

# 75<sup>th</sup> Student Senate Finance Committee September 19, 2023 at 8:00 PM On Zoom

**Call to Order:** 

Members Present: Chair Patel, Vice-Chair Hellman, Senator Hine, Senator Waldie, Senator

Gorelick, Senator Shasho, Senator Thomas, Senator Randall

Members Tardy: Senator Raiford Members Absent: Senator Jones Guests: Chair Humberg, Chair Seeger

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#### **Announcements:**

- Chair Patel
  - N/A
- Vice- Chair Hellman
  - N/A

Confirmations: Tory Kim – RTAC Member

**Chair Patel:** You have 5 minutes for your opening statement you can start whenever you're ready

Candidate Kim: Hi guys I would like to be confirmed because I would give good insight on the committee and I currently the Need the treasurer and President to separate registers your organization and serve as the financial system or the executive branch. And I do believe I could represent the student body when allocating these funds. With my position is to organizations I would be able to give a better insight hopefully for the perspective of student organizations, especially in concert to funny applications, especially with the whole process. With a voice and our tech I do also believe I would be able to help in reforming the process in our tech with the help of the treasurer cabinet. And what I mean by reforming this process is to make this process much easier for organizations to apply and give not only relief to our tag, but also pack as well of any problems because of this sort of confusing process, especially for new RSS not knowing how the process works. I also plan on making infographic infographics and social media posts for ourselves so that they have an easier and simpler process when applying for funding through not only our type of pack as well. And as a step with a step by step instruction on the funding request. I also started to make infographics on approved vendors and processes of getting a vendor approved for reformations for our Tech Impact. Thank you.

**Chair Patel:** All right. So now we'll enter a round of questioning if anyone has any questions for the candidate.

**Senator Randall:** Hi, just quick question. We've had some issues already this year and in the past with running out of our budget fairly quickly, do you feel that you are a fiscally responsible person and kind of like, how do you go about deciding if something is like a fiscally responsible purpose if that makes sense?

**Candidate Kim:** I do think I do have the responsibilities of doing the physical process and also fiscal responsibilities. I do have experience in like handling budgets as well have like 200 around 200,000 monthly. So I feel I do have the capability to like see the limits to like the budgets as well because I am aware that there is a cap of 2000 before it goes to Senate floor. If that answered your question.

**Senator Gorelick:** Um, so, my I have two questions. One, I'm going to guess that you are already financially certified. Right? Perfect. Okay. And then So correct me if I'm wrong, but this what you're what you're going to be forwarded for is a being a committee member, an ACTING COMMITTEE MEMBER In RTAC right. Okay, so perfect. So would you be available? Like with time commitments and whatnot, on Mondays to be at those are tech meetings every Monday?

**Senator Waldie:** So I know you said in your opening statement, you had ideas specifically that you wanted to kind of like revise the system. I don't know if I'm misquoting you or not, but in essence to kind of make some changes so it's easier for student organizations to apply for

those funding opportunities. If you have any specifics. I know. It can be a lot to kind of talk about statutes and rules of procedure and things like that. But if you had any specifics already in mind, would you mind sharing any of those?

Candidate Kim: So everything's gonna be under the treasurer, cabinet executive branch, and it's gonna be all a part of her financial literacy and also transparency and initiatives. So it's just a way for students to be aware more about the processes of applying for PAC and RTAC as I've experienced, like the many back and forth emails are going to pack up like any little mistakes that the organizations may go through. So my initiatives for that whole transparency is to help student organizations know like, what not to put in what to put, like, let's say like three different vendors for budgeting as well.

### Enter Roundtable

Chair Seeger: I just want to would speak in pro of Tori. I was the one that interviewed her a couple weeks ago, and I thought she had some great ideas and I think she would be a real asset to the RTAC committee.

Senator Randall moves to call the question. Hellman seconds.

# **Voting Results:**

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### **Candidate Passes**

**Chair Patel**- So, we're gonna move on to our next confirmation. Taylor Griffin, director of finance for the Mental Health Council. You have five minutes for your opening statement whenever you're ready.

# **Taylor Griffin- MHC Director of Finance**

Hi, I'm Taylor Griffin. I interviewed for the director of finance for the Mental Health Council. Here I am a double psychology and accounting major. And I currently work in accounting and do for club benchmarking and do all of the invoices and age receivables as well as do budgets. And plan to help them plan events for our customers. So I have lots of experience doing budgets and making sure that we're using the most sway to use the money. So yeah.

Chair Patel: We have now entered a period of questioning.

**Senator Gorelick:** Yeah, so number one, Are you financially certified?

Candidate Griffin: Yes.

**Senator Gorelick:** Perfect. And then two. So what do you kind of want to you know, What do you kind of want to see done within the Mental Health Council? on your end? Like, where do you want to see like money go into or like, what do you want to see funded so that the Mental Health Council can grow?

**Candidate Griffin:** Personally, I would love to see the awareness of the Mental Health Council spread on campus. And so really put the money into events and different things that can get people involved in their community and focus the budget on that. Mainly, yeah.

**Senator Randall:** Hi, I understand that mental health council has not a lot of money for the upcoming school year. Do you have any plans for any specific ways that you would want to fundraise or go about that or like what you would request for and sweepings in terms of like anything specific and you know anything about that process? Sorry. Looks like a lot of things jumbled up one but just do you have any ideas?

**Candidate Griffin:** Yes, so I know that the budget is too low. So definitely try to maximize the things that are important like events to get more people involved, to get awareness so that it can grow. And then also for fundraising. Just I've had experience like reaching out to different communities, like businesses in the community and different things like that and just like make our presence more known, so that we are able to get money through that.

Chair Patel: Seeing no more questions we have now entered roundtable discussion

**Senator Randall:** Yeah, I've heard fantastic things about this candidates from the director and the director of the Mental Health Council. So I think that she is going to be great for the job and considering that we have had two previous directors of finance that were candidates for Mental Health Council dip. I'm very excited to see that we finally actually have someone that is excited to fill the position. I'm on programming committee, by the way for context. So I'm excited that you would be joining the team and I think that she's a great candidate.

Senator Gorelick moves to call the question on the candidate. Hellman Seconds.

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#### **Candidate Passes**

**Chair Patel:** Parker Bevis for Programming Allocation Committee. You have five minutes for your opening statement. You can start whenever you ready.

### **Parker Bevis- PAC Member**

Candidate Bevis: what's up finance I hope everybody is having an awesome night. I know a good amount of y'all here but if I have not met you yet My name is Parker Beavis. I'm a sophomore. I'm a finance major and tonight I'm hoping you all approve me to move on to the full Senate to be approved to join pack so yeah, I'm just gonna jump straight to it and tell you guys why I think I'm a little qualified for this position. So I actually was in summer Senate see a lot awesome familiar faces here from that and I just got to serve as for the first half, I was the Vice Chair of the Finance Committee. And in the second half, I got elected to become the Chair of the Finance Committee. And in those roles on even though we definitely didn't do as much with the finance code, you know, as you guys definitely would do, and this fall or next spring, but we still did a decent bit with it. And I made sure we're getting ready for those positions that I studied a lot on the finance code. And I definitely think having that those two positions gave me the knowledge of the finance code I need to serve on pack and just and yeah, sorry, just to be sure on I definitely haven't. I've gone back and looked at the finance code especially started up on the portions pertaining to pack and I definitely think that I am ready to take this on and do this. Another thing I have that on I think speaks my qualifications is on the new deputy treasurer of sophomore class Council. And while I have not officially started those duties yet, I think it does speak to my competency and qualification for financial related positions at FSU, and yas. I also have some other leadership roles and involvements on campus including being an annual giving trustee on the student Foundation, and also serving as a facilitator of administration for the freshman Leadership Institute. And yeah, overall, I think from my experience in summer Senate with the finance code, I think I'm ready to join Pac and help contribute to this great organization. And yeah, I'm ready to take any in Oh, also one more thing. I am financially certified. I'll just go ahead and clear that up since I've heard that been asked tonight. But yeah, thank you guys so much. I'm ready for any and all questions. I yield my time for my closing.

**Chair Patel:** Awesome. So now we enter a period of general questioning. Does anyone have any questions?

**Senator Gorelick:** Hey, Parker. So my question is, what would or if you are forwarded to have this position in PAC, what would you be on the lookout for from starting orgs requesting money to see if they you know, fully, I don't wanna say deserve but if you guys are willing to, you know, fully fund them, or you know, having to cut down on some of their requests. Like what what would you look at to see if, you know, they were deserving of the full amount of funds.

**Candidate Bevis:** I mean, I think for me, personally, I think it really depends on how much money they have themselves to fund it. Like if they have a bunch of money in their accounts, and they did and they really could fund this themselves. I'm probably not going to give them a

whole lot of money. Like I will say, like, I definitely think it really comes down to financial need for me. That's what I would say personally, and yeah, that's the answer I have for you. I hope that is that answer your question, Senator Gorelick.

#### Vice-Chair Hellman moves to enter roundtable. Randall seconds.

**Senator Randall:** Yeah, I've got an opportunity to work with the candidate quite a bit. He knows the finance code better than probably most people in southern and he's not even in Senate right now. And he does a great job. Acting as chair we work together and Rules Committee, very dedicated to student government. We did legislate certification program together. He clearly really cares about this. And I think he's going to be very fiscally responsible, which is important. He's been in the back of his fingers for all of the meetings. So he has witnessed us be very scrutinizing on money and I think you'll do the same and I think he's a great person.

**Vice-Chair Hellman:** I think Parker is overly qualified for this position. He shows up when you need him to he knows the finance code, like he went into Senate knowing the finance code. And he made a great finance vice chair, a great chair and no one was ever confused. Everything got passed through pretty well. And I just think he would be the best person for this position.

**Senator Waldie:** I also got to work with the candidate over summer Senate especially and I think he really shined through coming in as a new senator on the block and really being able to take over finance Well, I mean, on top of that, if there's anything this candidate has its passion and dedication, and I think he'll do really well in this position for sure.

**Chair Seeger:** Yeah. So Parker contacted me over the summer out of the blue and wanted me to look over a bill that he wanted to sponsor and I just felt that it was like really nice of him to contact me personally, even though I was not a senator at the time of the summer, and he was really on top of it with responding to me so I think this position would be great for him.

**Senator Gorelick:** I also worked with this candidate over the summer. He's very passionate, someone who is very deserving of his position and I think he would do a great job in this position. And with that being said, I move to call the question on the candidate.

### Hellman seconds.

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#### **Candidate Passes**

#### **Committee Business:**

# Consent Resolution 21

Chair Humberg- Okay, yeah, let's get into it. So sorry, I'm at the law school. So first thing that we had was the Chinese students and scholars Association. They want to fund the mid autumn festival on September 30. At the more auditorium, they had originally requested \$2,473.90 for food. We brought that down to 1200 because we felt that they hadn't done enough fundraising on their own as well as the fact that we weren't super confident in the attendance because there's also another mid autumn festival happening. So we thought that might be a reasonable amount to fund them. I will say there are some representatives from CSSA here. So if anyone wants to move to allow a non senator to speak after I finish, I would definitely welcome that. And then we also funded yoga at FSU, for \$95 for a cart so that they can carry around their yoga mats. And the Seminole airman boosters this one is a little bit weird, and I really would welcome some second opinions and questions on this one. This is for a sign to go in the harp Johnson building, which is in the ROTC building. It's a part of a mural that they're doing this would be a metal sign that depicts a poem they originally asked for \$210 And then at the time of the meeting they got a new quote that was \$1,100. We brought that down to 500. We were a little bit I don't know, I mean, statute state that PAC can fund anything that goes towards the expense of an RSO which this technically counts as that but it is a weird sort of thing because the harp Johnson building is not like technically their office, but it kind of is and it's also a sign which I don't really think we funded before. But it kind of falls under statutes. So we were a little bit I don't know we were welcome to second opinions on whether or not you guys think that this is something that we should fund just because it is in such a closed building. And not that many people will see it, but that doesn't necessarily diminish its value and it will increase foot traffic to the building. So that's that on that we've got about \$1,700 on this car, I will say I've done the math to spend exactly half of \$78,000 in the third you're like breaking up we can't hear you and with that we didn't like we did get like that half admin portion. Oh, where did I stop? The math stuff is that was a 13 week semester to spend exactly half of \$78,000 I could bring a consent resolution every week of \$3,000. So we're pretty under the budget so far. So just saying, you know, I don't know don't be afraid to fund people. With that, I yield.

**Round of Questioning**: Senator Waldie- So, similar clarifications about the meeting yesterday, just because I'm looking over the meeting minutes. VSU was giving them \$400 For the framing. Is the 1137 is that the is the VSU money be contributing to that 1137 was 1137 like a different part of the project?

Chair Humberg- There's going to be like a wall, and then there's gonna be a mural on it and then they want to hang the sign on the wall on top of the mural. This is specifically for the sign the 1137.

Senator Randall moves for a non-senator to speak. Hellman seconds.

**Representatives from Chinese Students & Scholars Association-** So first thing I think a we don't cooperation the mid autumn festival together is because the communication time so we

already designed like the program the take hits the poster, we have the food are like we already designed everything and then for us to community again. Communication again, it takes time. So that's why we don't combine the mid autumn festival together and continue my speaking. Good. Yeah. So I think the PAC chair she's mentioned about two things. The first thing about reduced the money because the Europa League added like a \$2,000 but for this year is because the phones and also because the the members we have like she's mentioned we have 23 members, but we actually have 50 members. So I don't know why she's saying we don't have like lots of members and also saying we didn't get any sponsorship but we do have we do actually have partnership. We how because you know the food that doesn't include the mooncake and then you know it's in the US it's a lot of money to make the mooncake so we actually found the sponsors for the moon cake and we feel for the middle of summer festival because you really for Chinese people they love to have like their traditional food. That's why we bring the traditional 20s mooncake and the fun of this sponsorship but that's like over \$600 on the only on the mooncakes part. And if I can continue so even we only have 50 members in the CSSA but we serve about over 520 students that include the undergraduates, the graduate student and also the postdocs, also the research faculties at FSU. So you know mid autumn festival is a really important that first of all for us for the trans community. It just like a Thanksgiving in the US. And then you're really this festival. family sits together we find fun we enjoy the family time. And but now because since we are in the United States, and it's really hard for us to go back to home, to have family time. So that's why we really want to have this event here because they don't have time to return to their home to see their families. So as the president of the CSSA we want to we really want to have this event you know, we already designed the whole things we designed for that we design a poster to take his program the games. Also we we ask for the film director to design the whole things and we already reserved the moon auditor so it's not only my I ever it's about the whole team. We work at it together all like all the members we work for four days. So that's what we really want to make a to make a to like, like last last year because you will know from two to \$2,400.02 was \$1,200 like Tatiana, ha and you know it's over 520 students and also many domestic students in the US so in the FSU, so we wanted to build a bridge between the 20s committee and then the domestic students. So we usually more than 200 students come to this event, but because the maximum capacity of the more auditorium so we only can have 200 students and we usually we with we don't sell in the tickets we gave them for free. And we also cooperated with the center of global engagement. I don't know if you guys heard this, this building before but we cooperation with them and then they use my artwork over you answer as they're like a social event. They have like a certificate series. And we also cooperate with the trainees professor. He's like the trainee he's like the trainees professor teaching the trainees course. And then he used like our humans as their actual credit things and also like, inter cultural like community and sound something like that. So it's a really important festival for us. So we want to get to like \$2,400 So if you guys feel free if you guys have any questions, thank you.

**Senator Gorelick:** Hi, guys. So two main questions. The first one is are you guys going to be doing any like, you know, fundraising or collecting money from people who are going to go to this event? To pay some things off to you guys you know, maybe ordering food from a place that's maybe a little bit less expensive than \$2,473.90.

**Chair Humberg:** They sent us three quotes and that was their least expensive.

Representatives from Chinese Students & Scholars Association: Okay. So the first question we we don't collect for dues. So we encourage them for us to see the performance to see the culture. That's what I as the president was expecting to see. So we don't collect the money from the students. We do the fundraiser as I mentioned before, like \$600 a week and the second seems to be compared to several stores and then Publix Mutual's Publix as the funds for the food. That's the exactly amount so it's about 200 students. And then now including our members, so each person around like eight or \$9 and also not only the food about also about the trash things. the plastic and then go to source things, so they added together, that's 2400 If that's only food that took us about \$2,200.

**Senator Gorelick:** And then this is just I just want to know if you know we were able to give you guys maybe a little bit more money but not like the exact \$2,473 Do you think that you guys would still be able to you know, host this event like you guys have in the past if if we don't give you the 2000 Prize and the \$73 and let's say we give you a few 100 more dollars to help you guys out?

Representatives from Chinese Students & Scholars Association: That will be wonderful. So you can come here to some farm like we also prepare for cupcakes and forth. So if we don't have that money, we can just calculate the capex and it was because we have the money. So maybe I will say around like 1900 That's probably two to \$2,000 Maybe not for us. So that's the money we're looking for. So we can cafes, and then also the fruits. And the chicken means we only do the rice entrance things and For dessert we can prepare for the mooncake, if you give us more accurately we want to give our audience best because they are coming in and we want to just give them a good memory for the festival. So yeah.

**Senator Gorelick:** I think we can, you know come together and work to give you guys a little bit more money. So you guys can you know, buy you know some of the food that you guys need. So I'm going to move to amend would you like to amend I would say instead of the 1200 I would put 1700 Okay, and does the sponsor find it friendly?

Chair Humberg: Yes. Awesome.

Vice Chair Hellman moves to enter roundtable. Randall seconds.

**Senator Randall:** Yeah. So I'm in agreement with that amendment. I think that they deserve to be funded and I think this would be a cool event with funding it will close less than \$100. And he gave them the needs to have the math so they can transport the yoga mats. And in terms of the boosters, I also think this is totally fine. For us to be funding. I think that this is a building that's accessible to the entire student body.

Vice-Chair Hellman moves to call the question. Gorelick seconds.

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### **Consent Resolution Passes**

Representatives from Chinese Students & Scholars Association: I don't think 1780 Now for 200 people, not including the members. So may I reduce the number of attendance? Because it's not possible for 200 over 200 students only have less than \$100 I took pictures last year so there is the exact date 200 members call me so you don't have to doubt this things. We were trying to give their best for the for the event. Some people have some poor people in this situation. So if we don't get it, I think we'll have to just keep on coming even though that's I think that's not the best way to do that. But otherwise, I don't know. how to solve this.

**Senator Gorelick:** So my recommendation to you guys is since we already you know, voted on the consent resolution is tomorrow at 730. I would highly highly recommend that you guys you know, come to the Senate. And this is where you will talk to if you're talking about. Walk in front of about 50 senators and you'll be able to you know, explain everything again and then as an entire Senate we can you know, talk and discuss and see if they agree on giving you guys more money or you know, helping you guys out there giving you a better solutions, you know, to get more money from maybe other places, but for right now, since we already voted on it, the thing that I think you guys is the best option is you know, like I said, Go to Senate tomorrow at 730. And you'll be able to, you know, discuss everything there and Bill, the Senate as a whole will be able to, you know, see if we can give you guys more money where we should have bill so Hey, you're good at third floor.

Chair Patel: Moving onto Consent Resolution 22. Chair Seeger.

#### **Consent Resolution 22**

Chair Seeger: Awesome. Alright, so you guys were in this organization last week. So the sport the Sport Management student association will be attending a networking trip on October 27 through the 30th. This trip allows students to aspire to work in sports industry to gain a better understanding in the different roles they can pursue, as well as work that goes into each individual job. It gives them a chance to practice their professionalism in Charlotte, North Carolina. They will be meeting with sports management professionals and organizations such as the Carolina Panthers. And other Charlotte specific organizations like nervous. The Sports Management students are requesting \$3,501 in the category of lodging, which comes out to about \$97.25 per person attending this trip. Based on the questions last week is sports

management. A student association does ask for news they do ask reduce their members which is like \$80 for the year or 45 per semester, but this has not stopped their dues paying members or any members in general, or people in general from attending this trip. Also, this trip is not exclusive to this organization. We heard last week they do have \$3,502.90 in the organization's account, but this money has been planned to be allocated to other events that this RSO wants to throw later this semester and into next semester. The \$8,000 that we talked about last week. Ultrix has dwindled down because of poor financial decisions from their past eboard and this truly would help this organization I believe \$3,501 towards this lodging expense is fiscally responsible. Thank you for the rest of my time.

**Senator Waldie:** Yeah, so I was just curious if you have any specific regular clarifications about where exactly the trip is? Outside of just like are they going to a conference or is there like why is it in Charlotte specifically?

**Chair Seeger:** I believe they go there every year. But they are here tonight. And if we allow a non-senator to speak they would love to talk more about that because I do not have the exact details on the entire trip. I just know that it's a networking trip in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Representative from the Sports Management Student Association: I'm the treasurer for SMSH main mission Association. It's your question. No, we're not. We don't necessarily conference, but each year, we do our trips. Each spring it's going to be a funnel for networking trip. So whether that just varies depending on where the final quarters for the fall. we venture out to different sport hubs. So Tallahassee is not a sport hub. There are no professional sports here. So we tried to look across Southeast try to keep it somewhat local, compared to areas such as Phoenix, which is where the Final Four is next year. And we try to just find a sports hub. And then from there, we kind of, we look at costs. We look at, you know what's offered that we can meet with that sort of thing, but it's truly based on what sport hub is willing to work with us and what team we're able to network with.

**Senator Gorelick:** Hey guys, so just out of curiosity, like I asked the previous group or previous work, if you guys weren't fully funded the money, what would end up happening to the trip as a whole like let's say, we cut the total to 25% like cutting it by 25% instead of giving you the full \$3,501?

Representative from the Sports Management Student Association: I'll answer this one. So the trip would still happen. The issues we would run into, as mentioned by Senator Seeger is that the little bit of money that we have left in our account would be allocated towards other events. So we would have to dip into that money which could potentially hinder our ability to host anything else. So this club has been going on for years. So last year's executive board had about like \$12,000 more in their account than we had a little bit more than \$5,000. To start with. They had about \$90,000 So it's like \$14,000 more. So we would not be able to put on the other events that have been going on for years with this club. Continuous meetings speakers bringing in we would either have to ask college or college students to pay significantly more amount of money to go on this trip. And that's been our biggest thing is we know how hard it is for college

students to have the money to be able to do things and we want to make it as financially possible for them to be able to put themselves in a position to network for their careers this trip will still happen. But either our organization will have next to no money for the rest of the year. Or we have to ask people to spend a lot more money to go on this trip.

**Chair Seeger:** Point of personal privilege, their entire trip costs are \$15,315.90. And we did cut them last week from \$4,525.87 down to this \$3,501.

**Senator Waldie:** So I know in the minutes from yesterday's meeting, I want to say you guys reference how there was some fundraising attempts but \$140 that were actually raised. So I'm just curious gonna get some insight into what those fundraising ventures were and then if you guys did have any prospective things planned for the future. I know you said get something in October as well. But if there was anything, like where that projection came from, specifically for the expected response Yeah.

Representative from the Sports Management Student Association: Okay, so, we started off with our first meeting, which is just introductory, but before we introduce any fundraising efforts, we're selling T shirts that we had extras on from previous years and we sold them at \$7 a shirt, we made about around \$133, something along those lines from selling those T shirts at the first meeting, and we raffled off items at our social last week, which we did to try and bring members closer together. And we raised about \$110, in raffle entries from that we were hoping to receive or we thought the items would be worth more value. And then we have a fundraiser planned right now I think we picked the date of October 10. And we're in the works of planning that we want to do something sports related for our clubs. So we were going to try and do a FIFA tournament where we charge teams per entry. And they can win a prize that hopefully we can get a prize for free so you don't have to spend any money and we would rent out the room for free. But the way this fundraiser has happened in previous years and years ago we don't expect to see more than like \$500 in money raised from that fundraiser. And it's really hard to ask students in this organization to pay money to participate in these fundraisers during the trip. We don't expect to raise the money that we're looking for in the fundraiser that we have planned and we hope to do it in spring integration.

**Senator Gorelick:** Yeah, so I see the minutes that like the number of people traveling isn't listed. So how did you determine that you would need rooms?

Representative from the Sports Management Student Association: So we, we worked it out. So because one of the rooms is for a bus driver and Senator Seger deducted that from everything, it's nine rooms for the students is we determined the amount of rooms and the amount of people going on this trip by the bus that we were able to put money down on months ago. And it's centered on the bus and faculty within the department will be traveling on the bus with us. And so with 36 students divided up into four rooms would be four students per room, which is fine.

**Senator Randall**: Hi, yeah, just given the you guys had a much more difficult financial situation coming into the school year. Was there any particular reason why this trip was chosen? Like Were there any other potentially cheaper options that might be able to budget? How long is the more important?

Representative from the Sports Management Student Association: Yeah, so when I was paying the occasion for this trip, there are a few options like, like we said, we wanted to go to a place where it's a professional sports hub, where there's multiple opportunities with different teams. Last fall, they went to Atlanta, and they have previously gone to Tampa and other local places, and we were trying to we wanted to travel by bus because it is a lot cheaper even though the buses are very expensive. I can take more students, and it's a little bit cheaper than tickets. There weren't that many options as well as the city itself being expensive, like Nashville was an option because it is the sports hub and it's only a seven and a half hour drive. To be in Nashville was a lot more expensive hotels and everything. So we figured we choose a location like Charlotte which is a sports town that has a little bit more affordable hotels and travel costs. It can be our best option.

**Senator Waldie:** Technically point of parliamentary procedure, am I able to bring up a response to a previous submission since we technically zero font in the last week?

Chair Seeger: I don't care.

**Senator Waldie:** When we asked about how your paper was advertised you guys responded that you primarily only wanted members from the organization applying for the trip.

Representative from the Sports Management Student Association: Of course, thank you so much. I just wanted to clarify You don't have to have paid your dues to go on this trip. We tried to align it so it helps us out a little bit where our dues and our trip applications were both due tonight. But if you apply for the trip, and we told them at the meeting tonight we told them last week if you have issues paying your dues, you don't have to pay them by tonight. Work it out with us. You can still send in your application. We just tried to remind everything so everything kind of happens at the same time. But they happen at the same time. But they don't intertwine with anything. We just said deadline so that we're able to follow up and you know, meet them ourselves and with our faculty advisors.

Vice Chair Hellman moves to enter roundtable. Randall seconds.

**Vice Chair Hellman:** Yeah, I think that is shown to us why they deserve the money. I think for 36 travelers that \$3,501 is reasonable. I move to call the question.

Gorelick seconds.

### **Voting Results:**

- Vice-Chair Hellman- Yes
- Senator Hine- Yes

- Senator Waldie- Yes
- Senator Gorelick- Yes
- Senator Shasho- Yes
- Senator Thomas- Yes
- Senator Randall- Yes
- Senator Raiford- Yes

# **Consent Resolution Passes**

# **Old Business:**

None

# **New Business:**

None

# **Unfinished Business:**

None

# **Closing Announcements:**

• Chair Patel- Thank you everyone for coming.

Next Meeting: September 26, 2023 6:00 pm

Adjourned: Ended at 9:20

**Signature of Chair Patel**