

76[™] Student Senate Resource for Travel Allocations Committee

Call to Order:

Members Present: Chair Bevis, Vice Chair Vandermeulen, Members Jose Collantes, Avery Cronin, Lydiah Gracia, Kelsey Strigler

Members Tardy:

Members Absent: Mario Zeron, Lauren Mayo, Kory Gehring (Excused), Tory Kim (Excused) **Guests:**

Opening Remarks:

- Chair
 - o 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:

- Theta Tau
 - Application Link
 - Name of Event: Theta Tau Gulf Regionals
 - Preliminary Remarks
 - Asking for
 - Registration: \$0

- Car Rental: \$0
- Mileage: \$0
- Airfare: \$0
- Lodging: \$1600
- Other: \$0
- Total: \$1600
- Date of Event: 4/12/24-4/13/24
- Number of Active Members: 100
- Number Traveling: 40
- RSO Presentation
- Questioning/Notes
 - The flyer for this is pinned on our Instagram, and it's been posted for a while, and we do have a list of participants already
 - The advertising plan was done based on who had more experience with the organization; it's open to everyone but priority goes to brothers'
 - Last year, this was a great way to meet other members across Florida and to increase visibility of our chapter
 - This is a great experience for meeting other members, bonding, and representing the campus
 - Outreach events recently have been centralized on giving back to the campus community
 - These are our four hotel quotes, and we wanted everyone to pay for their own gas and registration
 - Vandermeulen: Can you clarify which of those hotel quotes at the end you were looking at for funding?
 - Rep: I believe it was this one, Hotel Melby Downtown Melbourne. It's a little cheaper than the first one and it's closer.
 - Collantes: Would you be able to put four in each room?
 - Rep: Yes we can. I would have to ask if these quotes are four to a room though. But we can do that, for sure.
 - Gracia: How much money is currently in your organization's account and can you explain how much you're paying on your own?
 - Rep: If we were able to get hotels paid for, we would use our chapter account to meet the gas money and registration fee. But if we can't get the hotel, we would pay for it out of the chapter's budget and have each person pay for the registration fee themselves. We currently have \$15,219 in our account.
 - Bevis: Has your RSO done any fundraising?
 - Rep: We have done some. I don't have the exact numbers. I know we do the share-it once a month and I think we usually raise about \$100 from each. We are doing a 5k fundraiser in April but we haven't gotten money for it yet.
 - Bevis: How are you going to allocate the money you get from fundraising?
 - Rep: Most of our fundraising goes to offsetting the cost of our dues because a lot of people don't end up paying them.
 - Bevis: If you don't get full funding, how do you plan on being able to go on this trip?
 - Rep: We have plans based on how much we get. However much we are allocated, we are going to try to use to support the hotel. I know these were the cheapest ones we were able to find. If we

don't get funding, we would have to see how much we can afford to lose from the chapter budget. If people pay dues on time, we want to pay for hotels out of the chapter budget and just have people pay for gas and registration on their own.

- Collantes: You talked about how there was a link to your website, but did you advertise that link?
 - Rep: It's on our Instagram. We promoted it a bit earlier and it was listed on our story multiple times.
- Bevis: How are you allocating your money this year? Are there certain areas that are going to take up a big chunk of that money?
 - Rep: I know that our chairs and events budget is about \$8000, but that's all I know. We still have two more invoices to pay.
- Vandermeulen: Do you have any guess as to what might be coming out of pocket per traveler, aside from the lodging that you're requesting for?
 - Rep: For gas and registration combined, it would be about \$60 per person. We have yet to discuss food.
- Collantes: Do you have a hotel preference?
 - Rep: Yes, it's the Hotel Melby Downtown Melbourne.
- Motion: Collantes motioned to enter roundtable discussion. Vandermeulen seconded.
- **Deliberations:**
 - Collantes: I'm not sure because of the level of public advertisement. But that is a reasonable price.
 - Bevis: They advertise it on their Instagram which is good enough. I checked with them because their application said something different. So yes, I cleared them.
 - Vandermeulen: Can I get a refresher on where we're at in the budget?
 - Bevis: As of now, RTAC has \$22,757.86. Since we aren't hearing LEGO, we will have more money left than I expected. For our meeting after spring break, I think we'll have a little under ten thousand left. We will very likely not run out tonight.
 - Strigler: Can we fund them even though they don't know how much it's going to be?
 - Bevis: They know how much it is for hotels, so we can fund them for that. They have definite numbers for hotels.
 - Strigler: But we saw a few different quotes.
 - Bevis: Oh, we just get to choose which one to do.
 - Strigler: Oh okay, so we can give them the lowest amount then?
 - Bevis: Basically it gives us multiple options. Theoretically, in statutes, you're supposed to come up with three quotes. Although, I and many other finance leaders don't like that rule.
 - Strigler: So could we just fund the lowest one?
 - Bevis: We could do that if we wanted to. And if you want, I can pull up the hotel quotes.
 - Vandermeulen: Please.
 - Bevis: The quotes are \$1635, \$1780, \$1300, and \$1567. But yeah, all these are good.
 - Vandermeulen: I don't know how everyone else feels about this, I would be okay if we funded their preference. I'm pretty sure she said that the Melby Downtown was it.

- Collantes: I'd be fine with it too.
- Motion: Vandermeulen motioned to fund \$1567 in lodging. Collantes seconded.
- Motion: Gracia motioned to call the question the line item. Collantes seconded.
- Vote to fund \$1567 in lodging
 - Yay: Collantes, Gracia, Strigler, Cronin, Vandermeulen
 - Nay:
 - Abstain:
 - PASS
- American String Teacher Association at FSU
 - Application Link:
 - o Name of Event: ASTA 2024 National Conference
 - Preliminary Remarks:
 - Asking for
 - Registration: \$0
 - Car Rental: \$209.70
 - Mileage: \$0
 - Airfare: \$0
 - Lodging: \$1272
 - Other: \$20 (overnight hotel parking)
 - Total: \$1501.70
 - Date of Event: 3/20/24-3/23/24
 - Number of Active Members: 10
 - Number Traveling: 6
 - RSO Presentation:
 - Questioning/Notes
 - The ASTA is the leading national organization for string music educators and string performers, historically the largest representation across the state and the nation
 - Usually it's in Atlanta or Orlando, but the cost increased with Louisville
 - It's both for researchers and practitioners, so it's really important for FSU students to see what is emerging in the teaching field
 - Also good for networking and entrepreneurial skills
 - We get to bring back a lot of this knowledge because of how much time we're spending there
 - The fees covered by us are the registration fee and the membership rate, but we found that the hotel is the most expensive part and the cost of the rental car is higher this year because normally we just carpool
 - For six of us, it's going to get two hotel rooms, and here are the quotes; because it's an urban area, the hotels are slightly more expensive
 - For the College of Music, I was talking to the associate dean in charge of transportation and finances, and she recommended that the passenger van is the cheapest
 - Our chapter has received a couple recent awards, the first the Most Outstanding Student Chapter Award nationally and then the Outstanding Chapter Award, which highlight the importance of our chapter
 - Bevis: How was your trip advertised?
 - Rep: It was advertised through our social media and our meetings, as well as general education courses and the string area Canvas page for FSU.

- Bevis: How much money does your organization have in its account?
 - Rep: We have \$2225.57.
- Goldstein: I see a fundraising section right there, would you tell me about any fundraising you've done?
 - Rep: The North Florida String Festival is an ensemble design that acts as a fundraiser where local private lesson teachers sign their students up. Students at FSU associated with the ASTA chapter and the educational degree are the judges that evaluate students.
- Bevis: How much have you fundraised from that?
 - Rep: It has been around \$800.
- Bevis: Is any of the money in your account and/or from fundraising going toward this trip?
 - Rep: We have set aside some for the student fees because it's a little more expensive for undergrads.
 - Bevis: If you don't get full funding, how do you plan on paying for this trip?
 - Rep: It depends on the amount we would have to pay. We would, as a group, have to decide how much to split up between us.
- Strigler: Just to confirm, you said there were going to be six people per room?
 - Rep: There are six people total, four in the boys room and two in the girls room.
- Bevis: Do you have a quote for your rental car? We can look over it after if you do. I knew your vendor was approved by the university.
 - Rep: I can send it to you.
- Motion: Collantes motioned to enter roundtable discussion. Gracia seconded.
- **Deliberations:**
 - Bevis: The one thing I'll point out about their rental vehicle, it says in the financial manual, it says there can be no more than five people per car. They have one more than that so I can run it by our advisors to see if they would be okay with it. I care about financial rules but it is just one more person. We can't fund them for the car but it may be possible we make an amendment in the Finance committee.
 - Vandermeulen: What about the parking part? Is that no longer included? I don't think I heard anything about that.
 - Bevis: I can bring them back in and ask them that. And I will say that I checked and, while I was not aware of this, we are allowed to pay for parking.
 - Vandermeulen: Well, based on that, I guess it's no longer a concern.
 - Strigler: Are we allowed to fund their hotel even though they only have two people in a room?
 - Bevis: It's six people and it seems they're divided by gender and I think that's fine.
 - Vandermeulen: You said this could be hashed out later, but I'm going to make a motion.
- Motion: Vandermeulen motioned to fund \$0 in car rental, \$1272 in lodging, and \$20 in travel. Strigler seconded.
- Motion: Strigler motioned to call the question the line item. Collantes seconded.
- Vote to fund \$0 in car rental, \$1272, and \$20 in travel
 - Yay: Collantes, Gracia, Strigler, Cronin, Vandermeulen
 - Nay:

- Abstain:
- PASS
- Black Law Student Association
 - Application Link
 - Name of Event: Law School Tour
 - Preliminary Remarks
 - Asking for
 - Registration: \$0
 - Car Rental: \$0
 - Mileage: \$450
 - Airfare: \$0
 - Lodging: \$4150
 - Other: \$0
 - Total: \$4600
 - Date of Event: 4/19/24-4/21/24
 - Number of Active Members: 55
 - Number Traveling: 30
 - RSO Presentation
 - Questioning/Notes
 - We are group of black students how share a common goal of working in the legal field, full of like-minded individuals that focus on positively impacting everyone we come across
 - We do prep courses, bonding, emotional support
 - This is a trip to Atlanta we put together to visit Emory, Georgia State or John Marshall, then do some community service on the last day
 - This trip will benefit the student body because it will encourage students to stay involved in career-oriented organizations
 - Law is of course considered one of the most difficult graduate paths
 - We have three different quotes for downtown hotels; the total comes from booking eight rooms since it's four to a room and we're expecting 30 people maximum
 - For the gas mileage, I wasn't sure how the reimbursements worked so I just found out the 560 miles from Tallahassee to Atlanta and back, as well as fuel efficiency and gas price
 - Bevis: Do you have a preference for any of these hotels?
 - Rep: Honestly, no. But I think the best for us would be the Crowne Plaza because of how close it is. I'm not really too sure.
 - Bevis: I just want to clarify that you're in the process of planning this out and just want to see what money you can get, right?
 - Rep: Yes.
 - Bevis: What is your plan for advertising?
 - Rep: We plan to make a flyer. It will be open to the public.
 - Bevis: Would you be willing to post on Instagram about it?
 - Rep: Oh yeah, Instagram too.
 - Bevis: How much does your organization have in its account?
 - Rep: I believe it's around \$500. I have a check I haven't put in there yet, but once I do, it should be around that.
 - Bevis: I saw you wanted to bring 30 people on this trip. Is that a set number or will it change?

- Rep: That's more based off the money we get. It's not a set in stone number, but where I'm approximating since it's open to our members and the public.
- Bevis: Has your RSO done any fundraising? If so, what kind have you done and how much have you gotten from it?
 - Rep: We just did Double Good and got around \$400 from that. We have done Bundt Cakes, Chipotle, and Donut Kingdom.
- Bevis: How much money did you get from all those?
 - Rep: I don't have the exact numbers from each one. I think Chipotle brought in \$44, Donut Kingdom \$50, but not sure about Bundt Cake.
- Bevis: Are you allocating any money you fundraised or any money in your account to this trip? If so, how much?
 - Rep: I would say about half. We still have deductions so I wouldn't use all of it.
- Bevis: If you do not get funding, what is your plan for being able to go on this trip?
 - Rep: We have two more fundraisers we're coming up for this month, and we would probably do Double Good again. And maybe members interested would kind of pitch in.
- Vandermeulen: Could you please go back to the slide with the total? I'm just a little confused by how there are a few tentative parts, so could that \$4600 could go up or down based on what you need?
 - Rep: The \$4600 is the highest number based on the hotels. I factored in lodging and gas and that was the higher end we came up with. It definitely wouldn't be more.
- Vandermeulen: And what about the change from the \$3800 on the application?
 - Rep: That was more to do with one of the hotels changing their prices based on the rooms left, so I decided not to include that on a quote. But it was after the application.
- Bevis: For the community service, do you have an idea what exactly you're doing for that?
 - Rep: It will be between a community garden or a hunger action center.
- Bevis: Do you know that you'd be able to do these two?
 - Rep: Yes, we're definitely going to do community service.
- Gracia: Which part of your request are you mainly wanting funding for?
 - Rep: I would say lodging.
- Motion: Vandermeulen motioned to enter roundtable discussion. Gracia seconded.
- **Deliberations:**
 - Collantes: I'm thinking funding for the Crowne Plaza and the gas.
 - Bevis: Basically they're seeing how much money they can get before officially executing the trip itself. I'm fine with the information we got. If you're not, you can say that. It does seem like it'd be good to fund Crowne Plaza. It's just a question about how much.
 - Gracia: I think we can fully fund the lodging for Crowne Plaza since it's the cheapest option. It's between that and the other one that was much closer but more expensive. Either way, they'll still get lodging.

- Strigler: I agree, I don't think it's that much closer that it's worth two grand.
- Bevis: Do you all feel you got enough information to feel comfortable giving them funding?
- Gracia: I think it's okay. They have 55 active members and it's open to the public. I'd be a little more worried if they said it was just people in the organization.
- Bevis: There was that one RSO that came that was in a similar situation except they lacked a lot of information.
- Motion: Gracia motioned to fund \$2891.68 in lodging. Strigler seconded.
- Motion: Strigler motioned to fund \$249.20 in mileage. Collantes seconded.
- Motion: Collantes motioned to call the question the line item. Strigler seconded.
- Vote to fund \$2891.68 in lodging and \$249.20 in mileage
 - Yay: Collantes, Gracia, Cronin, Goldstein, Vandermeulen
 - Nay:
 - Abstain:
 - PASS
- American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association
 - Application Link:
 - Name of Event: Greeks in Montreal
 - Preliminary Remarks:
 - Asking for
 - Registration: \$540
 - Car Rental: \$0
 - Mileage: \$0
 - Airfare: \$3000
 - Lodging: \$588
 - Other: \$0
 - Total: \$4134
 - Date of Event: 3/29/24-3/31/24
 - Number of Active Members: 14
 - Number Traveling: 6
 - RSO Presentation:
 - Questioning/Notes
 - We promote the ancient Hellenic ideal of education, philanthropy, civic responsibility, family, and individual excellence through community service
 - Hellenic Scholars is an organization where students with Hellenic roots meet on a regular basis to give back to the community
 - There will be opportunities for us to network and meet individuals from all over the U.S., Canada, and Greece
 - It's good to raise money toward our national project this year, which is the Boys and Girls Club of America
 - We'll be staying at Embassy Suites Montreal by Hilton
 - Registration is estimated to be around \$90 a person
 - The hotel we're staying at is \$147 a night in USD
 - There's six of us and a room is allowed two guests per room, so we would get two rooms
 - Looked at flights out of Tallahassee and Jacksonville

- This is open to the student body; we posted on social media and in our group chat; we talked in our meetings and have been at Market Wednesday; flyers put up around campus
- Five in our club have shown interest and one additional person not in our club also showed interest
- Bevis: Can you go back to the cost breakdown and clarify the \$76.73?
 - Rep: Two people would be in each room and then each room is allowed an additional guest for \$50 CAD (\$36.88 USD), and we would have one in each room.
- Strigler: Have you done any fundraisers this semester?
 - Rep: We did Chipotle this semester and a few last semester.
- Bevis: Do you know about how much money you got from those?
 Rep: I think Chipotle was a little under \$220.
 - Bevis: Are you allocating any of that money to this trip?
 - Rep: We most likely will have to because the flights are so expensive.
- Gracia: Could you explain the room situation one more time?
 - Rep: We have six people who have shown interest, so if all six go, then we would have two people in one room and two in the other. Then instead of getting another room for the other two, we would just put one in each room and take the guest charge.
- Gracia: Is this the only hotel you could go to?
 - Rep: This is a group rate we got. This is where everyone is going to be staying. I don't know if there are any other hotels around, but this is the one that the organization shows.
- Vandermeulen: If the registration per person doesn't end up being \$90, do you know what's the highest it could possibly be charged at?
 - Rep: The two numbers I've been told are \$80 and \$90. I don't think it would be higher than that. \$90 was the most recent I heard, so that's what I put.
- Collantes: If you had to prioritize a category of spending, which would you prefer?
 - Rep: I think flights.
- Bevis: How much money does your organization have in its account?
 - Rep: I'm not sure but I know we have at least \$200 from Chipotle and we got \$100 from one of the fundraisers last year. I would say at least \$350.
- Bevis: If you don't get full funding, what is your plan to be able to go on this trip?
 - Rep: I know two or three of them wouldn't be able to attend. The rest are still plan on going.
- Motion: Gracia motioned to enter roundtable discussion. Collantes seconded.
- **Deliberations:**
 - Collantes: Definitely not full funding, but we can prioritize.
 - Bevis: As an update to the cost, the total they're asking is \$4134. Lodging is \$588. I don't really know what's up with that registration fee. I don't know why they don't know it.
 - Strigler: Right, how do they not know it? It's in twenty days.
 - Bevis: I don't want to give them funding for it if they don't know what it's going to be. That's me, at least.

- Gracia: How did they get the number?
- Bevis: We can bring them back in and ask.
- Strigler: Wait, she had said that someone who ran the conference said that it's usually around \$70, but the number going around was \$80 to \$90. But she didn't seem sure.
- Vandermeulen: If the registration really is the range that she said, the difference would only be \$60 at the most. All I'm saying is that probably isn't what we should focus on.
- Bevis: Yeah, I just don't know how I feel about that. I would like a more definite number.
- Vandermeulen: I definitely don't blame you for wanting a concrete number on something like registration, but I just wanted to point it out.
- Bevis: Something I will put out there is that registration is usually the number one thing people are willing to pay out of pocket. I think the main thing we want to focus on is travel expenses. Perhaps we can fully fund travel and then partially fund one of these other categories.
- Gracia: I think we can fully fund travel, and maybe half fund the registration fee, or maybe lodging.
- Bevis: I think lodging, because it's usually the best one to do between the two.
- Strigler: My only concern is if we give them money and they end up not going because we didn't pay for a big chunk of it.
- Gracia: I mean, we're still paying for travel expense, and that's huge.
- Strigler: Oh, never mind. I misunderstood, sorry.
- Bevis: Okay, so possibly half funding for lodging. And do we just kind of want to leave registration fee alone?
- Strigler: I think we should fund \$0 in registration.
- Bevis: Yeah, I agree. I would rather have more of a definite number.
- Gracia: Well, last time it was \$70. And the number she's hearing is \$80 to \$90. If we don't want to fund \$0, we could just pay \$70 per person. That would probably be the minimum because that's what it was last year.
- Bevis: I think we all agree on travel expense and lodging, so let's take care of those first.
- Motion: Gracia motioned to fully fund travel expenses and half fund lodging. Collantes seconded.
- Motion: Vandermeulen motioned to fund \$420 in registration. Gracia seconded.
- Motion: Collantes motioned to call the question the line item. Gracia seconded.
- Vote to half fund
 - Yay: Collantes, Gracia, Strigler, Cronin, Vandermeulen
 - Nay:
 - Abstain:
 - PASS
- Arabic Honor Society
 - Application Link
 - Name of Event: Arab American Studies Association Conference
 - Preliminary Remarks
 - Asking for
 - Registration: \$910
 - Car Rental: \$0

- Mileage: \$646.38
- Airfare: \$2680.60
- Lodging: \$1208.78
- Other: \$69.50 (parking), \$130 (bus)
- Total: \$5836.89
- Date of Event: 4/5/24-4/6/24
- Number of Active Members: 17
- Number Traveling: 13
- RSO Presentation
- Questioning/Notes
 - The conference is in Dearborn, Michigan
 - We want to attend because of the academic benefit of an intersectional approach to the field
 - The conference offers insights into broader topics that build on what we have been studying
 - We will also get a tour of the archives at the Arab American National Museum
 - It began with the idea that if we can't travel to the Middle East, then the next best option is Dearborn
 - FSU isn't partnered with any university in the Middle East, so there's no global exchange or international programs for our department
 - Historically, our students have gone to Jordan for a summer study
 - Currently there's also a lot of safety concerns for studying abroad
 - FSU is ranked number one in Florida for Middle Eastern studies, and 29th nationally of both public and private institutions
 - Our FSU chapter is the first Arab honors society in the nation
 - We will also get a personalized tour of University of Michigan and their Middle East center, which will offer good networking opportunities
 - For quotes, conference attendance is \$70 per student and overnight parking at the Atlanta airport is \$5.35 per student; transportation in Dearborn is going to be \$10 per student for the whole trip; mileage reimbursement will be \$45.95 per person (flying out of Atlanta because those flights are cheaper)
 - Delta is the most affordable and the best time slot for the trip
 - Comfort Inn is our first choice because it has the most central location, saving on transportation costs
 - We have 14 students going, but one of them failed to sign the proper paperwork, so that's why you see two values, one total and one for the SGA request
 - Gracia: Can you explain how you're selecting students to go on the trip and how you advertise?
 - Rep: We promoted it inside and outside our organization. We've been tabling at Market Wednesday every week with flyers. We put it in various group chats. We also have a Canvas page for the Middle East center as a whole, which reaches other majors in the same department.
 - Bevis: Did you advertise this on social media in any way, like Instagram or Facebook?

- Rep: We have the trip information posted on Instagram. The application form was released via GroupMe and Canvas but not on our Instagram.
- Bevis: How much money does your organization have in its account?
 - Rep: Currently we have \$34.20. We collected an additional \$110 in dues but just haven't transferred it yet.
- Bevis: Has your organization done any fundraising?
 - Rep: We have. We haven't calculated the totals but it is around \$100 as well.
- Bevis: Do you plan to allocate anything from your fundraising or your account to this trip?
 - Rep: All of the fundraising, as well as a good amount of the dues, is going to this.
 - Bevis: Will travelers be paying out of pocket for this trip at all?
 - Rep: Yes, they've been made aware that we're applying for SGA funding but to take on some costs as well.
- Bevis: If, you're not able to get full funding, what is your plan to attend this?
 - Rep: If we don't get full funding, we have two share-it nights coming up, one with Little Masa and one with Boru Boru. We're encouraging anyone affiliated with the department to go. People are aware that not all the costs will be covered and that they're expected to help promote fundraising events.
- Bevis: Since you said there was someone not going, are these numbers correct?
 - Rep: Yes, the top number is for 14 people. And SGA below that is for 13 people. Any section that is not highlighted is applicable to SGA funding.
- Bevis: If we can't fully fund you, what areas would you like us to prioritize?
 - Rep: Hotel funding, and then conference would be next.
- Motion: Collantes motioned to enter roundtable discussion. Strigler seconded.
- **Deliberations:**
 - Strigler: Does that number they have for gas align with the total?
 - Bevis: I think it does. I think they had it for that.
 - Gracia: Looking at the gas, it looks like they're expecting us to pay \$191.
 - Bevis: I think we're only allowed to pay for mileage reimbursement itself. I had a little bit of a conversation about that with Laurel. I don't think we can pay for gas itself.
 - Vandermeulen: Why are they separated on there anyway? I thought gas and mileage were one and the same.
 - Bevis: That's a good question.
 - Strigler: I'm confused now. They're two separate things or they're the same thing?
 - Bevis: Sorry, I have to check this email from Laurel.
 - Gracia: What's also confusing me is that they said the transportation per person was \$49.95 for the mileage reimbursement.
 - Strigler: Yeah, there's no way they're all driving separate cars, right?
 - Bevis: Yeah, that's fair.

- Strigler: So what's the math on that? She said 14 were going, right? They can do three cars, so it should be just under \$150.
- Gracia: Did she give an estimate for how many cars they're taking?
- Bevis: They gave us a bus.
- Gracia: What's the mileage for then?
- Strigler: The bus is once they're there whereas the car is to get to Atlanta. The gas and the mileage is just from Tallahassee to Atlanta.
- Gracia: If they could carpool, that would be great.
- Bevis: So, do we want to give them funding for mileage reimbursement? Or we can move on to another category.
- Collantes: I kind of want to fully fund lodging and the registration fees since that was their preference. And if we can, we could partially fund some of the flights, like a half or a quarter.
- Gracia: I think we can fully fund the flight but half fund the hotel.
- Bevis: Do we want to fund for parking? It would be \$69.50.
- Strigler: Where are they parking? The Atlanta airport? Oh, yeah.
- Bevis: We don't have to if y'all don't want to. Let's see what else they have. There's transportation for the bus but they're not specifically asking for that I guess.
- Gracia: If we leave the registration fee the way it is, it will leave us around \$4300.
- Strigler: So that's roughly \$1600 less than what they asked for.
- Bevis: More like \$1300.
- Gracia: And it reality, they'll only be paying \$108 from what they were asking.
- Bevis: Yeah, for a per person rate, it doesn't seem like very much. They seem to indicate that they can pay for a decent amount themselves and that they wanted to see what they can get reimbursed for.
- Gracia: I like the number we're at right now.
- Motion: Strigler motioned to fund \$149.85 in mileage. Gracia seconded.
- Motion: Gracia motioned to fund \$604.39 in lodging. Vandermeulen seconded.
- Motion: Strigler motioned to fully fund the \$4344. Collantes seconded.
- Motion: Collantes motioned to call the question the line item. Strigler seconded.
- Vote to fund \$2071 in lodging and \$0 in both mileage and registration
 - Yay: Collantes, Gracia, Strigler, Cronin, Vandermeulen
 - Nay:
 - Abstain:
 - PASS

Closing Announcements:

- Chair
 - We did not run out of money tonight, but the meeting when we get back from spring break will likely be the last one. You all have pulled your weight. I'm going to work out some other way to get LEGO funding. Elections are coming up, so be nice.
- Vice Chair
 - It was mentioned a few times during tonight's requests, but I do think Senate will be in the Union Ballrooms
- Members
 - o None

Adjourned at 9:23pm

Signature of RTAC Chair: Parker Bevis