

**Services and Activities Fee Committee
Minutes
November 1, 2017**

Called to order:

Gary Epp called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Attendance:

Eric Bennett, Joseph Bryant, Maddie Crowell, Gary Epp, Julia Felici, Shelby Hamblen, Alex Horning, Martin Kennedy, Lacy Lampkins, Stephanie Treichel, Vene' Skyles, Patrick Stanton, and Jeanette Webster.

Absent: Hailey Bergren

Agenda:

MOTION: Eric Bennett made a motion to approve the agenda. Shelby Hamblen seconded. Motion carried.

Minutes:

MOTION: Alex Horning made a motion to approve the minutes of 10-25-2017. Jeanette Webster seconded. Motion carried.

Reports:

Chair – None.

Advisors – Lacy Lampkins reported that we have \$95,655 left in our supplemental budget.

Public Comment: Alex Horning reported that the Student Government Executive board reviewed the committee's decision on the Orchestra's Supplemental Request. The board felt that the opportunity was great but committing half of the supplemental budget seemed excessive when there may be many more opportunities for other areas in the coming year.

Eric Bennett wanted to ensure that no one on the committee should feel that they cannot express their opinions. We should respect all of the varied opinions and be open and receptive to listening to each other.

The BEC will vote on the supplemental requests on November 14th and then send to the BOT.

Jeff Rosenberry introduced himself to the committee. Today is his first day here as the Executive Director of Student Involvement.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

A. Supplemental Funding Requests – Presentations:

- i. #1810: Block Party T-shirts (ESC) - \$1,413.00

The annual block party was September 27, 2017. The block party is a time for the 9 ESC organizations to get the word out about their organization. Students learn more about marginalized groups on campus and the importance of having an avenue where they can be represented. Students were educated on the purpose behind each organization and how they can be involved. Students who completed the educational objective (BINGO card marked by all orgs) received a t-shirt. ESC ran out of t-shirts and have a list of 137 more students who earned a shirt.

Presented by: Alex Cheeseman

Questions: Why are you not using funds from the organizations? The ESC did not want to pull money from the clubs budgets as those funds are usually for the club events. How do t-shirts help students? Publicity for the clubs and incentive to come and participate. Do you have any data if this has been successful? No this is only the second year for the block party. Is this an after the fact request? No – since they have not ordered the t-shirts this request is not considered after the fact.

- ii. #1809: National Council Family Relations Annual Conference (FCS Department) - \$2,898.48

The NCFR conference is the largest professional meeting in the field of Family Science. There are 5 grad and 4 undergrad students that will be attending the conference in Orlando, FL November 14-19, 2017. The conference will have the latest in research, practice, and teaching in the family science field. The club does do fundraisers throughout the year but they use that money for community service projects not this trip. The club was very intentional with their planning trying to save money.

Presented by: Deidra and Curtis

Questions: Is the Career Services contribution committed? No, only requested at this point. Has there been job offers or grad programs obtained through attending this conference? Not sure about employment but grad programs have been.

- iii. #1811: SwingCats General Meetings (SwingCats) - \$700.00

This request is to pay for the dance instructor for one set of lessons. They will be asking Club Senate for the next set. Their club is growing currently have 20-30 active members. They have fundraisers planned. The club funds are dedicated to paying the band for the fundraisers. This request is for the instructor to come over every week and teach dances to the club members.

Presented by: Ted and Kaitlyn

Questions: Have you considered charging dues? They have always considered charging for the lessons as dues. Not all club members come back week after week. What is the benefit of having the instructor instead of a peer teacher? The instruction is professional and is proficient at breaking down the dances and teaches technique

and how to execute properly. Are they any dance instructors on campus that could teach the lessons? No the two instructors that teach ballroom dancing are busy when the club meets and this instructor has been with the club for 10+ years.

- iv. #1812: 14th Annual Student African American Brotherhood National Conference (Brother 2 Brother) - \$9,000.00
15 members of the Brother 2 Brother club are seeking funds to assist with travel expenses for them to travel April 6-8, 2018 to Atlanta Ga and attend the 14th Annual SAAB Convention. The club is asking S&A to support only the airfare portion of the trip. They have sought support from other departments and are planning fundraisers to support the other costs. This conference will provide these students with the opportunity to engage in inspirational speaker sessions, workshops, and networking with like-minded professionals and scholars who strive to make a difference in the lives of young men in the community.

Presented by: Andre Dickerson and Jackson Wollan

Questions: How many total members are in you club? 25 active members – the club will make the decision on who gets to attend the conference based on community serve hrs., academics, etc.. Are and advisors attending? Yes- but they are paying for travel separately. \$2400 from the ESC is not committed – if not granted what will you do? They are planning more fund raisers and actively seeking support from other departments. Any students received job opportuneness through participation? Several have received law school recommendations and undergrad research grants. The club is all about professional development and focus on exemplary leadership. It really is a brotherhood and members look forward to the Thursday meetings. The yearly dues to maintain the national chapter currently come from the CLCE base funding budget.

MOTION: Eric Bennett made a motion to take a 5 minute recess. Alex Horning seconded. Motion carried.

Gary Epp called the meeting back to order at 6:46 pm.

B. Supplemental Funding Requests – Voting:

- i. #1803: Leadership Conference (American Society of Safety Engineers) – \$276.00

Discussion: Eric mentioned that he would consider decreasing all requests by 15% - keeping a close eye on the budget is a good idea but arbitrarily decreasing all is not recommended. We would like to consider saving money for spring. These students have money in the club account they could use for part of this expense. It is important to have some accountability for the trip by the students that are travelling - \$69 contribution per student does seem reasonable as an out of pocket expense to attend a conference. Covering food expenses really only benefits the person traveling.

MOTION: Jeanette Webster made a motion to not fund supplemental request #1803. Martin Kennedy seconded. Motion carried as amended with one abstaining.

Discussion: Alex has a percentage calculator if needed for discussion. It seems that they should get some support. This would be a #34.50 per student.

AMENDMENT: Maddie Crowell made an amendment to the motion to fund supplemental request #1803 in the amount of \$138.00. Alex Horning seconded the amendment. Amendment carried.

ii. #1804: Big Band Tour of China and Vietnam - \$10,650.00

Discussion: this is \$3,550 per student for a 2 week trip. \$2100 for food seems like a large amount, this was calculated at \$50 per day per person. Again there is no student contribution in the proposed budget, students should have some buy-in. They have known for a while – why have they not done fundraisers or saved for the trip? This seems to benefit the 3 students but not CWU as a whole. Little value brought back to CWU more of a personal growth trip. If we decrease the request by 25% it would be 7,987.50. The trip is coming up soon to not fund any portion would most likely negatively impact the students. If we decrease by 50% it would be 5,325. The major cost is airfare, if we subtract the food the request would be 8,550. They could ask from academic senate, but since it is the music department there may be other commitments from them to this department. The students should pay for their own food. \$6,000 was requested for airfare.

MOTION: Eric Bennett made a motion to fund supplemental request #1804 in the amount of \$7,050.00 to fund airfare and lodging only. Alex Horning seconded. Motion carried with 3 abstaining.

iii. #1805 AAAQS National Convention (Chemistry Club) - \$1,430.00

Discussion: These students are asking for reimbursement. They seemed to have learned a lot and are planning on sharing information with other CWU students.

MOTION: Stephanie Treichel made a motion to approve supplemental funding request #1805 in the amount of \$1,430.00. Maddie Crowell seconded. Motion carried with one abstaining.

iv. #1806 – Legislative Policy Analyst (ASCWU Legislative Affairs) - \$7,820.00

Discussion: Alex Horning noted that he will be abstaining from this discussion as he is a part of the ASCWU-SG. This position would be in addition to currently 2 office positions and 1 lobbyist. Why is this a new request? Should this have been included in base funding? Every VP has a different opinion on how to run the office – this position could vote on the WSA – What will the VP be doing? The admin assistant could assist the research. Michael would like to have another staff member to review all bills that could affect CWU students and

would like to hire someone with a different political view. First priority is to fund expenses that are not reasonably foreseeable. This seems like it should have been foreseeable expense.

MOTION: Eric Bennett made a motion to approve supplemental funding request #1806 at 50% in the amount of \$3,910.00. Martin Kennedy seconded. Motion carried as amended with one abstaining.

Discussion: What is the minimum wage for a student? \$11.50 in January 2018. What would funding half do to that position? The wage would not be decrease the hours would be. Is this the only place to get funding for this position? Yes. Why does this not come out of base funding? It was not proposed in the base request. If this is a necessary position then the other position could be changed to add the research component. The person he wants to hire would be more skilled in reviewing the bills. One student over the other will have more experience in researching bills as we are all students. If we fund half is 10 hours a week going to make an impact? The student that has been selected does have legislature experience.

AMENDMENT: Maddie Crowell made an amendment to not fund supplemental funding request #1806. Eric Bennett seconded. Amendment carried with one abstaining.

Discussion: Legislature is very complicated and having more hands on deck would be a good idea. It has worked in the past and not much has changed the VP Of legislature affairs should be able to handle it. A portion should be funded. Focusing more on policies than they have in the past. Housing bill coming up that will affect Ellensburg students. We have had a divided legislature since 2013 so this is not a new situation. There should have been discussions about staffing before the base funding request was submitted. There is a greater need for activism now. Every good chief of staff needs good staff members. The VP cannot be expected to read every bill that comes forward.

v. #1807 National Jazz Education Network Conference (JEN Club) - \$7,534.00

Discussion: Paying memberships does not seem necessarily fair to pay for individual annual memberships. They do need the membership in order to attend the conference. Again, accountability the students are not contributing anything, maybe decrease the food to \$1000 and not fund membership. Try to be consistent with decisions especially when it comes to food. Keep in mind throughout the year to be consistent. Food reimbursement – meals included in the convention cannot be claimed, per diem can be paid for meals that are not included in the registration.

MOTION: Eric Bennett made a motion to approve supplemental request #1807 in the amount of \$6,534.00. Alex Horning seconded. Motion carried as amended with one abstaining.

Discussion: Why deduct \$1000? Proposing to cover only ½ of the food expense requested. We were also discussion not funding the membership costs of \$360.00. We could not pay for food or membership, decreasing to \$5,174.00.

Amendment: Maddie Crowell made an amendment to fund supplemental funding request # 1807 in the amount of \$5,174.00, excluding food and membership costs. Jeanette Webster seconded. Amendment carried.

Other Business – Communications Received: None.

Public Comment: None.

Adjournment:

MOTION: Maddie Crowell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alex Horning seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:51 pm.

Schedule of Next Meeting:

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 8, 2017, in SURC 301 starting at 5:30 P.M.