

Western Washington University Associated Students

Activities Council Meeting

Monday, January 13, 2014 VU 567

Present: Jarred Tyson, Kasey Koenig, Taylor Franks, Ashley Weyers, Katrina Haffner, Samuel Weaver, Nicole Carroll, Matthew Hilliard, Eddie Cuevas

Advisor(s): Casey Hayden

Secretary: Sheridel De Vera

Guest(s): Kaleb Ode -Collegiate DECA, Ross Johnson and Curtis Gehlhausen -Western Student Stage Combat, Erik Lovelace and Brandon Deflbaugh -SEG, Geoff Briggs and John Rosunbaum -Theistic Thinkers

MOTIONS

AC-14-W-1	Approve the minutes from November 25th and December 2nd 2013 -Passed
AC-14-W-2	Approve to table the motion until January 27 th -Passed
AC-14-W-3	Approve \$575 in the form of a grant for the Association for Mineral Exploration British Columbia (AME BC) Roundup from academic conference -Passed
AC-14-W-4	Approve \$90 in the form of a grant for the 2014 International Students for Liberty Conference from club conference -Passed
AC-14-W-5	Approve \$250 in the form of a bookstore donation request for the Vietnamese Student Association -Passed
AC-14-W-6	Approve \$200 in the form of a bookstore donation for the Chinese Student Association -Passed

Jarred Tyson, AS VP of Activities, called the meeting to order at 6:03pm

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION SC-14-F-1 by Tyson

Approval of the minutes of November 25th, 2013 and December 2nd, 2013

Second: Franks

Vote: 8 - 0 - 0

Action: Passed

II. REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA

Kasey Koenig reported that Theistic Thinkers will be moved to Information Item C and WWU Libertarians will be moved to an action item.

III. BUSINESS DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Franks reported that in Grants Loans and Underwrites there is \$24,739. In Club Conference funding there is \$4,858. Academic Conference funding has \$2,320.

Bookstore Donation funding has \$2,350. Franks reported that she updated the trend graph for 2013. She said that the committee is in a good place right now for GLUs. Trending

wise for Academic conference and Club Conference funding, Activities Council has spent more than the past two years and there is a lot of money left in the Bookstore Donation funds.

IV. CLUB RECOGNITION (*Basic Funding if Indicated*)

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. CWMEA Conference Funding Request

The representative from CWMEA reported that the club is requesting money from AC to go to the Washington Music Educators Association Conference in Yakima on February 14-16. She said that it a great opportunity for the club members to get exposure to the real world of how teachers actually work. It a great networking opportunity for students to get jobs and to bring back speakers for club meetings. There are 46 attendees. She said that the club would like to increase the funding request for the event since there are more people attending the conference. The new funding request number is \$1,710. Tyson reported that the club has received a lot of funding from other sources. The \$400 from the club is from bake sales. The representative from CWMEA reported that to follow the full circle effect, there will be a meeting that members will present what they have learned from the conference. Koenig reported that this is the first request that is being funded for the club. The club presented for another funding request, but received full funding from another source and no longer needed funding from AC. Franks reported that last year AC gave \$900 to the club for a conference in Chicago. \$600 came out of club conference and \$300 came out of academic conference. The club reported that there is no problem with having the request be voted on until two weeks because of the holiday. Koenig suggested on having the department pay for registration and AC pay for transportation or partial of other things, since AC's timeline might be conflicting with the registration schedule. Hayden reported that transporting the money to the department will be the easiest thing to do. Franks feels that \$1,500 is high but understands that the club has did a lot of fundraising for the event. Franks suggested of only for paying registration of \$1,380 and evenly taking out \$690 from academic conference and club conference. She also suggested funding the full amount and evenly splitting \$750 from each conference funding, but that will leave only \$1,000 in academic conference. The club said that it is doable if AC can only fund \$1,380. Franks said that if the club splits up the remaining costs by the number of attendees it would only be \$7 per person. Koenig said that since AC had a hit early on with funding, she suggested on having the board intervene. She feels that it would not be beneficial if the board intervenes towards the end of the year. Tyson reported that during the next board meeting, that is something that he can talk about so that the board can be aware of potential intervention. Tyson feels comfortable spending \$1,400. Franks suggested on splitting \$700 from each conference funding. Hayden reported that the funding sources add up to more than the club needs. He said that AC does not usually give funding to the event if Departmental Related Activities (DRAC) gives funding as well even though AC has funded the club in the past. He said that the club should double check if the DRAC funding will be acceptable if the club also receives funding from AC. Tyson said that the request is an information item and that it is best if AC waits until the next meeting to vote.

C. Collegiate DECA Conference Funding Request

Kaleb Ode reported that the club is requesting \$3,000 for the registration costs for the Collegiate DECA Pacific Northwest Career Development Conference on February 20-22. Last quarter the club requested money for a conference that took place in New York, however the club did not receive funding. The registration cost is \$100 per person and the club is anticipating 30 attendees. Ode reported that if members want to register they would need to register before January 15th. He said that state is open to any competitor. Out of the 15 members that went to state, 11 of the members went to nationals and two competitors received first place, two received second place and one member received third place, with more than half the competitor achieved top 10 recognition. Koenig suggested funding \$50-100 per person for registration. Ode reported that the club hosted a conference earlier and the state board wants to have Bellingham host the conference again this upcoming year. The club has been hosting a speaker series. The next speaker series will be on January 21st in Parks Hall at 6pm. The speaker will be Greg Sullivan who is the head of Public Relations for the Microsoft Window's phone. Ode reported that for further fundraising, the club will be hosting bake sales, have been looking at larger organizations for sponsorships and asking for funding from the Business of Economics. The club hosts to ask for funding from each department depending on which category members participate in. Members can register for the conference and later pay the registration fee, so the registration deadline will not be a problem.

B. Theistic-Thinkers

John Rosenbaum and Geoff Briggs reported that the club will be planning a two day event for early March. The first day will be a lecture by a Philosopher of religion about the reasonableness of belief in theistic deity. The club is expecting 450-500 attendees from campus and community wide. The Bellingham Lectures in Philosophy and Religion has been going on for a number of years now and the club is continuing the tradition. The second lecturer will be speaking to two GUR classes with a one hour dialog. The speaker is a 60 year old female philosopher, and she will be talking about her experience with working in a field that is dominated by white males. Rosenbaum reported that in the past the event has received funding from the Templeton Foundation however this year the funds have run dry. Within the Western foundation the club has a BLPR fund that is contributing \$1,000. He agreed that the event is mostly funded by Philosophy department and the club. The Faculty Christian forum has also donated to the event. Rosenbaum said that the audio visual cost can be reduced to zero if the club went with using ATEIS and the cost of renting Arntzen Hall will be free. He said that the professors make a big push for the event in their classroom in terms of publicity of the event. Church groups also attend the event. The club might also use the publicity package. Koenig reported that she will know by next week if the club will receive the package. Rosenbaum said that the hospitality costs is for the food costs for the speaker and a \$1,500 honorarium is standard. Franks said that the per diem for food is \$46 a day for all meals. Since there will be four days, that means the cost will be \$184 if AC follows the per diem rate. Franks said that with all the changes to the budget, the AC can give the club a \$1,000 underwrite.

VI. ACTION ITEMS

B. WWU Stage Combat Club

Ross Johnson reported that the WWU Stage Combat Club is looking to hold an Unarmed Stage Combat Workshop with a certified trainer. The event is open to the whole campus and if the event is successful and more people are interested, the club could hold more workshops to get more certification. Johnson said that that the President of the club has talked to the theater department chair about how much funding the club would be able to receive. Franks said that they allocated \$600 last year, but they did not use it so it was taken away from their account. Johnson said that the club is expecting 15-20 attendees but is not sure how many people outside of the club would be attending. He said if the event is successful, the club would be interested in hosting the event again. The people interested in the workshop could pay out of their own pocket. There is not a finalized date, the club is waiting on finalizing the funding before having a finalized date. Hayden asked if AC only funds partial about, would the members from the club pay out of pocket and how much money would be appropriate for this type of event. He suggests a couple of ways members can pay out of pocket. He suggested that X amount of people need to come up with \$X, or offer scholarships. He also suggested offering a pretrial or having the core members pitch in to hold the event. Koenig feels that \$800 is a lot of money for 15 people, especially since it is unknown how much money will be given by the department. She suggests waiting until the amount of funding is comfortable with everyone and wait until the club hears back from the department. Tyson suggested drafting more funding and publicity strategies for the event. Johnson reported that the club has written a script that is heavy on stage combat that the club is trying to produce that can create revenue to put on the workshop event. Franks said that she feels comfortable waiting two weeks to vote. Eddie Cuevas dittoed.

MOTIONAC-14-W-2 by Koenig

Approve to table the motion until January 27th

Second: Carroll

Vote: 9- 0 -0

Actions: PASSED

C. Society of Economic Geologists

Erik Lovelace reported that the Society of Economic Geologists is asking AC for funding to go to a professional conference in Vancouver, B.C. Association of Mineral Exploration Roundup is the largest mineral exploration in the world. Lovelace reported that there is a change in the budget. The club is now reserving one room for one night and two rooms for the next night for a total of three rooms. He reported that the cost of a hotel room per night is \$149 Canadian dollars, but he has not got the final price back from the hotel. The transportation covers the club members' personal vehicles to drive to the conference. Lovelace said that there are 8 people who have registered and 2 people have registered for the short course conference. He said that 2 more people might register this weekend. The club is planning on having one more meeting before the conference. He feels that there will be about 10 people going and 12 at the most. Koenig feels that the conference is a good candidate to receive funding from the academic conference because the conference is very academic and it is good to use the funds from academic conference for events like the mineral exploration roundup. When the members come back from the conference, the club will have a recap of the weekend to talk about what they learned and informally the members can tell fellow classmates about the conference to encourage

more people to attend the conference next year. Tyson reported that the Rules of Operation section II 6. states that AS clubs will be given a date which the club will report back to AC about the event or program the club hosted. Hayden reported that he needs the names of the drivers because the drivers need to go through a driver's training course.

MOTIONAC-14-W-3hy Koenig

Approve \$575 in the form of a grant for the Association for Mineral Exploration British Columbia (AME BC) Roundup from academic conference

Second: Haffner

Vote: 9- 0 -0

Actions: **PASSED**

D. Western Libertarians Conference Funding

Haffner reported that the Western Libertarians Conference will be sending one attendee to the 2014 International Students for Liberty Conference in Washington, D.C. on February 13-16. Haffner is requesting \$90 to attend the conference. The \$90 is to cover the cost for a hostile for 3 nights. Haffner reported that she has already paid for transportation and airfare. Koenig reported that it was okay for Haffner to purchase her airfare since AC is only funding for the hostile and not for the air fare. She said that AC cannot retroactively fund for airfare or for past events. Haffner said that at the conference there will be breakout sessions, guest speakers and a live recording of the STOESSL show. She reported that in the past, the event had a lot of guest speakers such as the founder of Paypal and the CEO of Whole Foods. By having a club member attend the conference, Haffner plans to bring more members in the years to come. She said that to follow the full circle effect, Haffner said she will talk about what she learned at the conference at the first meeting back from the conference. Also she said she will try to implement what she learned from the conference during the spring quarter meetings.

MOTIONAC-14-W-4by Carroll

Approve \$90 in the form of a grant for the 2014 International Students for Liberty Conference from club conference

Second: Weaver

Vote: 8- 0 -1

Actions: **PASSED**

VII. BOOKSTORE DONATION REQUEST

A. Vietnamese Student Association Bookstore Donation Request

Tyson reported that there was a \$500 boost in the donation funding because the funds tend to run out the fastest. Hayden reported that the bookstore donation items will be used for a silent auction. Tyson feels that \$250 is okay due to the fact that the funds received a \$500 boost from last year.

MOTIONAC-14-W-5hy Koenig

Approve \$250 in the form of a bookstore donation request for the Vietnamese Student Association

Second: Carroll

Vote: 9- 0 -0

Actions: **PASSED**

B. Chinese Student Association Bookstore Donation Request

Tyson reported that last year the club asked for \$200 as well.

MOTIONAC-14-W-6hy Hilliard

Approve \$200 in the form of a bookstore donation for the Chinese Student Association

Second: Franks

Vote: 9- 0 -0

Actions: **PASSED**

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS

Haffner suggested that next AC meeting the council can clear up the full circle effect for clubs that are attending conferences. Tyson feels that AC should follow up with clubs going to conferences. Koenig suggested that someone from the AC could be in charge of meeting with clubs following up the full circle effect. Franks suggested having clubs write a one page summary about their conference experience. Tyson said that AC needs to hire a new AC member.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED BY ACCLAMATION AT 7:28P.M.