

SUFAC

Meeting Minutes for February 20, 2016

I. Call to Order

SUFAC Chair Eric Kissinger called the meeting to order at 9:15pm.

II. Roll Call

- a. **Members Present:** Eric Kissinger, Allison LeMahieu, John Landrum, Bea Yang (OFO), Milton Byers, Erica Kuehn, Noelle Poppe, Samuel Welhouse, Reed Heintzkill, Hannah Stepp, Janae Due, Gretchen Klefstad, Nik Austin, Thomas Gentilini, Penghan Yi, Nathan Rousseau
- b. **Absent:**

III. Recognition of Guests:

IV. Approval of Agenda and Minutes: Eric entertained a motion to approve the agenda. Milton motioned. Han seconded. Voice Vote. Agenda passed.

V. Reports

- a. **OFO:** N/A
- b. **Senate:** N/A
- c. **SGA Exec:** N/A
- d. **Vice Chair:** During the day, I will be announcing updated travel numbers. Bea will be announcing the final numbers.
- e. **Chair:**

VI. Discussion Items:

VII. Action Items

- a. **SGA Budget:** Eric entertains a motion to approve the SGA request. Milton motions. Han seconds.

Discussion:

The only change is that we are removing the phones from the SUFAC office. Hannah suggested leaving the 4 computers in the SUFAC office. \$489.10 is the new travel cost.

Eric motioned to approve SGA budget. Reed motioned to approve the SGA request. Hannah seconded. Voice vote. Motion passed.

- b. **Fourth Estate Budget:** Eric entertains a motion to approve the Fourth Estate request. Allison motions. Milton seconds.

Eric motioned to enter Committee of the Whole. Reed motioned. Nathan seconded. Reed acclimated.

Discussion:

Reed motioned to amend the budget to remove honorariums and tribune content subscription from the budget. Tom seconded. Voice vote. Motion passed.

Updated travel numbers \$1900.36. The total allocation is \$5577.86.

Eric entertained a motion to approve Fourth Estate budget. Han motioned. Nathan seconded. Motion Passed 9-3-0.

c. Phlash TV Budget:

Discussion:

Eric entertained a motion to approve Phlash budget. Milton motioned. Han seconded. Motion Passed 11-1-0.

Reed motioned that the board will require only a roll call vote for budgets exceeding 3500 and budgets with guideline violations. Milton seconded. Roll call vote. Motion passed 12-0-0.

d. Sheepshead Review Budget:

Discussion:

The travel cost is \$140.72 and the total allocation is \$16,580.72

Eric entertained a motion to approve Sheepshead budget. Gretchen motioned. Han seconded Motion passed 12-0-0.

e. American Fisheries Budget:

Discussion:

The committed portion is over the guidelines by \$100 without justification. The board favored violating the guideline. Milton

commented that they need the supplies for the function of the org. The travel number is \$2288.54. The total allocation is \$5088.54.

Eric entertained a motion to approve American Fisheries budget in full. Milton motioned. Han seconded. Motion passed 9-2-1.

f. Campus Kitchens Budget:

Discussion:

Updated travel is \$800.00. Total allocation is \$6300.00.

Eric entertains a motion to approve the Campus Kitchens request. Reed motions. Samuel seconds. Motion passed 9-1-2.

g. CRU Budget:

Discussion:

The barn bash is held off campus and we do not fund events off campus. The board favored removing this event. No travel updates. Reed commented that the justification for breaking travel guidelines was not very persuasive. Samuel commented that they have a high participation and that is impressive. The majority is in favor. The total allocation is \$16,364.00.

Eric entertains a motion to approve the CRU request. Han motions. Samuel seconds. Motion Passed 10-0-2.

h. Dietetics Budget: Eric entertains a motion to approve the Dietetics request. Allison motions. Erica seconds.

Discussion:

The board never received stats on attendees. There was question over the total cost for Food Day among the various orgs. Reed commented that there it is a part of the guidelines that we strongly encourage groups to collaborate to cosponsor events. The total allocation is \$6,993.34.

Eric entertained a motion to approve the Dietetics budget. Milton motioned. Han seconded. Motion Passed 11-0-1.

i. Habitat for Humanity Budget:

Discussion:

Eric commented that the trips outside are outside of the Midwest because the weather limits them from building here in certain times of the year. Reed commented that it is also the whole point of their organization. They also build in Wisconsin but it is not factored into the trip costs. Allison commented that we don't fund travel in Green Bay.

Eric entertains a motion to approve the Habitat for Humanity request. Reed motions. Erica seconds. Motion passed 9-0-2.

j. Healthy Fork Budget:

Discussion:

Eric entertains a motion to approve the Healthy Fork request. Janae motions. Gretchen seconds. Motion passed 8-1-3.

k. Intervarsity Budget:

Discussion:

They exceed the travel guidelines. Reed motioned to cut trip 2 to fit guidelines. Milton commented that they contribute more than the required amount as an org and they are not significantly exceeding the guidelines. Reed commented that they would prefer cuts to be made from the first two trips. Hannah commented that we aren't supposed to compare budgets when members brought up the CRU travel costs. Nik commented that CRU has more participation on these trips compared to Intervarsity.

Eric entertains a motion to approve the Intervarsity request. Milton motions. Janae seconds. Motion failed 5-6-1.

Milton commented that we approved CRU when they violated the guidelines. Reed motioned to cut from trip 2 in the amount of \$185.00. Samuel seconded. Motion passed 10-1-1.

- l. InterVarsity Budget:** Eric entertains a motion to approve the InterVarsity request. Sami motions. Erica seconds.

Discussion:

Jessica called the question. Motion failed 7-4-0 because it was not a 2/3 majority.

Eric entertained a motion to approve InterVarsity for \$3806.00. Milton motioned. Nate seconded. Motion passed 11-0-0.

- m. Newman Catholic Student Community Budget:**

Discussion:

There was question over the funding of the T-shirts. The church usually sponsors them but they are requesting from SUFAC now. The board cut the T-shirts so the budget is under \$3500. Updated travel number is \$1778.06. The total allocation is \$3208.06.

Eric entertains a motion to approve the Newman Catholic Student Community request. Han motions. Erica seconds. Voice vote. Motion passed.

- n. PEAC Budget:**

Discussion:

Eric entertains a motion to approve the PEAC request. Reed motions. Han seconds. Motion passed 8-0-4.

- o. Phoenix Students for Life Budget:**

Discussion:

Capital item 1 will be moved to general supplies. Updated travel is \$320.00. Reed commented that he recommends a more specific definition of signage.

Eric entertains a motion to approve the Phoenix Students for Life request. Milton motions. Han seconds. Motion passed 11-0-0.

p. SLO Food Alliance Budget:

Discussion:

The trips and items are not passable. The total allocation is \$6866.08.

Eric entertains a motion to approve the SLO request. Reed motions. Tom seconds. Motion passed 10-0-2.

q. BSU Budget:

Discussion:

There was question over whether the Soul Food Dinner was expecting revenue since they charge admission. The board questioned whether this should be considered a fundraiser. Reed commented that we should to be reimbursed for the amount funded by SUFAC in the amount spent. The board favors this motion. Allison commented that the food expense would be brought down to \$900.00. Milton commented that the tickets are used to cover the costs of other expenses, such as the food. Reed commented that the revenue is for their use but if they do not make more than the cost funded by SUFAC, they would not be expected to make up the difference. The revenue is estimated. Milton commented that the only reason we sell tickets is to cover the full meal so if the amount is raised to \$4600 cover the cost of food then they would not sell tickets. The whole event costs \$4600. The \$1600 covers the food and it is not revenue, which is the reason for the ticket sales. BSU is breaking even and there is no profit. Reed proposed that the expected cost is going to be \$4600 and \$1600 is the expected revenue so that the net SUFAC cost is \$3000. The event is still going over guidelines. Janae commented that the \$1600 would not come back to SUFAC because it will be used to pay for food. It was explained the cost of food would be funded by SUFAC with the expectation that it will be reimbursed by BSU. Nik asked if they would be expected to pay their bill first or their bill first if the request was kept the same. Nik continued that it would be simpler to increase to \$4600 because we would not have to consider this question. It is not

an increase to the budget. They will be required to pay \$1600 back. Milton asked what if the org doesn't make that much money? The board has to accept the estimate and trust the org in how they conduct their ticket sales. Updated travel is \$2040.00.

Eric entertained a motion to approve BSU request. Gretchen motioned. Han seconded. Motion passed 10-0-2.

- r. **Feminists for Action Budget:** Eric entertains a motion to approve the BSU request. Milton motions. Nate seconds.

Discussion:

Nik commented that orgs do not need to charge equally at events so the ice cream event is approvable. Nik asked if CRU was allowed to charge freshman a different amount than the seniors for their fall getaway trip? Eric commented that they charged differently but they distributed the money equally. Total allocation is \$4577.11.

Eric entertained a motion to approve Feminists for Action budget. Reed motioned. Gretchen seconded. Motion passed 10-0-2.

- s. **International Club Budget:**

Discussion:

Allison commented that the org never responded with information about the International dinner and the event does receive revenue. Milton commented that the board should not raise the amount concerning the revenue without the org having responded with more information. It was decided to put revenue of \$360.00 for the event because they never responded. The total SUFAC cost would be \$0.00. The travel events in Green Bay were justified because most international students do not have driver licenses. Reed questioned why they can't use motor pool for the events in Green Bay since they are able to motor pool to Wisconsin Dells.

Eric entertains a motion to approve the International Club request. Milton motions. Han seconds. Motion passed 11-0-1.

- t. **Multiracial Student Union Budget:**

Discussion:

Eric entertains a motion to approve the Multiracial Student union request. Milton motions. Nathan seconds. Motion passed 10-0-1.

- u. **Intertribal Budget:** Eric entertains a motion to approve the Intertribal request. Nik A. motions. Nate seconds.

Discussion:

Nick T. called the question. Motion passed 11-0-0.

- v. **OLA Unlimited Budget:**

Discussion:

Updated travel is \$3842.67. There was an \$1100.00 reduction in contractual to fit guidelines. They are also over the guidelines for travel. The org contribution for the first trip was 52%. Milton suggested raising the org contribution for the second trip. Since there are more people on that trip, it would be easier for the org to cover it. Milton asked whether we are able to raise their org contribution without their approval? Eric commented that if we cut our SUFAC contribution, their contribution would go up no matter what. Total allocation is \$10,425.00

Eric entertains a motion to approve the OLA request. Han motions. Milton seconds. Motion passed 10-0-2.

- w. **SASU Budget:**

Discussion:

No updated travel numbers.

Eric entertains a motion to approve the SASU request. Han motions. Milton seconds. Motion passed 12-0-0.

- x. **Women of Color Budget:**

Discussion:

The travel numbers for SUFAC did not change but their org contribution did increase because they were at the maximum for the guidelines.

Eric entertains a motion to approve the Women of Color request. Janae motions. Gretchen seconds. Motion passed 12-0-0.

y. Ballroom Dance Club Budget:

Discussion:

No travel updates.

Eric entertains a motion to approve the Ballroom Dance Club request. Gretchan motions. Han seconds. Motion passed 10-0-2.

z. Bowling Club Budget:

Discussion:

The first five travel trips are required to go to nationals. Allison commented that travel numbers are accurate. Allison commented that they have six trips but we would have to cut the 5th and 6th trips and only fund most of trip 4 to fit guidelines. Reed commented that there was a case made to break guidelines. Nik commented that we should cut the last trip because it is a non-conference tournament to bring down the amount to be closer to guidelines. Samuel agrees with Nik. Allison commented that 3 of the trips are non-conference so we could cut the other trips with the same reasoning. The club explained the non-conference trips gained them more points to help further their season.

Eric entertains a motion to approve the Bowling Club request. Tom motions. Gretchen seconds. Motion passed 10-2-0.

aa. Camping and Climbing Club Budget:

Discussion:

Eric entertained a motion to approve the Camping and Climbing Club's budget in full. Reed motions. Milton seconds. Voice vote. Motion passed.

bb. Curling Club Budget:

Discussion:

Total allocation is \$3371.26

Eric entertained a motion to approve the Curling Club's budget in full. Reed motions. Han seconds. Voice vote. Motion passed.

cc. Dance Team Budget:

Discussion:

SUFAC is not funding the uniforms. SUFAC will fund \$200 of the \$300 repair kit. Milton commented that the stereo would not have a short shelf life, which is in the guideline for funding 1/3 of the expense. It is only \$20. Han agrees with Milton. Total allocation is \$7565.00.

Eric entertained a motion to approve the Dance Team's budget in full. Janae motions. Gretchen seconds. Motion passed 11-0-0.

dd. Ski and Snowboard Budget:

Discussion:

Eric entertained a motion to approve the Ski and Snowboard's budget in full. Janae motions. Noelle seconds. Motion passed 11-0-0.

ee. Ultimate Frisbee Budget:

Discussion:

Eric entertained a motion to approve the Ultimate Frisbee's budget in full. Milton motions. Han seconds. Voice vote. Motion passed.

ff. Women's Club Volleyball Budget:

Discussion:

There was question over funding the volleyballs according to the guidelines with a 2/3 SUFAC contribution. Updated travel is \$7571.47. Milton commented that he thinks that the board should make the exception for the national tournament trip being over guidelines since they deserve to go if they make it. Eric commented that they are very close to the Midwest boundary. Reed commented that even if the last trip is cut, they are still over the travel guidelines. Nik said that it wouldn't be unreasonable to ask them to fundraise for the one trip. He also commented that just because it is close to the boundaries for the Midwest doesn't mean that we should make the exception because we have the limit for the reason. Eric commented that it is expensive because of the transportation to Louisville, Kentucky. Milton commented that he thinks that it would be more reasonable to increase the org contribution to keep the nationals trip. Noelle commented that each player pays a fee towards the tournament that is based on the team's leadership so she agrees with Milton. Nik commented that if the trip was cut, each member would have to pay about \$245 and that is not unreasonable with the addition of fundraising. Tom asked if they don't make it to nationals, does SUFAC get the money back? Yes. The majority of the board favors funding the trip to nationals. Total allocation is \$7863.93. Reed commented that there is athletics volleyball and intramural volleyball so there is ample opportunity to play this sport so it is unreasonable to break guidelines for this org.

Eric entertained a motion to approve Women's Club Volleyball in full. Milton motions. Han seconds. Motion failed 7-5-0.

If the nationals trip was cut, the travel request would still be \$500 over guidelines for a total of \$4051.47. Gretchen mentioned raising the org contribution. The board favored funding the nationals trip with a 66% org contribution over cutting the trip.

Eric entertained a motion to approve Women's Club Volleyball. Janae motions. Gretchen seconds. Motion passed 9-2-1.

gg. Alternate Theater Budget:**Discussion:**

Eric entertained a motion to approve Alternate theater's budget. Han motions. Noelle seconds. Motion passed 12-0-0.

hh. Anime Club Budget:

Discussion:

Eric entertained a motion to approve Anime Club's budget in full. Milton motions. Janae seconds. Voice vote. Motion passed.

ii. Computer Science Club Budget:

Discussion:

Allison commented that all the concerns she had were addressed and resolved.

Eric entertained a motion to approve Computer Science Club's budget. Reed motions. Gretchen seconds. Voice vote. Motion passed.

jj. Pep Band Budget:

Discussion:

They will keep the instrument safe and allow individuals outside of the class to use it.

Eric entertained a motion to approve Pep Band's budget in full. Gretchen motions. Han seconds. Voice vote. Motion passed.

kk. Psi Chi Club Budget:

Discussion:

The updated trip cost was \$3499.00.

Eric entertained a motion to approve Psi Chi's budget. Reed motions. Samuel seconds. Motion passed 10-0-2.

ll. SCA Budget:

Discussion:

Eric entertained a motion to approve SCA's budget in full. Allison motioned. Milton seconded. Voice vote. Motion passed.

mm. SHRM Budget:

Discussion:

The cords are not considered apparel. Updated travel is \$876.00. Nik commented that promotional items for speakers are against guidelines so it would need a roll-call vote. Reed commented that it was put in contractual so it wouldn't require a 2/3 vote. It will require a 2/3 vote.

Eric entertained a motion to approve SHRM's budget in full. Allison motions. Samuel seconds. Motion passed 7-3-2.

nn. Sigma Tau Delta Budget:

Discussion:

The banner was removed from the budget. There was a debate about the bake sale because they are asking for a \$100 to make \$60 in revenue, which defeats the purpose of the fundraiser. They can come back with a contingency if they can clarify their plan and the revenue they expect. The board decided to cut the two events and explain the situation to the org regarding revenue. Total allocation is \$1147.90.

Eric entertained a motion to approve Sigma Tau Delta's budget in full. Reed motions. Han seconds. Motion passed 10-0-2.

oo. Student Finance Association Budget:

Discussion:

Eric entertained a motion to approve SFA's budget in full. Gretchen motioned. Janae seconded. Voice vote. Motion passed.

pp. Tri-Beta Budget:

Discussion:

Eric entertained a motion to approve Tri-Beta's budget in full. Gretchen motioned. Reed seconded. Voice vote. Motion passed.

qq. Art Agency Budget

Eric entertained a motion to approve Art Agency in full. Janae motioned. Allison seconded. Motion passed 11-0-1.

rr. Round River Alliance Budget

Eric entertained a motion to approve Round River Alliance in full. Milton motioned. Han seconded. Motion passed 11-0-1.

ss. Under \$3500 Budgets:

Discussion:

Eric entertained a motion to package the following budgets: Accounting Students Association, Athletes in Action, Campus Cupboard, Circle K, CLAS, Colleges Against Cancer, Critical Left, Design Lounge, Ducks Unlimited, Feminist Book Club, Gamers' Club, German Club, Golf Club, HIVE, Innovative Arts Management, Jazz Society, Love Your Melon, PHD Club, Phi Eta Sigma, Phoenix Philanthropy, PRSSA, Red Cross Club, RPG Club, SAGA, SISMB, Social Work Club, Student WEA, Vets4Vets for a total of \$39,763.81. Samuel motioned. Nik seconded. Voice Vote. Motion passed.

Han motioned. Reed seconded. Motion passed 11-0-0.

Eric entertained a motion to approve the SGA budget. Han motioned. Reed seconded. Motion passed 11-1-0.

Fourth Estate:

There was concern over helping Fourth Estate being self-sufficient so that they can pay their fees in the long run. Reed motioned to reopen Fourth Estate for discussion. Milton seconded. Voice vote. Motion passed. The revenue was cut from the budget.

Eric entertained a motion to approve the Fourth Estate budget as amended. Han motioned. Milton seconded. Motion passed 10-1-0.

VIII. Auxiliary Org Approvals

Eric entertained a motion to approve all auxiliaries other than Athletics including Counseling and Health, Intramurals, Kress, Dean of Students, Municipal services,

Soccer Complex, Student Life and GTP, and University Union. Han motioned. Tom seconded. Voice vote. Motion passed.

Eric entertained a motion to approve Kress center debt. Han motioned. Allison seconded. Voice vote. Motion passed.

IX. Set SUF Rate

At 3.0, the seg fee is \$1572.00 right now and 3.7 would cause an increase of \$10 for a seg fee of \$1582.00. There was a suggestion of using \$10,000 from the reserve to alleviate the increase in the student organization allocation compared to the other organizations being held flat to keep the seg fee at 3.5. With the addition of the money from the reserve, the increase would only be \$8 for the seg-fee per student at a total of \$1580.00.

Eric entertained a motion to set the seg-fee at \$1580.00 at an approximate 3.5% increase for the next fiscal year. Allison motioned. Han seconded. Roll-call vote. Motion passed 11-0-0.

X. Chancellor's Letter Regarding Athletics

Reed commented that there is no guarantee that an increase in enrollment would decrease the approved fee so that promise doesn't seem accurate. Nik commented that it would be difficult for the board years down the road to understand this situation and discussion whether the fee can go back down again. John commented that it is the 1819 budget for Athletics that is being debated. John commented that we have no reason not to trust the Chancellor, who knows best about FTE. Reed commented that this has not been the case in the past and it has resulted in a dramatic increase in student segregated fees and draining the reserve. Increased enrollment means more money in the bank. John says that we should give him the benefit of the doubt and trusting him to fix the situation. Reed commented that we are running out of options since we are draining our reserves. It is not responsible to use all of the reserve. Eric commented that we have no control over the FTE.

Eric entertained a motion to approve the recommendation by the chancellor three years out. Samuel motioned. Han seconded. Reed commented that there is more to discuss. Han would say no to the increase because the letter doesn't show him the necessity of the increase and he is basically saying that it is important in the community. Nik commented that this isn't a panic situation and being a D1 school, we will not suffer if this increase is not approved. Hannah commented that there was question over what the increase would be used for. They would hire more tutors since the hours of the tutoring center ends at 6pm, which is too early for some of the athletes. They would also recruit other students and use it for food.

Reed commented that there was also discussion over the idea of a making a deal with the chancellor and comparing it to the unofficial deal last year concerning

the soccer complex. The sentiment was that they would fund the soccer complex if athletics would not increase. Reed commented that we should stand our ground and say that we aren't supporting this since every other department is staying flat. Samuel asked if this is the only program that has to project out 3 years ahead? Yes. Hannah commented that she feels that this should be treated as a completely separate circumstance from the soccer complex.

Allison commented that this would be a long time to go without an increase for any department, approximately 5-6 years, and it would go towards helping students. Allison favors an increase. Hannah asked if they were promised an increase the past two years? No.

Hannah commented that we should take Mary Ellen's word, as Head of Athletics, seriously if she says that is what they would put the money towards. The Dance and Cheerleading teams are not provided food or transportation. The tutoring aspect is very important.

Nik commented that the soccer complex is an additional increase that should be considered where only athletic events would occur. Hannah commented that intramurals would likely be played in the complex.

Roll-call vote. Motion failed 4-5-3.

XI. Announcements:

No office hours next week. The next meeting will be March 3rd. We will be meeting every other week for contingency items. We are working on a by-law revision to make a reserve seat for the pride center.

XII. Adjournment: Eric adjourned the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:
Sarah Batten
SUFAC Administrative Assistant