



Executive Order to Enable a Temporary SAF Allocation Process for Fall 2022

August 15th, 2022

WHEREAS the Registered Student Organizations Policy of the Georgia Institute of Technology (IRSOP) states, “the Student Government Association [(SGA)] allocates Student Activity Fee funds to Registered Student Organizations [(RSOs)] and departments of the Division of Student Engagement and Well Being through its Joint Finance Committee (JFC);”

WHEREAS this allocation duty is considered one of the most important services that SGA provides to the Student Body, as the Student Activity Fee facilitates a wide variety of RSO projects, activities, and programming to both undergraduate and graduate students;

WHEREAS the Joint Vice President of Finance (JVPF), as established through the Joint Governance Policy of the Graduate and Undergraduate Student Government Associations of the Georgia Institute of Technology (JGP), is responsible for overseeing JFC and ensuring it has sufficient membership;

WHEREAS due to recruitment and retainment issues resulting from the inordinate and burdensome amount of work tasked to JFC resulting from increased fee utilization and policy issues, the current role of the JVPF and JFC are unsustainable to be able to provide both its current role and also financial advocacy;

WHEREAS changes are actively being developed by SGA in collaboration with relevant administrators to more reasonably distribute work between JFC, the JVPF, and the Student Organization Finance Office (SOFO);

WHEREAS changes to the IRSOP, SAF Policy, JGP, and the RSO Funding Allocations Guidelines will not be completed prior to the start of the next Fiscal Year;

WHEREAS without JFC meetings, RSOs will be negatively impacted, decreasing the quality of the Georgia Tech student experience;

AND WHEREAS SOFO possesses deep, historical knowledge of the IRSOP and has the full confidence of both the Undergraduate President and the Graduate President to make funding decisions in compliance with the IRSOP and the RSO Funding Allocation Guidelines;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Undergraduate Student Body President of SGA and the Graduate Student Body President of SGA take immediate action through this joint Executive Order to ensure allocation of the Student Activity Fee remains uninterrupted;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that that SOFO is temporarily delegated responsibility for the allocation of the Student Activity Fee and convening of JFC meetings until December 15th, 2022;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, so long as SOFO is responsible for the aforementioned, SOFO will participate in regular meetings with the Undergraduate President and Graduate President to keep SGA informed of the allocation of the Student Activity Fee;



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the JVPF will work closely with SOFO to help RSOs understand the temporary process;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the JVPF and JFC will work with SOFO to host bill and budget orientation sessions per the RSO and SAF policies;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, the Undergraduate and Graduate President will respectively regularly inform the Undergraduate House of Representatives and the Graduate Student Senate regarding changes to the IRSOP, SAF Policy, JGP, and RSO Funding Allocation Guidelines;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the JVPF will identify a comprehensive plan for improved bill and budget processes by December 15th, 2022, in collaboration with the Center for Student Engagement and SOFO;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that SGA will work with the Office of Student Engagement to ensure that RSOs receive timely communication regarding and understand the new bills and budget process.

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