

M I N U T E S

FINANCE BOARD

October 8, 2005
Flying A Room
University Center
4:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Jennie Beeson
Paige Blatt
Rafael Bobadilla
Stephanie Brower
Sam Cisneros
Desi Fairly
Kevin Higuchi
Megan Klein
Harold Myer
Hassan Naveed
Pratish Patel
Lex Hamilton (Dan Plotkin)
John Paul Primeau
Jose Raygoza
Stephan Tang

Absent: Matt Jackson
Tuyen Nguyen
Jeremy Pemberton
Rong Pu
Gloria Schindler

Advisor: Aaron Jones, Brian O'Donnell

ACCEPTANCE OF PROXIES

Kevin – I would like to recommend that we excuse Gloria for the first 15 minutes of the meeting for the rest of the quarter.

MC So moved. (Jose)(Harold)
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

Kevin – Tuyen asked that Justin be her proxy for tonight.

MC So moved. (Jose)(Harold)
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Samantha Nevels – I am here for Teach for America. I am passing around a sign up for them, if you would like to learn more please sign up. I would like to tell you that Goleta has a 14% higher drop out rate than Santa Barbara, which is only a 14 mile difference. In Teach for America, you spend the summer learning how to teach and then you are placed in a good community for two years where you do teach. You get to pick your community and the grade level. We are having an info session this Wednesday from 6-8pm in the Harbor room. Please come to eat pizza and to learn more about the group.

Kevin – As of now we have been in school for a week. So we will now be holding you accountable to your office hours.

Ridah Sabouni - There is a film on the agenda today. I would like to urge the council to think about funding this film. Please take into account what this film talks about. I personally do not think that this film promotes understanding on this campus. It has been pulled on many other campuses because of its content. This film tries to teach about Muzama Facism. This film focuses on terrorist Muslims as all Muslims, when they are not that way.

Jim Anderson – I am with Engineers Without Borders. I misunderstood the deadline, but I would like to request if there is any way that I can be put on the agenda.

Kevin – I will put it up to the board.

ADVISORS REPORT

Aaron – This is a presentation created by the Golbal Medical Brigade. They requested money from last years Finance Board. They deliberated for quite some time as to if they should fund them, and the finally decided that they could fund some of the medical supplies.

Aaron presented the slide show.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Kevin – I would like to recommend that we add Hermanos Unidos to Old Business.

MC So moved. (Jose)(Harold)
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

MC Motion to accept the agenda as amended. (Stephanie)(Gloria)
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES AND CORRECTION

FB 10/1/07

MC Motion to accept minutes. (Harold)(Gloria)
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

ACTION ITEMS

none

OLD BUSINESS

1. Facing Reality

Jordan King – I am trying to open a safe space to discuss current issues. Our upcoming event is being held in the MCC, where Dedon Kamathi will be speaking and showing his films and photos. He will be speaking to our students about current peace issues, and about the current situation in Darfur. This is a request for a contract fee of \$400.

Allocation:

MC Motion to allocate \$400 for the contract fee. (Harold)(JP)
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

2. Hermanos Unidos

Oscar Flores - Last year we received funds for our parent appreciation day. Our chair last year said that we could get the funds this year, which we have now learned was wrong and that we can not get the funds from last year.. We owe our members funds to make up for the money that they have spent to put on the event. We would like ask that you reallocate those funds to us. Please to not penalize our members because of the bad seed that we had last year.

Brian – Last year Finance Board allocated \$1522.40, which was not to be used for food or gifts.

Jose – How much are you asking for?

Oscar - If we could, I would like to ask for the original amount.

Desi – Last year we granted you money, and then it wasn't used?

Oscar - Yes, an past member who handled the request had said that we could get the money this year.

JP – Do you have your receipts?

Oscar - Yes.

MC Motion to allocate \$1522.40 for all items save for food and gifts, and granting an exception for the past funding. (Hassan)(Stephanie)

MCC Motion is passed by consent.

NEW BUSINESS

1. SCORE

Justin – I am one of the co-chairs of SCORE. I am asking you for funding for the Students of Color Conference. This year the conference is being held at UCSC. This is one of the only events for students of color to organize student issues. We are able to work together to raise awareness across campuses. We are requesting \$3390.

Kevin – You are receiving a lot of money this year in the budget. Why are you asking for funding through us?

Justin – We are funding a lot of events on campus, which is what we would like to use that money for.

Jennie – What is the money going for?

Justin – Food and registration.

Hassan – Did you request money last year for this conference?

Justin – Yes we did.

Pratish – How many people are you planning on taking?

Justin – We are planning on about 60-70 people.

Kevin – Why are you asking us for funds now?

Justin – We want to save our funds for the conferences that we are personally funding, and we want to be able to fund other student of color groups on campus.

Jennie – If Finance Board didn't pay for this, 1/3 of your budget would be going to this conference.

Justin – Yes, that is correct.

Gloria – I went to this last year, and I recommend that everyone go to this event.

2. NORML

Chris – On Friday 12th and 13th, the NORML National Conference in LA is taking place. At this conference we learn about the current national fights, that deal with Legalizing Marijuana, so that we can help on our local level. We are asking for funding for the registration fees.

Pratish – You are just asking for \$1725, what about the other costs?

Chris – We have been told about funding that you can't give, so we have funded it out of pocket.

JP – Have you already chosen the delegates?

Chris – Yes.

Harold – How did you choose them?

Chris – We choose them because they are already members and they are able to fund the parts that we can't get funding.

JP – If someone else wanted to go can they?

Chris – Yes.

Stephanie – If someone was to register now, could you help fund them?

Chris – Yes, we would split the money over the people who go, and they would have to make up the difference.

Pratish – Are you going to advertise this event to all students?

Chris – Yes, we have been telling everyone who wants to talk about NORML.

Dan – What will this be touching on?

Chris – The conference will discuss medical, recreational, and industrial uses, as well as current issues and what we can do to keep Medical Marijuana in our communities.

Pratish – How will this directly affect UCSB?

Chris – We will bring the knowledge back to campus and move forward with current initiatives, which we will learn about at the conference. We will also be asking the contacts at the conference to come talk on campus.

3. Muslim Student Association

Faheem Ahmed – We want to provide food for a Halal dinner, which is what we are asking for the funding for. We are having an info session about Ramadan as well as a Muslim religion and culture learning session. This event will be in the Student Resource Building. We are asking for \$800 from AS. We are expecting about \$500 from the Middle Eastern Resource Center to cover the rest of the food.

Stephan – When is this event?

Faheem – This event is on Wednesday, so we will be asking for funds this Thursday.

4. Kappa Sigma

MC Motion to table for a week. (Pratish)(Rafael)

MCC Motion is passed by consent.

5. Sigma Nu

Garrett – We would like to request funds for our relay event. We are normally an internally funded group, but we would like to make this event bigger which would bring your funding into the picture. I have broken down the events that are open to everyone, which is what we would like your funding for. The largest part of this budget is the uniforms. We are requesting funding for this to help subsidize costs, so that all of our proceeds will go to MADD and to IVYP. The uniforms have already been sold to the Greek community and we will have more which will be sold to the larger community.

Harold – Would you be able to put “Funded by AS” on the tickets?

Garrett – Yes.

Gloria – I wanted to know more about the dance competition.

Garrett – The team would choose a song and a theme, which would then be judged.

Dan – The t-shirts would have to say that they were “Funded by AS”.

Garrett – We have received the orders, but not had gotten the t-shirts made. We can put “Funded by AS” on the shirts.

Dan – Is the Zodo's event open to everyone?

Garrett – Yes, and we will have Bills Bus going there and back all night.

Jose – Is the event at Zodo's?

Garrett – Yes.

Jose – If you choose for us to fund Zodo's you will be using your one time off campus exception.

Garrett – Yes, that is fine.

Hassan – How do you plan to raise the money for MADD and IVYP.

Garrett – Many of our locations have said that they would be donating part of their profits to our groups.

Jennie – Are the t-shirts sweatshop free?

Garrett – Yes, I am sure that they are, but I will make sure.

Jose – There is a charity bylaw, Aaron could you clarify it?

Aaron – The tickets must be sold through the AS Ticket Office. And that AS can not fund any more than you are planning on giving to the charities.

Garrett – We will make sure that all of our funds raised will be given to AS for safe keeping, and the tickets will be sold through the ticket office.

Jose – Where is the money for the shirts going?

Garrett – We are hoping that you could help funding, so that the extra can be given to the charities.

Justin – What is the process for a group to take part?

Garrett – They just have to come to our house to sign up. If you would like we can hold other hours.

JP – How many people have gone to this event in past years?

Garrett – About 4000 people go to some or all of the events.

Jennie – How have you made this work in the past?

Garrett – We had never opened up the events to the public before, and we had asked the vendors to give us special discounts.

Hassan – How much have you raised in the past?

Garrett – We have raised between \$2500 and \$5000 for IVYP.

MC Motion to limit discussion to 1 more minute. (Dan)(Stephan)

MCC Motion is passed by consent.

Pratish – Do you have to pay to get into Coyote Ugly?

Garrett – Yes, and the funds raised will be given to the charity.

6. Alpha Kappa Delta Phi

Stephanie – We are an Asian sorority, we have chosen Breast Cancer Awareness as our charity. We are hoping to make this our first annual Pink at UCSB event. This is a breast cancer awareness event. We will be tabling in the arbor all month to raise money and also holding the Pink at UCSB event. The money that we raise throughout the month as well as the money raised during the event will be given to Breast Cancer Research. We have a keynote speaker, which we would like to bring to campus for our event. The speaker is a mother and her son. The son wrote

an award winning article about breast cancer. We would also like to have everyone on campus to wear pink on that day to raise awareness.

7. Real Life

MC Motion to move Real Life to the End of New Business, and if no representative shows to table for a week.

(Hassan)(Dan)

MCC Motion is passed by consent.

8. American Students for Israel

Alan – We would like to bring a film on to campus. This film is about terrorism, and the speaker, Elan Carr, after the film is a Lieutenant in the army who fought in Iraq. We are asking for money for the film, speaker and the fliers. This film is controversial, but it does address the law abiding Muslims and then goes into the discussion on terrorism.

Dan – Do you know how long the movie is?

Alan – It is an hour, the last 10 minutes are about law abiding islam, and the other time is focused on terrorism.

Hassan – What are the security costs for?

Alan – We wanted to have a few CSOs to make sure that it is a safe space.

Kevin – Is this event open to everyone on campus? Do you think that this event might alienate some people?

Alan – This event is about terrorism. I do not think that the subject will stop anyone from coming.

JP – Where will this be held?

Alan – In Corwin Pavilion.

Paige – How many people are you planning on for this event?

Alan – We are planning on filling Corwin.

9. Queer Student Union

Edgar – I am here to request funding for our event that is this Thursday. This is National Coming Out Day. This is a special event for the **LBGQTA** people. This is an open event, and has been very successful in the past. Last year we had an incredible time and the greater UCSB community took part in this as well.

Dan – Why are you requesting an Honoraria for one of our professors?

Edgar – We just thought that that would be nice to do for her.

MC Motion to reopen agenda and to add SAC to New Business. (JP)(Rafael)

MCC Motion is passed by consent.

10. SAC

Amy – I am here to request funding for our fall kick off event titled Wild Wild West. We will have line dancing, face painting as well as a mechanical bull among other things. This event is open to everyone. Our total budget is \$1460, i would like for you to fund anything that you can.

JP – Where and when is this event?

Amy – Oct 12th in the Santa Yanez apartments?

Pratish – Will you be advertising to all students?

Amy – Yes, if you want me to.

Jose – Where are your posters going to be placed?

Amy – We will be posting them around the apartments, and we can put them on campus.

Hassan – Doesn't SAC get money from RHA?

Amy – For the whole year, we have \$20,000.

Hassan – How much are you planning on using from your money?

Amy – Anything that we do not get we will fund.

MC Motion to take a 5 minute break. (Jose)(Harold)

MCC Motion is passed by consent.

Roll Call

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Absent: Matt Jackson
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Dan – Should this run till 8pm, I will need to leave.

1. SCORE

MC Motion to allocate \$3390.00 for food and for registration costs. (Jose)(Hassan)

MCC Motion is passed by consent.

2. NORML

MC Motion to allocate \$0. (Paige)(Harold)

Jose – This goes against a lot of our policies.

Rafael – Does the one time exception count towards this?

Jose – Yes, but this goes against many other policies.

MCF Motion fails by a 4/10/0 roll call vote.

Jennie Beeson (no)
Paige Blatt (yes)
Rafael Bobadilla (no)
Stephanie Brower (yes)
Sam Cisneros (no)
Desi Fairly (no)
Megan Klein (no)
Harold Myer (yes)
Hassan Naveed (no)

Tuyen Nguyen (Justin) (no)
Pratish Patel (no)
Lex Hamilton (Dan Plotkin) (no)
John Paul Primeau (yes)
Jose Raygoza (no)
Gloria Schindler (no)
Stephan Tang (no)

Stephanie – Aaron could you list the policies that this violates?

Aaron – Registration, food and fees. The exception is a one time for each of these.

Stephanie – I feel that we shouldn't change the rules so blatantly.

Jose – I agree with Stephanie, this event is breaking a lot of policies. I think that we should only break the rules for events closer to campus.

Gloria – I feel that the information that they could get from this event could really impact our community.

MC Motion to allocate \$1725.00 for registration fees, granting the one time exception. (Gloria)(Hassan)

MCF Vote to vote fails by a 5/11/0 vote.

Dan – My understanding of the bylaws is that we are breaking one or all bylaws. I do not think that it is our job to say that they are asking too many exceptions.

JP – The students have asked that we give out the money in an unbiased manner. To do this we are supposed to follow the bylaws. The exceptions were supposed to be used in the most extreme cases. It is up to us to deem if an exception is warranted.

Chris – I just wanted to point out that AS passed a resolution in support of legalizing marijuana.

Paige – Why are you asking for this exception now?

Chris – We need to go to this conference, to find out what we can do later.

Paige – I feel that sending 15 students to a conference, where you could learn about these things in other places is not a good use of the money.

Stephanie – Just because the one time exception is there, I do not think that we should allow one time exceptions to everyone flipantly.

Gloria – When they presented they stated that most of the medicinal pot dispensaries have been shut down. I feel that they need these conferences to learn how to fight these closings. They can help our community. I don't think they have another way of learning these things and networking with the people that they need to know.

Megan – The event is this weekend, and I don't think that everyone is capable of going.

Hassan – I am uncomfortable with only 15 people being able to go. I think that we should give them the amount requested.

MC Motion passes by a 10/5/1 vote.

3. Muslim Student Association

MC Motion to allocate \$800 for food, utensils, advertisements and for table covers. (Dan)(Jose)
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

4. Sigma Nu

MC Motion to allocate \$2021.00 for advertisements, food, the DJ, supplies, equipment rental and for Zodo's, which uses their one time exception. (Paige)(Harold)

JP – We have a new policy in place, and I would like to test the new charity event policy. I say that we fund 50% of the shirts.

MC Friendly amendment to fund \$4163.50 of the shirts which need to say “Funded by AS”. (JP)

Paige – Motion is withdrawn.

MC Motion to allocate \$12,240.50, which covers advertisements, food, the DJ, supplies, equipment rental, Zodo's rental and for 50% of the uniform costs, which uses their one time exception. (Paige)(Harold)

Stephanie – Are we requesting that they put “Funded by AS” on the shirts and shorts?

Megan – I went to this event twice already, and I think that putting this event into IV Theater would make this a cleaner event. I feel that we should tell them to table in the Arbor, to make it more open.

Justin – I think that we should make sure that they are tabling in the Arbor, and I think that we should table with them, to make sure that is a comfortable experience.

Stephanie – I think that the tabling is a good idea. I feel that we should not question in detail what is happening at the event.

Gloria – What do you think about having AS on the shirts?

Megan – I wouldn't put it on the shorts, but I think that it wouldn't be bad to put it on the shirts.

Hassan – I want to disagree with Stephanie, I think that we should question the events and to make sure that these are safe spaces.

MC Friendly amendment to remove the shorts costs, making the total \$6184.50. (Harold)

Harold – I think that the shirts are more important than the shorts.

MC Friendly amendment to add the stipulation that the shirts say “Funded by AS”. (Hassan)

Desi – I think that “Funded by AS” is unnecessary. I don't think that we need this advertisement.

Hassan – I think that the shirts are promotional, so they should say “Funded by AS”.

MC Friendly amendment to add the stipulation that they table in the arbor, that all shirts say “Funded by AS, and that we allocate \$10,511.50 for the advertisements, food, the DJ, supplies, equipment rental, Zodo's rental and for 50% of the shirt costs. (JP)

MCC Motion is passed by consent.

5. Alpha Kappa Delta Phi

MC Motion to allocate \$3000. (Harold)(Hassan)

Paige – These shirts are not advertisements, these are give away shirts. So we should not require them to say “Funded by AS”.

Amy – If we were to add more to the shirts, we would need a little more money for printing. Throughout the month we will be selling the shirts as a fund raiser.

Rafael – The reason we wanted “Funded by AS” on the Delta Nu shirts, but shirts will just say Pink at UCSB. Which does not promote Alpha Kappa Delta Phi.

Jennie – I feel like a lot of people will be coming in here for shirts, and I think that we should come up with a policy for it.

Hassan – I agree with Jennie.

Harold – Last year we funded shirts all the time, to add the stipulation of them saying “Funded by AS” would be unreasonable.

JP – I disagree with the comment that it costs more to say “Funded by AS”. No matter what I feel, this is good publicity for AS. I feel that this would help us help more students. I don't think that this is a big provision for these groups.

Brian – How many times do you want “Funded by AS” to be out there? What happens when the shirts are already out to print?

Pratish – We would have to not fund publicity when they have already printed the fliers without “Funded by AS” on them.

Dan – If we make it a stipulation, sooner or later they will know this is the rule. I feel like for the previous event, the shirts were a promotion of the event. I feel that this is raising awareness of a particular issue, which I don't think “Funded by AS” needs to be on their shirts.

Hassan – Thanks Dan.

MCC Motion is passed by consent.

6. American Students for Israel

JP – I just wanted to say that this will become a political discussion, which I don't think it should be. This is an open event and it will open up dialog which is a good thing. We shouldn't look at this in a political light.

Dan – We are a country of free speech. The screening of this film can be taken as a building of knowledge.

Hassan – Coming from a community which will be attacked by this film. I can say that many groups on campus will feel attacked by this, but I think that it is free speech which we should promote.

Stephanie – I felt that the dialog that a situation like this will create is a good thing.

MC Motion to allocate \$1350.00. (Stephanie)(Harold)

MCC Motion is passed by consent.

7. Queer Student Union

MC Motion to allocate \$1177.00. (Gloria)(JP)

MC Friendly amendment to make the allocation \$927.00. (Harold)

MCC Motion is passed by consent.

8. SAC

Dan – They have \$20,000 for their budget, and this is directed to their residents.

JP – There are going to be a lot of RHA events, they advertise to their area but it is not a closed event. These events are open. This is a great way to get AS in the Residence Halls

MC Motion to allocate \$700. (Harold)(Paige)

MCC Motion is passed by consent.

MC Motion to reopen Allocation Item 4, Sigma Nu. (JP)(Harold)

MCC Motion is passed by consent.

4. Sigma Nu

JP – I feel that we should not fund Zodo's rental, because it is off campus. New total would be \$10161.50.

MC Motion to recess for 5 minutes to move the meeting to the Main Office. (JP)(Stephanie)

MCC Motion is passed by consent.

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MC Motion to withdraw the previous approved motion and make the motion to state the allocation of \$10,161.50 for advertisements, food, the DJ, supplies, equipment rental and for 50% of the shirt costs. (Dan)(JP)

Harold – There is a big difference, we are just paying for them to use the lanes and it is close enough to school for students to drive there, and there is also Bill's Bus which they are paying for.

Paige – We have given them an exception. And I think that another one isn't bad. They are doing a lot for us.

Dan withdraws motion.

MC Motion to allocate \$10,161.50 for advertisements, food, the DJ, supplies, equipment rental and for 50% of the shirt costs, with the stipulations of the shirts say "Funded by AS" and that they table in the arbor. (JP)(Dan)

MCF Vote to vote fails by a 7/8/0 vote. (Kevin voted.)

JP withdraws motion.

MC Motion to allocate \$10,511.50 for the advertisements, food, the DJ, supplies, equipment rental, Zodo's rental and for 50% of the shirt costs, with the stipulations that they table in the arbor, that all shirts say "Funded by AS". (Dan)(Harold)

MCC Motion is passed by consent.

ACTION ITEMS

none

SECRETARY'S REPORT – Sarah Dasko

Never expect these meetings to be short.

BOARD REPORTS

none

CHAIR'S REPORT – Kevin Higuchi

Jose and I have assigned you as liaisons to all the groups on campus. Please stay in contact with them and help them throughout the school year. The web site is now operational. The organizations can turn in everything online. This goes to me directly, and I will make sure that it gets on the agenda.

VICE-CHAIR'S REPORT – Jose Raygoza

Exceptions are one per year per group. This is up to the board as to how we use this. We are here to help students, and if this is how they want to use their exception it's their choice.

I am for free speech, and I think that we should bring more people on campus that would start dialog between students. If you prefer to work with a certain group, please talk to the assigned liaison to that group.

REMARKS

JP – The one exception is not a “get out of jail free” card. We should make sure that their need is great to use this.

Hassan – I feel that many students will be against the movie that we funded. And I just want to bring that up.

Harold – We are going to have to build a policy that deals with tshirt funding. I think that we should bring it up in closed session and create a policy.

Stephanie – I think that Hassan had a great point. I think that we should be at the event to make sure that it is a safe space.

Hassan – In future events that deal with political events, I think that we should fund them based on learning not on politics.

ADJOURNMENT

MC Motion to adjourn. (Gloria)(JP)

MCC Motion is passed by consent.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.