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Segregated University Fee Allocation Committee

SUFAC Meeting Minutes April 27th, 2023 5:15 PM 1965 Room, UWGB

- I. Call to Order 5:17 PM
- II. Roll Call
- III. Recognition of Guests
- IV. Approval of Agenda
 - a. Moved by Zea
 - b. Seconded by Nathan
- V. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Moved by Nathan
 - b. Seconded by Braden
- VI. Reports
 - a. Chair
 - i. Spent a lot of time cutting out ballots
 - ii. Attended strategic budget meeting
 - b. Vice Chair
 - i. Appeal received from Phoenix Law Society and denied it
 - ii. Finalized transition binder
 - c. Senate
 - i. Not much going on
 - ii. Working on transferring to new administration
 - iii. Send senator apps by Monday
 - d. SGA Exec
 - i. Discussion on UW System budget and transition work
 - e. Liaison
 - i. Went to budget presentation
 - ii. Working with Riley and Brendan
 - iii. Working on reregistration

VII. Presentations

- a. Sustainability Fund Request
 - i. Request from ecofriendly phoenix came in and was approved
 - ii. From GPS class with Danielle
 - iii. Asking for \$2500 for plants, seeds, and promotional materials
 - iv. Planting roof top garden in fall
 - v. Tearing out old roof top garden and making it better
 - vi. Planting pollinator and native plants
 - vii. New plants, not changing structure of planter

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- viii. Approved by facilities assistant director
- ix. Freshman will be overseen during planting and are going to be given tools by facilities
- x. Questions
 - 1. Riley: what are the promotional materials
 - 2. Katie: by bylaws, there has to be student involvement and promotion, so we are using that to fulfill those requirements
 - 3. Stephanie: is there a plan for continued maintenance
 - 4. Katie: it will be on the students, it also doesn't need special maintenance over the winter

b. Office of Undergraduate Research Funding Request

- i. New entity on campus
- ii. Includes research, scholarship, and creative activity
- iii. Every student should see engagement in this activity
- iv. Established brand new office of undergrad research to have centralized leadership
- v. Dedicate staff time to having an office, so research can be coordinated
- vi. students don't know where to ask to show their research currently
- vii. Request is to help create the infrastructure
 - 1. Create a support process for students to engage in research events

viii. Questions

- 1. Riley: can you clarify the length of this request
- 2. Peter: 2 years
- 3. Riley: is it possible for us to approved only 1 year
- 4. Peter: yes
- 5. Brendan: how man y students to use expect to utilize the funds for posters and travel
- 6. Peter: currently it is between 150n and 200 students depending on the year
- 7. Matthew: is there certain criteria to acquire funds?
- 8. Peter: students usually have to apply for events and being approved by committee
- 9. Braden: is this an office where students can go to get research resources?
- 10. Peter: yes
- 11. Braden: does this include recruiting students for research opportunities
- 12. Peter: yes, we hope to have many levels of that
- 13. Braden: will that be ready and available next year?
- 14. Peter: yes, we have chosen someone from the library to be a student resource
- 15. Stephanie: is this going to staff pay or students
- 16. Peter: it goes 100% to students
- 17. Brendan: do you have an outline for success
- 18. Peter: yes, increased engagement of students with research, we already have some metrics for curret activity
- 19. Riley: is there any other institutional support planned?
- 20. Peter: we plan to look elsewhere in the future

VIII. Action Items

a. Sustainability Fund Request

- i. Motion to approve by Nathan
- ii. Seconded by Matthew
- iii. Brendan: we are not approving new seg fee usage, it is from the sustainability fund that is already approved and collected

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- iv. Matthew: I support because we need pollinators
- v. Braden: in think this is a good project
- vi. Alex: this project passes sustainability fund criteria
- vii. Vote
 - 1. Motion carries 10-0-4
- b. Office of Undergraduate Research Funding Request
 - i. Motion to approve the request at \$50,000 a year for 2 years by Matthew
 - ii. Second by Braden
 - iii. Matthew: a well-funded program gives students a lot more opportunities
 - iv. Brendan: I am in favor, but I think we should only approve one year and then have them come in an give an update
 - v. Riley: I agree with what you said, because 2-year approval is a bad precedent to set and it demeans future SUFAC's authority and I strongly urge you to amend this to be only a year
 - vi. Brendan: motion to amend to be only one year instead of 2 and come back and report after 1 year and report
 - 1. Seconded by Maleny
 - 2. Motion carries
 - vii. Approval of \$50,000 a year for one year
 - 1. Motion carries 11-0-3

IX. Elections

- a. Chair
 - i. Nathan nominates himself
 - ii. Seconded by Tanisha
 - iii. Ayansa nominates himself
 - iv. Seconded by Zea
 - v. Speech
 - 1. Ayansa: I think I am a fit chair is I meet the requirements and I feel like my past experiences in business and engineering and process planning have prepared me for this responsibility, if you make a mistake in engineering people die, and in SUFAC people get mad. I am confident in being over to overcome the duties of SUFAC and I have a desire to make this equitable.
 - a. Questions
 - i. Brendan: do you think you would feel comfortable being able to run a meeting
 - ii. Ayansa: yes, I have done it in the past and I have good examples to follow
 - iii. Riley: what would you like to accomplish as chair



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- iv. Ayansa: I want to ensure organizations are properly funded and funds are distributed fairly
- v. Braden: what is the most interesting thing about participating in SUFAC
- vi. Ayansa: I like seeing how events get planned
- vii. Brendan: what year are you?
- viii. Ayansa: I am in my second year and I would like to be the chair until the end of my time here if possible
- ix. Riley: what are tour main questions in terms of auxiliaries
- x. Ayansa: I want to make sure funds are implemented efficiently
- 2. Nathan: also mechanical engineering, I am interested in SUFAC because of the numbers and it is interesting how seg fees students are paying they are receiving pay out. I am a freshman and I find these meetings are very interesting.
 - a. Questions
 - i. Riley: what would you like to do as chair of SUFAC?
 - ii. Nathan: I want to approve budgets based on guidelines
 - iii. Braden: what is the most interesting things about SUFAC
 - iv. Nathan: the people and smiles and the thinking in the meetings
 - v. Brendan: what do you picture your office hours looking like?
 - vi. Nathan: I will fulfill my 10 office hours a week and I want to get more involved on campus. I want to develop more.
 - vii. Riley: would you be able to attend SGA meetings on Monday nights?
 - viii. Nathan: Yes
 - ix. Ayansa: I can as well
- 3. Ayansa Mama is the new chair of SUFAC!!!
- b. Vice Chair
 - i. Nathan nominates himself
 - ii. Seconded by Maleny
 - iii. Tanisha nominates Braden
 - iv. Seconded by Zea
 - v. Braden accepts
 - vi. Speech
 - 1. Braden: I have learned a lot about seg fees and orgs this semester, but I will be learning about auxiliaries next semester. I am also an Eagle Scout
 - Questions
 - i. Tanisha: what's your favorite thing about sufac
 - ii. Braden: learning, I love seeing the projects
 - iii. Brendan: do you believe you could work well with Ayansa



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- iv. Barden: yes
- v. Eliza: what was your eagle scout project?
- vi. Braden: we built life jacket kiosks in Marinette and Octonto and there is also another one, I am not sure where it is, but they are incredibly successful and life jackets get donated
- vii. Brendan: can you be a strong voice?
- viii. Braden: yes, I want to help people make their own decisions
- ix. Riley: do you think you would be able to advocate for students in your role?
- x. Braden: Yes
- 2. Nathan: I attended a few leadership roles in high school and I have worked in groups before to solve problems through projects
 - a. Questions
 - i. Brendan: don you believe you can work well with Ayansa?
 - ii. Nathan: yes, I think he is very logical and thought out
 - iii. Riley: what have you done when you have been uncomfortable om what to do in a meeting or making a decision?
 - iv. Nathan: I would go over the rules and guidelines to understand decisions
- 3. Nathan Beauchamp is the new vicechair of SUFAC!!!!!
- c. Vice Chair Pro Tempore
 - i. Eliza nominates Braden
 - ii. Seconded by Brendan
 - iii. Braden accepts
 - iv. Braden forgoes questions and speech
 - v. Braden is vice chair pro tempore!!!!
- d. Secretary
 - i. Zea nominates Eliza
 - ii. Seconded by Brendan
 - iii. Eliza accepts
 - iv. Expressed that no one else was interested in the position, so she thought she would be a good fit. She acknowledged that she would be a good fit because no one else ran.
 - v. Nathan asked why Eliza was qualified. She responded by saying that it is obvious.
 - vi. Brendan asked what the best part of SUFAC is, Eliza said it was sitting next to Riley.
 - vii. Braden asked what her favorite part of SUFAC is.
 - viii. Nathan asked if we could consent.
 - ix. Eliza declined to answer further questions
 - x. Eliza is secretary of SUFAC!!!
- X. Superlatives and Parting Remarks
 - a. Riley: I really liked working with all of you and I will miss SUFAC
 - b. Most likely to vote first: Zachary Peterson
 - c. Most fun member: Maleny Capatillo
 - d. Most punctual member: Eliza Carman
 - e. Most likely to make 6 figures: Nathan Beauchamp
 - f. Most likely to outrun everyone: Matthew Klumpyan



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- g. Most likely to be president: Zea Millerh. Most professional member: Ayansa Mama
- i. World best grandma: Alex Langreck
- j. Most likely to make an inappropriate more that is now a public record under state law: Tanisha VanLagenberg
- k. Most likely to live in 22nd century: Natalie Johanknecht
- 1. Best SUFAC Advisore: Stephanie Kaponya
- m. Most likely to retire at 45: Brendan Boreman
- n. SUFAC Member of the Year: Zea Miller
- o. Most Parlimentarily adept member: Riley Drew
- XI. Announcements
 - a. There is a SUFAC meeting next Thursday
- XII. Adjournment 7:00 PM
 - a. Moved by Zea
 - b. Seconded by Nathan