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AFRC Hearing Minutes

March 7, 2013

In attendance: Haley Van Cleve, Robert Smith, Chase Gerold, Bobby Miller, Jessica Zabel, Nick Klein, Dan Magner, Dave Swenson, Whinny Lindstrom, Ellie Hofer

The meeting began at 7:14 pm.

Classifications

Taekwondo Club

NK motioned to classify as a D-3 as it was classified as that in the past. JZ seconded.

Dance Ensemble

There is over \$10,000 in the organization's account, and the last time they requested funds was '96-'97. The group usually makes money on shows - it's possible they don't realize they have \$10,000 in their account.

BM motioned to classify as a D-3. NK seconded.

Vamos Juntos

Movie

CG motioned to classify as a B because it is on campus and was predicted to have low attendance. EH seconded. RS questioned classifying as a B. CG said he just threw out B to keep things moving. The classification was struck down. EH motioned to classify as an A. BM seconded. Everyone jumped the gun on voting to classify. Oops.

Teatro del Pueblo

There was some discussion about classification as a B-3 and a C-3. DS: YOU SUNK MY BATTLESHIP! NK motioned to classify as a D-3. CG seconded.

3C Club

CG motioned to classify as a B for infrastructure. NK seconded.

Geology Club

JZ motioned to classify as a D-3. RS asked what the committee classified it as in the past. It's been classified as a variety of things. The spring break trip is their primary event. The group is also in the hole \$2,761. DS described why they are in debt, and it's because they still have an off-campus checking account with which they usually reimburse the University. They did not do that last year, and they have not replied to any requests to do so. NK said that it should have a different letter classification because it's open to all students, not just members of the group. NK motioned to classify as C-3. BM seconded.

It was put to a hand vote to classify as a C-3. It was a tie. After much deliberation, RS voted against the classification. NK motioned as a C-2. WL seconded.

Hearings

Taekwondo Club

Abby Kalina represented the Taekwondo Club. They are requesting money for a state tournament, which is a bigger deal than other tournaments. They would like to cut the cost of participation for competitors.

WL asked why there was an inconsistency in their budget, and it was because the sensor socks the group bought haven't shown up in their budget from being purchased.

JZ asked what the emergency fees were. It is for any injuries or equipment breaks or to help pay for future tournaments if needed. JZ also encouraged them to fundraise in addition to having each member pay a fee each semester.

JZ asked how much each person would spend on food. AK said that each competitor has already spent \$105.

JZ asked if they would be willing to cut their emergency funds in half to help pay for this tournament. JZ motioned to fund at \$390 from cutting hotel costs and halving the emergency funds. CG seconded.

Dance Ensemble

Stephanie Ferrian represented Dance Ensemble. The event is a conference with classes and performances every day by colleges around the area.

WL asked who went and how many. SF said that this was the first time there has been an interest in a few years. The students had to commit in October, which is partially there was fewer members. Each student has already paid \$115.

JZ asked why they were requesting money if they had enough to cover this request and the spring show. SF said that this was the route to go to fund the trip.

DS said that traditionally Dance Ensemble has 5 digits in their account. He believes the question is why the board does not want to fund the trip.

CG motioned to fund at \$0. WL seconded. DM asked if the group would be in danger of not having the board pay. JZ wanted to know why they weren't informed about their budget.

SF was under the impression that the ASG request was a grant that previously had funded students.

The motion to fund at \$0 was put to a vote and passed.

Vamos Juntos

Movie

Erica Mumm, Ashley Thorpe, and Lauren Yeager represented Vamos Juntos. They requested funds for a movie, and they had around 60-70 people come. They bought the rights to the movie as well as some snacks.

JZ motioned to fund in full at \$371. The group fundraised, and charged \$1 for attending. NK seconded.

(someone) mentioned that they have a number of other free events yet this semester.

WL wanted to clarify in what ways the Spanish Discipline aided the group. The discipline paid for the posters, and Vamos Juntos would like to not have them pay for everything.

Trip to Twin Cities

The group is planning to go to a Spanish play in the Cities. The students are covering lunch, and the group would like to subsidize the trip so there it's more likely that students will go.

CG motioned to fund at \$523. JZ seconded.

We're on schedule! :D

3C (Intercultural Communications Club)

Si Chen (Tracy) represented 3C. SC said that she would like funds to have money to buy food for meetings and also for funds to do things later in the semester and next semester. SC said that she believes people will be more interested if there are snacks. JZ replied that it was in our guidelines to not fund that kind of thing.

CG halved the total for food and said they could use that to fund the first big meeting or a mixer type event. CG motioned to fund at \$192. WL seconded.

JZ suggested that people already in the group use their own funds to initially draw students, and raise funds once they have members.

Geology Club

JZ said that Ashley Woods, who submitted the request, was currently at a Muse concert. JZ wants to fund at \$0. CG motioned to fund at \$0. DM asked what it meant to table the request. It means that the committee would look at it later. The committee looked at Women's Rugby as they were in the hole earlier this year. We did not fund one of their first requests, but they did a lot of fundraising and we funded them then. DS said that they have been contacted about their deficit. CG is in favor of funding at \$0 because they were late with their submission, have not been responding to DS's emails, and they have a large deficit. JZ wants to table it so the committee can tell them why they weren't funded. CG motioned to table the request. WL seconded.

The committee has \$6,900 as of now.

Also, the committee is looking for students able to serve a 2-year commitment.

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Meara Hove.