

February 2nd , 2009
Flying A Room
University Center
4:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Dan Plotkin
Tina Samson
Pratish Patel
David Preciado
Gloria Schindler (proxy)
Hassan Naveed
Jackie Lee
Paige Blatt (proxy)
Desi Fairly
Donald Byers
Darshan Grover
Josue Aparicio
Stephanie Fitch
Kelsey Fischer

Absent:

Bee Sliff
Serena Wang
Steven Wolfson

Advisor: Brian O'Donnell, Cindy Lopez

ACCEPTANCE OF EXCUSED ABSENCES AND PROXIES:

Dan: I'd say to accept all proxies, including Doug Wagoner for Gloria, Alex Onodera for Paige, Bee is excused, Steven still doesn't have a proxy, Hassan needs to leave at 7, Darshan needs to leave at 7:20, Donald needs to leave at 6:30, David needs to leave at 7.

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

MCC Motion passed by consent

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Dan: We have a lengthy agenda tonight, it's important for everyone to have a positive attitude, I'd ask the presenters to keep it short and concise when explaining their budget.

PUBLIC FORUM:

None.

ADVISOR'S REPORT:

Brian: This Wednesday at 4:00 pm here in the Flying A Room there is a budget workshop for the

what funding they might get will be addressed.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA:

MC Motion to add NORML to old business (Darshan)(Donald)
MCC Motion passed by consent

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

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

MC Motion to accept the Finance Board minutes from January 26,2008 (Tina)(Pratish)
MCC Motion passed by consent

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Eye to Eye:

MC Motion to table until the end of the meeting (Josue)(Pratish)
MCC Motion passed by consent

2. CAB:

MC Motion to table until the end of the meeting (Darshan)(Pratish)
MCC Motion passed by consent

3. Lambda Pi Eta:

MC Motion to table until the end of the meeting (Desi)(Josue)
MCC Motion passed by consent

4. UCSB Dance Team- Reallocation:

MC Motion to table until the end of the meeting (Desi)(Pratish)
MCC Motion passed by consent

5. NORML:

Speaker: Quick clarification- I didn't steal any money, and in the future if I say something too fast or that you don't understand please ask me about it. Our budget is the same as last week, need \$256 for copies of "American Drug War", the original idea was to sell these copies and have a fundraiser, but we're just going to give them away for free. We're also requesting funding for t-shirts, so we can sell them and donate the money to the Rachel Morningstar Hoffman Foundation to effect police policy changes. Whatever t-shirts we get we'll just sell them at cost, about \$15 but it might be less if we ordered the t-shirts in bulk, 120 shirts or over, I don't know the exact discount. Our total budget is \$2833, we're requesting \$2633. The door prizes listed are being donated.

Desi: You don't need any money for rights to show the film publicly? And can you describe the t-shirts

Speaker: The director was just going to screen it. And the shirts are black with a design, made from organic hemp from China but assembled here in Santa Barbara, sweatshop free.

MC Motion to allocate \$1477 to NORML for film screening, which is \$100 for contract, \$200 for advertising, \$100 for food, \$177 for labor and equipment, half the shirts for awareness purposes, so 60 shirts to total of \$900 (Desi)(Josue)

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Lebanese Club:

Speaker: We're requesting funding for our Third Annual Middle Eastern Party, on February 27th in the Hub, it's a great cultural experience, we'll be playing a mix of all middle eastern music, have a belly dancer presentation. Our budget is \$3900, we're requesting \$3000, we're talking with After Dark for the rest, the asterisks are next to the most necessary things we need. 500 attended last year. Last year AS gave us \$5000, but we cut out a lot of stuff like decorations.

Desi: Will other groups that are doing this with you be coming to ask for money?

Speaker: We're hosting the event, it's more like we tell the other Middle Eastern groups on campus that we're having it and they advertise to their own organizations. We include them because it's a Middle Eastern party, not a Lebanese party.

2. FUQIT (Friendly Undergraduate Queers in it Together):

Speaker: We're requesting funds for basic craft supplies and food for our groups, and flyers for publicity. We've had about 20 people coming to the meetings on a regular basis, not including the five officers.

David: Do you do any outside events, other than the weekly meetings?

Speaker: We meet weekly inside, because some people don't feel comfortable doing outside stuff, and we like to create a safe space.

Darshan: Have you gotten any alternative sources of funding?

Speaker: We were thinking of going to Qcomm, but it seems like they're allocating a lot of money to their conference and wouldn't have any money for us.

3. Korean Cultural Awareness Group

Speaker: We're requesting money to fund our biggest event, a celebration of the beginning of the Lunar Chinese year. The KCAG from three UCs get together in LA to do a performance, and this year we're donating our money to those who are having trouble paying their utilities. We need our hotel fee, a car rental, and money for dry cleaning our costumes.

Tina: We don't fund off campus events, it's against our by-laws. But what is the performance you're intending to do?

Speaker: We play traditional Korean drums, we have six performers at UCSB. The costumes have been passed down from alumni.

4. Asian Pacific American Graduate Students

Speaker: We're asking AS to fund two Bay Area comics to come to UCSB to talk about Asian American mental health. We need \$1500 for each comic, for total of \$3000, MCC has already given us \$500, and the Women's Center and Asian American Studies department has also given us some funding. We're asking for \$500 from AS. We're publicizing with Facebook, will be on the MCC brochure, have been sending out list serves.

Alex: How many undergrads will attend?

Speaker: I'm not sure, but there will be a huge show up, and the MCC holds 150 people total. We're advertising to not just graduates but heavily to undergrads as well.

5. Men's Volleyball Club:

MC Motion to table until the end of the meeting (Tina)(Josue)

MCC Motion passed by consent

Speaker: We're a club dedicated to getting awareness to alternatives to treatments and preventative measures to breast cancer, instead of just spreading statistics. We're doing a lot of different fundraisers and funding things ourselves, but we're requesting funding for an upcoming seminar, planned for February 22. We're having four speakers coming, which includes a researcher here at UCSB, a breast cancer survivor and a doctor from a prominent cancer society. They are doing this for free, but we would like to rent IV Theater, put ads in the Nexus, and give the speakers flowers. The Breast Cancer Resource Center has been helping our club out, they as well as the Women's center will be tabling at the seminar.

Tina: What are the decorations?

Speaker: The \$175 is for tablecloths, flowers and display things for the tables.

Pratish: We don't fund deposits, so your \$25.

Hassan: Would you consider the \$100 for flowers gifts for the speakers?

Speaker: Yes.

7. Los Curanderos:

Speaker: We try and serve underrepresented communities. We're requesting funding for a Conference on February 28th from 9am to 4pm for high school and college students, to get both interested in going to medical school. We mostly reach out to schools in Oxnard, and expose them to the health field and higher education opportunities, but for this event there will be schools from the Oxnard high school district, all UCSB students are invited, SBCC and Ventura Community College have been invited. Our total budget is \$2256.22.

8. UCSB Cheer

Speaker: We're registered as a sports team under OSL, not under official school athletics, but since as the coach I'm hired by the Athletics Department, we have to follow their rules, and they don't fund us. We do things throughout the year, but there are three major competitions coming up, two invitational's which are qualifiers for the national competition in Anaheim.

David: Why does Cheer only go to men's sports games?

Speaker: We're required by Athletics to attend the men's and women's basketball games, and the men's soccer games, but there are only 26 cheerleaders and when there are men's and women's games going on, Athletics prefer that we're where most of the students are. We attend most of the home games on a regular basis, even when there isn't very much room to cheer, just to show our support.

9. Health Professions Association

Speaker: We're a student run organization provide anyone who is interested with the information they need to get into medical school or choose a medical path. We're asking for funding for our 9th Annual Health Conference, where we're having 7 to 9 speakers from different professions come and talk. This year five of the speakers are UCSD medical school students, each are getting paid \$100. We usually have about 150 turn out for this event. We'll be handing out the t-shirts to anyone. Our club does have a \$30 registration fee, which gives us about \$3,000 to pay for this event, but it's not enough.

10. American Red Cross Club

Speaker: Asking for funding to put on our fundraiser this year, to give money to the malaria prevention program through the Red Cross. Will be a dodge ball tournament on March 6th, we're asking for \$705 for advertising for Facebook, the Flush, jpeg on the internet, printing for applications for teams, and dodge balls which we'll donate to the Girls and Boys Club after we use them- we've talked to them already about it. Will be at Mac Gym at the Rec Cen, we're trying to get After Dark to fund the venue. The money will come from registering teams, it's \$5 more if you're not a UCSB student.

11. IV Live:

Speaker: I'm the Artistic Director of IV Live, which brings alternatives to partying in DP on the weekends. I wanted to create a type of live entertainment that is engaging and cutting edge, and we're planning on starting shows that feature freak show, neovaudville. I'm asking for help funding a workshop in April, taught by Harley Numan, on the technique of sideshow, which is dancing on swords, lying on a bed of nails, dancing and acting. He'll have a live performance at the end of the week. Would most like \$800 for lodging, and security fees. Numan is fully insured, he has a masters in theatric arts, he is a professional, and we won't be teaching anything that can't be safely learned in one week. It's open to everyone, and we're thinking of having it worth course credit.

12. Linguistics Department

MCC Motion to table until the end of the meeting (David)(Pratish)

MC Motion passed by consent

13. UCSB Habitat for Humanity:

Speaker: Since we last presented to you, we've gone to alternative sources of funding, CAB gave us a lot of money, we have everything except airfare. It will probably cost about \$400 per plane ticket. We have about five spots fixed for students in the club, and there are ten open spots for any students, based on their involvement in community service.

14. Los Ingenieros

Speaker: We're asking for funding for our tenth annual outreach program, Science and Technology Day, bringing about 88 Jr. high and high school students from Ventura and Santa Barbara counties all day to participate in workshops and lectures. Usually we get full funding for transportation and food for 1000 students from Student Initiated Outreach Program (SIOP), but we've only got half this year. For other funding we're going to contact alumni and professional companies. If it comes to it, what we really need is the food, and we can ask the high schools to provide their own transportation.

15. Alpha Tau Omega

Speaker: I just heard you can't fund security deposits, so you can remove ours, so total we're requesting is \$21,554. We're requesting money for our annual philanthropic volleyball tournament, the profits we make go to the Kidney Cancer Association. Last year we requested \$26,000 and we made it all back. This is not a Greek event, we had about 4500 students attend last year. It's in Santa Barbara, but the county is making us do that because it's too big to hold in IV. What we mostly need funded is the stuff that the city is charging, and these amounts are non negotiable, like the park fees and rental, the venue, and the SB police. We also want to provide transportation in forms of buses because we don't want to be responsible for people driving home drunk. We will have a beer garden, but drinks are limited, and we don't allow alcohol to be brought into the event. We're getting a lot of funding from Twin Productions, and we're covering a lot ourselves. We had one group table at the event and they were very successful, any groups are welcome to table at it this year. Our total budget is about \$32,000, advertising state and entertainment have already been taken care of.

David: Do you remember the numbers of Greek and non Greek teams?

Speaker: Traditionally, there are 100 percent Greek teams, but we can have other teams and make sure that this is an event completely open to the UCSB campus.

Cindy: See if the police can give you an actual number, try and pin them down because in the past they've kept the cost open ended, and charged more than what they originally said.

16. Hermanos Unidos and Sigma Alpha Zeta:

bringing 120 students from 15 schools in LA county to UCSB, we've already gotten \$10,000 from SIOP for transportation, gas, food and publicity, we're requesting \$6760 from you. We're presenting to SIRRC (Student Initiated Recruitment and Retention Center) and SCORE (Student Commission on Racial Equality) for the rest. I'd like to amend to double the amount of shirts for programs next year, so we're requesting \$8080 from you.

Desi: Are you going to be keeping certain items like the canopies?

Speaker: Since this is an annual program, we're growing and we'd like to keep those things for next years, like the canopies.

17. Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity:

Speaker: We're asking for funding for our 18th annual Fight Night. It will be in a 5000 person venue, we have all of the Greek community selling tickets. It is a charity boxing event for the Kid's Foundation, there will be 6-7 fights by qualified amateur boxers, who will be wearing headgear, including a performance by the UCSB dance team. The cost of the venue and the police has gone up in the last years. Venue is the most important, and the contract, Mission security and insurance and doctor's insurance are the biggest things.

Pratish: You have about \$6,000 in debt, owed to your charity, and it's not possible to wait until after you get the proceed from this upcoming Fight Night. If we allocate more than \$5,000 for a philanthropic event, it must be raised, and if there is a deficit we're not allowed to allocate any more money to that group until that debt to the charity is repaid. You have to raise \$6,000 in outside funding, and then you can come again and request the same amount from Finance Board.

MC Motion to table Project Eye to Eye indefinitely (Pratish)(Hassan)

MCC Motion passed by consent

MC Motion to table CAB indefinitely (Pratish)(Tina)

MCC Motion passed by consent

MC Motion to table Lambda for one week (Pratish)(Desi)

MCC Motion passed by consent

MC Motion to table UCSB Dance for one week (Pratish)(David)

MCC Motion passed by consent

Men's Club Volleyball:

Speaker: This is the third year of men's volleyball, and there's a rule that you have to be a club team before Rec Sports recognizes you as a school affiliated club, so we've had to pay out of pocket for our equipment and tournaments out of pocket for three years. We need about \$12,000 to pay in the next week or two in order to go to nationals, so we're requesting the max team sports can request from FB at \$3,000. The most important to be funded is the Tournament registration fees for invitationals at UCD and Cal State Long beach. There are two teams, total of 20 guys, about 9 players a team go to each tournament, this budget is for two teams to register to go.

MC Motion to table Linguistics Department for one week (Pratish)(Josue)

MCC Motion passed by consent

MC Motion to suspend the orders of the day and move to Action Items (Pratish)(Tina)

MCC Motion passed by consent

ACTION ITEMS:

EAB- Gift allocation:

Speaker: We're asking to give \$125 gift certificate to a person who wins a photo contest in recognition of the 40th anniversary of the SB oil spill.

MC Motion to approve reallocation of \$125 of EAB funds (Pratish)(Josue)

MCC Motion passed by consent

MC Motion to reinstate the orders of the day (Pratish)(Day)

MCC Motion passed by consent

MC Motion for a three minute break (Darshan)(Pratish)

MCC Motion passed by consent

Reconvened at 6:46pm.

Role taken

Absent:

Bee Sliff

Serena Wang

Steven Wolfson

ALLOCATION:

1. Lebanese Club

MC Motion to fully fund Lebanese club (David)(Hassan)

MCC Motion passed by consent

2. FUQIT

Hassan: This allows for safe spaces for a part of the UCSB community, allows our community to strengthen and build.

Kelsey: I feel a lot of these things could be paid for by just asking for dues from the members.

MC Motion to fund zero dollars (Kelsey)(Mega)

Amendment to fund in full (Desi)(Tina)

Kelsey/ Mega: That is friendly.

Tina: I don't know if we've given them money for food, will it go over \$500?

Brian: They're over on the food.

Darshan: We shouldn't set a precedent for funding weekly meetings, regardless of how much merit they have.

Amendment to allocate \$471.42, for all supplies and what they have left of food (Pratish)

Desi/ Tina: That is friendly.

Jackie: Qcomm was created for funding to go directly to groups like this, and we already gave them \$585 last quarter for supplies and food.

Darshan objects to calling the question

Pratish doesn't withdraw his motion

Vote to vote passes (10-2)

MCC Motion passed by vote (6-6, tie vote, Chair votes yes)

MC Motion to suspend the orders of the day and move to Acceptance of proxies and excused absences (David)(Josue)

MC Motion to accept Christina as proxy for Gloria (Pratish)(Stephanie)
MCC Motion passed by consent

MC Motion to reinstate the orders of the day (David)(Pratish)
MCC Motion passed by consent

3. Korean Cultural Awareness Group
MC Motion to allocate zero dollars (Pratish)(Tina)
MCC Motion passed by consent

4. Asian Pacific American Graduate Students
MC Motion to allocate \$500 to APAG (Pratish)(Desi)
MCC Motion passed by consent

5. Men's Club Volleyball at UCSB
Tabled- addressed later

6. Pink Link Breast Cancer Research and Awareness Club
MC Motion to allocate \$1595, everything but their \$25 deposit (Pratish)(Stephanie)
MCC Motion passed by consent

7. Los Curanderos
MC Motion to fund \$2256.22 from SIOP budget (Hassan)(Darshan)
MCC Motion passed by consent

8. UCSB Cheer
MC Motion to allocate \$3,000 total from sports team fund, which is \$2,600 for hotel and \$400 for entrance fees (Tina)(Desi)
MCC Motion passed by consent

9. Health Professions Association
MC Motion to allocate \$2,045, which does not include t-shirts (Pratish)(Desi)
MCC Motion passed by consent

10. American Red Cross Club
MC Motion to allocate in full (Tina)(Stephanie)
MCC Motion passed by consent

11. IV Live
MC Motion to allocate \$900 for IV Theater rental and Nexus ads (Pratish)(Josue)
Objection to call to question
Pratish withdraws the motion
MC Motion to allocate \$900 for IV Theater rental and Nexus ads from Spring quarter unallocated (Hassan)(Josue)
MCC Motion passed by consent

Tabled.

13. UCSB Habitat for Humanity

MC Motion to fund in full with one time exception (Kelsey)

Motion fails without second.

MC Motion to allocate half of flight fees (\$3000) out of Spring unallocated with one time exception (Desi)(Pratish)

JP: They did this last year and it was a fantastic event, would encourage other groups to do community service.

Amendment to allocate zero dollars (Hassan)

Desi: That is unfriendly.

Kelsey: We aren't favoring groups, we're just looking at the caliber and impact of their event.

Objection to consent

MCC Motion fails by vote (7-4-1)

Jackie: Why should we give them \$3,000 just to fly across the country when there is a lot of stuff that they could do here in SB?

MC Motion to allocate \$3,001 from Spring unallocated with one time exception (Kelsey)(Desi)

Hassan: We're not here to judge the caliber of the event. If we fund one, we have to fund all other events like this, and we have to be careful about how we spend our money.

Amendment to allocate zero dollars (Hassan)

Kelsey: That is unfriendly.

Jackie seconds the amendment.

Desi: We're not tied down by precedent.

Hassan: We're showing favoritism to an organization.

Vote on adopting the amendment fails (3-9)

MCC Motion passed by vote (9-3)

14. Los Ingenieros

MC Motion to allocate \$5,055 from SIOP fund, for facility rentals (Tina)(Christina)

Amendment to fund the rest from winter unallocated with one time exception (Hassan)

Tina: That is unfriendly.

Amendment to fund \$5295 for everything but transportation (Pratish)

Tina/Christina: That is friendly.

MCC Motion passed by consent

15. Alpha Tau Omega

Dan: The max that we can give them is ten percent from the unallocated budget for spring, which is \$20,227. They are asking for two one time exceptions, for transportation and location.

MC Motion to allocate in full (Kelsey)(Josue)

Hassan: I feel there is a lot of favoritism on this board. Funding this event doesn't address culture or awareness or anything. It's a free handout, and we have to have accessible money for every group.

David: They should be able to get 100 percent outside funding.

Amendment to table for a week (David)

Kelsey: That is unfriendly.

Tina seconds the amendment.

JP: This is the most highly attended event all year.

Cindy: The Santa Barbara police are open ended on how much they are going to charge for security at this event, even though they won't allow it to go on without the police department's presence, I don't

JP objects to consent
Vote to adopt the amendment fails (7-4-1)
Stephanie objects to consent
MCC Motion fails by vote (0-10-1)
MC Motion to table for one week (Tina)(Hassan)
Josue objects to consent
MCC Motion to table passed by vote (8-3)

16. Hermanos Unidos and Sigma Alpha Zeta
MC Motion to allocate \$6760 out of SIOP, not including doubling the shirts (Josue)(David)
Amendment to remove canopy and banners, allocate \$6110 out of SIOP (Pratish)
David: That is unfriendly.
Mega seconds the amendment.
MCC Motion to allocate \$6110 passed by consent

17. Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity
MC Motion to table until they come up with the \$6,000 they owe (Tina)(Stephanie)
Hassan objects to calling the question
Jackie: Giving money to this organization when the owe \$6,000 sends the wrong message to clubs that they can take the students' money and do what they want with it, there is no fiscal responsibility attached to an allocation from FB.
MCC Motion to table passed by consent

Men's Club Volleyball:
MC Motion to allocate \$3,000 from the Sports account for event fees (Pratish)(Josue)
MCC Motion passed by consent

BOARD/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Dan: The MCP workshop is tomorrow at Embarcadero hall, will be presenters, advisors and a Q&A session.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT'S REPORT:

None

CHAIR REPORT:

Dan: Everyone did great, we stayed on focus for this very long meeting. I would ask that we form some AdHoc subcommittee to deal with this 10 percent or 10 grand thing, for those who'd like to look at it. We can then decide whether we'd like to do it through changing the legal code with Leg Council or just have it as a standing policy in Finance Board. Also give applause to Jackie for being an awesome Vice Chair and to Brian for being our new Student Government Advisor!

VICE CHAIR REPORT:

None

ENDING REMARKS:

Dan: I would encourage everyone to look over the budget for the groups that were tabled and know exactly what they are going to say next week. And email your orgs with what they've been allocated tonight before they read it in the Daily Nexus!

ADJOURNMENT:

MC Motion to adjourn (Tina)(Josue)

MCC Motion passes by consent

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.