

10th Meeting of the 13 th Financial Board FY19
Campus Center Morgan Room
April 10th , 2019 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

- I. Call to Order
- II. Treasurer's Remarks
- III. Unfinished Business
- IV. New Business

A.8 Recommendations of the Appropriations Committee

- F.64 African Percussion and Dance Ensemble (\$556.00) - Denied
- F.65 Greenhouse and Horticulture Club (\$40.00) - Denied
- F.66 Motorsports Club (\$100.00) - Passed in Full
- F.67 Robotics Club (Reallocation- \$905.75) - Passed in Full
- F.68 Upsilon Pi Epsilon (\$405.81) - Denied
- F.69 Women's Ultimate Frisbee (\$1,225.00) - Passed in Full

- F.70 Cue Sports Club (\$770.00) - Passed in the amended amount of \$20.00
- F.71 Enactus (\$4,560.00) - Passed in the amended amount of \$3,200.00
- F.72 Newman Club (\$600.85) - Passed in Full

- V. Questions, Comments, and Ideas
- VI. Adjournment

F.64 African Percussion and Dance Ensemble - (\$556.00)

Purpose of Funds:

Funds for paying our instructor for a rehearsal and a de-stress workshop/performance.

Presentation:

Questions:

Discussion:

POI: Aren't we not funding de-stress events?

CON: They already have 6 rehearsals on their budget, they don't need another and SGA doesn't fund de-stress events.

CON: Another rehearsal from the six they have seems excessive.

CON: I am against the de-stress event.

CON: I am against both items. It seems that they want the rehearsal for the performance/de-stress event.

Outcome: Denied because SGA does not fund de-stress events and the board deemed that they already have too many rehearsals.

F.65 Greenhouse and Horticulture Club - (\$40.00)

Purpose of Funds:

Promoting our club on campus

Presentation:

Questions:

Discussion:

PRO: This is a very new club and they don't have a budget. I believe it could really help promote their club.

CON: Just because they are a new organization, it doesn't mean we shouldn't follow our rule of thumb. I don't think they are doing that bad with promotion.

CON: We amended a club's FR because of stickers, therefore we should keep consistency.

Outcome: Denied because SGA does not fund stickers

F.66 Motorsports Club - (\$100.00)

Purpose of Funds:

The extra funds will be used to pay for the WPI Radio Club providing sound/music and microphone services throughout the duration of the event.

Presentation:

Questions:

Discussion:

POI: Their event is on April 13th.

PRO: This is a great event and gets a good turnout. And promotes club collaboration.

Outcome: Passed in Full

F.67 Robotics Club - (\$905.75)

Purpose of Funds:

Re-allocation of funds

Presentation:

They are covering airfare out of pocket already. Seven students and an advisor.

Questions:

Discussion:

CON: Does not follow our by-laws of fully funding registration costs.

They're asking to reallocate the difference of the cost of the hotel proposed in their budget to the registration costs to fully fund that because their hotel turned out to be cheaper than what they thought.

CON: They are not requesting anymore funds, however this does not follow our by-laws.

Motion to table to financial board.

Motion passes

How many teams? I don't know but the competitions fill the whole Kentucky expo center from teams all over the world.

How long is your season? A year but we mostly plan over the summer for the game that is released by the competition.

Do you do regional competitions? We have only done one regional competition.

POI: This is for the world championship hotel and registration costs, our biggest and most important event of the year. We qualified to participate in it.

PRO: He gave a valid reason that it is the biggest competition for their club.

PRO: They are not requesting any more money, they are just re-allocating the funds and fits the purpose of the club.

Outcome: Passed in Full

F.68 Upsilon Pi Epsilon - (\$405.81)

Purpose of Funds:

The funds will be used to subsidize the apparel order

Presentation:

Questions:

Discussion:

CON: We don't fund apparel and we don't fund reimbursements.

CON: Does not benefit all of campus.

Outcome: Denied because SGA does not fund apparel and reimbursements.

F.69 Women's Ultimate Frisbee - (\$1225.00)

Purpose of Funds:

Transportation to and from Smith College for Sectionals Tournament.

Presentation:

Questions:

Discussion:

PRO: SGA funds transportation

PRO: It is already approved, they just need the funds in order to go.

Outcome: Passed in Full

F.70 Cue Sports Club - (\$770.00)

Purpose of Funds:

\$20 for tournament prize, \$750 for 25 customized shirts with expedited shipping for the event.

Presentation:

To run their own version of the Mosconi Cup with the Cue Sports Club Alumni. Through streaming the event they will be able to watch and learn from professional players. They plan to grow as a club. Prizes include a pool cleaner polisher, cue holder, bowtie.

Questions:

How many t-shirts are you ordering? 25

Who's getting a t-shirt? Any member who wants it.

Does it have a relation to the tournament? They can wear it to any event.

Will the members be keeping the t-shirts? Yes

You asked the club if they wanted shirts? Yes and 25 members wanted them

How many members do you have? 35

What is your expected attendance for the tournament? 10 undergrads.

Will the prizes be available for the alumni? No, the tournament is separate from the alumni event.

How much does the t-shirt cost? 24-25\$

Have you bought the t-shirts yet? No

Discussion:

Motion to amend the cost of tournament prizes to 10\$

POI: The rule of thumb for prizes says that it is 1\$ per person for prizes.

CON: I don't think 10\$ would be much of a difference.

CON: There is a reason rule of thumb are rule of thumbs and not by-laws.

Motion fails

Motion to amend out the cost of t-shirts

POI: We are not currently funding apparel for the remainder of this fiscal year.

PRO: I see this more as a prize for the event.

PRO: If were to see this as a prize, it would be too high per capita anyway.

POI: The t-shirts are meant for undergrads. Separate from both events.

POI: Why can't t-shirts that have names be uniforms? Because they can't reuse them each year.

PRO: Even if the personalization is removed, this is something they can get on their own.

POI: I believe they said the t-shirts were not going to be given out in any of the two events.

PRO: We don't fund personal apparel.

PRO: We should remain consistent. We recently denied a request that were requesting for personal apparel.

Motion passes

Motion to pass request for \$20.00

Outcome: Passed for Amended Amount of \$20.00

F.71 Enactus - (\$4560.00)

Purpose of Funds:

The funds will be used to cover hotel, and transport costs to/from the airport and travel in the city. It does not include food or flight costs.

Presentation:

Social entrepreneurship club that do sustainable projects to make social impacts. They want to send students to the national conference (4 teams). Gives them a chance to showcase WPI, gain pitching skills, establish department relationships and to network. They reached out to department funding.

Questions:

Is the only conference you go to every year? Yes

Is the cost for the hotel follow SGA by-laws? No

Was the uber allowed? That has not been included in our costs. We know if were to use uber we will not be reimbursed.

Discussion:

Motion to amend the cost of the hotel by 66%

PRO: Follows SGA By-laws

PRO: I agree, but does the board think this integral to the club?

I would say no because they have been performing the club without it.

POI: This is a provisional club

Motion passes

Motion to pass request for \$3,200

Pro: Fits the purpose of the club and they looked for department funding

Outcome: Passed for Amended Amount

F.72 Newman Club - (\$600.85)

Purpose of Funds:

To better enhance the Sunday Mass experience for our club members. Currently, someone needs to get up during mass to change the slides, which disturbs everyone. For a new piano case, clicker, projector

Presentation:

These items will last us for about 5-10 years. The projector cuts down on printing costs.

Questions:

Do you guys not use hymnals? No, we do not use them.

For the clicker, can't you just rent it? IT's policy is that you can only rent it for two days. It is possible but not that feasible.

Where would you keep the projector? The Newman club has a room in the CRC, we will be leaving it there at the chapel.

What do you expect the project will last for? Probably for another 6-7 years.

Discussion:

PRO: I think they put a lot of effort into this and have done a lot research to make this the most feasible as possible.

PRO: They promote sustainability. A great club on campus that brings people to campus that would not go to mass off campus.

Outcome: Passed in Full