

**GPSA Finance Committee Minutes**  
**Friday, January 23, 2015 9:30 a.m.**  
**Sub Sandia Conference Room**

**Called to order** at 9:42am

**Roll Call:**

Hilary Wainwright (chair), Bich-Hanh Thi Nguyen, Haeyalyn Muniz, Anand Tomar (proxy vote), Brian Watkins (late arrival)

**Agenda was unanimously approved as is.**

**SPR\_2015-001 College of Education International Graduate Student Association**

Student representative Rahmah Fithriani. Appropriation request for Welcome Back event. 60 students expected to attend. So far no sponsorship, only been using personal funds. HM recommended they try to find sponsorship in future. Request also for an external hard drive. After deliberation committee decided to approve the refreshments for event but not the external hard drive because of the lack of an on campus secure location to keep the hard drive. Total recommendation \$200. Unanimous

**SPR\_2015-002 Women's Law Caucus**

Student Representative Lea Zukowski. Appropriation request for reimbursement for mentorship program launch in November 2014. 40 graduate students attended event. Due to Standing Rules the three line item requests for Food & Refreshments were combined to one line item and capped at the maximum amount of \$200. Professional Services request for Flower arrangement was declined as not being beneficial to the Grad student community. \$75 was approved for drinkware/plasticware/dinnerware with understanding receipt must be shown to SGAO. Recommendation to council \$275. Unanimous

**SPR\_2015-003 Association of Latino Professionals in Finance and Accounting**

Student Representatives Brandyn Jordan and Richard Chavez. Appropriation request for travel to ALPFA national convention in NYC. Request to fund one flight, 4 conference fees, 7 per diems. Additional request to fund a local event. After deliberation the committee unanimously voted to fund one flight at 70% of the ticket cost, to fund 4 conference fees and to fund 7 per diems. Committee voted 3 in favor to reject request for funding for local event due to lack of graduate student participation in event. CM Brian Watkins abstained from this line item vote. Recommendation to Council will be \$1418.

**SPR\_2015-004 Indian Student Association**

Student Representative Anand Tomar. Recused himself from the committee for the duration of the ISA appropriation request. Request for funding for a graduate student event in April. Estimated attendance of 150 grad students. Line item 2 was reduced to \$250 cap per standing rules. ISA requested the committee overrule the \$200 cap on food which the committee agreed to. After deliberation committee unanimously recommending \$950 to Council.

### **SPR\_2015-005 Indian Student Association**

Student Representative Anand Tomar. Recused himself from the committee for the duration of the ISA appropriation request. Request for funding for a welcome event for new graduate students to be held in January. Total grad students 120 but total new students 27. Based on standing rules the committee combined line items 1 & 2 and capped at \$250 maximum for professional services. Committee did not overrule the maximum food allocation as requested by ISA. After deliberation the committee unanimously recommends \$450 to Council.

### **SPR\_2015-006 GPSA Student Support and Advocacy Committee**

Student Representative Wayne Thorpe. Request for food and refreshment funding for three events throughout the Spring semester. After deliberation the committee unanimously approves as is and recommends \$600 to Council.

### **SPR\_2015-007 Out Queer Grads**

Student Representative Christopher Ramirez. Request for funding for conference attendance. Creating Change in Denver Colorado. Request is for 2 students. Org is also requesting funds from other sources to send additional students. After deliberation the committee unanimously approves as is and recommends \$1308 to council.

### **SPR\_2015-008 Men of Color Alliance**

Student Representative Christopher Ramirez. Request for funding for New Mexico Boys and Men of Color Summit on campus in February. Statewide summit. Line item 3 moved to \$200 based on standing rules, line item 6 reduced to \$250 based on amount of graduate attendees. After deliberation committee unanimously recommends \$925 to Council.

### **SPR\_2015-009 Student Organization for Latin American Studies**

Student representatives Jennie Greb and Sarah Leister. Request for funding for Sinn Fronteras film festival. 19 grad students in org but many more graduate classes planning to attend event. Line item 3 changed from Professional Services to Educational supplies based on the organizations intent to keep the films for later grad student use and max increased from \$250 to \$350. After deliberation the committee unanimously votes to recommend \$500 to council.

### **SPR\_2015-010 Sociology Graduate Student Association**

Student Representative Michael H. Appropriation request was set up as a budget request and had to be revised at time of meeting. Lines 1, 3 and 6 were scratched by the student representative and removed from request. Line 2 was moved from Dues and Fees to conference fees by the student rep. Student rep requested the # of students being funded be changed from 2 to 3. After deliberation the committee decided not to raise the amount of students being funded and after scratching line items and capping the 2 students committee unanimously voted to recommend \$930 to Council.

### **SPR\_2015-011 Ultrasounds in Medicine Interest Group**

Student Representative Nancy Nguyen. Request for food and refreshments for meeting. Committee unanimously approves recommendation to council of \$200 as requested.

No further business to discuss, next meeting 2/20, meeting adjourned at 11:53.

