

TWENTY FIFTH CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS



Assembly Meeting
COGS Assembly Room
Senate Chambers Room, 316 Oglesby Union
October 16th, 2017
6:30 p.m.
Agenda.



Call to Order:

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call:

Reading and Approval of Minutes:

Petitions into the Assembly:

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:

Funding Requests:

- Bill 28: *Allocation to the National Art Educators Association (NAEA)*
- Bill 29: *Allocation to the Indian Student Association of Tallahassee (INSAT)*

Unfinished Business:

- Bill 24: *Allocation to Terra Incognita*

New Business: NONE

Round Table:

Adjournment:

Next Meeting: November 6th, 2017

COGS Financial Report Fiscal Year 2017-2018

ACCOUNT	ALLOCATION AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION	BALANCE
COGS ADMIN	\$26,200	Includes Speakers Request, Food, Maintenance Fees, Overhead and Office phone services	\$22,704.64
UNALLOCATED	\$20,286.00	For RSO funding requests at COGS meetings	\$15,004.93
ORGANIZATIONAL (C-SAC)	\$2,000	RSO funding for allocations less than \$1000 for the fiscal year	\$1,260
PRESENTATION GRANTS (NOV-FEB)	\$58,300	Presentation Grant balance for the November-February funding period	\$52,900
ATTENDANCE GRANTS (NOV-FEB)	\$4,500	Attendance Grant balance for the November- February funding period	\$3,400

Recent Allocations:

8/28-Allocation to Public Health Student Association: General Expense \$543.92, Clothing/Awards \$100, Food \$337.15

8/28-Allocation to the Society for Musicology: Contractual Service \$4,000

9/18-Allocation to College of Social Work Doctoral Student Organization-CSAC Food \$240

9/18-Allocation to the School of Teacher Education Graduate Student Association-CSAC Food \$500

10/2- Allocation to the Philosophy Graduate Student Association- Food \$300

TWENTY-FIFTH CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION
Student Government Chambers Room, 316 Oglesby Union
October 2nd, 2017
6:44 p.m.



CALL TO ORDER: 6:44 p.m.

REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT: Asturizaga, Dickman, Forsman, Gao, Gerardi, Lehn, Oloye, Payne, Polischuk, Rathakrishnan, Sanogo, Scriven, Sorribes, Uttermark

QUORUM: YES

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Forsman

REPRESENTATIVES LEFT EARLY, EXCUSED: NONE

REPRESENTATIVES LEFT EARLY, UNEXCUSED: NONE

REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT, EXCUSED: Arif, Engelbrecht, Lozano, Mendez, Oseguera, Pierce

REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT, UNEXCUSED: Batchelder, Hernandez, Indrakanti

REPRESENTATIVES LATE, EXCUSED: NONE

REPRESENTATIVES LATE, UNEXCUSED: NONE

PETITIONS INTO THE ASSEMBLY: Patrick McDonough (Law), Lauren Lange (Social Sciences Seat 3)

MINUTES APPROVED: Uttermark. Forsman Second.

SPECIAL INTRODUCTIONS AND STUDENT COMMENTS:

- Dr. Amy Hecht (Vice President, Student Affairs) discussed her new role as Vice President of Student Affairs and described some issues she would like to engage in on behalf of graduate students. Representatives were given the opportunity to ask questions.
- Dr. Adrienne Stephenson (Office of Graduate Fellowships and Awards) Informed representatives of the Office of Fellowships and Awards and how they help students to identify external funding. Dr. Stephenson reviewed the award process and answered questions.

MESSAGES FROM STUDENT GOVERNMENT: NONE

REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS: NONE

Funding Requests:

- *Bill 23: Allocation to the Philosophy Graduate Student Association*
Deputy Speaker Uttermark educated the congress of the request in lieu of the organization for communication reasons. Speaker Uttermark explained that the funds will be used for the Southeastern Epistemology Conference here at FSU. Each year, the conference is held at a different college in the southeastern region. PGSA is interested in contributing to the conference

by providing refreshments to attendees. Representatives inquire if the event will be open to all students, and the expected attendance for the conference. **FIRST PRO:** Deputy Speaker Asturizaga believes that it is an honor and a huge responsibility to host this conference and would like to support them. Motion to call to question. 2nd. Vote by roll call Asturizaga: Ay, Dickman; ay, Forsman: Ay, Gao: Ay, Gerardi ay, Lehn: Ay, Oloye ay, Payne: Ay, Polischuk: Ay, Rathakrishnan; Ay, Sanogo: Nay, Sorribes: Ay, Uttermark: Ay, Lange: Ay, McDonough: Ay. Bill 23 **Passes 14-1-0; Food \$500.**

Motion to table Bill 24 in the absence of the organization for communication reasons. Second. Bill tabled.

- Bill 25 Sponsored by Deputy Speaker Uttermark: *Transfer of Presentation Grant Funds to Support Travel*
Deputy Speaker Uttermark explains that the intention of the bill is to transfer funds from the November through February funding period to the July through October funding period to fund students who will be presenting at conferences in October. All funding in this period is exhausted. **FIRST PRO:** Deputy Speaker Lehn notes that graduate students enjoy receiving funds. Motion to call to question. Second. Motion passes. **Bill passes 15-0-0; Transfer \$4,000 to the July through October Presentation Grant Funding Period.**
- Bill 26 Sponsored by Deputy Speaker Uttermark: *Transfer of Attendance Grant Funds to Support Travel*
Deputy Speaker Uttermark explains that the intention of the bill is to transfer funds from the November through February Funding period to the July through October funding period to fund students who will be attending conferences in October. All funding in this period is exhausted. Motion to call to question. 2nd. **Bill 26 Passes 15-0-0; Transfer \$500 to the July-October Attendance Grant Funding Period.**

Unfinished Business

New Business:

- Bill 27 Sponsored by Deputy Speaker Uttermark: *Creating an Advocacy Seat for LGBTQ+ Students*
Deputy Speaker Uttermark explains the importance of advocacy seats within COGS and how it can increase the quality of service for students at FSU. Uttermark further explains that there is no official graduate student liaison for the LGBTQ+ community. The LGBTQ+ Advocacy Seat will help to increase the quality of services within the graduate student community. Representatives inquire what is the process of adding an advocacy seat and how will it affect the apportionment. **FIRST PRO:** Forsman believes that this is a good first step in filling the void of representation for LGBTQ+ graduate students. Motion to call to question. 2nd. **Bill passes 15-0-0.**

Roundtable: Asturizaga, Dickman, Forsman, Gao, Gerardi, Lange, Lehn, McDonough, Oloye, Payne, Polischuk, Rathakrishnan, Sanogo, Scriven, Sorribes, Uttermark

Adjournment: 8:37 pm

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The 25th Congress of Graduate Students

BILL 28

Sponsored by C-SAC

Allocation to the National Art Educators Association (NAEA)

On October 16th, 2017, the body voted to move the following amount from the COGS 2017-2018 C-SAC Account (244006) to National Art Educators Association account:

Food: \$250

Purpose: Funds will be used to purchase refreshments for the general monthly meetings that is open to all students.

Proviso: All COGS Funds not spend for this request shall be returned to the COGS Account

Joshua Scriven
Speaker



Danielle Morgan Acosta
Director of Student Affairs

Matthew Uttermark
Deputy Speaker for Finance

Dr. Amy Hecht
Vice President for Student Affairs

October 16th, 2017

Response Summary:

Organization Info

Requesting Organization: National Art Educators Association (NAEA)- FSU
Date Requested: 10/06/2017
Budget Number: N/A
Academic Term: 2017-2018
President: Deanna Filiault
President's Email: djf16c@my.fsu.edu
President's Phone Number: 4079236780
Treasurer: Karissa Herb
Treasurer's Email: kah14f@my.fsu.edu
Treasurer's Phone Number: 8137847758

Funding Source:

COGS

Budget Categories and Amount Requested

Contractual Services 0
Expense General 0
Expense Travel 0
Food 250
Clothing/Awards 0
OCO 0

Organization's full name

National Art Educators Association (NAEA)- FSU Student Chapter

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?

Yes

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

0

How did you raise the funds?

We are currently planning fundraising events for a separate event a 2018 summer workshop held at FSU.

Face painting at FSU football games, other fundraising ideas such as holiday wreath design/assembly selling have been discussed but not planned.

How many active members are in your

organization?

15

Does your organization charge dues?

No

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

0

Purpose for which the funds will be used

Food and drink provided to members and anyone who attends the general monthly meetings. Meetings are open to all FSU students.

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

Meetings are held monthly-
2017-2018: 3rd Friday of the month
4:30-5:30
3rd Floor William Johnston Building
Room 3003

Is there anything else you would like us to consider?

NAEA-FSU's primary purpose is to promote the field of visual arts education through solidifying bridges of cooperative partnership within FSU's College of Visual Arts, Theatre, & Dance, externally with other FSU academic departments, as well as with public and private entities within our local community. NAEA-FSU shall do this primarily by:

Acting as liaison and local representative of the National Art Education Association (NAEA);

Promoting the Mission and Vision of the NAEA as stated on its website at

[https://proxy.qualtrics.com/proxy/?url=http%3A%2F%2Farteducators.org%2Fabout-us&token=Jjy%2FAHfnOefu%2BwZg0bqBU7v75Z0K3LzbMJVCE%2FahMRo%3D](https://proxy.qualtrics.com/proxy/?url=http%3A%2F%2Farteducators.org%2Fabout-us&token=Jjy%2FAHfnOefu%2BwZg0bqBU7v75Z0K3LzbMJVCE%2FahMRo%3D;);

Educating non-art-education students and the greater community about the importance of the visual arts in life-long learning, human fulfillment, and global understanding;

Developing and maintaining resources for FSU Art Education students, including but not limited to: mentoring, networking, social activities, workshops, and other professional development opportunities; By signing in the space provided below, I hereby certify that all the information contained in this...

Debbie Gerardi

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BILL 29

Sponsored by C-SAC

Allocation to Indian Students Association of Tallahassee

On October 16th, 2017, the body voted to move the following amount from the COGS 2017-2018 C-SAC Account (244006) to the Indian Students Association of Tallahassee account:

Food: \$980

Purpose: Funds will be used to purchase food and party supplies for the Fresher's Event, open to all FSU students.

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

Joshua Scriven
Speaker

Matthew Uttermark
Deputy Speaker for Finance



October 16th, 2017

Danielle Morgan Acosta
Director of Student Affairs

Dr. Amy Hecht
Vice President for Student Affairs

Response Summary:

Organization Info

Requesting Organization: Indian Students Association of Tallahassee

Date Requested: 10/11/2017

Academic Term: 2017- 2018

President: Jarvis Altrin Jawahar

President's Email: jj16b@my.fsu.edu

President's Phone Number: 8503454822

Treasurer: Apurva C. Bhingare

Treasurer's Email: acb14e@my.fsu.edu

Treasurer's Phone Number: 8503009971

Funding Source:

COGS

Budget Categories and Amount Requested

Contractual Services 0

Expense General 130

Expense Travel 0

Food 850

Clothing/Awards 00

OCO 0

Organization's full name

Indian Students Association of Tallahassee

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?

Yes

How many active members are in your organization?

100

Does your organization charge dues?

No

Purpose for which the funds will be used

INSAT would like to request funds for hosting a Freshers event for welcoming the students who joined in the year 2017. The event will be open to everyone. Purpose of the event is to make the new students feel at home in the USA and providing them a platform to meet and interact with the students from other departments and community as a whole. We strongly feel that this event will help them to get acquainted with the FSU culture.

Around 30 indian students joined FSU in 2017. So we are expecting around 85 students to join us for the event. Hence estimated food expense is \$850 (\$10 per person) and general expense of \$130 which will cover the cost of napkins, plates, spoons, water, beverages, cooler, ice, trash bags etc.

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

We plan to organize the event on 28th October 2017 or 4th November 2017 at 11 am.

Is there anything else you would like us to consider?

With very strong support from COGS, INSAT has been successful in making Indian students feel comfortable and at home here in Tallahassee. We would like to thank COGS for their support in the past.

Last year, freshers event was a success and it helped the new students get familiarized with FSU environment This event also helped them in getting connected with fellow students and alumni, through which they received academic, social and emotional support.

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

Jarvis Altrin Jawahar

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BILL 24

ON PETITION

Allocation to Terra Incognita

On October 16th, 2017, the body voted to move the following amount from the COGS 2017-2018 Unallocated Account (244003) to Terra Incognita's Account:

General Expense:	\$500
Travel:	\$1,500
Food:	\$750

Purpose: Funds will be used to support expenses for the Terra Incognita Conference scheduled for Saturday April 14, 2017 from 8 am-5pm.

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

Joshua Scriven
Speaker

Matthew Uttermark
Deputy Speaker for Finance



October 16th, 2017

Danielle Morgan Acosta
Director of Student Affairs

Dr. Amy Hecht
Vice President for Student Affairs

Response Summary:

Organization Info

Requesting Organization: Terra Incognita
Date Requested: September 19, 2017
Academic Term: 2017-2018
President: Jennifer Irish
President's Email: jei12@my.fsu.edu
President's Phone Number: 770-364-6985
Treasurer: Bryan Koller
Treasurer's Email: bmk14e@my.fsu.edu
Treasurer's Phone Number: 716-866-1992

Funding Source:

COGS

Budget Categories and Amount Requested

Contractual Services 0
Expense General 500
Expense Travel 1500
Food 750
Clothing/Awards 0
OCO 0

Special Restrictions:

None

Organization's full name

Terra Incognita 2017-2018

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

No

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?

0.00 (Donations)

How did you raise the funds?

Last year, funds were given in the form of donations.

How many active members are in your organization?

Last year, our conference brought in about 60 people. This year, we hope to expand this number to 100 and have a keynote speaker.

Does your organization charge dues?

No

If your organization charges dues, how much does

it charge?

We do not charge dues, but we do have a conference fee for abstract submission set at \$25.00 per person.

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

Last year, the Department of Modern Languages and Linguistics gave the Terra Incognita conference approximately \$525.00

Purpose for which the funds will be used

If granted funding from the Congress of Graduate Students, the funding would be used for expenses associated with the conference. This year, we would like to have a keynote speaker to help expand the profile of the conference and encourage more abstract submissions.

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

The Terra Incognita conference is scheduled to be held on the Florida State University Campus, Saturday, April 14th, 2017 from 8am-5pm.

Is there anything else you would like us to consider?

MISSION STATEMENT:

Terra Incognita Mission Statement
Department of Modern Languages & Linguistics
Florida State University

Terra Incognita exists to provide graduate students in the Department of Modern Languages and Linguistics at Florida State University the opportunity to direct, organize, host, and participate in an interdisciplinary graduate student conference within their own learning community. Terra Incognita invites graduate students from diverse disciplines on campus to collaborate and exchange research interests with one another. This conference also aims to integrate a wide range of current scholarship under the umbrella of linguistics and literature that will stimulate the expansion of our research interests and foster a sense of community within our own department, as well as other departments at Florida State University. Terra Incognita will provide opportunities for graduate students to, on the one hand, gain experience in organizing a small-scale conference; and, on the other hand, students who participate at our conference will become more confident and capable in preparing, submitting, and presenting at larger and more prestigious national and international conferences - an essential aspect in our field.

CALL FOR PAPERS (PRELIMINARY):

Title possibilities: Responding to Transition in the Humanities; In Transition: Literary and Artistic Responses to Historical Moments of Change; Considering Change: The Humanities and Periods of Transition; Does Transition Always Signal Progress? : Questioning the Politics of Change, ...

Body/Invitation: Whether political or artistic in nature, sudden or occurring gradually over time, affecting either global or local communities, transitions have always been a site of rich cultural response to their larger societal impacts. This conference aims to give a platform to graduate student research that examines literary and/or artistic production emerging from historical periods or moments of transition.

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Bryan Matthew Koller