

Student Finance Committee Minutes

March 14th, 2023

1203 Northern Center

- I. **Call to Order**
 - a. Meeting called to order at 6:33 p.m.
- II. **Public Comment**
 - a. No public comment
- III. **Approval of Minutes**
 - a. No minutes for approval
- IV. **Chair Report**
 - a. **Eli White- Chairperson**
 - I hope everyone had a great spring break. As we get to the end of the semester, stay strong and stick with it. To those graduating, best of luck in future endeavors; I really hope you all find success in what you do. If anyone needs a recommendation, feel free to reach out.
- V. **Advisor Report**
 - a. **Kash Dhanapal- Faculty Advisor**
 - No adviser report
- VI. **New Business**
 - a. **Queers & Allies**
 - *Miranda Miller (Q&A President)*: This is an event that was done about 10 years ago and then went away for a while, but we brought it back last year and it was a complete success. We had so much positive feedback and we have been getting questions about it since the start of the year, so we are bringing it back and planning on making it even bigger. Last year, we had it in the Hedgecock atrium area and had over 100 people in there at one time. We took comments from those in attendance, and two things that were said a lot were that the Northern Center Ballrooms would be a better spot, and that more food would be nice. Queer Prom is a great opportunity to have another chance to have a good prom as they find themselves in college. It's for all students.
 - *Cameron Jenerou (Secretary)*: I didn't get a prom because of the pandemic, and I know many other people would enjoy this event too.
 - *Miranda*: The catering was put underneath the Group Expenses line, but I'm not sure that's where it belongs. We worked closely with catering to get their take on what kind of food and how much food would be good for this kind of event and we came up with a number of \$668.50. AV services quoted us \$184. For decorations we were hoping to do a standing backdrop for photos, which would be \$60 for a nicer, reusable one. We have been in contact with Public Safety, and they have agreed to have someone extra on shift that night to patrol the area.
 - *Eli*: Unfortunately, SFC does not provide funding for food for events.
 - a) *Kash*: We can do light refreshments, so that's why cookies were paid for last year. The choice of food is good, it's not a full meal like pizza or sandwiches, so I think this can be deliberated.
 - *Kash*: Is there a rental fee for the Grand Ballroom?

- a) *Miranda*: The ballrooms are free for student orgs to use as long as it's a free event for students.
- *Kash*: Where will the backdrop be stored?
 - a) *Miranda*: We have a bin of Q&A that gets passed down through leadership.
- *Kash*: Who is DJing?
 - a) *Miranda*: We're going to have a playlist playing as well as a request sheet where people can add songs throughout the night.
- **SFC Deliberation:**
 - a) *Hunter*: They could see if they could get additional funding elsewhere. If we pay out what we would normally give for light refreshments and then they can find the rest of the money here and there, we can avoid setting a dangerous precedent by covering the whole amount. So maybe \$225 would be a good amount for the Group Expenses catering request.
 - b) *Hunter* motioned to adjust line item 7340 (Group Expenses) of Queers and Allies' budget from \$668.50 to \$225
 - *Spencer* second; passes unanimously
 - c) *Olivia* motioned to approve Queers and Allies' budget by line item
 - *Spencer* second; passes unanimously
 - d) *Olivia* motioned to approve line item 7135 (Event Supplies) of Queers and Allies' budget in full for \$140
 - *Hunter* second; passes unanimously
 - e) *Olivia* motioned to approve line item 7194 (Audio-Visual Services) of Queers and Allies' budget in full for \$184
 - *Spencer* second; passes unanimously
 - f) *Olivia* motioned to approve line item 7340 (Group Expenses) of Queers and Allies' budget in full for \$225
 - *Spencer* second; passes unanimously

b. Mind Your Health

- *Mia Hickey (Vice President)*: We are proposing to do a skill builder on March 29th at 7pm called Dear Diary: How to Utilize Journaling as an Effective Mental Health Tool. We walk attendees through different journaling prompts, as well as a pen. Last year we paid for the journals out of our own budget, and now we have no money, so that's why we're here. We're hoping to purchase 42 journals for \$198 and then nicer pens for \$30. We would run this event again if we didn't get 42 attendees, so that all the resources would be used.
- *Spencer*: Did you guys use all of the journals last year?
 - a) *Mia*: Yeah, we had 13 people come and we only had that amount of money.
 - b) *Spencer*: Maybe you could encourage people to use their own if they have one available.
- **SFC Deliberation**
 - a) *Hunter* motioned to approve Mind Your Health's budget in full for \$230
 - *Olivia* second; passes unanimously

VII. Old Business

- a. No old business

VIII. Good of the Order

- a. *Kash*: I will work with Eli this upcoming week to figure out how much money we have left to give away until NAE gets back to us with the money from the ticketing sales.
- b. *Eli*: We had an application get submitted, so I will be sending out an email in regards to everyone's availability for an interview.

IX. Adjournment

- a. Meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.