

Student Senate Cultural Funding Board
Meeting Minutes
November 9th, 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, Cale Merdzinski, Kelly Dowker

Cultural Funding Board Committee Members Present:

- I. Agenda
 - a. Asian Student Union
 - b. Arab Culture Club

- II. Hearing Of Requests

Requesting Organization: **Asian Student Union**

- a. Title of Request: Realizing and Addressing Issues in Our Culture and Education (R.I.C.E.) Conference
- b. Name(s) of Presenter(s): Holly Arguelles
- c. Amount Requested: \$8,426.35
- d. Description of Request: Realizing and Addressing Issues in Our Culture and Education (R.I.C.E) is an annual event ran by the co-event coordinators from ASU. At this event, we will discuss topics in hopes to strengthen, uplift, and inspire others in various ways. We invite encouraging, knowledgeable, influential, and motivational role models to talk to our members, the community, faculty, and students. We also have interactive and personal workshops ran by speakers, faculty, and even your fellow students and ASU members. This year's theme is Empowerment.
- e. Discussion: VP Crawford explains the actual numbers of just Grand Valley students. She also explains the cultural cap of \$12 per head for catering. The organization explains that the speakers are doing workshops as well. In previous years they have received funding from OMA but this year they will not be. They have done fundraising events for other events they have had. The board discusses decreasing the amount funded for food. The organization discusses that they negotiated prices with the two speakers. The board discusses that the organization is requesting two speakers both at medium-cost amounts instead of one speaker at a very high cost.
- f. Final Motion to: Adjust catering to \$1,200 and approve for \$7,615.00

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Final Amount Allocated: \$7,615.00

Requesting Organization: **Arab Culture Club**

- a. Title of Request: Arabic Film Festival
- b. Name(s) of Presenter(s): Jorgen Reberg
- c. Amount Requested: \$260.00
- d. Description of Request: As in previous years, the Arab Culture Club wishes to present a collection of Arabic films to the students of GVSU (this year, Laila's Birthday, Nation Estate, and Theeb).
- e. Discussion: The organization speaks about the importance of raising awareness of the mission of their organization. They are holding the event in the Holton Hooker Multipurpose room. They will be showing 3 movies over the course of 3 days. They walked through what each movie talks about. There will also be a discussion following the movie. They are requesting money for catering. The cost per head is only \$6. The organization is looking into getting it 100/101 Lib approved. The board discusses how great the professor who is advising the program is and that this will be a very successful event. Lots of honors students will show up to the event.
- f. Final Motion to: Approve in full

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Final Amount Allocated: \$260.00

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 PM