The Globe

- Presenters: Dr. Sierra Turner and Leigh Ann Bauer
- Presentation Content:
  - Dr. Turner: Discussing the purposes of The Globe Building. Is a very busy space, hosting student groups, conferences, and other student engagement areas.
  - Dr. Turner: Resources and technology at no cost to students.
  - Dr. Turner: The request is submitted on behalf of The Globe Building. No university funding is being used to maintain the building, despite heavy use from students. RISE and CGE are not using their own budgets. If not funded, the building would close at 5 pm once offices are closed for the day. Have relied on funds from COGS/SGA since 2013 to keep space running at current capacity and function.
  - Dr. Turner: Graduate-affiliated access to a room
  - Bauer: Discussing three categories of the funding request.
  - Bauer: Coordinator position has been filled since 2013. If the position is not filled, management of the building cannot happen.
  - Bauer: OPS minimum of 8 is just a predictable number. Will see a pay increase in the fall.
  - Bauer: Background checks need to be funded for swipe access to the building.
  - Bauer: CGE and RISE still cover costs in connection to funding requests covered.
  - Bauer: Feels strongly that this building holds great importance to student groups and if not available, will affect those groups greatly
  - Dr. Turner: Union space is available, but comes with a charge. This can be an additional burden to student groups, especially with the charge that comes with required catering at the union.
- Questions:
  - Susan: What funding is used towards paying rent (keeping the lights on)?
  - Bauer: Normal operation is from 8-5pm, requests have to be put in for keeping a/c and other functions on. Currently done by the building coordinator.
  - Susan: How many OPS event staff is currently hired?
  - Bauer: 7 OPS event staff is currently hired
  - Athan: What percentage of use is currently from graduate students?
Bauer: Maseavo is used by the union for tracking, but issues with keeping track of this from The Globe. This system will change in the fall.

Ethan: If a list is given of graduate groups, can numbers be given?

Bauer: Yes. Wants to improve highlighting the use of The Globe to graduate student groups.

Ethan: Can a space be used for an extended amount of time?

Bauer: There are some limits to reservation times. It depends on what other reservations are made. Does not want overuse by a certain group.

Ethan: Can space be used for a day-long conference?

Bauer: Can be done if early reservations are made.

Ethan: How does the process of prioritization work for graduate student reservations?

Susan: Jorge knows the details of this already, so moving on.

Susan: Pointing out how the allocation has stayed the same. What is generating the increase in requests this year? What cuts would be possible?

Bauer: Salary increase will be incorporated and 3% will be used just in case. OPS wages increased from $11 to $12. If it needs to happen, OPS hours or wages would be changed. The coordinator's salary needs to stay the same.

Applied Sports Psychology

○ Presenters: Talia Aronson and Jack Krebs

○ Presentation Content:
  - Jack: Has in the past requested funds from COGS. Conferences for current and past students.
  - Talia: Sport Psychology Conference is open to all students.
  - Talia: Social will be hosted on Thursday for networking purposes. Friday will incorporate the closing ceremony. Friday will be in the union, which included more expensive food prices.
  - Talia: Flyers and information will be publicized widely.
  - Talia: Southeast Regional Conference funding would help those that have not been able to go in the past.
  - Jack: This conference planning process is a new experience because of no former students helping.

○ Questions:
  - Susan: Will the conference be in March?
  - Talia: Yes
  - Susan: This is only for funds starting in July 2023. This needs to be done through an unallocated funds request.
  - Talia: This was already done two weeks ago.
  - Susan: Will check to see if is submitted.
  - Susan: How many students in RSO are graduate students?
Talia: All students are graduate students. 20 club members, 50 master’s students, and 20 doctoral in the program.

Susan: Thank you gifts are against statutes. A guest speaker may not want to pay out of pocket for travel and COGS funding cannot pay upfront. Good idea to speak with the department if the speaker wants to pay upfront.

Susan: Grant in place to receive $250 can be used per person for presenting at the conference. Unfair to provide more money through this funding. Won’t be able to fund everyone’s request to attend the conference.

Ethan: Money for conferences can only be allocated through conference funding requests. This funding can run out and then grants cannot be given out. Would like to see a budget for the on-campus conference and start an open dialogue about making it happen.

Susan: Do you have any questions for the budget committee?

Talia: If $150 grant has already been requested individually, can an on-campus conference be funded?

Susan: Has the money been awarded yet?

Talia: Have not received funding for conferences. Have to choose between conferences to attend.

Susan: Can give you money to attend conferences. If you get money from senate, you cannot receive money from congress. It is different if an individual applies rather than RSO.

Ethan: Time to have outside conversation

- Indian Student Association
  - Presenters: Anisha Das
  - Presentation Content:
    - Anisha: Group is growing since the COVID-19 period. Has been around for around 10 years on campus. Helps students from out-of-country feel at home with events.
    - Anisha: Three main events: Fresher’s Welcome, Diwali, and Holi. Due to budget constraints, keep to these three mainly. Others are secondary.
    - Anisha: Largest event turnout at Diwali, 293 members joined in 2022.
    - Anisha: Holi is held at FSU-Rez
    - Anisha: Wants to invite and incorporate as many students as possible at FSU. COGs is seen as an important partner in INSAT’s success.
    - Anisha: Recognized the inflation prices of food. Will try to receive other funding through fundraising. One is planned with CGE.
    - Anisha: Larger headcount is causing Rez to charge money for reservation during Holi.
  - Questions:
    - Ethan: Not seeing charges for Rez aside from equipment use.
    - Susan: Charge is given for the pavilion at Rez.
Susan: There are some extra requests later through unallocated funding. Are the extra costs incorporated into this budget?
Anisha: If the headcount increases, that is why there is a request later on.
Susan: Encourages to go ahead and put it into the budget so it doesn’t have to be requested later on.
Anisha: Can budget be revised with those extra requests?
Susan: If deliberations allow for extra funds, it can be possible to allow these to be funded.
Jorge: Is there collaboration events planned with other RSOs?
Anisha: Has collaborated in the past, but was difficult this year due to high headcount numbers and finding space for those collaborations.

- **Black Graduate Student Association**
  - Presenters: Marques Ruff and Alana Houston
  - Presentation
    - Marques: COGs funding allows the group, but the campus as a whole. Contributes to the success of students.
    - Marques: Example provided of how happy hours is beneficial to students in the association. Joint collaboration in spring with BSU. Provides guidance on graduate school preparation and access.
    - Alana: Breakdown of funds. Clothing and Awards: $1,100. Food: $1,200. There is a split of costs with BSU. Expense: $1,100. $700
  - Questions:
    - Ethan: How many members are there currently?
    - Alana: About 40 members with pending members in Nole Central.
    - Susan: Are there other opportunities for collaboration with BSU?
    - Marques: Trying to find more collaboration with BSU. It is hard due to their busy calendar with events.
    - Jorge: Where is GBM usually at?
    - Marques: Has been over Zoom, but the past meeting has been at BSU as well.
    - Jorge: Encouraged the use of The Globe Building’s Space.
    - Alana: Is food allowed in this space?
    - Jorge: Not in carpeted rooms. Highlighting the room only for graduate student RSOs.
    - Susan: The room with the stage can have food.

- **Philosophy Graduate Student Association**
  - Presenters: Matthew Dupree and Evan Jones
  - Presentation:
    - Evan: Requesting funding for conference that involves all graduate students and keynote speakers included. The program has a reputation with this conference as well.
Evan: $2750 for travel expenses, $250 for food. Increases are due to the impact of inflation.
Matthew: Important recruitment tool for graduate students as well due to an opportunity to present work. More applications are requested for the conference as well.

Questions:
Susan: Are attendees mainly from FSU?
Matthew: Attendance mainly from FSU’s department but is open to the public. Usually around 20 attendees. Most of the participation is for the keynote speakers.
Susan: Is there support from the department?
Evan: Will help with extra costs not provided by COGs
Josh: Where is the conference located?
Matthew: Dobb Hall
Susan: How is the event advertised?
Matthew: Advertised through Phil Events, flyers, and posters

Medical Student Council
Presenters: Jack Kramer, Alexandra Kata, and Frantz Falmbert
Presentation:
Jack: Voice of the medical student community, enhance the standard of education, and foster diverse and exceptional opportunities
Jack: Projected total ($192,497) more than last year
Jack: Reached out to Susan regarding entry errors of funding requests
Sarah: Aware of those errors and corrected them.
Jack: Significant increase occurred last year. COVID-19 and its less prominent impact have caused certain budget funds to increase.
Jack: MSC was no longer allowed to subsidize conference and travel fees. Students of MSC would like to receive that privilege back. Jack ran on the platform to receive those funds again.
Jack: MSC’s argument is that there is a group of students in the College of Medicine that do not attend school at FSU’s campus. 3rd and 4th year P.A. and Medical Students have to leave campus to attend clinical. These students do not receive the same opportunities to engage in events and resources. These students were also wanting subsidies for conferences to attend because of not receiving them at other sites.
Jack: MSC’s proposition is for COGs to grant this once again for students. These students should be able to access funds as well.
Jack: FSU’s status as a research university is growing. The university has metrics that it must reach to receive funding as a research institution. This is dictated by the Florida State legislature. Currently, there are no funds
being allocated toward clinical research. This is changing with the construction of the FSU Health building.

- Alexandra: Purpose of many community service events is to serve underserved population
- Alexandra: Many of the community service events that have not been taking place due to COVID-19 can now happen again.
- Alexandra: Lunch and Learn allows students to have exposure to information not accessed otherwise.
- Alexandra: RSOs in MSC host events through ‘Healthcare For All Week’.
- Alexandra: Main Campus Events include NEW’s Yoga and Second Look, which is an event that helps admitted students know if they want to attend FSU or not.
- Alexandra: Skills workshops hosted by RSOs under MSC.

Questions:

- Susan: Main concern is students receiving more funds than what is dictated in COGs Code. Sees where students off-campus should receive more funding since they are paying A&S fees. Encourages Jack to investigate this issue further as well.
- Susan: What are some of the ways funding has been used that has been allocated?
- Frantz: 99% of food funding goes towards Lunch & Learns. An increase in food funding is a way to get students to attend. More students in the College of Medicine than in other areas of campus during the day. The way funding was spent was by bringing conferences to the students rather than sending them, due to cuts in conference funding.
- Frantz: Some funds that were spent were from the year prior’s budget as well.
- Jack: At a higher cost, conferences are being brought to students.
- Ethan: Can you provide information on the A&S fees being paid by students off-campus?
- Jack: Information is not on hand but can get this information.
- Ethan: There is a difference in fees paid depending on credit hours. This information can help so that students that do not pay A&S fees, do not receive it. COGs cannot allocate fees to these students.
- Kevin: Off-site campuses that these students attend are FSU campuses.
- Susan: Can students do activities on these campuses with funding?
- Jack: These campuses do not have the infrastructure and the students do not have the time to build it due to their busy schedules. Research is one of the three pillars, so having conferences available to these students helps achieve those pillars.
- Nella: A requirement of RSO is to be active during the summer. How can this be addressed?
Jack: Events have happened in past summers, but difficult to do because the College of Medicine requires events not to distract students from labs that need to be completed.

Frantz: The schedule of College of Medicine students does differ during the fall, spring, and summer semesters.

Nella: MSC needs to be creative with this as it is a requirement. Can be one event during the summer.

Susan: How did you come up with the projection of RSO allocation funding?

Jack: Based on what RSOs have done in the past and what has been proposed for the future. Outgoing and income RSO presidents work together on these budgets.

Ethan: Can you provide those requests from RSOs?

Jack: Yes

Susan: Do any of the conferences provide aid for students to attend the conferences?

Jack: There is some funding for continued education and presentations from the Principled Investigator (PI). These structures are not in place for students at FSU in the College of Medicine.

Susan: A&S fees are supposed to be used on-campus. Need to be careful with putting money towards activity towards off-campus activities.

Susan: Where would there be wiggle room for potential cuts?

Frantz: A little bit from conference funding and from food.

**Bangladeshi Student Association**

- **Presenters:** Sonet and Montasir Shams
- **Presentation:**
  - Montasir: Activities include collaboration with Muktangon and BangoNole
  - Montasir: Would like to continue the events that happened in 2022-2023
  - Montasir: In each celebration, there was a capacity for 150 people but more attended. The current members are over 80 people.
- **Questions**
  - Josh: For clarification, how many members are there?
  - Montasir: Over 80 people.
  - Susan: Glad to see them back on the budget cycle for 2023-2024
  - Nella: How many incoming international students do you support? Is there an incoming event for these students?
  - Montasir: 12 students join this group during their first semester. Fresher’s Reception Event for these students.

**End Time: 8:40 PM**