

WORCESTER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

29th Student Government Association

14th Meeting of the 29th Undergraduate Student Government Association Executive Board

1:00 PM – October 7th, 2019

I. Call to Order

II. New Business

a. **E.29 Society of Asian Scientists and Engineers (\$2,274.00)**

i. **Purpose**

1. SASE is sending 23 participants to their regional conference and 10 participants to their national conference. They need the funds for travel and lodging.

ii. **Discussion**

1. **Questions/Points of Information:**

- a. They have funds already budgeted
 - i. Hotels could have gotten more expensive
- b. We funded 10 people for this event, and now they're sending 18 people.
- c. Two of the people attending are graduates. Are they additional people?
 - i. Two students are being funded by the Graduate program, but are requesting lodging for all 18 people.
- d. There appears to be a credit card placed. Is that a promise of payment?
 - i. Hotels usually require putting a credit card to reserve a room, but that it not a promise of payment.

2. **Motion to amend the cost to \$340.25. This would fund 2/3 of the cost of the Westin, and cut the cost of the Courtyard.**

a. **Pros:**

- i. Due to the cost of the event and that SGA already approved in sending 10 people to the event, we should stick to 10 people in attendance.

b. **Outcome:**

i. **Motion Passed**

iii. **Outcome**

1. **Request passed for \$340.25**

b. **E.30 Brazilian Student Association (\$918.90)**

i. **Purpose**

1. These funds would be used for transportation for 11 students to the BRASA Summit.

ii. **Discussion**

1. **Questions/Points of Information:**

- a. This bus is cheaper than a school bus
- b. Their trip is pending approval.

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2. Pros:

- a. There is no contract in place
- b. SGA funds the full cost of travel.

iii. Outcome

1. Request Passed in Full

c. E.31 Club Water Polo (\$1,000.00)

i. Purpose

1. These funds will go towards lodging and transportation for their Fall 2019 Championship Tournament.

ii. Discussion

1. Questions/Points of Information:

- a. Is the lodging 2/3 of the total cost?
 - i. Lodging is the total cost, but we usually fund the total cost of lodging to club sports tournaments.
- b. What is the rule for gas funding?
 - i. They will need to submit receipts from the gas station.
 - ii. This is a lower cost than the reimbursement cost for gas.

2. Pros:

- a. This event is integral to the club. We should fund this tournament as it allows the team to compete at a higher level.
- b. Relatively cheap per person.

iii. Outcome

1. Request Passed in Full

III. Adjournment

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