

Student Senate Appropriations Funding Board
Meeting Minutes
December 7th, 2018 1:30 PM
2201 Kirkhof Center

Chair: Amanda Crawford

Advisor: Valerie Guzman

Student Senators Present: Adam Gordon, Nyia Slade, Gavin Hunter, Richard DeBerry, Madeleine Samuels

Appropriations Committee Members Present: Halley Robinson, Lakara Dickens, Michelina Partipilo, John Lurie

I. Agenda

1. GUARD
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5. Council for Exceptional Children
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7. Catholic Student Ministries
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9. Alpha Kappa Psi
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11. Phi Chi Theta
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II. Discussion of Presenting Requests

Requesting Organization: **GUARD**

1. Title of Request: Instructor – Winter 2019
2. Name(s) of Requester(s): Kasey Forton
3. Amount Requested: \$920.00
4. Description of Request: Girl United Against Real Dangers requires funding to pay for our instructor. Our instructor comes to campus for 2 hours a week to teach woman's self-defense.
5. Discussion: The organization has an instructor coming for Black Lion Jujitsu and teach them self-defense. This request had been approved for the fall semester and they would now like the same instructor for the winter semester. The organization has around 30 members. Based on the guidelines the board cannot fund both a contract and a speaker gift so they will be only looking at the contract amount.
6. Final Motion to: Remove speaker gift and approve in full

9 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Final Amount Allocated: \$900.00

Requesting Organization: **Winter Guard**

1. Title of Request: Sabres and Performance Floor
2. Name(s) of Requester(s): Carrie Warner
3. Amount Requested: \$2,070.00
4. Description of Request: For this season, we will be needing 6 sabres and a performance floor.
5. Discussion: They need sabres and a performance floor for their competitive winter guard team. They will be doing 5 different competitions this year and this is the first year of the organization. They have 20 members this year. There are 8 of them doing sabres but they are only requesting 6 because 2 have ones of their own. The majority of the organization are sophomores and will want to be continuing it. VP Crawford mentions that Club Sports does not fund equipment for first year clubs because of continuation of members. There was no opportunity for the members to continue this sport at the collegiate level. The organization does have annual dues of \$200. The organization would like to all be spinning the same item.
6. Final Motion to: Adjust sabres to \$1,322 and approve in full

8 FOR 0 AGAINST 1 ABSTAIN

Final Amount Allocated: \$2,072.00

Requesting Organization: **FIRST Alumni Network**

1. Title of Request: Robot in Three Days Electronics
2. Name(s) of Requester(s): Drew Craven
3. Amount Requested: \$1,800.00
4. Description of Request: Robot in Three Days (Ri3D) is a brand new event for Grand Valley we would like to put on for our members encouraging growth in innovation and STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics). This event would require building a challenge-specific robot to meeting criteria of the 2019 FIRST Robotics Competition Challenge in cooperation with Grand Valley. The program brings back value to Grand Valley in several ways. Firstly, we would be training existing students in technical background most wouldn't work towards honing otherwise, namely how to create a business plan, manage a budget, creativity and innovation, computer-aided design, part fabrication, hand tools, controls, programming, and filmography. Additional to these, we pride members to take leadership roles so they may work with communication, delegation, and instruction among other soft skill qualities. The three day process combining all of these qualities will be live-streamed and managed in cohorts with GVSU photography students. This enables us to bring in recognition to Grand Valley from any of the near-4000 participant high-school teams (each of average of 30 students) all across the world who will work on the challenge we do in three days over the next six weeks. This is good not only because it

demonstrates our innovation publically, but because we are creating a physical promotional material, mass-mentoring students (tips, advice, learnings) from our build, and attracting potential students to a university who promotes and houses their interest. To be clear, we are requesting up to \$1800 be covered for electronics build equipment which can be reused year to year, and have it transferred to our FOAP with the engineering college. This equipment will be reused for many projects and Grand Valley will be represented as an even more prestigious capital for innovation than ever, a quality the college has striven to achieve for a long time.

5. Discussion: There are about 15 members in their organization. They do not have actual alumni in their organization, they are alumni of another program in high school, but are active GVSU students. VP Crawford explains the importance of the continued education from high school and keeping with what students are passionate about. They can use the equipment for 5 years. They will use it for other volunteering events and reaching out to the community too. Since the equipment is reusable, the request makes sense to the board. They will also be live streaming the build to YouTube and reaching out to GVTV.
6. Final Motion to: Approve in full

9 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Final Amount Allocated: \$1,800.00

III. Discussion of Non-Presenting Requests

Requesting Organization: **FIRST Alumni Network**

1. Title of Request: Robot in Three Days Event Registration Fee
2. Name(s) of Requester(s): Drew Craven
3. Amount Requested: \$100.00
4. Description of Request: Robot in Three Days (Ri3D) is a brand new event for Grand Valley we would like to put on for our members encouraging growth in innovation and STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics). This event would require building a challenge-specific robot to meeting criteria of the 2019 FIRST Robotics Competition Challenge in cooperation with Grand Valley. The program brings back value to Grand Valley in several ways. Firstly, we would be training existing students in technical background most wouldn't work towards honing otherwise, namely how to create a business plan, manage a budget, creativity and innovation, computer-aided design, part fabrication, hand tools, controls, programming, and filmography. Additional to these, we pride members to take leadership roles so they may work with communication, delegation, and instruction among other soft skill qualities. The three day process combining all of these qualities will be live-streamed and managed in cohorts

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5. Discussion: The request looks good and is consistent with the rules.
6. Final Motion to: Approve in full

9 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Final Amount Allocated: \$100.00

Requesting Organization: **Council for Exceptional Children**

1. Title of Request: Winter 2019 Budget Request
2. Name(s) of Requester(s): Selena Brown
3. Amount Requested: \$200.00
4. Description of Request: Budget request for winter 2019 semester speaker gifts
5. Discussion: The organization brings in speakers for professional development. They like to get other speakers input. This is a standard request for them.
6. Final Motion to: Approve in full

9 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Final Amount Allocated: \$200.00

Requesting Organization: **PCMA**

1. Title of Request: PCMA – Pittsburgh Convening Leaders Conference
2. Name(s) of Requester(s): Claire Zuwala
3. Amount Requested: \$500.00
4. Description of Request: We are travelling to Pittsburgh to attend a Convening Leaders Conference to help us grow in our leadership skills and excel in the Hospitality Industry. We are flying in on Saturday, January 5, and departing Pittsburgh Wednesday, January 9. We will be staying at a hotel that was room blocked by the conference.
5. Discussion: The conference fee is \$275 and \$500 in total for four people.
6. Final Motion to: Approve in full for five people

9 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Final Amount Allocated: \$500 * 4 and \$480 * 1

Requesting Organization: **Catholic Student Ministries**

1. Title of Request: Seek 2019 Conference
2. Name(s) of Requester(s): Elizabeth Grobbel
3. Amount Requested: \$409.00
4. Description of Request: The Catholic Student Ministries student organization at Grand Valley is sending a large group of Grand Valley students to Indianapolis this upcoming January for the SEEK 2019 conference put on by FOCUS, the Fellowship of Catholic University Students. This conference inspires and equips college students to live out the Catholic faith and leadership throughout the rest of their lives. I have registered and will be attending this conference in January as a part of our Grand Valley group.
5. Discussion: The organization did not get the early bird price but \$409 is the price for registration is \$409. They were approved a van last week.
6. Final Motion to: Approve in full for 5 students

9 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Final Amount Allocated: \$409 * 5

Requesting Organization: **Subject to Change**

1. Title of Request: Subject to Change Improv Comedy
2. Name(s) of Requester(s): Nick Gbur
3. Amount Requested: \$90.00
4. Description of Request: We are going to Second City in Chicago for a three hour intensive workshop.
5. Discussion: The actual cost for each individual student to attend would be about \$40 after communication with the student org.
6. Final Motion to: Adjust request to \$41 for each individual student

9 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Final Amount Allocated: \$41 * 5

Requesting Organization: **Alpha Kappa Psi**

1. Title of Request: Principled Business Leadership Institute 2019
2. Name(s) of Requester(s): Ashanae Carson
3. Amount Requested: \$124.00
4. Description of Request: The Principled Business Leadership Institute is Alpha Kappa Psi's premier learning and leadership experience designed for all individuals seeking to enhance their professional development. The event in Atlantic City will be held Friday, February 8, 2019 – Sunday, February 10, 2019, at the Harrah's Resort Hotel.
5. Discussion: The registration is within the rules. Looks like a good request. This is for a leadership and professional development trip.
6. Final Motion to: Approve in full for 5 students

8 FOR 0 AGAINST 1 ABSTAIN

Final Amount Allocated: \$124 * 5

Requesting Organization: **Students Leaving A Mark**

1. Title of Request: Spring Break Van Rentals
2. Name(s) of Requester(s): Quincy Williams
3. Amount Requested: \$1,843.20
4. Description of Request: Students Leaving A Mark is continuing a long-term commitment to work on disaster relief during Spring Break that began with Hurricane Katrina in 2006 and continues each year in various U.S. communities as the need arises. The three main purposes of this project are: 1) to help rebuild communities impacted by a disaster; 2) to provide students a service-learning opportunity in a setting where significant trauma has occurred; and 3) to experience various cultures with a particular focus on persons impacted by a disaster.

This year, we will venture off to Parkton, North Carolina to assist with Hurricane Florence rebuild. The cost for the trip is \$325.00 per student, which includes the cost of travel (gas \$60.00 per person, lodging and food \$250.00 per person, \$15.00 for tolls). We are seeking assistance to defray the cost for students, by seeking \$1,843.20 in van rental.

Van rental is one the biggest cost for the group of 20 students participants.

Without assistance with van rental, students would pay approximately \$420.00 each. Please note that our students provide volunteering and civic engagement of approximately 50 - 60 hours each during this time period. With the help of funding for van rentals, it allows our students to help those that are less fortunate. With your assistance students will have the opportunity to develop into lifelong active citizens through diverse, direct-service experiences dedicated to serving others.

5. Discussion: The board needs to lower the amount because of the van cap of \$1,500.
6. Final Motion to: Adjust to \$1,500 and approve

9 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Final Amount Allocated: \$1,500.00

Requesting Organization: **Phi Chi Theta**

1. Title of Request: Rental SUVs to Indianapolis Professional Development Trip
2. Name(s) of Requester(s): Madison Trevorow
3. Amount Requested: \$1,318.92
4. Description of Request: As President of Phi Chi Theta I am requesting \$1,318.92 for 3 rental SUVs from Enterprise which holds 15 individuals. 15 members of Phi

Chi Theta will be traveling from Grand Rapids to Indianapolis from the 2nd of January to the 5th.

This trip is an annual tradition at PCT and throughout our time in Indy we will be touring Hylant, Nimble Jack, Rolls Royce, Hilton, and CED All-Phase. We will also be visiting the University of Indianapolis to tour their MBA program. This is a great opportunity for our members and we have continued success implementing it every year.

5. Discussion: The request looks good to go!
7. Final Motion to: Approve in full

9 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Final Amount Allocated: \$1,318.92

Requesting Organization: **Alpha Kappa Psi**

1. Title of Request: PBLI 2019
2. Name(s) of Requester(s): Lakara Dickens
3. Amount Requested: \$825.00
4. Description of Request: The Principled Business Leadership Institute is Alpha Kappa Psi's premier learning and leadership experience designed for all individuals seeking to enhance their professional development. The event in Atlantic City will be held Thursday, February 7, 2019 – Monday, February 11, 2019, at the Harrah's Resort Hotel. 23 people will be going to PBLI and we will need two 15 passengers vans which is a total of 825.
5. Discussion: This request also looks good to go. Their registration was covered earlier.
6. Final Motion to: Approve in full

8 FOR 0 AGAINST 1 ABSTAIN

Final Amount Allocated: \$825.00

Meeting adjourned at 2:35 pm