GPSA Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday October 22\textsuperscript{nd}, 2018
Time: 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Location: Graduate Commons, Zimmerman Library

Attendance:

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Meeting

I. Meeting starts at 5.10pm

II. Opening

- Approval of agenda: approval unanimous

III. Business
a. Appropriations

- ASGSA appealed to be last to present (approval unanimous)
- Art Education GSA was recommended $171 (Other + surcharge)
  - Other – T-shirts, removed line item for a banner
- Beta Alpha Si was recommended $2175 (approval unanimous)
  - Conference fees recommended at full amount requested (2 lines, each $200)
  - Reduction to other line items:
- A break for 10 mins was taken
- All organizations were Block approved after consideration of any violation to Standing Rules at %67 of request excluding: Hobbit Society, High Desert Linguistics, Nepali Student Association. (approval unanimous)
- Beta Alpha Psi finished the presentation as it was not finished before the break.
- Hobbit Society Presented and was recommended $402 total
  - Appropriation request 1 regarding conference fees for Southwest Popular/American Culture Association Conference on Feb 20-23, 2018 (approval unanimous)

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- Appropriation request 2 regarding cost of Fall Writer’s Event (approval unanimous)

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- High Desert Linguistics Society presented and was recommended $1139 (approval unanimous)
- The High Desert Linguistics Society Conference
- Advertising, Computer Supplies (paper for printouts), Copying Services (poster prints and flow control papers), Food & Refreshments, Honorarium, and Office Supplies (easels for poster session) recommended to the full amount
  - Addendum - Guest Speaker Cost relined to Other (per reinstatement of standing rules)
- Guest Speaker cost recommended – Other reduced (SUB fee for early opening and SUB staff)
- One category of Computer Supplies (ink) denied (per High Desert Linguistics Society decision to reallocate request amount).
- Conference Fees reduced (per High Desert Linguistics Society reallocation)
  - Nepali Student Association was recommended $300 for food and refreshments and $100 for copying services. (approval unanimous)
    - Further consideration appealed to Council meeting
  - Other organizations were evaluated as follows:
    - Line items evaluated at Standing Rules or acceptable by Finance Committee
      - During this, line items may have been moved or renamed
    - What was left was recommended at %67 of request
  - American Studies Graduate Student Association recommended for $1205 (block approved)
    - Education Supplies relined to Office Supplies and reduced per decision by finance committee regarding acceptability (description indicated need for dry erase markers)
- Computer Supplies and Food & Refreshments recommended at full amount.
- Other line items reduced

- Christian Medical and Dental Association recommended for $401 (block approved)
  - All line items reduced

- Economic Graduate Student Association recommended for $837 (block approved)
  - Advertising (banner and handouts), Copying Services (materials for workshops), and Food & Refreshments recommended in full amount.
  - Travel (scholarship prize) denied
  - Other (never specified) denied due to no description
  - All other line items reduced

- Physician Assistant Student Society 2019 appropriation 1 recommended for $670 for Gala (block approved)
  - Advertising recommended in full amount
  - Other line items reduced

- Physician Assistant Student Society 2019 appropriation 2 recommended for $201 (block approved)
  - Food & Refreshment for even ‘Joliday’

- Spanish and Portuguese Graduate Student Association recommended for $1489 (block approved)
  - Other for subgroup meet & greet/gift for visiting professor denied (gifts violated standing rules)
  - Other line items reduced

- Student Action Network recommended for $203 (block approved)
- Travel – airfare denied in full (estimates never provided – violation of standing rules)
  - Travel – per diem reduced

- Student Animal Legal Defense Fund recommended for $970 (block approved)
  - Food & Refreshments moved to Travel as line item referred to per diem expenses and recommended in full
  - Other line items reduced

- Student Association of Geography & Environmental Studies (1) for international forum recommended at $437 (block approved)
  - All line items reduced

- Student Association of Geography & Environmental Studies (2) for SWAAG conference recommended at $767 (block approved)
  - All line items reduced

- The Water Network for lecture events recommended at $349 (block approved)
  - All line items reduced

- Student Veterans of UNM
  - Due to lack of descriptions or supporting documents, Finance Committee denied funding to multiple line items
  - Travel – airfare denied as no estimates were provided (violation of standing rules)
  - Eli Calderon (one of two primary contacts for organization in question and the individual who turned in appropriation) withdraws appropriation

- Women Student Veterans of UNM for budget and conference recommended at $1607 (block approved)
o Travel denied as airline estimates were not provided (violation of standing rules)

o All other line items reduced

b. Standing rules

• Standing rules evaluated per funding item

  o Conference fees debated on wording regrading full conference fees paid to UNM organizations or hosted by UNM events

  o Wording regarding conference fees debated between “maximum allocation per student will not exceed $200.00 per conference” and “maximum allocation will not exceed $200.00 per student per conference”

  o More examples added to “Office Supplies” (‘markers’), “Education Supplies and Subscriptions” (‘books, journal subscriptions, magazines, etc’)

  o Added ‘mileage’ to per diem under travel and raised maximum amounts to $80 per student per day and $700 total – as reference to ‘getting around’ confusion

  o Removed ‘driving’ addendum to travel – to indicate that precedent now uses airline as standard for maximum payable for travel

• Eli Calderon leaves 7:58 PM

  o Funding notice renumbered amount of items now under Funding

• Standing rules approval unanimous (3/3)

IV. Adjourn (8:00 PM)