



**73rd Student Senate
Resource for Travel Allocations Committee
September 27th, 2021**

Call to Order: 6:36 PM

Members Present: Chair Nasworthy, Members Senator Wang Senator Duchene

Members Tardy:

Members Absent:

Guests: Laurel Mckinney, Saliya Grandison, Jacob Boykin

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.
- Members: None

Committee Business:

- Biomedical Engineering Society
 - Application Link:
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- Name of Event: 2021 BMES ANNUAL MEETING
 - Event website: XXX
- Preliminary Remarks:
 - Asking for \$3150
 - Registration: \$3150 (\$315 per student)
 - Travel: \$0
 - Mileage: \$0
 - Lodging: \$0
 - Total: \$00
 - Date of Event: Oct 6-9, 2021
 - Number of Active Members: 70
 - Number Traveling: 10
- RSO Presentation:
 - BMES is an org where students in the major and other students interested in the major get networking experience through guest speakers and different events. We are here to request funds for the BMES conference. Orlando, FL from Oct 6-9. Opportunities to network and panels for industry careers and academia. There will also be reps from graduate programs to educate about research opportunities. With COVID last year, this is a great opportunity for seniors to learn about BME careers. They are able to attend presentations about a lot of topics. The fair they hold during the BMES conference has many booths of recruiters for students to learn about career opportunities. Conference is taking COVID precautions seriously with a mask mandate, hand sanitizer stations, no-touch policy, and social-distancing seating for seminars. Clearly beneficial for students for these reasons, so we hope to send as many individuals as possible to allow the max number of students to be sponsored by our chapter to attend. We sent out an interest survey at the beginning of the semester. From the responses we gathered, there were a substantial number of students interested in attending. We continued to send out information about the conference to our email list and other interested parties. We advertised the conference at the involvement fair via flyers, and we held interest meetings. We sent out another survey to our email list after, and we received the same results of 10 students who were interested again. Due to financial constraints, we were unable to sponsor all 10 individuals. The total cost of the trip is estimated to be \$3460 or \$346 per person. We expect to fundraise \$2500 through the College of Engineering and attendance fees.
- Questioning/Notes:
 - Nasworthy: You are only requesting \$3150 right?
 - DuChene: Has your org attended this conference before, and what was the attendance like?
 - Grandison: Yes, 9 members attended.
 - Wang: Is this open to anyone of any major?

- Grandison: Yes, we advertised at the involvement fair for anyone interested in BME.
- Duchene: Registration fee is \$315 per person?
- Grandison: Yes. Reduced from individual members paying national fees.
- Duchene: Are all 10 members attending national members?
- Grandison: Yes
- Duchene: Responses in the qualtrics, it seems like a really cool and beneficial opportunity. Exciting to hear attendance may be even higher than previous years.
- Wang: How much do registration fees usually cost for RSOs?
- Nasworthy: What do registration fees include?
- Grandison: Includes bash at Universal Studios, booths set up for food/drinks, panels, speakers. With COVID, they probably decided to offset costs this year resulting in a higher fee than usual.
- Duchene: In my field, there are really high registration fees as well. Do you feel that this conference is a crucial opportunity to going into the BME field?
- Boykin: Yes. The conference has keynote speakers who are usually PhDs and the other half is a career/school fair. Rare opportunity to see people who have published the papers we've read.
- Duchene: Sounds like an invaluable experience
- Wang: Agree. BME majors rarely have opportunities to talk to recruiters in their field even at the engineering career fair, and this conference seems like a great way to network with recruiters.
- **Wang moves to fund \$3150 in XX, and \$0 in all other categories.**
 - Duchene seconded.
- Vote to fund \$3150 in Registration, and \$0 in all other categories.
 - Yay: Duchene, Wang
 - Nay: X
 - Abstain: X
 - **PASSED. Funded \$3150 in Registration, and \$0 in all other categories.**

Closing Announcements:

- Chair Nasworthy
 - Need RTAC members. Please reach out to friends interested in SGA or funding processes.
- Members: None

Adjourned at 6:58 pm

Chair Signature

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Luke Nasworthy
RTAC Chair