

#ASSOCIATED STUDENTS FINANCE BOARD MINUTES

January 12th , 2009

Flying A Room

University Center

4:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Dan Plotkin

Tina Samson

Pratish Patel

David Preciado

Gloria Schindler (proxy)

Hassan Naveed (proxy)

Jackie Lee

Serena Wang

Donald Byers

Darshan Grover

Josue Aparicio

Stephanie Fitch

Kelsey Fischer

Bee Sliff

Desi Fairly

Absent: Paige Blatt

Steven Wolfson

Advisor: Brian O'Donnell

ACCEPTANCE OF EXCUSED ABSENCES AND TARDIES AND
PROXIES:

Dan: Steven absent until 6:15, Chris Hernandez proxy for Hassan, Doug Wagoner proxy for Gloria, David needs to leave between 5-6, Darshan excused from 7 on, Jackie excused at 8, Bee needs to leave at 7:20, Chris needs to leave at 7.

MC Motion to excuse absences and people being tardy and proxies (Desi)(Pratish)
MCC Motion passed by consent

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

JP: I'm passing around some cards for Sarah Dasko. One of the envelopes will be for a donation, a gift card. I'll take money during office hours tomorrow as well.

Darshan: Quick reminder, we need to have Chair or Vice Chair position filled soon, if

anyone's interested it needs to be applied for.

Bee: We're looking for people to serve on elections committee, talk to us if you're interested in being a student rep.

PUBLIC FORUM:

None.

ADVISOR'S REPORT:

Brian: This is the last week we'll have the hard copies of agendas for everyone, and the projector will be back next week, so tell me if you still want a hard copy, and everyone will still get it emailed to you each week.

Cindy: I hoped everyone read the legal code on the budget process. If you have any questions, see me or Brian.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA:

Dan: One group to be added to the end, UCSB Screenwriter's Co-op.

MC Motion to add UCSB Screenwriter's Co-op to new business (Pratish)(Bee)

MCC Motion passed by consent.

MC Motion to approve the agenda as amended (Serena)(Pratish)

MCC Motion passed by consent

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

MC Motion to accept the Finance Board minutes from January 5th, 2008 (())

MCC Motion passed by consent

OLD BUSINESS:

1. EVPLA reallocation:

Speaker: (Clay) For our Be the Change, Live the Dream Project, we've reallocated some money, I'm passing out the reallocated funds. Second page of packet, we've reduced the posters, shirt cost is same, calendar cost is reduced, we added on two banners, and table tents, substituted for a new venue, and white elephant program stays the same. Total sum is still the same as what was allocated.

Allocation:

MC Motion to approve reallocation (David)(Pratish)

MCC Motion passed by consent.

2. Project Eye to Eye

MC Motion to table until end of meeting (Desi)(Tina)

MCC Motion passed by consent.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Students for Justice in Palestine:

Speaker: Looking for money for t-shirts for an awareness campaign for next week, either hand them out or sell them to raise money for the Middle Eastern Children Alliance (MECA). Would end up to be about \$7 per t-shirt, asking for \$800 total. Would also like to xerox some sheets for tabling next week, asking for \$300 for flyers.

Bee: Have you checked the pricing for printing for AS Publications, is much cheaper than Kinko's.

Desi: If you do decide to donate, how much will go to them?

Speaker: 100 percent of the proceeds.

David: What is going to be on the t-shirt?

Speaker: A design of a woman, with some writing about the cause for the humanitarian situation in Gaza and Palestine.

2. Chinese Students Scholars Association:

Speaker: Here to apply for funding for a series of events for the Chinese New Year, I'm passing out a new version of our budget. Three events: Concert, party, and performance. We have already had this event for several years, the students have really had the benefit of the experience of the Chinese culture, this year we cut down the budget, so the children will be doing the performance, and providing the decorations with their family.

Tina: How many years have you been doing this for.

Speaker: It's been annually, paid for the event from here.

Tina: As far as decorations, what are the posters.

Speaker: We'll have a big paper and put it up to advertise the event, we put pictures of mask, it's more of an event.

Tina: Administration costs, we have several rehearsals, asking for pizza and drinks while the performers rehearse.

Desi: There's a \$500 limit on food, one time exceptions for cultural events, which event needs food the most.

Speaker: First choice is the dinner box for performers and volunteers, second choice is the children's center.

Bee: Where was the advertisement costs going to?

Speaker: Advertisement will be in the newspaper or in the radio, we're not sure yet.

Pratish: For New Year's party, where that other be going to, would be food.

Pratish: What are the game tools? What's going to happen to them afterwards.

Speaker: We'll keep them for future use, future activities.

Darshan: How many did you have come last year.

3: USEU:

Speaker: We're a completely new group this year, in English the name of our organization stands for Salvadorian Student Union, our purpose is to spread cultural awareness. We're sending a delegation in February to be electoral observers in El Salvador for 5 days, to tie students back to their roots. We'll be having an informational meeting this week about the history of El Salvador, specifically the political issues. We'd like to bring two speakers from El Salvador, and we've already done some fundraising, private donations and a food sale, accounting for \$1160, we're asking for \$2,000. We're not asking other groups for this speaker event, because we're already stretching our limits for the student's delegation. We know about the exception for more than \$500 for food.

4: Santa Barbara Hillel:

Speaker: Would like to run a documentary, "The Forgotten Refugees", which is a story of the Middle Eastern Jews forced to flee those countries, and not very many people know about our story. We're also planning on having a speaker, Regina Waldman, who is a surviving Middle Eastern Jew. Most of the money is for the speaker.

5: Santa Barbara Hillel:

MC Motion to table until next week (Pratish)(Bee)

MCC Motion passed by consent.

6: Alpha Chi Omega:

Speaker: I completely reworked the budget. I'm here to request money to put on our yearly fundraiser for the elimination of domestic violence, is our organization's main cause. We're requesting money for a billiards competition, costs \$350 to register a team, and giving t-shirts to those that register. We're having the competition at Q's, so we've organized SB Airbus to have shuttles from campus to Q's all day. We got funding from AS last year, but our main funding for last year's event is gone. It's open to anyone who wants to come totally free of charge to use bus and no charge at the door.

7: Vietnamese Student Association

Speaker: Culture Night is our biggest event, done it for 12 years, it's a play that teaches about our culture, this year will be about an Americanized Vietnamese reaching back toward their past. We build the set, rent traditional dresses and have a fashion show. Will be in the spring, April 18th.

8: Vietnamese Student Association:

Speaker: The company doing our shirts said that the shirts you gave us \$500 for last time would be more expensive because of a different color of shirt, it was a misunderstanding.

9: Sigma Phi Epsilon:

MC Motion to table till end of meeting (Desi)(Bee)

MCC Motion passed by consent.

10: UCSB Mock Trial:

Speaker: Thank you for money last quarter, we went to two events and won 9 individual awards. We asking for lodging for two more events, a regional which is a step towards nationals, and a scrimmage against Fresno. If we make it to nationals, we'll be coming back for more money.

11: Hong Kong Student Association:

Speaker: We're doing a Chinese New Year celebration, and you might be wondering why VSA and us are doing different things, we talked to them and they said they didn't want to do it on the day that we're doing it. We'll have performances and tables around Stork Plaza. We've been looking for funding from many other different groups, but a lot of them haven't contacted us back yet. Trays are to keep the food warm. We're estimating

300, and expect 1000 people to attend. This isn't a joint event with any other groups.

12: ASHA

MC Motion to table until the end of the meeting (Pratish)(Darshan)

MCC Motion passed by consent

13: Queer Student Union:

Speaker: Our event for this Friday, has happened for the last four years, our organization encourages safe spaces, and six organizations are part of this event. Our budget is security at the Hub, publicity and decorations, and water bottles.

Tina: Is Queer Comm. going to give any money to this?

Speaker: We do have other sources of funding, we're asking for CSOs and publicity from Finance Board- we have reached out to RHA, and other smaller groups.

14: Habitat for Humanity:

Speaker: Last summer and last year we went to New Orleans, we would like to do it again during Spring Break. We are currently accepting applications. Airfare would be about \$400 per person, and transportation would be about \$1038. We are aware we'd use our one time exception.

Bee: Would CAB be funding this as well?

Speaker: we haven't gotten any money from them.

Cindy: There's another alternative Spring break through CAB, students, you might want to join that trip with them.

15: LAMBDAS:

Speaker: We're here to present our third annual outreach program, From El Barrio, which aims to get first generation low income high school students from Santa Barbara and Carpinteria to visit UCSB and hear speakers who come from the same background. We'd like to give \$50 to a speaker for transportation.

Pratish: In order to pay for the ticket, you'd have to fill out a performers contract in order to pay the speaker that.

Chris: You could go to SCORE and Student Lobby, they are fairly generous.

16: Environmental Affairs Board:

Speaker: We're asking for funds to attend the Powership 2009 Conference in DC, to show federal leaders that the youth of this country demanding more energy sustainable policies and economy. The Conference will include guest speakers, group meetings, and lobbying the government. All UCSB students are welcome to apply to it. We planned to set aside \$7500 at the beginning of the year, we just need some more money to take more people.

17: Language Interaction Social Organization:

Speaker: There's going to be a LISO Conference, which consists of three departments at UCSB in partnership with UCLA. This year will be May 14-16, will be about 30 presenters and 150-200 attending. This is an international conference, we're having a speaker from England. We're still working out where the venue will be.

18: UCSB Screenwriter's Coop:

Speaker: Asking for \$400 for food during our program, Wordfarm, which is a three day seminar, where working professionals in the field of screenwriting come up and teach us to become better screenwriters. We're not having as many applicants this year, only 25, which with a \$40 registration fee usually covers gas for the professionals who are donating their time to drive here, t-shirts for those involved, flyers and any other expenses like food. We will provide breakfast and lunch for those three days. We've publicized mostly by major mailing lists to interested majors, and flyers in the film department. We're not making any money off of this.

MC Motion to table all other groups until next week (Pratish)(Bee)
MCC Motion passed by consent.

ALLOCATIONS:

1. Students for Justice in Palestine:

MC Motion to allocate \$1050, not including \$50 for advertising with Palestinian flags (Desi)(Josue)
MCC Motion passed by consent.

2. Chinese Student Scholars Association:

MC Motion to fund \$2262 for performance honoraria at \$600, electric piano rental, sound technician, rises for chorus, clothes rental, program sheets, publicity, multimedia, flyers and \$170 for food (since they have already spent \$330 of their allowed \$500 yearly budget for food) (Pratish)(Desi)
MCC Motion passed by consent

3. USEU:

MC Motion to fully fund (David)(Josue)
David: There are many students on campus who have been affected by the events in the history of El Salvador, and this allows an outlet for their voice.
MCC Motion passed by consent.

4. Santa Barbara Hillel:

MC Motion to fund \$1000 (Pratish)(Tina)
MCC Motion passed by consent.

5: Santa Barbara Hillel: (Tabled due to no show of presenter)

6: Alpha Chi Omega:

MC Motion to allocate zero dollars (Desi)(Pratish)
Desi: It's off campus, the presenter make it obvious that the event wasn't open to everyone.
Kelsey objects to call to question
Kelsey: This event produced over \$10,000 in fundraising last year, and can use their one

time exception

David: Historically, these groups have put on events like these with their own funding and raising money themselves, without just coming for Finance Board for all of their funding.

Darshan objects to Consent

MCC Motion passes by vote (10-1-4).

7: Vietnamese Student Association:

MC Motion to fund total of \$3255, which includes all items under facility and media equipment, \$662 for flyers and posters, \$515 for props and back stage setup (Desi)(David)

Amendment to add \$800 for rentals of costumes, total of \$4055 (Pratish)

Desi/David: That's friendly.

MCC Motion passed by consent to fund total of \$4055.

8: Vietnamese Student Association:

MC Motion to fund extra for t-shirts \$150 in full (Desi)(Tina)

MCC Motion passed by consent

9: Sigma Phi Epsilon:

Tabled until next week.

10: UCSB Mock Trial:

Dan: There's an academic teams fund, they've already used \$1,971 of their \$3,000 max from that fund.

MC Motion to allocate zero dollars for regional and scrimmage (Pratish)(Desi)

Amendment to cover costs of regional competition at \$696 (Kelsey)(Josue)

Pratish/Desi: That is not friendly.

Darshan: If this is an invitational because of successes they've had, we need to support them if they've done well. Would like to give them as much money as possible.

Josue: Mock Trial is one of the best groups on campus.

Kelsey withdraws her amendment.

Amendment to fund \$696 for regional competition from regular fund with one time exception (Kelsey)(Josue)

Pratish: That is not friendly.

Amendment fails by vote (5-9-0)

MC Motion to allocate zero dollars passes (7-3-1)

11: Hong Cong Student Association:

MC Motion to fund for total of \$4383.50, which includes all equipment except fencing and booth chairs, \$500 for publicity, \$374.50 remaining for food (Desi)(Stephanie)

Amendment to add \$300 for Cal Poly line dance team (Pratish)(Josue)

Desi: That is not friendly.

Amendment passed by vote (9-2-1)

MC Motion to fund for total of \$4693.50
MCC Motion passed by consent

12: ASHA SB:
Tabled until next week.

13: Queer Student Union:
MC Motion to fund in full (Bee)(Pratish)
MCC Motion passed by consent

14: Habitat for Humanity:
MC Motion to allocate zero dollars (Desi)(Bee)
MCC Motion passed by consent.

15: LAMBDAS:
MC Motion to allocate \$951 for t-shirts, with stipulation they make a performance contract for the \$50 for travel, to a total of \$1001 (Bee)(David)
Josue: Can we fund it out of the SIRRC account?
Brian: We can fund out of the SIOP fund, have \$33,600 there.
Josue: Amend to allocate from the SIOP fund (Pratish)
Bee/David: That's friendly.
Desi objects to consent
MCC Motion passed by vote (10-2-0)

16: Environmental Affairs Board:
Cindy: I think that they have money from last year they rolled over, not sure about it.
MC Motion to table until next meeting (Desi)(Tina)
MCC Motion passed by consent.

17: Language Interaction Social Organization:
MC Motion to allocate \$3150 (Pratish)(Stephanie)
Kelsey: I would like to amend to \$1600 for honoraria for speaker
Pratish/ Stephanie: That's friendly.
David: We have to consider how this is going to positively affect undergraduates.
David objects to consent
MCC Motion passes by vote (10-1-0)

18: UCSB Screenwriters Coop

MC Motion to fund in full (Serena)(David)
MCC Motion passed by consent

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Budget hearings

Dan: We have a decision to make. For the budget hearings, we can have all the campus

organizations come to request funds for next year, all 300 registered OSL groups would come, so they wouldn't request money next year, but they might end up not getting any money. We'd couldn't pick and choose we'd have to go through every organization that comes to us for money. If we don't we'll just go off of what they got last year, and they would have to come again during the year.

Vote (11-0) to doing it the same as last year.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT'S REPORT:

None.

BOARD/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

David: GROW Training, teaching students how to organize a grassroots campaign, will be this week.

Tina: Recyclemania is getting started, I've already ordered aluminum water bottles, they're coming next week.

CHAIR REPORT:

Dan: What was exposed during the discussion for the allocation for the Hong Kong Student Association was disturbing, it is very important that we stay on top of the meeting, expect meetings to stay this long for the rest of the quarter. I need you're finalized office hours for the quarter by the end of the week, and your entire schedule layout along with your extracurricular activities by Friday.

VICE CHAIR REPORT:

Serena: Thank you for HKSA budget.

ENDING REMARKS:

Brian: You allocated \$17,257, have about \$72,00 left for the quarter. There won't be a meeting next week due to the holiday.

ADJOURNMENT:

MC Motion to adjourn (Pratish)(Tina)

MCC Motion passes by consent

The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.