



**75th Student Senate
Finance Committee
March 7 at 6:15 PM
On Zoom**

Call to Order: 6:15 PM

Members Present: Chair Pedraja, Vice-Chair White, Senators Seeger, Patel- Qadir, Anandjwala, Patel, Humberg and King

Members Tardy: Senator Jones

Members Absent: Senator Rivera (excused)

Guests: Chair Wyatt

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 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:

- Chair Pedraja: Three more meetings left, and excited to see what you all do with the next leadership
- Vice-Chair White: Excited, as this looks like a great resolution

Committee Business:

Old Business:

New Business:

- **Consent Resolution #17 Line Item #3- Sponsored by Chair Wyatt**

- Opening Statement:

- Chair Wyatt: There are no line items that are over \$2,000. So we will just talk about the consent resolution as a whole sponsor, you're entitled to five minutes, whatever you don't use we use free clothes. And you can begin whenever you Hi guys, I'm so sorry I'm late. I it was just a crazy busy day. I totally like lost track of time. But I'll run through this really quickly. Um, honestly for all of these line items, we pretty much cut all of them because obviously we really don't have that much money left in PAC. So J health was originally asking for a lot more money for their food request. But we ended up cutting it in half. believe or I'm sorry, no J health was originally asking for \$244 for their food request. But we brought it down a little bit after we took out things like plastic water bottles. Then the reach campus ministry we were able to fund them \$50 for their T shirts. The astrology club at FSU. They're showing a movie at the Student Life cinema. And it cost \$217 For the rights for Twilight New Moon. But then they also were asking money for stickers and they are splitting the cost between three different organizations. So we just gave them \$33 To fund for like they're part of the stickers. They also wanted to buy tote bags for the event but we just thought that like since the event is a few weeks away. We didn't know how long it would take for the tote bags to come in and we just thought that they could we could probably save money by not finding the tote bags with their design on it. So we zero on them for that. The Asian American Student Association they were planning on having their event. They originally asked for 1600 for food and \$500 for expenses. They didn't give any good expense quotes that we really felt comfortable kind of funding they only provided one quote for each expense that they wanted money for. So we ended up just zero funding for the expense category and asking them to instead of expecting 230 guests to come limiting it to maybe 100 guests. So we cut their food quote in half in that respect. And we've also funded them previously impact so we thought that since they've already been funded before it would be okay to kind of cut them on the crochet society at FSU. We fully funded them for their materials and supplies that they would need for the rest of the year. The Filipino Student Association we did the same thing as the South Asian student associations and they have already received money through PAC we cut their food expense in half and ask them to account for a smaller amount of students. The Arabic Honor Society they're having a small picnic on land so we were able to fully fund that and then active mines at FSU. We were able to give them \$300 for their oh they they didn't provide originally they wanted t shirt quotes. Wait, I'm sorry. Oh, stickers, they stickers tablecloth. And that is it. So that's what the \$300 goes towards. So with that I yield

- General Non-Debatable Questioning:

- Senator Anandijwala: So after this consent relation is passed, how much is left in the fund?
- Chair Wyatt: Yeah, so if this consent resolution passes as it stands, there will be \$2,442.36 left in pack
- Senator Humberg: When does the funding reset?

- Chair Wyatt: It resets at the fiscal year which coincides with the end of the school year which works out since PAC does not meet over the summer.
- **Senator Seager motions to moves to roundtable; Senator Ananjwila seconds**
- Round-Table Discussion:
 - Senator Anandijwala: So I was just saying before, they have asked me to ask you guys if they could get a little bit more funding maybe just a little bit. So I think you said that there you instead told them to expect 100 guests instead of the original which was 250 I think. But the event itself is to kind of promote all the religions in India Christianity. Hinduism and Islamic faith. And so I guess it would just be since you'd have they have been funded, but that was last semester and the fiscal year is about to end. I was hoping you guys would be in favor or just maybe give them a little bit more money whether it be 300 400 more dollars, and now they're trying to fundraise the rest of the money so they can expect that 250 people to come. There obviously be well, they're trying to do an RSVP p as well, but since they have already advertised it out they can no longer advertise non FSU students to pay to attend, since it was advertised as free for all students to come. So where was it going first? Oh, so asking if you guys would have a motion or just be able to fund them a little bit more. Just so they would be able to at least buy a little bit more fruits. Everyone is at least fed in some sort of way.
 - Senator White: Point of Information, if they receive any funds it most be free for all FSU students due to statues
 - Senator Seager: This question is directed towards Senator Anandijwala. Do you have like a number that you that the organization wants on top your head?
 - Senator Anandijwala: So we actually discussed this morning, since the food CRO is \$1,400 and we only have the event isn't April is on April 23. So they have a month to fundraise. They're trying to do a little bit more shirt nights and they're trying to hold another GVM or event to kind of raise more money. So I think a good amount would be \$500. So they would reach that \$1,200 mark and then the rest of the quotes they would be able to buy at least some decorations and just some things that they would need to hold like the just certain like major items that would be essential for those weddings, as like just like, like some major items. I don't know like I don't know, I don't know, but like that's on later on. But I think \$5 is a good amount. So they would be they would have to raise about 500 \$600 by themselves to those events. And if not, they've already talked about cutting the amount that they put away for decorations and kind of finding more cheaper options and just kind of utilizing what they already have and just buying as much as they need and not what how much they want. So I think binary dollars maybe \$16 would be enough. And that way there is still some money left impact as well for the remaining organizations.
 - Senator Patel: Okay, this questions to Senator Anandijwala, have they tried to like have like donations from different restaurants or like a sponsorship from like, the local restaurants, so they could like donate food instead of like having to pay for it?
 - Senator Anandijwala: Yeah, so they've tried but since the restaurant is kind of so the restaurant kind of operates on like a portion based and so

there really is no way going around like how many like platters to buy and like how much I guess we would get from their behalf but they'd be able to sponsor or not because it is like an outside restaurant. But they have been able to knock down the funding for like where the events being held to be held the union and they're actually being given it for free because of just some miscommunications and all that stuff. So they Oh, they're only asking for the decorations and food so that viruses writers would be enough to kind of be able to meet all the students that do come and also get some more decorations

- Senator Humberg: So you said that this is your senator and Angela. So you said that they would use that like additional 500 If given for like the food plus decorations? Would that be allowed considering that it would go under the food category? Or would we open up like the expense or clothing and awards category for that if they're going to be using it for both?
- Senator Anandijwala: Um, so the original quote for the food was \$1,400. And so that \$5 would just go specifically towards the food and then whatever money that we raise her up on her own through events and shirt nights would go to decorations itself and the remaining costs for food. Yeah.
- **Senator Anandjiwala motions to amend food for the South Asian Student Association to \$1200, seconded by Senator Seager**
 - Found Friendly by Chair Wyatt
- **Senator Anandjiwala motions to amend April 23 2023, Vice Chair- White seconded**
 - Found Friendly by Chair Wyatt
- **Senator Seager moves to call the question; Senator King seconds**
- Closing Statement:
 - Chair Wyatt: Ah, yeah, so I think obviously PAC had to do a really hard job this week of kind of cutting a lot of organizations but I totally understand the need to fund people for more money here and there. So throughout the next, you know, few weeks, we're probably going to have to be really really strict but you know, our job is to kind of look and make sure that we are able to fund in the best way possible. So I appreciate you guys. Also working with these organizations to make sure that you guys are doing your jobs and making sure that everything that we're funding really is going to the best place that it can be so I appreciate the amendment. I appreciate looking into it.
- Vote:
 - Yes: [6] Senators White, Seager, King, Patel, Patel- Qatar, and Humberg
 - No [0]
 - Abstain: [1] Senator Anandijwala
- **RESULT: Consent Resolution #17 Passes**

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Unfinished Business:

- None

Closing Announcements:

- Chair Pedraja: Glad to see everyone, great job, smooth meeting. Have a good rest of your evening.

- Vice-Chair White: Great meeting, and I will see you all next week
- **Next Meeting: Tuesday March 21, at 6:15 PM**

Adjourned:
Ended at 6:45 PM

Signed,

Edward Pedraja
Finance Chair