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Worcester Polytechnic Institute

29th Student Government Association

12th Meeting of the 29th Undergraduate Student Government Association Executive Board

July 23rd, 2019

I. Call to Order

II. New Business
a. E.19 Women’s Club Ice Hockey ($1,200.00)
   i. Purpose of Funds
      1. These funds will go towards membership fees to join the hockey team’s league for the 2019-2020 season.
   ii. Questions/Points of Information
      1. How many active members did the team have in the previous season?
         a. The team had 10 active members
      2. How many players do you expect to have this season?
         a. The team sent out 20+ emails to incoming freshmen interested in playing hockey, and have received positive responses. However, they cannot say for sure how many players they will have.
      3. Is there a minimum number of players required to play each game in the league?
         a. It is required that the team has 10 players and one goalie to join the league. The ACHA did not specify a minimum number of players were required per game.
      4. Will there be other associated costs if the team plays in the league?
         a. Yes, the team will need to provide trainers and rent ice for home games. If the team has more than 20 players, the team will also need a bus.
      5. How many games does the season include?
         a. The team has not received a schedule for this upcoming season, but the team is in charge of scheduling their own games. They can schedule as many games as they would like to, depending on their budget. Last year, Women’s Club Ice Hockey spanned from both B and C terms.
      6. What does the league fee cover?
         a. According to the ACHA website: “Your ACHA dues include all the benefits of ACHA membership, including membership in USA Hockey for all rostered players and coaches.” I was told by the Vice President of the ACHA Women’s Division that a large proportion of the league fee covers our USA hockey insurance.
      7. How do you think participating in the league will affect the team?
         a. Joining the league would provide a goal for players to work towards, as each game would server as motivation to
perform well and the goal of attending national championships. The league would allow the team to improve their individual and team skills by playing as a team against other colleges. Lastly, joining the league can help them increase recruitment and maintain membership, as players would be more interested to compete.

8. Why does the team want to play in this league?
   a. The team would like to play in the league to provide the opportunity to compete against other ACHA teams, which will provide the benefits mentioned previously for being a competing team in this league. They will be joining the Division II league, which would allow them to compete with teams all across the country and improve their talent.

9. When does the team need the money for?
   a. Tonight, July 23rd, 2019

10. What did SGA provide for funds last year?
    a. $7,000 for practices, $4,000 for uniforms, and $700 for ice time for scrimmages

11. Can we compare what their ice cost will be?
    a. We could cap the cost per capita of ice time equal to the cost per capita of the men’s team
       i. That may not be sustainable with that cost

12. How much money does the team currently have in their account?
    a. $161 in legacy funds

13. It is reasonable to assume that the team will have enough players to participate in the league.

14. It is possible that we could fund this, but may need them to fundraise or request dues for additional costs.

15. Even if we deny this request, we could remain able to fund future costs when the number of active members for next year is known.

   iii. Pros
       1. They have never been able to participate in this league before and it could help increase club membership

   iv. Cons
       1. We do not know the prices that will be included in additional costs
          2. They have not demonstrated that they have enough players to participate in the league

   v. Outcome
       1. Motion does not pass due to not showing that they have enough active players to participate in the league

b. E.20 Green Team ($487.50)
   i. Purpose of Funds
       1. These funds will be going towards transportation to and from the Boston Local Food Festival on September 15th. The Green Team is

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ii. **Questions/Points of Information**
   1. Why do they need these funds right now?
      a. The club would like to book the bus before the school year to guarantee the ability to rent a bus.
   2. How many events similar to this does the team have?
      a. From the exec’s knowledge, the team has not attended an event like this in the past.

iii. **Pros:**
   1. We have passed requests for buses in the past
   2. The event supports the mission of the club.

iv. **Outcome**
   1. **Motion Passed for $487.50**

III. Adjournment