

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS FINANCE BOARD

October 27th, 2008

Flying A Room

University Center

4:00 p.m.

(Press conference at 4:00pm)

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Sarah Dasko
Dan Plotkin
Tina Samson
Bee Sliff
Hassan Naveed
Steven Wolfson
Stephanie Fitch
Jackie Lee
Darshan Grover
Gloria Schindler
Pratish Patel
Desi Fairly
Paige Blatt
Serena Wang
Sinead Kennedy
Josue Aparcio
David Preciado

Absent: none.

Advisor: Aaron Jones, Brian O'Donnell

ACCEPTANCE OF EXCUSED ABSENCES AND TARDIES:

Sarah: Hassan and Sinead need to leave at six, Tina needs to leave at 7. Gloria also needs to leave at 7.

MC Motion to excuse absences and people being tardy (Tina)(Gloria)
MCC Motion passed by consent

ACCEPTANCE OF PROXIES:

Sarah: Monica is proxying for Jackie

MC Motion to accept proxies (Dan)(Pratish)

MCC Motion passed by consent

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Sarah: There's an open position on Finance Board, if interested in applying come into the AS Main Office for an application.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Sarah: Students for Justice in Palestine have asked to be added onto board.

Pratish: Is there a reason your paperwork wasn't submitted?

Speaker: We had a discrepancy with the availability of the speaker, he didn't confirm until after (FB's) meeting last Monday.

Advisor's Report:

Brian: The ways to do PO have changed, paper PO's take longer to process, so work far in advance, need six days before they want the ad placed in Nexus. Also with the budget cuts, the amounts in Finance Board accounts will be changing, so consider taking out money right now, so its not a big surprise.

Aaron: This Thursday room in the SRB for orientation for campus wide Student Initiated Outreach Committee, which funds outreach programs. Intended for student organizations in lieu of finding out what finance board can do in regard to finance, goes to 6:30.

Sarah: Would it be a Chancellor's outreach or AS outreach?

Aaron: Would be a campus- wide outreach, not the Chancellor's outreach.

Acceptance of Agenda

Sara: I suggest under action items we add allocation for possibility of tax on student fees for 25,000, a six percent tax on allocated. That's not the total portion but we can't cover that for AS, is around 60,000 no where near what we have allocated for all of AS.

Dan: Point of info for Brian, would there be some kind of holding account?

Brian: No, just set aside.

Sarah: Amendment, make sure it comes out of spring.

MC motion under new business to add Students for Justice in Palestine, and allocation of taxes (Dan)(Gloria)

MCC Motion passed by consent

MC Motion to accept agenda (Dan)(Bee)

MCC Motion passed by consent

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES AND CORRECTION

10-20-2008

MC Motion to accept minutes (Tina)(Pratish)
MCC Motion passed by consent

OLD BUSINESS

1. Kappa Alpha Psi:

Speaker: On Nov. 8, hosting “New City 2” Party, from 9-2pm, is a frat party, open to everyone as an alternative to drinking in IV. We have a great relationship with UCPD, are currently working with them, our organizational advisors will be in attendance, we hope AS will provide funding.

Tina: Have you looked into After Dark funding?

Speaker: No.

Tina: Also, what’s the decorations? Because of our guidelines, we can’t fund decorations.

Dan: How many CSOs and police officers will you have.

Speaker: about 12 CSOs, and 6 police officers.

Dan: Is there a reason you feel you need so much security?

Speaker: We thought because this is an outside event, we want to be safe and not have any problems.

Dan: How many years has this been going on, how many in the past have attended from UCSB, and what was the total number students last year?

Speaker: Had it for the past 5 years, with about 80 percent of attendees students, with about 300 students attending last year.

Dan: What’s the number of frats attending outside of yours?

Speaker: It’s only a chapter invite.

Dan: How many chapters?

Speaker: 10-ish.

Sinead: where is this being held?

Speaker: There’s no alcohol, will be at the Hub from 9-2 Saturday.

Sinead: Let me make you aware that after 9 on weekends they (After Dark) fund these things, if its an alternative to IV and as long as there’s no alcohol, might be a perfect place.

Speaker: We always come to AS because they supported us in the past.

Jackie: How much are tickets?

Speaker: It’s free for member of our fraternity to get in, other chapters discounted rate of 7 dollars, and UCSB students/ general public are 10 dollars.

Allocations:

MC Motion to table for one more week on stipulation that they go to after dark to seek funding, it falls well within their jurisdiction, would encourage other groups to go to After Dark

(Sinead)(Dan)

MC Motion to amend to allocate 600 for DJ with stipulation they go to After Dark
(Pratish)(Josue)

Friendly

MCC Motion passed by consent

NEW BUSINESS:

1. AS EVPLA:

KT: We have an awareness campaign organized by many groups on campus, called Be the Change, Live the Dream, specifically from January 21-27. Need awareness campaigning geared towards perspectives on proactive measure to affect social climate and change. Note: paper says it's cheaper than AS Publications, only meant as we're trying to cut down on our spending. Not receiving any money from RHA, have some requests pending from OSL, After Dark haven't heard back from them. Because I'm coming to you as a bcc, not as a student organization, I did talk to SCORE, they're already working on sexual violence workshops and others.

Tina: How come you didn't fund this from the EPLA budget.

KT: Zekee is funding some, COPs is trying to fund some but I have a lot of other programs. COPs budget right now is \$5,516.

Dan: What's the significance of the calendars?

KT: Since it's a weeklong campaign, we need to tell people when these workshops, programs are. It's a calendar of events.

Darshan- What's your total EPA budget, Zekee? You're only funding \$214 for pizza.

Zekee- For my budget, the way it's been allocated, I have \$6000, \$1-2000 going to Halloween, the rest for operating costs, conference fees and cosponsorships for the rest of the year.

Charlie- We want to bring organizations that usually don't come together to join in this, we've contacted lots of organizations and are waiting for other organizations to respond.

KT- this is to educate and organize, less a reaction to what happened in IV than a proactive measure to prevent something like this from happening again.

Allocations:

MC Motion to allocate zero (0) dollars (Dan)(Darshan)

Sinead: Zekee's budget has a lot of projects going on already, there isn't that much money.

Pratish: I think this is a great event, this is a campus wide thing that needs to be done.

MC Motion to amend to \$1,683.50, all other than t-shirts

Dan/ Darshan: That's friendly.

Bee: Why don't we put our logo on the t-shirts?

Pratish: Shirts is a great form of awareness, why wouldn't we want to put our name on something. The group has gone to many alternative sources of funding other than RHA.

Hassan calls the question.

Stephanie objects to consent.

Hassan withdraws.

MC Motion to fully fund amount of \$3046.40 (Josue)(Pratish)

Dan: That is unfriendly.

Darshan: Don't know how t-shirts will be distributed

Charlie: every organization will have a certain amount to wear to each table, and later at the large event public will be able to get the shirts.

Dan calls the question.

MC Motion to vote on \$3024 motion

MCC Motion to vote passes (13/2/1)

Pratish call the question

Hussan consents

Dan objects to consent

MCC Motion to fully fund passes 12/2/1

(Dan votes No)

2. India Association:

Speaker: This is the Devali event, the festival of lights, we've been funded in the past by AS. It's on November 15 from 5-9pm, we expect 400 to attend based on last year, mainly UCSB students, friends and families and Indians around Santa Barbara. There will be a series of performances by Indian students and community members, and we're trying to do something different this year by getting performers from Berkeley college of music to perform. Also will be Indian foods, hope you will fund us. The budget for last year was 6000, based on last year's budget, with additional expenses, almost the same.

Darshan: Are you getting other sources of funding?

Speaker: Asking the Chancellor and VC, haven't heard from them.

Dan: If you're a Grad student organization, how many undergrads last year showed up?

Speaker: about 50.

Dan: I see you have publicity with the Independent, how many generally attend from the general public?

Speaker: about 200.

Allocation:

2.

MC Motion to cover rent, equipment, ad, flyers, media, music \$4600 (Hassan)(David)

MC Motion to amend to zero (0) (Darshan)(Dan)

Hassan: That is not friendly

Motion to change the motion

Paige objects to consent

MC Motion to make motion to zero fails (0/16/0)

MC Motion to cover rent and CSOs at \$800 (Desi)(Dan)

Hassan: That is not friendly

David calls the question

Hassan objects the call to question

Gloria consents

MC Motion to make motion at \$800 fails (2/14/0)

MC Motion to amend to cover music, rent and CSOs at \$2800 (Dan)

Hassan/ David: That is friendly

MC Motion to amend to cover rent, equipment, Nexus ad, flyers, media equipment, and food. (Paige)(Josue)

Hassan: That is friendly.

Dan calls the question.

MC Motion to vote passes (4/11/1)

MCC Motion in favor of \$4500 to pay for rental, Nexus ad, posters, flyers, equipment/lighting, media, band and CSOs passes (10-4-2)

Note:

Sarah: reinstate Indian association, I'm getting \$4700 too, because we stipulated exactly what we were funding, overrides the mistake of \$4500 to 4700. Indian Association is allocated \$4700.

3. Sigma Alpha Epsilon:

Speaker: Haunted house starts tomorrow, we've been doing it for a few years, didn't get AS funding last year. We're in financial crisis this year. We have a 3-car garage where we build big wood frames and black tarps, the 90 guys in the house and friends contribute. Have appealed to community, to kids in IV and passed out fliers for parents to bring kids, and this year more to students than to the community. There's no alcohol and no charge to go in. On corner of Embarcadero del Norte and El Greco. About 50-60 kids came out last year.

David: With publicizing it, what efforts have you made outside Greek life?

Speaker: we made flyers, haven't sent them out yet because they need the AS sticker, we have had signs outside the house for about a week.

Allocations:

MC Motion to fund \$870, excluding black lights, bulbs, fog machine, spider web, props/ décor, tables (Bee)(Gloria)

David calls the question

Paige objects to call to question

MC Motion to call to vote fails (7/9/0)

Desi: Reserve my right, would like to exclude staple guns

Bee/Gloria: That is friendly.

Dan calls the question

Desi consents, no objection

MCC Motion passes to fund \$840, excluding black lights, bulbs, fog machine, spider web, props/décor, tables and staple gun by consent

4. Russian Club:

Speaker: Holding our 2nd annual Thrabushkas and holiday ornament painting, 60 people showed up last year, both club members and from the Slavic department. Holding this because ornaments are a huge tradition in Russia, added on more thrabushkas and ornaments than last year. Open for everyone in the SRB on November 13th, till 7:30pm, so we can't get After Dark funding. Fresh Start catering provides everything we'll need for the three hour event. Decorations won't be major, just plastic cups and table covers to make sure the SRB stuff doesn't get dirty. Ornaments have already been ordered.

Tina: How many showed up last year?

Speaker: 60, and this year I made a Facebook event, 40 have already confirmed, with 50 maybes.

Allocations:

MC Motion to allocate them in full \$833.51 (Desi)(Stephanie)

Hassan consents

MCC Motion for funding in full passes by consent

5. Wellness Club:

Speaker: We're an peer health internship that just started this fall, planning big event to enhance strengths of UCSB students. Found findings that by promoting individual strengths, promote creating a more balanced society at UCSB, to help students realize their potential in new ways. Learn about individual strengths, new ways to use those strengths, and gives ideas about how to implement those strengths.

Pratish: We don't usually fund gift certificates.

Speaker: They're for a raffle, every time to go to a table for a different strength your name is entered into a raffle.

Tina: I'm confused about the event.

Speaker: Will be a three day event, first two days we'll attract people to take a 24 question survey test to assess their individual strengths (on authentichappiness.org), and then on the third day have big event with top five strengths.

Tina: We can't fund gifts, but if you go to the book store, they give certificates for \$50 per organization per quarter, so that may help.

Allocations:

Motion to allocate \$430.14 (top four items on their budget) (Tina)(Hassan)

Pratish calls the question

Hassan consents

MCC Motion passes for \$430.14 (for top four items on budget)

6. Alpha Delta Chi:

Speaker: Working with Alpha Delta Omega to put on a Halloween lip sync as an alternative to IV Halloween, this Friday from 7-10pm, open to everyone who wants to attend. Food is soda, candy, chips, with pumpkins, pies, piñata, and apples for different contests. Decorations are needed for our stage, purchasing lighting, black lights, various Halloween stuff. No drinking.

Hassan: How are you going to publicize?

Speaker: with flyers on campus.

Allocations:

MC Motion to fund food and publicity at \$280 (Hassan)(Bee)

David calls the question

Dan objects

David removes call to question

MC Motion to amend to zero dollars (Dan)

Hassan/ Bee: That is friendly.

Pratish: Point of clarification, on Hassan's original motion- \$280 without piñata

MC Motion to amend to \$280 without piñata (Pratish)

Hassan/ Bee: That is friendly.

Gloria calls the question

Hassan consents.

Dan objects to consent

MCC Motion to vote on \$280 passes (14/1/0)

MCC Motion to grant \$280 passes (15/0/0)

7. Wrestling Club:

Speaker: We've been a competition team for three years, got to nationals last year, looking for money for nationals this year, because even though we got some money last year, only 2 of the three that made it to nationals were able to go. Would go towards airfare, hotel, gas/ car rental. Will be in Virginia this year, last year found out March 2nd who would be going to nationals.

David: Does your club do any other fundraising?

Speaker: all of our fundraising goes toward administrator fees, local traveling expenses, mats, training equipment. We're just looking for the funding for nationals.

Desi: If you could ballpark plane tickets?

Speaker: Don't know for sure, but about \$450 per person round trip, hotel a couple hundred, gas and maybe a rental car, but we can't know for sure yet.

Sarah- just looked it up online, about \$720 per person with air and hotel.

Allocations:

MC Motion to table (Desi)(Darshan)

Pratish calls the question

Dan objects to call

Darshan: only this one group is for sports so far, I told them they had a good chance of getting funding if they came back.

Sarah: This Saturday at a the club sports organization, they were made aware of available funding, I am expecting a rush of groups, and not expecting the funding to stay intact for long.

Desi: Said something about coach going last year, this money can only go towards travel of national transportation but only for flight and hotel for competitors.

Darshan: that is friendly

Pratish calls the question

MCC Motion to table passed by consent

8. Students for Justice in Palestine:

Speaker: Thank you for adding us to the agenda, we have an event scheduled for tomorrow, speaker Sady Mardisi, very famous and sought after speaker, as an underrepresented voice for Palestine and Palestinians around the world. Would be honor for UCSB, we've done everything we could to secure his presence, was previously up in the air because he's on a book tour. This speech tomorrow is not part of that book tour. Asking \$1750 to cover the speaker costs only. So far we have accepted donations, exhausted our OSL account for this, and we have everything except the speaker fee. Event is open to everyone, free of charge, we've advertised a lot by going into classes with overlap in this issue. Sorry for getting the paperwork in late.

Desi: Do they have the speakers contract in?

Brian: yes, would mail him the check. He would sign his contract right now, and we'd have it ready for him tomorrow.

Allocations:

MC Motion to fund entirety (Hassan)(Bee)

David calls to question

Darshan objects to call to question

MCC Motion to vote on motion passes (10/5/0)

MCC Motion to fund in full passes (9/3/3)

9. Pulling out \$25,000 of AS funds for potential tax increase

Brian: I'm a bit hesitant, we are just guessing about the tax, and by pulling out money it concedes defeat before the battle is done, opposed to principle and action, I would hate for finance board to hamstring itself and condone the cut.

MC Motion to table matter (Pratish)
MC Motion to end discussion (David)
Stephanie: That is friendly.
MC Motion to table indefinitely (Desi)
Dan consents
Josue consents
MCC Motion to table indefinitely passed by consent.

BOARD/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Sarah: Let's talk about t-shirts, start a discussion. And contact your groups regularly.
David: Is it possible to regulate the board a bit more. I feel disrespected, and would like you to address that.

CHAIR REPORT:

Sarah: I wouldn't really like to censor board members, but just stay to the speakers list everyone, and wait to be called in order from speaker's list.

VICE CHAIR REPORT:

Dan: My report; Desi had a great idea for me to say you guys are doing a great job, not just commenting on the negative. Thank you for your great work.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT'S REPORT:

None.

ENDING REMARKS:

Pratish: I'd like to say that there is a lot of hostility on the board, I've seen it before, don't take too many things too personal, but don't be afraid to state your own opinion.

Sarah: I would like to mention last week at Leg Council we are not allowed to fund political campaigns, they pushed for no vote, has to be non-partisan, so QSU was contacted, agreed to pull their request for funding.

Desi: I don't understand, don't we fund democratic club

Sarah: We can't fund for political campaigns

Dan: It would put our organization in a different (more expensive) tax bracket.

Brian: Note- Chair runs the meetings, that's the only thing that's relevant, and if you have a group in the audience that you need to talk to, don't talk to them in the room, go outside, it's disrespectful to the people who are presenting.

ADJOURNMENT

MC Motion to adjourn (Desi)(Stephanie)

Josue calls the question

MCC Motion passes by consent

The meeting was adjourned at 5:13 p.m.