over \$2,000, so \$6,000 is out of the question.

Motion to: Approve adjusted budget.

6 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Is the allocation recommendation

FINAL

- Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Requesting Organization: Omicron Delta Kappa National Leadership Honor Society

Title of Request: National Convention Registration

Date of Activity: 06/16/16 – 06/19/16

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Addison Price

Account Code	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated
7083	\$150.00	\$0.00
7083	\$450.00	\$300.00
TOTAL	\$600.00	\$300.00

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

This convention teaches leadership skills, how to get others involved, and organizing skills. Four members are going with personal funding to some extent. Two people are registered at \$225 a person, with one person at \$150 a person.

Motion to: Approve adjusted budget.

6 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Is the allocation recommendation

FINAL

Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Meeting adjourned at (time): 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by (name of secretary): *Amber Downs*