

Graduate Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

List of Organizations in Attendance

SOTA, BGC, DPT, RPC, MA ENG, NGSO, HPGSA, ISG, SAGA

Advisors: Krista McFarland, Steven Lipnicki

Agenda Items/Discussion Points

- Introductions
- Grad Club
 - Student's encouraged to attend. Next meeting at Z's.
- By Law Updates
 - Proposed name change from Graduate Finance Committee to Graduate Funding Board
 - No Comments
 - For: All
 - Against: None
 - Motion Passed
 - Proposed additions to Expenses Non-Fundable
 - # 6: Any expense incurred prior to GFB approval will not be reimbursed
 - No Comments
 - For: All
 - Against: None
 - Motion Passed
 - # 8: Only GVSU events will be funded. Non- GVSU events are defined as community events, fundraising, non-academic excursions, events that charge registration, etc.
 - Comments:
 - Could we still go to academic conferences? – Yes
 - Events that charge registration? Refers to events where the organization is charging for admittance
 - Questions regarding the portion referring to “non- academic excursions”
 - Proposed amendments: Only academic and professionally focused GVSU events/ programs....
 - For amendment: All
 - Against: None
 - Motion Passed
 - Travel Funding Guidelines- The do and don'ts
 - # 4: The applicant must be enrolled during the semester of his/her travel. If a student is traveling between semesters, he/she must also be enrolled for the semester following travel.
 - For amendment: All
 - Against: None
 - Motion Passed

- Travel Funding Guidelines- Expenses Fundable
 - # 1:
 - No Comments
 - For: All
 - Against: None
 - Motion Passed
 - #2:
 - No Comments
 - For: All
 - Against: None
 - Motion Passed
 - #3
 - No Comments
 - For: All
 - Against: None
 - Motion Passed
 - #6
 - Comments: Proposed amendment- Take out exception
 - For Amendment: All
 - Against Amendment: None
 - Motion Passed
 - #7
 - No Comments
 - For: All
 - Against: None
 - Motion Passed
 - Next Funding Board Meeting January 23rd – Meeting Location TBA
 - Future Meeting Dates:
 - Feb 20th, March 20th, April 10th – all from 4-6 pm
 - Current Budget
 - Current Available budget - \$66,257.00
 - Available Budget at the beginning of the academic year ~\$87,000
 - GSA has increased base budget over the years
 - AFC committee open for Winter Semester

Budget Requests

- ISG
 - International Kick- Off

- Description: Meeting that brings international and American students together for networking. Presentations and movies will be shown. Expecting 25-30 students. Requesting money for food at event.
 - Funds Requested: \$250.00
 - For: All
 - Against: None
 - Abstain: 1
 - Motion Passed
- DPTO
 - NPTE Board Prep Registration
 - Description: Event meant to prepare students for accreditation test. Projected 34 people will attend.
 - Funds Requested: \$3,500.00
 - Issues with Proposal: Fund is not intended to support individual academic pursuits.
 - For: 3
 - Against: 5
 - Abstain: 2
 - Motion Denied
- SAGA
 - ACPA National Conference
 - Description: Conference for networking. Propose taking 5 students. Faculty will also be attending conference.
 - 1 or 2 students looking for funding for both conferences
 - Comment: Organizations should consider implementing organization level by-laws that limit the number of times an individual can petition funds to 1 per academic year.
 - Amendment: 1 Student dropped- lower registration cost from \$950.00 to \$760.00
 - Amended Funds Requested: \$1,640.00
 - For: All
 - Against: None
 - Abstain: 1
 - Motion Passed
 - NASPA Annual Conference
 - Description: Conference taking place in New Orleans. Requesting funds for both lodging and registration.
 - Amendment: 1 Student Removed – Registration dropped from \$1,160.00 to \$1,015.00
 - Amended Funds Requested: \$3,000.00
 - For: All
 - Against: None
 - Abstain: 1
 - Motion Passed
- NPGSO
 - The Gift of All

- Description: Event to be held on campus. A speaker will be brought in to talk about a documentary he produced. Event open to public in addition to Grand Valley Students. Funds requested will be used to purchase food.
 - Amendment- \$350 for food, \$0 for speaker gift
 - Funds Requested: \$350.00
 - For: All
 - Against: None
 - Abstain: 1
 - Motion Passed
- HPGSA
 - ACHE Congress
 - Description: Conference to network with health care professionals. Funds are being requested for mainly registration. Remaining money will be used for lodging. Propose sending 6 students.
 - Funds Requested: \$3,500.00
 - For: All
 - Against: None
 - Abstain: 1
 - Motion Passed
- RPC
 - AAPA Conference
 - Description: Conference aimed at professional development and networking. Asking for money primarily for lodging. Propose sending 29 students.
 - Funds Requested: \$3,500.00
 - For: All
 - Against: None
 - Abstain: 1
 - Motion Passed

Total Allocated: \$12, 255.00

Total Remaining from base budget: \$11,363.00

Money will be pulled from rollover funds and new added funds when base budget is depleted.

Closing Comments

- Presidential Grant increased from \$1,000 to \$1,500 and an additional \$500 will be awarded for conference travel

Upcoming Events

Next GFB meeting will happen on 1/23/2015 in SCB 2022

Adjourned at:

5:52 pm