

Student Senate Appropriations Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 1/23/2017

Meeting Time: 4:30 pm

Meeting Location: Kirkhof Center Room 2201

Chair: Carly Aller

Advisor: Valerie Guzman

Board Members Present: Ben Rifkin, Patrick Cox, Nyia Slade, Jack Boitel, Hannah Scott, Nick Toth, Amanda Crawford, John Lurie

1) Opening of Meeting

- a) Meeting Called to Order
- b) Committee Introductions
- c) Organization Role Call

2) Hearing of Requests

- a) **Requesting Organization:** Campus for Consent

Title of Request: Winter Training & Domestic Violence Meeting

Date of Activity: 2/20/2018

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Madison Brooks

Amount Requested: \$243.20

Amount Allocated: \$151.60

Narrative description of presentation/discussion and details on what was approved or unapproved in the request: Funding is being requested for a training for the Campus for Consent group and for any member of campus that wants to attend. It was clarified that the training for February 3rd no longer would be on. Line items 1 and 2 can be cut immediately because the date is irrelevant. The group went on to talk about the promotions for the event, and the board suggested even adding a line item for these promotions. The group explained that they have printed flyers for the event on their own. The board also brought up the size of the room, where only 20 people would fit. The board suggested possibly renting a larger room if they expect that many students to attend. The board also suggested potentially working with other departments and/or organizations in the future.

VP Aller explained that at first, she thought this was just a training for the members of the club, but in reality it is a training for the entire campus. The board decided to help the group out by giving them a promotions package for pluggers and a plasma add, which would be \$50.

Motion to: cut line items 1 and 2, and add line item 5 for \$50.

9 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

The allocation recommendation is:

FINAL x Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

b) Requesting Organization: It's On Us

Title of Request: It's On Us SAAW Tue Dye Event

Date of Activity: 4/6/2018

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Michelle Roldan

Amount Requested: \$669.36

Amount Allocated: \$105.36

Narrative description of presentation/discussion and details on what was approved or unapproved in the request: Funding is requested to support a survivor awareness event. The counseling center offered \$200 to aid the event, and the OMA also told this group that they would support the event, but they wanted the group to put in a request first. VP Aller explained that the board cannot fund giveaways. She went on to explain that the board could help the group with many costs, but not the t-shirts. The board explained that they can help fund some supplies for the creation of the t-shirts, but not the t-shirts themselves. The board asked if these supplies (such as tarps, table cloths, rubber bands, ect.) could be reused. The group explained that they have looked at Meijer for supplies and dollar stores and these are the most competitive prices. The new total considering the rules of the committee, including rounding up all of the totals would come out to be \$106.00

Motion to: cut line 1, round the rest and approve at \$106.00

11 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

The allocation recommendation is:

FINAL x Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

c) Requesting Organization: YBBW

Title of Request: Hair Talk

Date of Activity: 2/15/2018

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Lakara Dickens

Amount Requested: \$825.00

Amount Allocated: \$785.00

Narrative description of presentation/discussion and details on what was approved or unapproved in the request: Funding is being requested for a soul food dinner where participants will be educated about African American culture, with an emphasis on black hair. They expect 70+ people at this event. The board asked for a catering quote and the group had one, with the catering overall lowered to \$660.

Motion to: adjust line item 1 to \$660, and approve adjusted amount of \$785

11 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

The allocation recommendation is:

FINAL x Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

d) Requesting Organization: Swing Dance Club

Title of Request: President's Ball

Date of Activity: 2/2/2018

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Charissa Kashian

Amount Requested: \$1000.00

Amount Allocated: \$1000.00

Narrative description of presentation/discussion and details on what was approved or unapproved in the request: Funding is requested for a dance floor and a live jazz band for the event. The group has already been promoting for the dance at President's Ball, and they will be doing a presidents ball prep to prepare people. They also plan on promoting the actual upper dance floor at the dance. The \$800 is going straight towards the event.

Motion to: approve in full

11 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

The allocation recommendation is:

FINAL x Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

e) Requesting Organization: Collegiate Chapter Music Teachers National Association

Title of Request: Music Teachers National Association National Conference

Date of Activity: 3/17/2018-3/19/2018

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

Amount Requested: \$1590.00

Amount Allocated: \$0.00

Narrative description of presentation/discussion and details on what was approved or unapproved in the request: Funding is being requested for a conference opportunity in Orlando, Florida. 7 students plan on going to the event. It will be \$90 for each student, and there will be about \$450 for airfare, as well as double rooms for 2 nights at a grand total of \$1014. The organization has already looked at several grants and has gotten thousands of dollars in donations towards this event. Valerie raised the point that the office of undergraduate research pulls money from the same sources, and so individuals who benefit from this grant of \$1200 would not be able to benefit from the same pool of money. Valerie then suggested tabling the request in order to discuss the matter in more depth.

Motion to: Table the request

11 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

The allocation recommendation is:

FINAL x Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

f) Requesting Organization: University Innovation Fellows
Title of Request: UIF Silicon Valley Meetup

Date of Activity: 3/15/2018-3/19/2019

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Nikhil Watsa

Amount Requested: \$1600.00

Amount Allocated: \$1600.00

Narrative description of presentation/discussion and details on what was approved or unapproved in the request: Funding is being requested for a college meet up. The group has already asked for money from other colleges, and have purchased their tickets independently for \$400 per person. It was confirmed that the rental the group is looking for is a rental, much like an air b&b. The group contemplated if this rental would apply. This trip is actually the second class of students going, and there is a lot of collaboration with a school from Ghana. The honors college and the department of engineering both are already sponsoring the students' trip. The group went on to explain the positive experiences they had on the last trip, and it sounds as though the event was extremely beneficial. It also was confirmed that there are no students who are graduating that will be going on this trip.

Motion to: approve in full

11 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

The allocation recommendation is:

FINAL x Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

g) Requesting Organization: National Society of Minorities in Hospitality Annual Conference and Career Fair

Title of Request: Conference and Career Fair

Date of Activity: 2/15/2018-2/18/2018

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Sarah Gonzales

Amount Requested: \$2000.00

Amount Allocated: \$2000.00

Narrative description of presentation/discussion and details on what was approved or unapproved in the request: Funding is being requested for funds in order to go to a conference in Chicago. The group explained that the group will be paying for their own vans with their own money, as well as money from the Career Center. The group assumes that there will be about 15 members in attendance. 2 of these people will be staying in the Nationals' rooms, but they are still looking at taking one van. Confirmed, they have 12 students. The board went on to break down the numbers within the request, and found that \$4071 would be the amount that the board could consider funding. Half of this amount would be right around the \$2000 mark.

Motion to:

11 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

The allocation recommendation is:

FINAL x Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

h) Requesting Organization: College Republicans

Title of Request: CPAC

Date of Activity: 2/15/2018-2/18/2018

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Jordan Hodges & Tim Mckeeby

Amount Requested: \$2835.00

Amount Allocated: \$2000.00

Narrative description of presentation/discussion and details on what was approved or unapproved in the request: Funding is being requested for a \$55 CPAC ticket, for 21 college republicans to attend, as well as lodging for all of these students. This lodging however encompasses \$80 deposits on the rooms, however, these rooms would come out to be free, and students would get this money back. The board questioned if this would be acceptable or not, seeing how it is not a simple room payment. Krista came in to discuss the details of the deposit, and confirmed that it could be done. The board asked about specific transportation costs that the group is looking at in order to decide upon the halfway point for funding purposes. With the plane requests, the amount for

the trip would be over \$4000, and that would allow the group to fund the \$2000 cap amount.

After the motion was made, the consideration was made that funding this much would not account for the total \$2000 because it would come out to be a wash-the group would actually only be credited roughly \$300. However, with constraints of this fiscal year and being unable to reallocate this back to other student orgs in time, the board did feel as though they were properly enabling the group to go to this conference.

Motion to: adjust line item 2 to \$320.00, approve line item 1 in full and approve in total at \$2000.00

9 FOR 0 AGAINST 2 ABSTAIN

The allocation recommendation is:

FINAL x Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

Meeting Adjourned at 5:36pm