

22nd Meeting of the 16th Financial Board FY23
Meeting Room: CC Taylor
November 9th, 2022
6:00 - 7:00 pm

I. Call to Order

II. Treasurer's Remarks

III. Old Business

IV. New Business

Appropriations committee:

F.276 Women in Electrical and Computer Engineering (\$93)---PASSED

F.277 Women's Club Basketball (\$1200)---PASSED

F.272 DoughClub (\$129)---PASSED

F.275 Outing Club (\$4400)---PASSED

F.278 Ski and Snowboard Club (\$4950)---PASSED

F.279 African Percussion and Dance Ensemble (\$6750)---PASSED

F.280 Vietnamese Students Association (\$1140.3)---DENIED

F.281 Vietnamese Students Association (\$4000)---PASSED

F.282 Rangeela-Bollywood and Bhangra Fusion Dance Team (\$550)---PASSED

F.283 Rangeela-Bollywood and Bhangra Fusion Dance Team (\$426.9)---PASSED

V. Questions, Comments, and Ideas

VI. Adjournment

F.272 DoughClub (\$129)

Purpose of Funds:

For our GBM to make DoughBalls.

Presentation:

Total request cost: \$129.

Expected attendance is 22 members.

No cost per person.

Chartwells approval was not required for this event.

Meeting promotes team bonding.

Questions:

Q: Could you explain the purpose of your club?

A: Dough Club tackles food insecurity on campus and DoughBoys sponsors the club.

Q: Do you have options for dietary restrictions?

A: Yes, vegan and vegetarian options are available.

Discussion:

PRO: Cost effective and fits the purpose of the club.

PRO: Answers to questions were thorough.

Outcome:

PASSED

F.275 Outing Club (\$4400)

Purpose of Funds:

Pay for two CRG Overnights, and help with the increased AA transportation bus costs

Presentation:

CRG Overnight and Bussing Event

Promote activity outside and provide access to the outdoors

Requesting \$4400 for transportation (club is taking 9 buses) and overnight fees.

35 active members attending CRG overnight event.

Date: B term November 18th to 19th

Club is requesting funds because bus cost has increased since club had their last budget.

Questions:

N/A

Discussion:

From 11/2:

CON: Table because the 9 busses is confusing; presentation is unclear

Motion to table

Motion Passes

Tabled

From 11/9:

PRO: Fits the purpose of the club

PRO: There is high attendance for this event

PRO: It is reasonable for the club to request for more funds. The funds will supplicate the existing amount allocated from the club's budget.

Outcome:

PASSED

F.276 Women in Electrical and Computer Engineering (\$93)

Purpose of Funds:

Supplies for annual paint night.

Presentation:

Purchasing art supplies.

Total cost: \$93 art supplies

Questions:

N/A

Discussion:

PRO: Active club on campus

PRO: Low cost event with a high impact

PRO: Fits the purpose of the club

Outcome:

PASSED

F.277 Women's Club Basketball (\$1200)

Purpose of Funds:

We will use these funds in order to pay the bus driver who drives us to Vermont for our games.

Presentation:

Club requesting for funds to cover transportation cost.

Club has 15 members.

Requesting \$1175 for 1 bus.

Request was not submitted 2 weeks in advance.

Questions:

N/A

Discussion:

PRO: Transportation is necessary to travel to UVM.

PRO: Club is aware of their budget.

Outcome:

PASSED

F.278 Ski and Snowboard Club (\$4950)

Purpose of Funds:

The funds will be applied for the Sunday River Ski Trip on December 4th to make skiing more accessible and affordable to WPI students. The funds will pay for the bus, a percentage of the lift tickets, and bus gratuity.

Presentation:

Requesting to go to Sunday River, which is 2 hours away from WPI.

Total cost: \$4950.

50 people will attend event a discounted price.

Cost to student is \$22 per person. This request will save students money on gas and tickets. Trip is included in the budget because club does not have a budget from last year. This is a popular trip among the club. Representatives are planning to run a few more trips later in C Term.

Questions:

Q: Is this trip a yearly event for this club?

A: Yes. The location usually rotates, but Sunday River is a popular mountain.

Q: Why are only 50 people allowed to come?

A: Limited bus capacity and attendance will be easier to track for the executive board. Also some mountains limit how many skiers can ski.

Q: How to purchase ticket for event?

A: Form will be released on a specific date, and once the form is completed, a ticket can be bought.

Discussion:

PRO: This event has been conducted, and has been funded by SGA, in the past for years.

PRO: The ticket price was amended down to 66% of the total ticket price in the request. Club followed bylaws.

Outcome:

PASSED

F.279 African Percussion and Dance Ensemble (\$6750)

Purpose of Funds:

To purchase Drums and Costumes for future performances and practices of Ashanti Music.

Presentation:

Currently, drums are rented to the club by the club's advisor and the club is seeking to purchase own drums. Requested funds will also be used to purchase costumes that are more appropriate to placed music.

Total cost: \$6750

Storage for drums is determined.

Club has performed multiple times and is gaining new members.

Funds will be used to buy a "long term cost saving solution".

Questions:

Q: Will the costumes be reused for future years?

A: Yes

Q: How long do the drums last?

A: 10 years, current drums are still in good shape and repair costs are inexpensive.

Discussion:

PRO: This request is cost effective and items will last for a long term.

PRO: Fits the purpose of the club.

PRO: Costumes will be considered as uniforms and will be reused.

Outcome:

PASSED

F.280 Vietnamese Students Association (\$1140.3)

Purpose of Funds:

Exec Merchandise

Presentation:

Total cost: \$1140.30

Funds will be used to purchase merchandise (hoodies and t-shirts) for the VSA executive board as an appreciation gift and remaining merchandise will be raffled.

30 hoodies and 30 t-shirts will be ordered and 14 executive board members will each receive a hoodie and t-shirt. Rest of merchandise will be raffled off.

Cost of 30 Hoodies: \$800.70

Cost of 30 T-shirts: \$339.60

Questions:

N/A

Discussion:

CON: Request funds for items that are exclusive to only members within club. Not open to all of campus.

Outcome:

DENIED

F.281 Vietnamese Students Association (\$4000)

Purpose of Funds:

External Performer

Presentation:

Requesting funds to hire a performer (An Tran) and her band to perform at VSA's annual Lunar New Year Celebration on February 10, 2023. An will play traditional Vietnamese music to celebrate Tet, the Lunar New Year.

Total cost: \$4000

Performer/Saxophonist (An Tran): \$500

3 Band Members (drum, bass, piano/guitar): \$500 each

Questions:

N/A

Discussion:

PRO: Fits the purpose of the club

PRO: Performer will enhance club's culture, which is an important value to the club.

Outcome:

PASSED

F.282 Rangeela-Bollywood and Bhangra Fusion Dance Team (\$550)

Purpose of Funds:

We are purchasing a type of prop used in traditional Bhangra dance, called a sapp. 16 sapps will be purchased to be used in our dance performances.

Presentation:

Funds will be used to purchase Sapp (type of prop/ instrument)

24 members on competition team. Club has defined goals.

Props are essential to the purpose of the club.

Seller is from another dance team.

Estimate for 16 sapps; total cost (including shipping): \$550

Questions:

N/A

Discussion:

Pro: Equipment is necessary for team.

Pro: Fits the purpose of the club.

Pro: Props are reusable.

Outcome:

PASSED

F.283 Rangeela-Bollywood and Bhangra Fusion Dance Team (\$426.9)

Purpose of Funds:

We are performing at the Sanskriti event hosted by the UMass Amherst Indian Classical Arts Society (ICAS). We will be traveling to UMass Amherst for this event and are requesting funds to pay for the cost of gas.

Presentation:

Club is travelling to UMass Amherst campus for a performance event.

Event will also be a good networking opportunity since other dance teams will also be attending. 20 dancers from club are attending this event.

Total miles (one round trip): 147.2 miles

4 cars will be taken.

Total cost: \$426.9

Questions:

N/A

Discussion:

Pro: Fits the purpose of the club.

Pro: Travel is approved.

Pro: WPI will be represented at this event with other universities.

Outcome:

PASSED