SUFAC Meeting Minutes

April 13, 2017, 5:15pm

University Union 1965 Room

1. Call to Order at 5:21 pm.
2. Roll Call: Kaylie Noll, Brianna Messner, Alex Zeller, Megan Walters, John Landrum Courtney Zambon, Alexis Galvan, Nik Austin
3. Recognition of Guests: Dennis DeBeck
4. Approval of Agenda

Mark entertained a motion to approve the agenda for 4/13/2017. Brianna motioned. Kaylie seconded. Voice Vote. Passed.

1. Approval of Minutes

Mark entertained a motion to approve the minutes from 4/6/2017. Brianna motioned. Alex seconded. Voice Vote. Passed.

1. Reports
   1. OFO:
      1. Committed is $29,116.50 Organization startup is $1,377.62
   2. Liaison:
      1. Welcome back! Softball vs Detroit Friday and Saturday. Mens and Womens Tennis at Valpo. Volleyball down near Madison. Have a good Easter!
   3. Senate:
      1. There has not been a senate meeting since the last sufac meeting. This coming Monday is the last senate meeting. We will be voting on the Senate bylaws and the Constitutional amendements.
   4. SGA Exec:
      1. No Report.
   5. Vice Chair:
      1. No Report
   6. Chair:
      1. We have received a response from Psi Chi.
2. New Business Items
3. Action Items
   1. Psi Chi request
      1. **See attached Document for email.**

**Brianna:** I do not want to deny them the opportunity but it is breaking guidelines.

**Alex:** I was not here, when they were here. But from what I understand that they are getting money for the posters, but the posters are worth credits.

**John:** In there email it states that the posters are worth credit in some sections but says the opposite in other sections. The posters are $70 each.

**Courtney:** I stand where I did last week. We should not fund the posters.

**Megan:** Where are they getting the posters made?

**Mark:** They are getting them done here on campus.

**Megan:** They should look into if it is cheaper to do it elsewhere.

**Alexis:** I do not want to break the guidelines but I also do not want to deny them the opportunity of going to a conference.

**Nik:** Why is it so expensive for a poster?

**Mark:** It is like one of the large posters in the hallways.

**Brianna:** They can be used at the symposium as well.

**Nik:** I have an issue with the people that could get credit for this. We would be paying for the supplies to get them the academic credit. There is a state law saying that SUFAC can not fund academic things.

**Brianna:** I did something similar to this and regardless to whatever kind of poster they use, they will get the credit anyways since it is an independent study.

**Nik:** So they would not need to the poster to get the credit?

**Brianna:** I do not think so.

**Nik:** That may be worth something exploring.

**Alexis:** In the second to last sentence they receive credit for doing the research.

**Nik**: They do not receive credit for the ones unless they are assistantship.

**Kaylie:** Are we able to fund the posters that are not an assistantship?

**Brianna**: It would still be breaking guidelines for posters.

**Mark:** I would be concerned that others would come and do it too then.

**Nik:** Do they have a backup plan?

**Alexis:** If they do not have enough money, they will not be able to go.

**Nik:** Did they already ask for a request for the travel?

**Mark:** This is already at a 50/50 mark. We are already over the guidelines.

**Brianna:** Could we give them the money and then have them fundraise to pay us back?

**John:** There is only two weeks left and it would be tough for them to get that much money. It would also put Lea in a tough decision if it is not payed back.

Mark entertained a motion to approve the Psi Chi contingency request. Brianna motioned. Kaylie seconded. Roll Call Vote. 1-4-0. Request Denied.

* 1. By-laws and guidelines

**Mark:** Have we looked at them enough?

**Brianna:** Yes, I have seen them three times.

**Mark:** Do we need to discuss them?

**John:** Keep Bylaws and Guidelines separate if you decide to package them.

Mark entertained a motion to package all bylaws changes. Brianna motioned. Courtney seconded. Roll Call Vote. 5-0-1. Motion Passed.

Mark entertained a motion to approve the packaged bylaw amendments. Alexis motioned. Kaylie seconded. Roll Call Vote. 5-0-1. Motion Passed.

Mark entertained a motion to package all the guideline amendments. Brianna motioned. Kaylie seconded. Roll Call Vote. 6-0-0. Motion Passed.

Mark entertained a motion to approve the packaged guideline amendments. Brianna motioned. Alex seconded. Roll Call Vote. 5-0-1. Motion Passed.

* 1. Brianna motion to amend agenda to include ending summer session under C. Kaylie seconded.

Discussion:

**Courtney:** What happens when we switch administrations? What happens if we do not do it?

**John:** The next administration is picked by Eduardo and Sam. Summer session is outlined in Section 4.01 B of Bylaws. The past 3 or 4 years Sufac has not waited to move into the summer session.

**Nik:** Can you call emergency meetings if you need to?

**John:** Yes you could if you needed to.

**John:** Who could make a meeting next week if we had to have one? It would take 6 for quorum. Is there a reason you would need us to meet?

**Nik:** We need sufac to approve any changes to the constitution. We plan on striking the section stating that under changes to the section of sufac need to be approved by Sufac.

**John:** Why would sufac consider doing that for change?

**Coutney:** Its something that has been proposed.

**John:** Do you know who put it in?

**Nik:** Eric Kissenger put it in there next year. There are three proposed changes.

**Brianna:** We could wait to approve them till fall?

**Nik:** Yes you could.

**Brianna:** Would it be an inconvenience?

**Nik:** The new administration would have a constitution that needs to be approved. You could handle it fall if that is what you decide. We made a lot of grammatical fixes and it looks red. There is a lot of changes to be done.

**Mark:** We will have a short meeting next week then since we can meet quorum.

1. Announcements
2. Mark adjourned the meeting at 6:14 pm.