



**75th Student Senate
Programming Allocation Committee
Monday, August 29th, 2022**

Call to Order: 7:00 P.M.

Members Present: Omer Turkomer

Members Tardy: None

Members Absent: None

Guests: Chair Diaz, Senator Carter, Senator Schindler

Announcements:

- Chair – Omer Turkomer
- Vice Chair – N/A
- Members – N/A

Committee Business:

● **Chinese Student and Scholar Association**

○ **Preliminary Questions:**

- Asking for: \$1507 in the category of Food
- Date Request Submitted: 8/29/22, 6:50 PM
- Date of Event: 09/17/2022
- Number of Active Members: 35 members
- Number expected to come: 150 members
- Fundraised: \$0

○ **Notes of the Event/Item:**

- Notes:
 - The RSO is requesting funding for the CSSA Mid-Autumn Festival Gala.
 - Senator Schindler inquired about how much the RSO had fundraised, the RSO notified the committee that they had fundraised \$0.
 - Senator Carter inquired about how the RSO would cover the rest of the costs associated with the event, the RSO notified the committee

that they had other sources of funds through other organizations the RSO had previously worked with.

- Senator Carter inquired if the members of the RSO pay dues. The RSO notified the committee that members do not pay dues.
- Chair Diaz inquired if the executive members of the RSO were financially certified. Chair Turkomer notified the committee that all organizations heard at PAC have at least two financially certified executive members.
- Senator Schindler inquired about the advertising plan for the event. The RSO notified the committee that the event would be advertised through posters as well as social media.
- During deliberations Chair Diaz voiced his support for the resolution stating that the amount requested was reasonable and that the RSO had sufficiently planned their event and advertising strategy.
- Senators Carter and Schindler agreed with the opinion voiced by Chair Diaz.
- Motion to fund \$1507 in the category of food by Chair Diaz, seconded by Senator Carter.
- No opposition was to the motion stated.
- The motion passed.

- **Chinese Student and Scholar Association**

- **Preliminary Questions:**

- Asking for: N/A
- Date Request Submitted: N/A
- Date of Event: N/A
- Number of Active Members: N/A
- Number expected to come: N/A
- Fundraised: N/A

- **Notes of the Event/Item:**

- Notes:
 - Due to issues with the quotes in the request as well as the purpose of the request itself Chair Turkomer suggested to the RSO that they should ideally re-submit another PAC request as in its current form it does not meet the guidelines and standards set by the PAC committee.
 - The RSO notified the committee that it would be ok with being zero funded and that they would get into contact with the Chair to fix their application and then resubmit another PAC request.
 - Chair Turkomer asked if the request was time sensitive. The RSO notified the committee that the request was not time sensitive.
 - Motion to zero fund RSO by Chair Diaz, seconded by Senator Schindler.
 - No opposition to the motion was stated.

- The motion passed.

- **Hillel**

- **Preliminary Questions:**

- Asking for: \$12,050 in the category of food.
- Date Request Submitted: 8/29/22
- Date of Event: 09/25/22
- Number of Active Members: 200 members
- Number expected to come: 400 people
- Fundraised: Unknown

- **Notes of the Event/Item:**

- Notes:
 - The organization is looking for funding in order to purchase food to give out to the student body during the Jewish holy month.
 - Chair Diaz inquired why the organization chose the specific caterer that they chose. The RSO mentioned the importance of having kosher catering as it is a vital part of the Jewish faith and that this was the closest caterer that provided kosher catering.
 - Senator Carter inquired about what part of the funding request the RSO would want prioritized. The RSO mentioned that Shabbat could be cut if it came down to it.
 - Chair Diaz inquired about how the food would be served. The RSO mentioned that the food would be served buffet style.
 - Senator Schindler inquired why the RSO hadn't gone to local options. The RSO mentioned that all the local catering options were unable to cater to the size required by the RSO.
 - Senator Schindler inquired about how much the organization had fundraised. The RSO mentioned that although they can't disclose the specific amount they have fundraised, they would be covering \$10 per plate.
 - Senator Schindler inquired if the \$25 listed on the quote included the \$10 the RSO was covering. The RSO mentioned that the original price per plate would be 35\$ but they listed it as \$25 since that is what they are asking from PAC.
 - Senator Carter inquired about the fees associated with the food request. The RSO notified the committee that there would be a \$500 delivery fee.
 - Chair Turkomer inquired about why the executive director of the Hillel non-profit didn't notify the members of the RSO about their budget. The RSO notified the committee it's for organizational reasons.
 - Chair Diaz inquired about if the RSO could talk to executive director and learn the amount of funding the non-profit has. The RSO notified the committee that since the organizational rules of the non-profit cause the executive director to not be able to reveal

the organizations budget, they can't disclose amount to us. The RSO also mentioned that they have \$1000 in their RSO budget.

- During deliberations senator Schindler inquired about why the organization was asking for PAC funding this year when they haven't asked before. The RSO notified the committee that the RSO wasn't aware of PAC prior which is why they haven't asked. The RSO also notified the committee that they had overspent on budget last year since they got a higher-than-expected level of participation.
- During deliberations Senator Carter mentioned concern about a lack of access to the non-profits funding amount as it makes the committees job in determining how much can be cut from the request difficult.
- Senator Schindler also mentioned concerns about not knowing how much the Hillel non-profit is giving to the RSO for the event.
- Chair Diaz mentioned that he agrees with the concerns of the committee members.
- Senator Schindler mentioned that he had concerns regarding the prices of the plates as the fact that the \$10 the RSO was paying per plate for the sides wasn't disclosed until later during committee questioning.
- Senator Carter and Diaz agreed with the concerns mentioned by Senator Schindler.
- Chair Diaz suggested cutting the funding request down to \$5000 as it would be a middle ground between what the RSO needs and the constraints of the committee.
- Senator Carter agreed with the suggestion.
- Senator Schindler mentioned that the request could also be considered further in senate.
- Motion to fund \$5000 in the category of food by Chair Diaz, seconded by Senator Schindler.
- No opposition to the motion was stated.
- The motion passes.

Current funding amount: \$40,741.00

Unfinished Business: None

Final Budget: \$ \$40,741.00

Final Announcements:

- None

Date and Time of Next Meeting: TBD

Adjourned: 8:58 P.M.