



## 74<sup>th</sup> Student Senate Finance Committee

04/18/22 at 6:30PM | <https://fsu.zoom.us/j/98469864922>

**Call to Order:** 6:32PM

**Members Present:** Chair Garner, Vice-Chair Hockett, Senators Pedraja, Rock, Allaman, Folwell, O'Malley, Rivera

**Members Tardy:** Wells

**Members Absent:** Rivera, Grant, Kaminsky

**Guests:** Chair Diaz

### Approval of the Minutes

- Allaman moves to approve of the minutes from 04/14/22
  - Vice-Chair Hockett seconds

### Land Acknowledgement

- Chair
  - 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 settler-colonial violence, dispossession, and removal. In spite of 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:

- Vice-Chair
  - I would just like to say welcome to Finance, it is a fun gig like it has been said in the GroupMe. I have liked it since I started, and I continue to like it and I hope to meet every one of you.
- Members
  - None

- Guests
  - None

**Committee Business:**

- **Consent Resolution 20-** Sponsored by Chair Rider (P) – Funding Phi Mu Alpha and Club Golf
- **Consent Resolution 21-** Sponsored by Chair Turkomer (P) – Allocating funds to Student PIRGs

**Old Business:**

- None

**New Business:**

- **Consent Resolution 21 - Sponsored by Chair Turkomer (P)**
  - Opening Statement:
    - Chair Turkomer: Good Afternoon Finance, we have a Consent Resolution to fund Student PIRGs, looking to receive expense funding to receive items such as a wagon/cart, trifolds, coasters, colored sharpies, clipboards, and plastic sign-holders. Specifically for the Earth Week Event they are looking to get chalk. Event will be held all of finals week, they will be continuing their efforts in advocacy, which they will be using these things for. Paint-a-pot event which they will use seeds and the chalk for. The location is TBD. May be held on Landis but will be on campus.
    - Chair Turkomer yields with 3 minutes for closing.
  - Technical Non-Debatable Questions:
    - Rock: Can you please repeat what the funding is for?
    - Chair Turkomer: Fund Student PIRGs requesting funding for aforementioned items. Used for Earth Day Event.
  - **Folwell moves to enter round-table discussion; Allaman seconds**
  - Round-Table Discussion:
    - Vice-Chair Hockett: Has Student PIRGs received funding for this event before?
    - Chair Turkomer: No, new event to set precedence. Funding for materials will help with future engagement.
    - Folwell: How many people are expected per day.
    - Chair Turkomer: No information on per day, however, expected turnout for Paint-a-pot is 50-60. 30 pots total but also see participation through advocacy.
  - **Folwell moves to call the question; Hockett seconds**
  - Closing Statement:
    - Chair Turkomer: A lot of the items being requested for will be used for a long time. This request will get most of their preliminary items out of the way. Very straight-forward what they request funding for. Hope to have your support in this consent resolution.
  - Vote:
    - Yes: [ 7 ] Vice-Chair Hockett, Senators Pedraja, Rock, Allaman, Folwell, O'Malley, Rivera
    - No: [ 0 ] None

- Abstain: [ 0 ] None
  - **RESULT: CONSENT RESOLUTION 21 PASSES**
- **Consent Resolution 20 - Sponsored by Chair Rider (P)**
  - Opening Statement:
    - Chair Rider: Hello everyone, thank you for being here today. Today I will be asking for funding on behalf of two RSOs at FSU. I would like to start of by saying if you look at the minutes, \$4,828 is what was left at the beginning of the RTAC meeting, and we decided to use all of it. Gained permission from accounting representative and it was stated that it was in the best interest to finish the RTAC budget with these 2 RSOs. She has no more requests; therefore, this is the rest of what can be funded. To start of with club golf at FSU, Club Golf at FSU is one of the most athletic clubs on campus, they do a really good job on social media of getting members involved. The name of their event is the Spring 2022 NCCGA National Championship. Qualifiers were last weekend, and they plan on taking around a minimum of 5 members after they qualified. It's a very competitive event and they will be traveling via plane because the event is held in Arkansas which wouldn't be reasonable for a drive. \$2,331 is meant exclusively for the plane ride. Very happy with number. The dates of travel will be the 21<sup>st</sup> through the 25<sup>th</sup>. Last time they funded their whole trip, meaning that this championship has great significance. As for the Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia presented very well. The amount of \$2,497 was to cover their trip and they are a great fraternity on campus and their objectives are to develop the best and truest fraternity on campus, keep up the fraternal spirit. Brotherhood is vital and they hope to advance music in America. They wish to show loyalty to their alma mater. This opportunity was advertised on social media, they are financially certified. They came in with an asking price of \$8,267 but that was when there were issues with the Qualtrics but now they are only asking for about 4 members to travel, therefore this quote is reasonable. RTAC looked at this request especially. The event is the Phi Mu Alpha National Convention. The event is held every 3 years. Delayed last year due to the pandemic. It's very important for them to represent FSU. They are still growing. I would be happy to answer any questions. Thank you so much.
    - Chair Rider yields with 1 minute, 30 seconds remaining
  - Technical Non-Debatable Questions:
    - None
  - **Hockett moves to enter round-table discussion; Folwell seconds**
  - Round-Table Discussion:
    - Vice-Chair Hockett: What was the national emergency stated in minutes regarding Phi Mu Alpha?
    - Chair Rider: On the national level Phi Mu Alpha is changing its leadership, therefore, it's important that they are present when this change occurs.
  - **Folwell moves to call the question; Rock seconds**
  - Closing Statement:
    - Chair Rider: Disregard typos in the copy of the Consent Resolution. I think that this Resolution is strong because we have a club that represents the musical students of FSU and a club that represents a

group of athletic students, so I think there is a lot of strength in this Consent Resolution. In Senate, I would appreciate any support or any help if you believe in it. The representatives for the RSOs are here so if you would like to follow-up with them feel free to do so. Having the accountant backing this Consent Resolution is important. These RSOs have done very well and have shown the passion that they have for their respective events. With that I yield.

- Vote:
  - Yes: [ 8 ] Vice-Chair Hockett, Senators Pedraja, Rock, Allaman, Folwell, O'Malley, Rivera, Wells
  - No: [ 0 ] None
  - Abstain: [ 0 ] None
- **RESULT: CONSENT RESOLUTION 20 PASSES**

**Unfinished Business:**

- None

**Closing Announcements:**

- Chair Garner: I would like to continue the sentiment of the previous Chair in ideas for improvement in helping RSOs. One of things that I like most about finance is that this committee is most involved with RSOs which is the most fun part of being in SGA is helping clubs with money and funding programs. As one of the most active committees in collaboration with RSOs we should keep them in mind for improvements. If you have any ideas, please share them. Additionally, I would like to say that these committee meetings are a learning lab and to not worry about getting a formality wrong. This is where we learn to engage with deeper discussions before they appear on the senate floor. If you don't know how to make a specific motion feel free to reach out to me or Vice-Chair Hockett or any of the older senators. I'm sure they'd be happy to help.
- Vice-Chair Hockett: Like I said before, this is the early stages of committee meetings. You're still being welcomed here. Don't worry about making mistakes. Getting in the habit of thinking and talking about bills and resolutions makes the experience more fun.

**Next Meeting:** TBA

**Adjourned:** 6:57PM



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**Signature of Chair Garner**