

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS FINANCE BOARD MINUTES

November 17th , 2008

Flying A Room

University Center

4:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Darshan Grover
Bee Sliff
Steven Wolfson
Paige Blatt
Desi Fairly
Dan Plotkin
Sarah Dasko
Serena Wang
Tina Samson
Hassan Naveed
Christina Baggao (proxy for Pratish Patel)
Stephanie Fitch
Jackie Lee

Absent:

David Preciado
Gloria Schindler
Sinead Kennedy
Josue Aparicio

Advisor: Brian O'Donnell

ACCEPTANCE OF EXCUSED ABSENCES AND TARDIES:

Sarah: Christina is proxying for Pratish, Bee needs to leave at 6pm, Monica is proxying for Jackie, Tina needs to be excused at 6pm, Desi at 7pm, Paige at 5:45pm, and Gloria excused at 4:45pm

MC Motion to excuse absences and people being tardy (Desi)(Hassan)

MCC Motion passed by consent

ACCEPTANCE OF PROXIES:

Sarah:

MC Motion to accept all proxies (0)

MCC Motion passes by consent

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Sarah: I am required to write reviews for all of you and your work. Write on half sheets of papers about how you think you're doing and a review of your performance. Next, we have new layouts for downstairs; look over them and write comments.

Liz: Hi, I'm Liz Buda. I'm coming here on behalf of IVCRC. Just to clarify, we have \$85,000 to allocate toward any events in IV that improve the atmosphere.

Husayn: Hello everyone. As treasurer of MSA, I'd like to thank you for funding our event. A special

thanks for the exception we got for food. We had a huge turnout for our event and everything was great.
Hassan: That event has had a historically low turnout, but with this funding we got a huge turnout.

PUBLIC FORUM:

1. Teach for America:

Stephanie: Hi, I'm Stephanie with Teach for America. Our goal is to lower the achievement gap between students. Our first goal is to get people in the classroom to commit to a two year term in a subject and grade level of our choice. We're getting alumni from UCSB to speak about their experience in the core this Wednesday.

ADVISOR'S REPORT:

Brian: Cindy Lopez will be advising FB as well now that Aaron Jones' position has changed.

Gloria is recognized at 4:10 pm.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA:

MC Motion to approve the agenda (Tina)(Steven)
MCC Motion passed by consent

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

MC Motion to accept the Finance Board minutes from November 10th , 2008 (Christina)(Dan)
MCC Motion passed by consent

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Vietnamese Student Association- \$750.00- Serena

Speaker: VSA would like to design a shirt and sell it not-for profit to benefit children in schools. They said if AS were to fund the overall cost, we could go toward our regular producer. All the profit would go toward Viet Hope. We want to go through our regular producer, so we're asking you to fund 100 shirts. It's sweatshop free.

Tina: Is this for an event?

Speaker: It's just an awareness shirt.

Tina: How will people know to get the shirt?

Speaker: We table every two weeks and we're asking for a \$5 donation.

MC Motion to allocate \$500 (Dan) (Hassan)
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Technology Committee- \$1500.00- Sarah

Bay: We're using the same budget we've had every time. We're asking for you to approve funds for this.

Paige: How much did you get last year during the budget process?

Bay: We only got a limited amount of money. Most of it went to honoraria.

Paige: Well how much funding did they get?

Brian: They have \$1000 in their operating budget.

Hassan: What are the long term projects that you all are working on?

Bay: We're working on technology feed. Campus-wide internet, to help improve campus labs with good computers and programs. Those are the big ones we're working on. Our projects aren't as visible because they take a longer time to put together.

Hassan: How would this LAN party benefit everyone?

Bay: It's open to everyone. This provides an example of what AS can do for people, aside from concerts, etc. It's an alternative program for students that don't often feel represented by AS.

Hassan: What's miscellaneous and truck cost?

Bay: People have these big computers that they can't tote over here. We like to provide a shuttle for them (that's the truck cost). Miscellaneous are items such as duck tape.

Tina: Where is this located?

Bay: It's either going to be in the De Anza resource center or the Santa Rosa formal lounge.

Tina: What games do people play?

Bay: Whatever people bring, they can play.

Christina: How many people come to this event?

Bay: It varies. One year we had about 60, sometimes it's 45. This year, we have had a lot of people asking about it.

Christina: How often do you plan on having this event?

Bay: It's a quarterly event, at the end of the quarter.

Dan: What has happened since the Tech Committee has formed?

Bay: We've worked with the main technology officer. We're hoping to put a fee on the ballot. Nothing direct, but some extremely large projects.

Dan: If you're coming out each quarter, I'd like to hear what you've done as a committee, as well.

2. Human Rights Group- \$1177.50- Pratih

Eric: We're requesting money for t-shirts and a banner. We're requesting money for a UN project – regimes are still abducting and using children in wars. We're doing a red hand campaign in support of a UN treaty that was passed. We want the UN to enforce this ban. We're trying to get as many signatures from UCSB students as we can. We need money for supplies and t-shirts, we found a t-shirt company that will print the t-shirts for \$10 a piece, and we would also like money for a banner for our table.

Tina: What do the shirts look like?

Eric: A white t-shirt, with a red handprint and a broken rifle on the back. It costs a little more because it's front and back.

Tina: Look into Tri-Valley and other t-shirts because it could be a bit cheaper.

Eric: The shirts will be sold for \$10 and then the money will go back to AS. It's purely an awareness event.

Dan: Under our bylaws, we can't take the money back.

Josue is recognized at 4:35pm.

Dan: Since it is such a large sum of money, I would prefer to see more estimates from other companies. I think it's a great idea, otherwise.

3. SAHLUD- \$66.00-

Speaker: We're an on campus organization, we sent eight people to Ecuador to rural clinics and to volunteer in a hospital in Ecuador. We do education toward healthy living. We do health education. This year we aim to send 20 people and to do two trips – during the first summer session and second. Tomorrow, we're opening up our group to the school. We're trying to get a lot of people to apply to do 20 applicants. We're hoping to print out things for 60 people. We also want to provide pizza and drinks; we've advertised for that so we're hoping AS will give us funding.

David is recognized at 4:35pm.

Hassan: Hold on is your group?

Speaker: We just started last year. This is our second year.

Hassan: Can we approve the \$250?

Sarah: I go through the information and then approve it. The current status of your \$250 is that you haven't registered through OSL this year.

Speaker: My president tells me we have a current account.

Tina: Is this similar to Global Medical Brigades?

Speaker: It's similar; but we don't look to do rolling clinics and throw medicine at people then leave. We're trying to provide a more stable form of help where we teach these people. It's a very new group – so we have the ability to be open to new ideas.

Tina : How long have your people been down there?

Speaker: They've been there since school ended in June and just been working and moving around.

Dan: If we do allocate you money, you will need to be registered through OSL this year.

4. Hillel (Laughs)- \$800.00-

Speaker: We are requesting money to have our event, Laughs for Locals, next week. It will benefit the IV Youth Project. We want to have a comedian and set up a donation box for IV elementary.

Tina: Who is the comedian?

Speaker: It is a local and I can't remember the exact name. The one last year ended up winning last comic standing, which meant her asking price went up, so we're going with a different act this year.

Christina: Have you gone to anywhere else for funding?

Speaker: No, we were going to go to IVCRC but thought Embarcadero counted as campus.

Dan: Where is it and what time?

Speaker: Embarcadero hall at 8:30.

5. Hillel (Candle)- \$325.00-

Speaker: We wanted to have a stand for a candle making activity to attract attention to Hillel from student body.

6. Chinese Student and Scholars Association- \$270.00- Serena

Speaker: Meet Chinese culture week. The EAP program is the host at UCSB for this program and they asked us to put on the program. We have asked a few professors from the East Asian Studies dept and the history dept. We wanted to have a calligraphy demonstration and also a tea tasting. We are requesting for food and supplies. We also wanted to add \$40 to our budget to rent a data projector in the room.

7. Gaucho Cinema- \$552.52-

Speaker: Gaucho Cinema is a new club on campus. It is technically part of Magic Lantern, but we are trying to expand the program. We are having a screening of Sid and Nancy and would like to have a band perform. The band will play for free but we need to pay the production costs.

Speaker: We are trying to get ASPB to co-sponsor and will also go to IVCRC. We eventually want to have guest speakers come, so how would that work with the contract?

Sarah: It has to be included in the contract fee.

Speaker: We will be back next week to ask for money to have a screening of Humboldt County with the directors there to speak.

Darshan: How many people do you expect?

Speaker: Magic Lantern has been drawing between 100 and 400 people for movies. This is a slightly older film so not sure but the live band should draw more people.

8. NORML- \$99.00- Stephanie

Speaker: I received money last week for the screening of American Drug War and we need extra money for Equipment rentals. It comes to \$90

9. STAND- \$400.80- Desi

Speaker: We are doing two events in the next couple of weeks. One is Dance for Darfur and we need

about \$250 for that. It will cover security and the DJ. Also we need to have our main event funded. We are having a screening of Darfur Now and then having speakers after. We need to rent Corwin, someone to run the projector and we would like to run an ad.

Tina: Where are you getting the other money from?

Speaker: the SBCC chapter of STAND was going to put in some but their funds fell through, so we are funding the whole thing.

Darshan: Is this the same event that has been tabled for in the Arbor?

Speaker: Yes.

Desi: Is the money going to your group?

Speaker: No it will go to the National organization that works on Darfur issue.

10. Delta Sigma Theta- \$1300.00- Hassan

Speaker: We're planning our annual Thanksgiving Dinner, next Tuesday from 7-9 in Santa Rosa Hall, have done it the last three years, and have gotten funding from FB for those years. We're asking for our one time exception to spend more than 500 on food. This will be for everyone, not just our sorority members, this is the second biggest event that we do, other than our Krimson and Kream Ball at Corwin Pavilion, a formal dance.

Darshan: Have you gotten any other sources of funding?

Speaker: We usually ask our Ventura Loma county chapter for donations, but they didn't come through this year, we don't have any other funding.

ALLOCATIONS:

1. Tech Comm

MC Motion to allocate in full (Paige)(Bee)

Hassan: How does funding this event gives back to the university, or is a resource to students on campus. It's more like funding a party for BCC.

Dan: We have to differentiate between a student org and a BCC, about what they are supposed to do, done it for the past couple of years. We have to decide what Fbs role is in deciding whether a BCC exists. I support their program on the basis of originality.

Paige: It's hard, there's no change in draw of people, always the same amount of people, but this event is their pride and joy, and they've advertised a lot for it.

MC amendment to allocate \$1304, drop to 500 for food, 464 for Nexus ads, and drop miscellaneous \$30 (Desi)

Paige: That is friendly.

MC amendment to allocate \$0 for food, remove \$40 for truck (Hassan)

Paige: That is unfriendly.

Hassan: Withdrawn.

MC Motion to amend to \$167 for food (1/3 food budget, can do party each quarter) (Dan)

Paige/ Bee: that is friendly.

MCC Motion to allocate \$971 passes by consent.

2. Human Rights Group

MC Motion to allocate \$1100 excluding banner, with stipulation that they get two alternate estimates for the same product (Dan)(Hassan)

MCC Motion passes by consent

3.

SAHLUD

MC Motion to fund in full, \$106 on updated budget (Steven)(Desi)

MCC Motion passed by consent.

4.

Hillell Laughs

MC Motion to allocate in full \$800 (Dan)(Hassan)

MCC Motion passed by consent

5.

Hillell Candle making

MC Motion to allocate in full \$325 (Hassan)(Dan)

MCC Motion passed by consent

6.

Chinese SSA

MC Motion to allocate \$300, excluding badges for staff (Tina)(Darshan)

MCC Motion passed by consent.

7.

Gaucho Cinema

MC Motion to allocate in full (Dan)(Hassan)

MCC Motion passed by consent

8.

NORML

MC Motion to allocate in full (Tina)(Hassan)

MCC Motion passed by consent

9.

STAND

MC Motion to allocate in full (Darshan)(Steven)

MCC Motion passed by consent

10.

Delta Sigma Theta

MC Motion to allocate in full, granting one time exception for food (Bee)(Hassan)

Sarah: Their budget is \$1300, not \$1200, I missed adding \$100 for décor on their budget.

Bee: My reasoning for granting Delta their one time exception for their food budget is as follows- I talked to the girls organizing this event, this is an annual event which was also held last year, Finance Board allocated the same exception for food last year, this is something that they ask for every year, and the head organizer is fully aware that this is a one time exception for the entire year.

Hassan: Last year, a lot of different communities came to this event, was a very communal atmosphere with good food.

MCC Motion passed by consent.

ACTION ITEMS:

None

BOARD/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Bee: We are going to get a new Finance Board member by next week. There are 4 finalists out of 22.

Interviewing them at the Comm on Comm meeting, from 6-7, will announce at the Leg Council meeting.

CHAIR REPORT:

Sarah: We have \$25,684.86 left for the quarter. We got two thank you letters from STAR and Swing and Ballroom dancing club. If you haven't turned in the self evaluations, email them to me tonight, please.

VICE CHAIR REPORT:

Dan: Some people are slacking with the follow ups, please shoot me an email with that information.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT'S REPORT:

None.

ENDING REMARKS:

David: As you saw in the email I sent out, reported 81% voter turnout for UCSB. I heard that we could get double the honoraria that we are currently getting is this true?

Sarah: The legal code hasn't changed.

Dan: As long as you're not a Leggie, and you're serving on multiple committees, you can apply for two different honoraria, but can't exceed 600 per quarter.

Tina: What's the status of the budget hearing, would like to know.

Sarah: We're working on getting a date, we usually talk about it the week of, will be in the middle of the quarter, we won't know until people's schedules for winter quarter have been finalized, but you're looking at the first two weeks of February.

Brian: Who is the liaison for ADCRC interns, they got money last week, and got performance signature but didn't get the requisition. It's due by Friday, so I need someone to contact them.

Sarah: Liaison was Megan, who would like to help. Desi, thanks, help Brian get in contact with the AdCRC.

ADJOURNMENT:

MC Motion to adjourn (Darshan)(Steven)

MCC Motion passes by consent

The meeting was adjourned at 5:37 p.m.