Proposed Motion: Approve $1,100 from Operating Enchancement [FXXENH] for three students to attend Know Your IX conference

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 "IX Bootcamp 2016"

Background & Context

Know Your IX is a survivor- and youth-led organization dedicated to ending gender violence on college campuses across the nation. Since 2013, this organization has grown into a national network of advocates dedicated to antiviolence justice work. Know Your IX (KYIX) accomplishes this through:

- *Educating college and high school students in the United States about their legal rights to safe educations free from gender-based harms;*
- *Training, organizing, and supporting student survivor activists in challenging their educational institutions to address violence and discrimination;*
- *Advocating for policy change at the campus, state, and federal levels to ensure meaningful systemic action to end gender violence.*

The IX Bootcamp is an intensive, two-day conference that brings student leaders from across the west coast together. Students that are selected to attend will have the opportunity to learn the histories of social movements, be trained in the various legal systems, guidelines and policies that affect college campuses, and to network and create community with other students from the region.

Summary of Proposal & Fiscal Implications

This proposal is to ask for support from the Associated Students, in funding for three (3) students to attend IX Bootcamp 2016. The conference will take place in Los Angeles from March 26-27th, and we aim to secure funding from all sources by March 10th.

When applying to the conference, each of the students also applied for scholarships to help with the cost of attendance, including registration, housing, and food. In addition to the financial support already offered by KYIX, each of the students has also already created CrowdRise pages to help raise the necessary funds.

Taking all of this support into consideration, the only remaining funds needed to attend the conference will be for transportation costs. In coordinating with KYIX staff, the students have estimated that travel to and from Los Angeles will cost $370 per student. As a result, we are requesting a total of $1,100 from the AS to support our travels and participation in this conference.

Cost of Attendance			
Area for funding	*Total cost*	*Cost breakdown*	*Explanation*
Registration	$0	–	Funded by KYIX scholarship
Travel	$1,100	$370/ student, 3 students	Round-trip flights (2)
Lodging	$0	–	Funded by KYIX scholarship
Food	$0	–	Funded by KYIX scholarship
Total funds requested	**$1,100**		

Rationale

Having three students attend this conference will be hugely beneficial, not only to the students who have been selected to participate, but also to the larger campus community of Western Washington University. The conference will provide an incredible opportunity for the students to network with other

student leaders on campuses across the west coast, and to gain valuable training and knowledge from experts of a nationally respected organization. By supporting the students' participation in the conference, the Associated Students will be fostering student leadership and creating meaningful connections with other colleges and KYIX's Campus Action Network!

Fiscal Impacts
  575.00from Operating Enchancement [FXXENH]