

76th Student Senate Finance Committee December 5, 2023 Zoom <u>https://fsu.zoom.us/j/4349728982</u>

Call to Order: 5:02 Members Present: Chair Lento, Vice Chair Navarro, Senators Wilfong, Soletti, Seldess, Tran, Daley Members Tardy: Members Absent: Senators Thomas, Raiford, Baez, Zuckerbraun, Warren, Munoz Guests: Sam Diaz, Michelle Velutini, Pedro Zuloaga (VenSa), All Night Yahtzee

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 settlercolonial violence, dispossession, and removal. Despite 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.

Announcements: None

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Committee Business: None

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Old Business: None

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New Business:

- Consent Resolution 1 Chair Staveski Line item \$945
 - Opening Statement:

- Hi everybody. So as Laney said my name is Alexis Dubinsky and I'll be coming to finance every week. So I'm super excited to work with you all. This is my first content resolution. So I'm really excited but it's not too long, so it shouldn't take me too long. So first of all, our list is a Venezuelan Student Association. They came to PAC requesting money for I believe it was 260 T shirts and then we went we went through some questioning, we talked to them and they told us that their club has 120 active members but they usually only have around 15 to 30 people coming to their VMs so we decided that it'd be best to cut them to around 125 T shirts. That way they can still use the shirts for outreach and given to all our members as they do have a higher they do have a pretty high member count. But I know that there's a representative of the organization here today to advocate for a higher number of T shirts. So if you guys have any questions about that you can direct those questions to either myself or the organization if I can't answer those questions
- Technical Non-Debatable Questions:
 - Chair Lento Can you see tell me what constitutes an active member in your organization?
 - Pedro Zuloaga (VenSa) I first want to say thank you to all of you. And to answer your question an active member. For us specifically means we program 17 events this semester, and we considered an active member to show up to at least like three, four or five of those events, since we have those. Our group chats at a size of like about 250 people. We don't have 250 members, but the people that we consistently see at our events and have other friends are what we consider constitute for an active member.
 - Chair Lento How many are how many would how many people would you consider there to be active members currently in your organization?
 - Pedro Zuloaga (VenSa) Specifically said to like as van says active members, um, it's just kind of like I feel like it's like a hard way to answer this question because we have active members that are for events or like kind of like people that are very connected with events. And then a lot of our attendees tend to be from other affiliates and Hulu and Hulu, and we have more outreach towards that but I don't want to answer the question where you don't want me to like answer essentially.
 - Chair Lento So with what you are funded right now with the \$945. That is for 120 shirts. Correct?
 - Chair Staveski That is 125 T shirts looking at like the last quote on their Qualtrics if you I don't know if you guys have it up. I know it's in the minutes. But if you look at the very last quote on the Qualtrics application, that will be 425 shirts at that price. But I know Sam or former president Diaz sent a new quote in the chat. So I think at that price, I can do the math really quick. It would be less T shirts, clothing, the new quote is 820 for the unit price, so the 945 would get them 115 shirts at that price.
 - Vice Chair Navarro -What kind of events they do instead of just GBM if you guys could also explain on what other kinds of events you have throughout the school year.
 - Pedro Zuloaga Thank you, Vice Chair. I'm happy to answer that question. So one of the things that is big advances that our biggest attendance has never really had our GBMs like GBMs are very cultural, very like they're very educational. But at times, like investment culture,

we're very like party culture. We're very like excitable culture. So we like social events a lot of the time. And one of our biggest events that was during our week of events was our our Thanksgiving, which was our Thanksgiving which was affiliated like a potluck with a bunch of other affiliates. We also at almost every semester, throw like a bonfire. And that gets a lot of our attendance and our we also throw busyness, which are like pool days, and that's where our largest attendance event we've ever had, which was over like 100 people, and our outreach extended past just the Josue bubble. We had a lot of IFC brothers at our events. We had a lot of people that weren't even Venezuelan or Hispanic at our event. It was just at the end of the day, we were playing music and we had that we had that pool of people that wanted to be involved. And from that event, we got a lot more active members. Essentially, the whole part is of what we're trying to say here is that Ben says not only like shown it's, it's wouldn't be correct to say how the amount of members of ventajas do their job GBMs the majority of our events are social. And the way we really do it is through our busyness or our potlucks and our different events that we have and that's the reason that we came to this meeting to expand on that

- Senator Seldess Are these like pull events? Are those dry events or like how do those work?
- Michelle Velutini So of course, our events are in fact, dry, which means that there is no alcohol there. Correct? Correct me if I'm wrong. That's what I'm trying to say. In those small social events, they like pool days or when we watch the soccer games because we do keep up with our soccer national soccer team. We only provide we only provide food from our court from our culture, like snacks or on a bus in order to enjoy and yeah, we only have food and water and things like that to stay hydrated, but no alcohol has evolved.

• Questions Regarding Position: None

- Questions Regarding Character: None
- Closing Statement:
 - Chair Staveski I was gonna say thank you guys. My first consent resolution that I was presenting in finance so thanks, guys.
- moves to enter round-table discussion; _4.40__ seconds
- Round-Table Discussion: None
- o Vote:
 - Yes: [(6)] [Vice Chair Navarro, Senators Wilfong, Soletti, Seldess, Tran, Daley]
 - No: [(0)]
 - Abstain: [(0)]
- RESULT: [CONSENT RESOLUTION] [1] [PASSES]
- Consent Resolution 37- Chair Beavis Line item \$2100
 - Opening Statement:

- Hey, guys, I'm Parker. I'm the chair of RTAC. I wanted to be seeing you guys a lot this coming semester. I'll go ahead and warn y'all I'm not going to do anything newer. were as good as chairs to Veski did but yeah, so um, yesterday we heard from the officers went over yesterday were on at yatse who is seeking funding for a for a competition that they were invited to. And phi delta epsilon seeking funding for one of their international convention in Chicago. We zero funded both RSOs yesterday, but I know that representatives from All-Night Yahtzee are here to ask you all to raise them. You have any questions for me or All-Night Yahtzee? Please feel free to ask them. Thank you. I yield.
- Technical Non-Debatable Questions:
 - Senator Daley I'm just wondering what the contractual services for audio production club is like, what exactly that entails.
 - Chair Staveski So contractual services is just a category on a consent resolution that is for anything that's a contract. So in this case, it's a contract was entered in with the venue for their event. So they did like um, the venue took care of the staffing and the actual space of it. That's like the venue's price. And we like they showed us that contract. So that's why it falls under contractual services, as opposed to expense or something else.
 - Chair Lento How much money you guys were requesting?
 - All-Night Yahtzee So the total registration costs for the competition was \$2,100. We have already expended the funds out of our groups, student run organization bank account, and we would be requesting the maximum amount of funding so 2000 And that would cover you the registration participation, participation, the educational seminars, and professional production video which has shown to attract students even from other schools to come to FSU to be a part of our organization.
 - Chair Lento Can you repeat the total for me?
 - All-Night Yahtzee \$2100
 - Chair Lento Is this event open to all students? So like if I walked in your organization I could easily become, it is open to the public.
 - All-Night Yahtzee I forgot to answer the one question about where the event is located is in Memphis, Tennessee. So we would as an organization be covering the lodging costs. So that's something that we are taking out of our Yeah, we've taken care of the lodging but it is in Memphis, but it is open to the public. Yes, we have an audition process, but it's just a musical groups. So we just got to make sure that we're getting the members that you know, the group needs.
 - Senator Wilfong What is all night yatse If I may ask?
 - All-Night Yahtzee So we are. FSU is oldest acapella group. We've been around for 25 years. We were founded in 1998. So it is actually our 25th anniversary. So it's a big deal for us. We're actually one of the oldest acapella groups in a public university. So it's a pretty monumental year for us. But yeah, we do all kinds of songs we do covers of songs, we've done some originals, but we have an in house arranger, our music director, Alejandro Rodriguez, and they do a fantastic job of arranging music for us. We do performances across campus we do obviously competitions across the nation, and we're one of the more well known groups in the United States.

- Senator Daley Do you guys have any potential like write ups of what the potential costs of travel would be for you guys and where you're going?
- All-Night Yahtzee Yes, so our lovely Business Director right here next to me her name is Ellie actually made a pretty thorough presentation that goes through the cost of travel and the cost of case Yeah, so the registration fee for the showcase and everything we can share it with you guys if that's something you're interested in seeing. It also talks about the history of the showcase. We've been invited several times. And this is something that we've really wanted to do for several years now. And we finally decided to do it.
- Chair Lento If we weren't able to fund this because I know this was the last meeting would you guys not be able to host this event or like travel?
- All-Night Yahtzee It would make it extremely difficult to go to we would we would probably have to ask members to sort of chip in with their personal funds. Are they already chipping in personal funds or no? So we would be splitting gas between our members for the cars. We looked at several different travel options and driving our personal cars seemed to be the cheapest but we would we would split gas between members.
- moves to enter round-table discussion; _4.40__ seconds
- Round-Table Discussion: None
- Closing Statement: None
- Vote:
 - Yes: [(6)] [Vice Chair Navarro, Senators Wilfong, Soletti, Seldess, Tran, Daley]
 - No: [(0)]
 - Abstain: [(0)]
- RESULT: [CONSENT RESOLUTION] [2] [PASSES.]

Unfinished Business: None

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Closing Announcements:

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Next Meeting: TBD

Adjourned: 5:32 PM

Signature of Chair Lento