

## TWENTY FIFTH CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS



Assembly Meeting  
COGS Assembly Room  
Senate Chambers Room, 316 Oglesby Union  
January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017  
6:30 p.m.  
Agenda



Call to Order:

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call:

Petitions into the Assembly: Aazim Arif (Medicine), Temidayo Abiole Oloye (Graduate Housing), Matthew Dickman (Arts & Sciences), AJ Rathakrishnan (Medicine), Dean Rosenthal (Arts & Sciences)

Reading and Approval of Minutes:

Special Introductions and Student Comments:

Messages from Student Government:

Report of Officers:

- The Report of the Speaker
- The Report of the Deputy Speaker for Finance
- The Report of the Deputy Speaker of Judicial Affairs
- The Report of the Deputy Speaker of Communications

Committee Report:

- C-SAC:
- Internal Affairs:
- Academics & Student Life:
- Ways & Means:

Unfinished Business: NONE

Funding Requests: NONE

New Business: NONE

Round Table:

Adjournment:

Next Meeting: February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017

# COGS FINANCIAL REPORT

January 19th, 2017

## COGS Administrative Account (244001)

(Includes)

- COGS Officers/OPS Accounting Assistant
- Food
- Maintenance
- Speaker's Request
- NAGPS Membership
- Overhead
- Office Phone Services

**Balance: \$18,445.26**

## COGS Unallocated (244003)

(Includes)

- Organization Funding Support (Requests more than \$1000)

**Balance: \$9,450**

## COGS Organizational (244006)

(Includes)

- Organization Funding Support (requests less than \$1000 for fiscal year)

**Balance: \$3,510**

## ACADEMIC & PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT GRANTS ACCOUNTS

### Presentation Grants=

\*July-October  
Total: \$46,800

**Balance: \$1,874.09**

\*November-February  
Total: \$63,800

**Balance: \$13,425.15**

\*March-June  
Total: \$44,400

**Balance: \$44,400**

### Attendance Grants=

\*July-October  
Total: \$5,800

**Balance: \$2,125**

\*November-February  
Total: \$7,600

**Balance: \$2,811.22**

\*March-June  
Total: \$4000

**Balance: \$4,000**

# TWENTY-FIFTH CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION  
Student Government Chambers Room, 316 Oglesby Union  
January 9, 2017  
6:30 p.m.



**CALL TO ORDER:** 6:50 p.m.

**REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT:** Allen, Asturizaga, Baker, DeStefano, Elwood, Engelbrecht, Head, Kely, Lehn, Mendez, Oseguera, Peruche, Sanogo, Scriven, Shu, Solomon, Uttermark, Williams

**QUORUM:** YES

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Allen

**REPRESENTATIVES LEFT EARLY, EXCUSED:** NONE

**REPRESENTATIVES LEFT EARLY, UNEXCUSED:** NONE

**REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT, EXCUSED:** Shu

**REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT, UNEXCUSED:** Aung-Din, Garson, Grubbs, Peoples

**REPRESENTATIVES LATE, EXCUSED:** NONE

**REPRESENTATIVES LATE, UNEXCUSED:** NONE

**PETITIONS INTO THE ASSEMBLY:** NONE

**MINUTES APPROVED:** Approved. Second Indrakanti.

**SPECIAL INTRODUCTIONS AND STUDENT COMMENTS:** NONE

**MESSAGES FROM STUDENT GOVERNMENT:** NONE

**REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS:** NONE

**Unfinished Business:** NONE

## **Funding Requests:**

- **Bill 6: Allocation to the Music Teachers National Association Collegiate Chapter**  
The organization is requesting funding for their annual workshop entitled, Refresh: Tips and Tools for Music Educators. There will be 4 different sessions. The organization received a grant for \$500 and would like to secure the remaining costs from COGS. Representatives inquire how many participants do they expect at the workshop, what education level is the workshop catering to, how many FSU students are expected to attend this event and how many students attended the event last year. **FIRST PRO:** Allen appreciates the fact the organization was very thorough in their research process. Lehn is in favor of funding the organization. Asturizaga congratulates the organization for getting approved for a grant prior to receiving funding from COGS. Solomon supports the organization and believes that their request could be used as a model for future funding requests. Motion to amend the bill to read \$100 in Contractual Services. Second. Motion

Passes. Motion to call to question. Bill approved unanimously; **Contractual Services: \$100, Food \$150.**

*Motion to suspend the rules to add Bill 7 to the agenda. Second. Motion passes.*

- **Bill 7: Allocation to Active Minds at FSU**  
The organization explains that they initially wanted to bring Jenni Schaefer to FSU to discuss her road to recovery from an eating disorder. Unfortunately, she was booked before a contract was signed and funding was secured. The organization would like to host Carol Richardson who has a similar background to Jenni Schaefer. Carol is known for being 300 lbs. and climbing Mount Kilimanjaro three times. She is well known in the eating disorder community for her messages of self-expression and self-esteem. The speaker would be available for a lower cost than the first speaker. As Graduate Assistants in the CHAW (Center for Health Advocacy and Wellness) building, they have conducted Healthy Bodies Studies and 50% of FSU stated that since they have started at FSU, they are unhappy with their body image. Based on the information they received, the organization would like to spread awareness of eating disorders and would like to provide a speaker that could engage with the students. Representatives inquire if the organization has reached out to administration organizations on campus, to breakdown the contractual service expense, how do they plan to market the event and how many students are expected to attend the event. Representatives also inquire will there be any other activities associated with the talk, why are health problems more prevalent here at FSU and if there will be a Q&A opportunity for maximum impact. Lastly, representatives ask if the organization reached out to Greek Life for assistance, and where the event will take place. **FIRST PRO:** Lehn is in support of the bill with amendments and believes that it is an important issue that is contextual to the FSU community. Solomon is in support of the bill, but does not agree with the method in which the bill was presented and would prefer to have had additional time to review the request before it has to be voted on. Mendez is in favor of the bill because it is an important topic that needs to be discussed. **FIRST CON:** Allen notes that since it is such an important topic and could have a great impact, out of regard for the topic, funding should be postponed. Deputy Speaker Scriven is unsure if the request is the best way to use COGS funds based off of the information that was given and believes that there are other ways that the organization could utilize funding for speakers. Head believes the original speaker may have been the best choice and that although Carol is a great pivot from the original plan, it seems as though the organization has not been thorough in their search for new speakers. Deputy Speaker Asturizaga is in support of the event, however, she would like to postpone funding and believes that the organization would have a greater impact during the fall and that the organization can fundraise to help with the expenses. Motion to amend the bill to read \$4000 in Contractual Services. Objection. Engelbrecht explains the intent of the funding decrease which is to lower the requested amount but provide some funding to the organization so they could still host the event and if the organization does not utilize the funds then the money will return to COGS. **FIRST PRO:** Solomon would like to postpone funding the organization until the next meeting. **FIRST CON:** Head is not in favor of amending the amount. Motion to call to question. Objection. Vote on voting on the amendment. Allen: Ay, Asturizaga: Ay, Baker: Ay, DeStefano: Ay, Engelbrecht: Ay, Head: Nay, Kelty: Nay, Indrakanti: Ay, Lehn: Ay, Mendez: Ay, Oseguera: Nay, Peruche: Nay, Sanogo: Nay, Scriven: Nay, Solomon: Ay, Uttermark: Ay, Williams: Nay. Amendment passes; 10-7. Return to the bill. Motion to table the bill until the next regularly scheduled meeting. Motion carries. **BILL TABLED UNTIL 01-23-2017.**

**New Business:** NONE

**Roundtable:** Allen, Asturizaga, Baker, DeStefano, Elwood, Engelbrecht, Head, Kelty, Lehn, Mendez, Oseguera, Peruche, Sanogo, Scriven, Shu, Solomon, Uttermark, Williams

**ADJOURNMENT:** 8:07 p.m.

# Congress of Graduate Students Florida State University

A207 Oglesby Union Tallahassee, FL 32306-4027 Phone: (850) 644-6950

## The 25<sup>th</sup> Congress of Graduate Students

### BILL 7 ON PETITION

#### *Allocation to Active Minds at FSU*

On January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017, the body voted to move the following amount from the COGS 2016-2017 Unallocated Account (244-003) to Active Minds at FSU

Contractual Services:        \$4,000

**Purpose:** Funding assistance to bring a speaker to FSU to discuss recovery from an eating disorder. Scheduled talk will be on March 2, 2017.

**Proviso:** All COGS Funds not spent for this request shall be returned to the COGS Unallocated Account.

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Ben Elwood  
*Speaker*

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Matthew Uttermark  
*Deputy Speaker for Finance*



January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017

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Danielle Morgan Acosta  
*Director of Student Affairs*

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Dr. Mary Coburn  
*Vice President for Student Affairs*

## Response Summary:

### Organization Info

Requesting Organization: Active Minds at FSU  
Date Requested: 11/29/16  
Academic Term: For Spring 2017  
President: Jaylene Spannring  
President's Email: [jms11s@my.fsu.edu](mailto:jms11s@my.fsu.edu)  
President's Phone Number: 4065998901  
Treasurer: Krysta Medved  
Treasurer's Email: [kn15c@my.fsu.edu](mailto:kn15c@my.fsu.edu)  
Treasurer's Phone Number: 720-979-5241

### Funding Source:

COGS

### Budget Categories and Amount Requested

Contractual Services 6500  
Expense General 0  
Expense Travel 0  
Food 0  
Clothing/Awards 0  
OCO 0

### Special Restrictions:

None

### Organization's full name

Active Minds at FSU

Have your organization's president and treasurer taken the financial workshop?

Yes

Is your organization a recognized student organization (RSO) for this fiscal year?

Yes

Does your organization do fundraising?

No

What is the total amount of funds your club has raised for this event/item?

0

How did you raise the funds?

n/a

How many active members are in your organization?

100

Does your organization charge dues?

No

If your organization charges dues, how much does it charge?

n/a

How much A&S money did your organization spend last year?

0



Purpose for which the funds will be used

Active Minds at FSU is seeking funding to bring Jenni Schaefer to FSU to speak to our students about her journey in recovery from an eating disorder. She is widely celebrated within the mental health field and has presented over 300 times in a diverse array of settings. This includes colleges and universities (including Harvard and Yale), corporate businesses, treatment centers, and community agencies. She has presented to the top mental health professionals in the field, and to audiences ranging from teens to seniors. Her own books, her contributions to anthologies like the Chicken Soup for the Soul series, appearances on Today and Dr. Oz, and print coverage from Cosmopolitan to The New York Times, have carried her message of hope to millions of people. Jenni's straightforward, accessible style as an author, speaker, consultant and coach has made her a role model, source of inspiration, and confidant to people worldwide looking to overcome adversity and flourish as human beings.

Jenni's message is needed here at FSU. To provide an example, in a recent administration of the multi-institute Healthy Bodies Study, which was disseminated to a random sample of 900 FSU students this past spring, approximately 59% reported dieting over the past 12 months, often times through unhealthy means. What is more, 50% of our students reported experiencing an increase in their shape or weight concerns since they became a student here at FSU. Thus, increasing awareness of eating disorders through presentations of this nature is warranted.

What is the date and time of the event in which the requested funds will be used?

March 2, 2017 at 7:00PM

Is there anything else you would like us to consider?

Active Minds at FSU has received the support of many RSOs and departments on campus to bring Jenni Schaefer to FSU. These include Healthy Noles, NoleTriton, the Student Dietetics Association, the Public Health Student Association, NAMI, RENEW, Raw, the Center for Health Advocacy and Wellness, Campus Recreation, and the University Counseling Center.

Please direct all correspondence to the Active Minds co-Vice President, Kelly Romano (email: [kr15e@my.fsu.edu](mailto:kr15e@my.fsu.edu), phone: 8607072044).

By signing in the space provided below, I hereby certify that all the information contained in this...

Kelly Romano