

# **Student Senate Cultural Funding Board**

## **Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting Date:** 10/31/2017

**Meeting Time:** 4:00 pm

**Meeting Location:** Kirkhof Center Room 2201

**Chair:** Maddie Rhoades, Carly Aller

**Advisor:** Chase Dolan

**Board Members Present:** Ian Arnold, Becca Rogers, Hannah Scott, Rodrigo Mata, Noemi Jimenez

### **1) Opening of Meeting**

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

### **2) Hearing of Requests**

a) **Requesting Organization:** Asian Student Union  
**Title of Request:** R.I.C.E. Conference

**Date of Activity:** 3/17/2018

**Name(s) of Presenter(s):** Rodrigo Mata

**Amount Requested:** \$8228.00

**Amount Allocated:** \$7148.00

**Narrative description of presentation/discussion and details on what was approved or unapproved in the request:** Funding is being requested for the annual RICE conference. The organization explained that this year, the group is considering less formal attire and the group has been considering which speakers they would be choosing. The organization went on to explain the speaker and what the speaker would be presenting. One speaker will be 6000, and one speaker will be only \$500, when they are normally several thousand dollars. Food service has been cut down by 50 guests from last year (150 students are anticipated). Marketing and promotions are the same from last year, but social media and word of mouth will be the primary marketing techniques. The board confirmed that the event will be held in the Loosemore auditorium again. The board then asked about the donations

from OMA, and it was confirmed that the extra money will be put towards the second presenter, Calvin Sun (the extra amount being paid to him will be \$800). The board asked if the organization considered hosting the event in Allendale, and the organization explained that it is typically downtown.

The board then asked about the lunches for the conference, and they explained that the food was being requested for 200 people at \$8 a head. The OMA is printing pamphlets and helping promote the event. The board asked if the organization had attempted to reach and negotiate with Eliot, and it was confirmed that the speaker is willing to reduce his price to \$4,000 to \$5,000.

The board then discussed reducing the food price to \$1520 in order to accommodate having less food left over, like there was last year.

**Motion to:** adjust line item 1 to \$5000, adjust line item 3 to \$1520, and approve at the adjusted amount of \$7148.00

5 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

**The allocation recommendation is:**

FINAL x Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly

**b) Requesting Organization:** NASA

**Title of Request:** All Walks of Life Traditional Pow Wow

**Date of Activity:** 4/7/2018-4/8/2018

**Name(s) of Presenter(s):** Ashley Jacobs

**Amount Requested:** \$8485.00

**Amount Allocated:** \$8485.00

**Narrative description of presentation/discussion and details on what was approved or unapproved in the request:** Funding is being requested for the annual Pow Wow ceremony that empowers students to learn about Native American culture, and stress that these ceremonies still occur to this day. The organization went on to explain the different dancers and ceremonies that will take place at the field house. There will be multiple dancers and drummers in order to give the performers a break. There is a sacred fire outside of the fieldhouse that has been ritual for 20 years. Finally, the group is asking for promotions, including 2 yard signs so more people know where to go for the entrance of the field house.

Last year, this event yielded 1000 participants, but the organization is anticipating 800 this year. There will be a Pow Wow 101 in order to educate GV students about this event before it takes place. It was confirmed that Pow Wow 101 would be a few weeks before.

Last year, I and E helped support this event, and there was a large feast that other departments helped to cover. OMA has also helped support this event in the past.

**Motion to:** approve in full

6 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN

**The allocation recommendation is:**

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