



**74rd Student Senate
Resource for Travel Allocations Committee
January 24th, 2022**

Call to Order: 5:01 PM

Members Present: Chair Nasworthy, Members Diaz, Bettley

Members Tardy:

Members Absent:

Guests: Stephanie Owens, Michael Manias, Sabrina Callejo, Christelle Bucag, Sabrina Polynice

Opening Remarks:

- Chair
 - Land Acknowledgement:
 - The Student Government of Florida State University acknowledges that it is located on land that is the ancestral and traditional territory of the Apalachee Nation, the Miccosukee Tribe of Florida, the Muscogee Creek Nation, and the Seminole Tribe of Florida. We pay respect to their Elders past and present and extend that respect to their descendants and to all Indigenous people. We recognize this land remains scarred by the histories and ongoing legacies of settler colonial violence, dispossession, and removal. In spite of all this, and with tremendous resilience, these Indigenous Nations have remained deeply connected to this territory, to their families, to their communities, and to their cultural ways of life. We recognize the ongoing relationships of care that these Indigenous Nations maintain with this land and extend our gratitude as we live and work as humble and respectful guests upon their territory. We encourage all to learn about and educate others on the contemporary work of the Indigenous Nations whose land we are on and to endeavor to support Indigenous sovereignty in all the ways that we can.
- Vice-Chair
- Members

Committee Business:

- Filipino Student Association
 - Application Link:

https://fsu.qualtrics.com/CP/Report.php?SID=SV_a9MMDqSFCtdeQ9n&R=R_eVYwQbjOHkw5zfH

- Name of Event: GK-US x UCF Collegiate Summit 2022
 - Event website: N/A
- Preliminary Remarks:

- Asking for \$1118.10
 - Registration: \$0 (\$0 per student)
 - Travel: \$226.80, (\$165 per student)
 - Mileage: \$0
 - Lodging: \$891.30
 - Other : \$0
 - Total: \$1118.10
- Date of Event: Feb 18-20, 2022
- Number of Active Members: 123
- Number Traveling: 11
- RSO Presentation:
- Our mission is to promote and increase awareness of Filipino culture to the student body and the Tallahassee community. We provide opportunities to enhance the understanding of our nation's history and culture, while educating those who are unfamiliar with the beauty of our Filipino heritage. We seek to define, preserve and continue a strong foundation of our cultural values. We hope that through our events, activities and actions, we can define a higher appreciation for diversity and promote greater awareness at FSU.
- Founded in 2009, the Gawad Kalinga - United States of American (GK-USA) is a duly registered 501-C3 registered corporation working independently, but in conjunction with Gawad Kalinga Community Development Foundation, Inc. (GK-CDFI), a Philippine-based not-for-profit movement that aims to end poverty by building caring and sharing communities. Gawad Kalinga translated in English means "to give care." Its approach to attacking poverty began with building a cluster of homes in communities. Residents go through a values formation program that focuses on restoring dignity and self-worth. GK raises funds to help the marginalized build permanent homes with the latter contributing their sweat equity. GK opens access to education, more secure employment or livelihood opportunities and health and well-being. The Filipino Student Association at UCF will be hosting a collegiate summit in collaboration with GK-USA. This national event will serve as a way for college students, philanthropists, and activists to gather together and find ways to help alleviate poverty in the Philippines. This year's theme is "Breaking Down Barriers". Barriers include but are not limited to: socioeconomic status, language, food insecurity, homelessness, etc. Throughout the summit the keynote speakers and student lead workshops will be addressing an array of "Barriers" and several ways to help ourselves and others overcome them.
- Questioning/Notes:
- Nasworthy: We unfortunately cannot fund as RTAC.
- Nasworthy: How was this event advertised.

- Callejo: Flyers were made and posted to all social medias for both FSA and AASU as well as being advertised in our groupme.
 - Bettley: Is it only the eboard going on this trip?
 - Tweedie: No this is open to all the student body its just that its mostly eboard that showed interest in this event.
- **Deliberations:**
 - Diaz: I believe this is a great organization that will be doing great things with this event and this request is much smaller
 - Bettley: I think it is great that a lot of the eboard is going as they can bring what they learned from this event to both their org and the general student body.
- Diaz motioned to fund \$227 in travel, \$892 in lodging and \$0 in all other categories.
 - Bettley seconded.
- Vote to fund \$227 in Travel, \$892 in lodging and \$0 in all other categories.
 - Yay: Diaz, Bettley
 - Nay:
 - Abstain:
 - **PASSED. Funded \$227 in travel, \$892 in lodging and \$0 in all other categories.**

- American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association Scholars

- Application Link:

https://fsu.qualtrics.com/CP/Report.php?SID=SV_a9MMDqSFCtdeQ9n&R=R_3rGQ6mqjnGNop5f

- Name of Event: Greeks in Miami Volleyball Tournament
 - Event website: N/A
- Preliminary Remarks:
 - Asking for \$1150
 - Registration: \$250
 - Travel: \$0
 - Mileage: \$412.07
 - Lodging: \$846.72
 - Total: \$1508.79
 - Date of Event: Feb 25-27, 2022
 - Number of Active Members: 12
 - Number Traveling: 6
 - RSO Presentation: The Order of AHEPA promotes the ancient Hellenic ideals of education, philanthropy, civic responsibility, family and individual excellence through community service and volunteerism. AHEPA Scholars is an organization where students with Hellenic roots meet on a

regular basis to discuss ways to give back to the community while celebrating and upholding our cultural value. We are here to request funds for the first annual Greeks in Miami co-ed volleyball tournament. This will take place in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. There will be opportunities to network and meet other individuals from all over the United States and Canada with similar roots to ours. This is a great opportunity for AHEPA Scholars to network and raise money towards our National Project. Due to the pandemic, this is the first event our members feel more comfortable attending. Those hosting the event are taking COVID precautions seriously with requiring a presentation of a negative covid test, hand sanitizer stations, and social-distancing as much as possible.

- To participate in the event, we must pay a registration fee of \$250. This amount is donated to our National Project. This our National Project is to support Ronald McDonald House and more specifically New York's Greek Division.
- We will all be meeting at Westcott Fountain and carpooling to Fort Lauderdale. That distance is 463 miles one way.
- $\$0.445 \times 463 = 206.035 \times 2 = \412.07 roundtrip.
- The American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association has booked rooms at the Four Points by Sheraton in Fort Lauderdale/Dania Beach.
- The rate they have secured is \$189/night + tax.
- As of right now, we have four girls and two boys attending the event and therefore we would need two rooms.
- \$423 including tax per room per night = \$846.72 for both rooms and two nights.
- Questioning/Notes:
 - Nasworthy: According to the financial manual we can only fund hotels up to \$175 per night so that will have to be adjusted
 - Owens: I actually spoke to Laurel and she said that that is going to get changed to \$175 per night per person but it might have not been updated yet.
 - Nasworthy: Unfortunately changes to the financial manual needs to be done by senate so we will be going by the what the current financial manual states. With that we can only fund a maximum of \$700 for two rooms for two nights
 - Owen: Would it be possible for it to be paid up to \$700 and then the attendees can cover the difference out of pocket?
 - Nasworthy: Yes it is.
 - Bettley: How was this event advertised
 - Owens: This was done via flyers that we made and posted around campus as well as interest forms at our GBMs
 - Diaz: I saw that on the presentation that you are taking 6 but on the RTAC application it says only 5, which one is it

- Sandoval: We had one more person express interest in the event after the RTAC application was submitted so it will be 6 people but that won't change the funding numbers.
 - Nasworthy: Lastly with the changing of the hotel funding the total will be \$1363
- **Deliberations:**
 - Diaz: I love that the registration goes towards charity, especially the Ronald McDonald House, i love that A&S fees can benefit others and I am in full support of this funding.
 - Bettley: I echo the same sentiments this is a great networking event and is benefitting a great cause.
- Diaz motioned to fund \$250 in Registration, \$413 in travel, \$700 in lodging and \$0 in all other categories.
 - Bettley seconded.
- Vote to fund \$250 in Registration, \$413 in travel, \$700 in lodging and \$0 in all other categories.
 - Yay: Diaz, Bettley
 - Nay:
 - Abstain:
 - **PASSED. Funded \$250 in Registration, \$413 in travel, \$700 in lodging and \$0 in all other categories.**

Closing Announcements:

- Chair Nasworthy
 - Thank you so much to senator Bettley and Diaz for coming tonight. We have two hopeful committee members coming through finance and the general senate floor this week so hopefully i won't have to ask senators to come to RTAC anymore.
- Members
 - None

Adjourned at 5:53 pm

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Luke Nasworthy
RTAC Chair
