

Student Senate Cultural Funding Board

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 9/26/2017

Meeting Time: 4:00 pm

Meeting Location: Kirkhof Center Room 2201

Chair: Maddie Rhoades, Carly Aller

Advisor: Valerie Guzman

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:** African Student Council
Title of Request:

Date of Activity: 10/20/2017

Name(s) of Presenter(s): Vactoria Opakonle, and Corey A Aher-For

Amount Requested: \$4219.65

Amount Allocated: \$4206.82

Narrative description of presentation/discussion and details on what was approved or unapproved in the request: The group is partnering with Alpha Phi Alpha this year for this annual event. Funding is being requested for a dance that is hosted by the African Student Council. This year, the organization intends on bringing other departments and several businesses in in order to network with students to see if there is interest in internship opportunities. The board asked if 250 students was an accurate number of students, and how the org got that number. The organization explained that in years past they have run out of food and with these new partnerships, the attendance would likely be around 250 people. The board then asked if alpha phi alpha would be putting in any monetary help for

this event and the organization explained that that org couldn't request more funds because the 2 groups could not double dip for this event.

The board asked if this event had a dress code, and the answer was yes, but the group went on to explain that any student from Grand Valley could come in and enjoy this event. Alumni will also be attending. Last year around 200-280 people were in attendance. The board asked about the mocktails and their purpose in the event, and the organization explained that this was integral to the event in that it will encourage more people to talk and network. The amount of food that was requested would be about \$15.8 per head for 250 people. The board discussed that this does fall into the category of appropriate funding per head and they would be comfortable funding this amount.

Motion to:

6 FOR 0 AGAINST 1 ABSTAIN

The allocation recommendation is:

FINAL x Pending Referral to Student Senate General Assembly