17th Meeting of the 13th Financial Board FY20
Campus Center Morgan Room September 25th, 2019
6:00 pm – 7:30 pm

I. Call to Order
II. Treasurer’s Remarks
III. Unfinished Business
IV. New Business
   A.13 Recommendations of the Appropriations Sector
      F.114 Bowling Club ($375.00) - Passed in Full
      F.115 Ketones A Cappella ($142.00) - Passed in Full
      F.116 Men’s Club Basketball ($1,400.00) - Passed for the amount of $1,011.50
      F.117 Satellite Development Club ($341.32) - Passed in Full
      F.118 SocComm Films ($722.92) - Tabled
      F.119 Society of Medieval Arts and Sciences ($165.70) - Passed in Full
      F.120 The Alliance ($2,662.00) - Passed in Full
      F.121 Women’s Club Soccer ($370.00) - Denied
      F.122 Women’s Ice Hockey (Reclassification- Class II) - Passed to Class II

      F.123 Chinese Student and Scholar Association ($3,000.00) - Passed in Full
      F.124 Choral Association ($7,334.86) - Passed for the amount of $3,656.86
      F.125 Choral Association ($306.72) - Denied
      F.126 College Democrats (Reclassification- Class I) - Passed to Class I
      F.127 Donate Life Club (Reclassification- Class I) - Passed to Class I
      F.128 Student Rock Association (Reallocation- $1,133.40) - Passed for the amended amount of $270.40

V. Questions, Comments, and Ideas
VI. Adjournment
F.114 Bowling Club - ($375)

Purpose of Funds:
These funds will be used to rent bowling lanes and shoes for bowlers

Presentation:

Questions:

Discussion:
POI: Shouldn't we amend this to 2/3?
PRO: It would be just like club soccer going to one of their games.
PRO: Fits the purpose of the club.

Outcome: Passed in Full
F.115 Ketones Acapella - ($142.00)

Purpose of Funds:
   Apparel

Presentation:

Questions:

Discussion:

PRO: Fits our by-laws

Outcome: Passed in Full

*By-law: SGA funds 50% of apparel up to $25.*
F.116 Men's Club Basketball - ($1400.00)

Purpose of Funds:
$300 fee for joining the NCBBA (one time only, won't have to pay again); $775 for yearly NCBBA dues (discounted for paying early, will have to pay this yearly); $300 for basketballs (6 high-quality official NCBBA - Wilson basketballs, discounted, will only need to replace as basketballs wear down)

Presentation:

Questions:

Discussion:

Motion to amend the registration fee to 2/3
Motion passes
POI: Aren't the annual dues considered registration as well?
Motion to amend annual dues to ⅔
Motion passes
Motion to pass request for 1011.50
PRO: Fits the purpose the club
PRO: Follows our by-laws

Outcome: Passed for Amended Amount

By-law: Any registration is amended to 2/3.
F.117 Satellite Development Club - ($341.32)

Purpose of Funds:
The funds will be used for various projects the club is doing at the moment.

Presentation:

Questions:

Discussion:

PRO: We fund things for art club and robotics club that are consumables.
PRO: Fits the purpose of the club

Outcome: Passed in Full
**F.118 SocComm Films - ($722.92)**

**Purpose of Funds:**

The purpose of these funds is to move the supplies from the storage area to Fuller Upper for the weekend films. The supplies are heavy and our current cart is old and is breaking down.

**Presentation:**

**Questions:**

Why does it have to be stainless steel? To make it durable.

**Discussion:**

PRO: I believe it is so expensive so they get something long-lasting for future use.
POI: They were complaining about their cart the other day.
POI: I looked up carts for the same cart for 200$
Motion to table this to financial board
Motion passes
POI: We found a cart that was the same quality for $200? Yes
PRO: Makes sense to go with a company that you know works.
CON: Outrageously expensive with the same quality.
CON: Didn't consider other options
Motion to table this so they can research other options
Motion passes

**Outcome:** Tabled
F.119 Society of Medieval Arts and Sciences - ($165.70)

Purpose of Funds:
   Subsidize T-Shirt Cost

Presentation:

Questions:

Discussion:

   PRO: Follows our by-laws
   PRO: They found a discount.

Outcome: Passed in Full
F.120 The Alliance - ($2661.57)

Purpose of Funds:
The funds will be used to cover 100% of shuttle transportation to and from the airports, and 66% will be used to cover the remaining event costs: conference registration and lodging (cost of flights excluded).

Presentation:

Questions:

Discussion:

PRO: They reached out to other organizations as well.
PRO: Follows our by-laws

Outcome: Passed in Full
F.121 Club Soccer - ($370.00)

Purpose of Funds:
Treasurer reported that 50% of apparel will be discounted from our order through SGA

Presentation:

Questions:
Did you already order these? Yes, all we have to do is pick them up.

Discussion:
CON: They already ordered it
POI: We don't know that
CON: We denied African Percussion for the same reason.

Outcome: Denied
F.122 Women's Ice Hockey

**Current Classification:**
Class 6 - Provisional

**Requested Classification:**
Class 2 - Club Sport

**Current Club Membership:**
16

**Presentation:**

**Questions:**

**Discussion:**

PRO: They are a sport and a club and class 2 is club sport.

**Outcome:** Passed
**F.123 Chinese Student and Scholar Association - ($3,000.00)**

**Purpose of Funds:**
Mid-Autumn Festival Gala is the most important annual gala hosted by CSSA; all WPI Chinese students and scholars will be invited and celebrate together; the fund will be used for preparing this annual gala, including all facilities cost and food expense.

**Presentation:**

**Questions:**

Did you originally for ask for $600 and 3000 for GSG? Yes, our treasurer made a mistake on the funding request.
Has the food approved by Chartwells? Yes
Where is the location? Alden Hall

**Discussion:**

Is this a banquet? It is a holiday festival.
POI: I would like to see the comedian's fee for the speaker's fund.
Motion to add stipulation of use the funds for just the red pepper food and mooncakes
CON: I don't think it is responsible for us just to fund the food.
Motion fails
Motion to pass request in full
PRO: They looked for outside funding.
PRO: I don't see any difference from the BRASA event.

**Outcome:** Passed in Full
F.124 Choral Association - ($7334.86)

Purpose of Funds:
These funds will be used to pay for busses to and from the hotel as well as the cost of the hotel.

Presentation:

Questions:

Did you book the busses already? No.
Did you book the hotels? No, but we have a block of rooms.
What is the main reason for coach busses? We need space for our uniforms.
How many people went to the Berlin tour? 52.
Can you back out of this contract? Hotel version of the quote. We can back out.
Can you back out of the buses? Yes
Why stay overnight? We need to rehearse with Northeastern before the performance.

Discussion:

CON: They said they had an agreement with the hotel during the presentation.
POI: They put down a credit card and signed a contract.
POI: There is a cut off date for October 8th
CON: They already booked the rooms though.
CON: The price for buses is extremely high and it is only a 45 minute ride.
POI: What is the normal price for a bus like this? $272 for normal bus. For 3 busses it would be somewhere around $1500.
CON: It is very clear that they booked all of this request.
POI: Can we ask if they can cancel the bookings?
POI: Who thinks this is a retreat?
POI: This is more of them performing than a retreat.
PRO: Seems like they can back out.
PRO: They need a rehearsal.
CON: I still think the buses seem unreasonable just to have them for their uniforms.
Motion to table
PRO: So they can research to get cheaper bus options.
Motion fails
Motion to amend the cost out of the busses
Motion passes
Motion to pass request for 3656.86
Motion passes

**Outcome:** Passed for Amended Amount

_By-law: SGA does not fund reimbursements._
F.125 Choral Association - ($306.72)

Purpose of Funds:
These funds will be used to buy new pencils for choral association

Presentation:

Questions:
How many times do you meet? 3 times per week.
Why not bring your own pencils? Our practices are late and people go home before rehearsal and don’t bring their backpack.
What is the difference from tocadoranga pencils? These are the ones we have now.

Discussion:

CON: They should just bring a pencil.
CON: You can get any other pencils that don't have WPI on them.
CON: Students might steal the pencils.

Outcome: Denied
F.126 College Democrats

Current Classification:
Class 6 - Provisional

Requested Classification:
Class 1 - Special Interest

Current Club Membership:
15

Presentation:

Questions:

Discussion:

POI: We should inform them about the funding-request process.
PRO: The definition of special interest club.

Outcome: Passed
F.127 Donate Life

Current Classification:
   Class 6 - Provisional

Requested Classification:
   Class 1 - Special Interest

Current Club Membership:
   10

Presentation:
   Raise funds for Donate Life New England. Have a lot of collaboration with other organizations.

Questions:

Discussion:

PRO: Pretty much the definition of a class 1 club.

Outcome: Passed
F.128 Student Rock Association - ($1133.40)

Purpose of Funds:
  Budget Reallocation-For instruments

Presentation:

Questions:

Are your reallocating the whole $1133.40 or $770? The whole $1133.40
Where would the extra $363 go? For repairs

Discussion:

Motion to amend the drum kit and the keyboard
CON: They already have the funds to pay for the items
POI: We separated the amount of money for a specific event, this is for an entirely different amount.
PRO: The purpose of not reimbursing is because of the pressure that they put on the financial board.
POI: If the money would rollover anyway, then they wouldn’t spend it later.
POI: Our by-laws are against reimbursements
POI: What does saying no to this actually do? We could penalize them
POI: The point for a reallocation is to check/approve what they are buying before they buy.
CON: Looks like a reimbursement.
PRO: There is no reason to not treat this as a funding request.
Motion passes for the amended amount of $633.40
POI: Seems unclear where the funds are going.
POI: They said that they have $200 separated in their budget for repairs
Motion to amend out $363.00
Motion passes
Motion to pass request for $270.40
Motion passes

Outcome: Passed for the amended amount of $270.40

By-law: SGA does not fund reimbursements.