

Student Senate Cultural Funding Board
Meeting Minutes
October 26th, 2018 1:00 PM
2201 Kirkhof Center

Chair: Amanda Crawford

Advisor: Valerie Guzman

Student Senators Present: Gavin Hunter, Nyia Slade, Amrutha Patil, Rachel Ibarra, Darwin Harris, Richard Deberry, Adam Gordon

Cultural Funding Board Committee Members Present:

- I. Agenda
 - a. Native American Student Association

- II. Hearing Of Requests

Requesting Organization: **Native American Student Association**

- a. Title of Request: Teaching Thanksgiving: A Discussion on Reframing Representations of American Indians
- b. Name(s) of Presenter(s): Ashley Jacobs
- c. Amount Requested: \$100.00
- d. Description of Request: Where many people in the United States celebrate Thanksgiving and may perceive it as a harmless and apolitical holiday, it remains to be a complicated holiday and a painful reminder of colonial violence and indigenous erasure for American Indian communities. This panel will explore how the myths and lies of Thanksgiving are taught and reinforced in the school systems. Invited panelists will discuss how they educate about Thanksgiving and have a focused discussion on creating culturally-appropriate curriculum reflective of the contemporary experiences of American Indians. The audience will leave this lively discussion with an understanding of how the Thanksgiving myth does harm and receive resources, strategies, and best practices on how to intervene on inaccurate representations about American Indians in the school systems and our communities.
- e. Discussion: Due to the request being under \$200, the members of the request did not need to present to the board. The board discusses how they are being co-sponsored by OMA. The request looks good in its entirety.
- f. Final Motion to: Approve in full

7 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

Final Amount Allocated: \$100.00

Meeting adjourned at 1:06 PM