



## ASI Finance Committee Minutes

2014-2015:11 Friday, May 8, 2015 3:00PM - 5:00 PM, BSC, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Perseus

### I) Preliminaries

- A) Call to order at 3:03
- B) Quorum Check:

- 1) Fayz Ashker, Treasurer, Chair

*Voting Members:*

- 2) Taylor Young, Senator Pro-Tempore, Vice Chair
    - 3) James Cox, President – **Excused Absent**
    - 4) Louis Harfouche, Vice President
    - 5) Melanie Young, Business Senator
    - 6) Deena Wahba, MCC Senator – **Excused Tardy**
    - 7) Chonlawan Khaothiemsang, Science Senator

*Advisors:*

- 8) Jami Grosser, ASI Advisor – **Excused Tardy**
    - 9) Ivonne Cabezas, ASI Accounting Analyst

*Liaison:*

- 10) Andrea Cendejas, Attorney General

- C) Approval of Minutes

- 1) Minutes from April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015 were approved as written

- D) Agenda Changes

- 1) Added Discussion Item - ASI Inter-Council Request for \$1,715

- E) Introduction of Guests

- 1) Jasmine Andino – Secretary of Internal Affairs, ASI
    - 2) Pooja Kumar – President, Project RISHI
    - 3) Katrina Ortiz – Treasurer, Project RISHI

- F) Reports

- 1) There were no reports given.

- G) Open Forum

- 1) There were no speakers.

### II) Action Item

- A) There were no action items.

### **III) Discussion Item**

#### **A) Project RISHI for \$5,500 from NP&A**

- 1) Pooja, Project RISHI President, shared that Project RISHI is a club founded in 2005 whose mission is to promote the sustainable development of a rural or unmaintained village which the club “adopts” and then establishes their needs and the possibilities that they have to implement smaller projects to benefit the village. Project RISHI is asking for \$5,500 to help fund their trip to India in which they will begin the implementation phase of the small projects throughout the village. This project is educational because the club members do thorough research on the villages, they get to interact with the villagers and be immersed in the Indian culture, and they use the knowledge they have to educate the villagers. For this trip they will stay in the capital city of Delhi and then commute to the villages up to a few hours. Pooja then shared a map outlining their locations throughout the trip.
- 2) Katrina, Project RISHI Treasurer, reviewed the budget beginning with their current budget which includes \$300 that they will be utilizing for the trip. She explained that each member is expected to contribute around \$1,000 of their own money to be a part of the trip. Pooja and Katrina then reviewed the line items including flight, transportation primarily for the commute to the villages, hotel costs in Delhi, immunization from the Student Health Center, Visa costs, and food costs for 16 days.
- 3) Louis explained that there is a stipulation in discussion that ASI will only fund \$750 per person
- 4) Question and answer session took place including:
  - (a) Approval from Provost office - they are currently working on the documents and are just waiting to finalize the amount of people attending
  - (b) Funding for immunizations – Fayz clarified that the funding they receive from ASI will only be contributed to their flight costs
  - (c) Council standing – Deena shared that they are in good standing with Multicultural Council

#### **B) ASI Inter-Council for \$1,715 from NP&A**

- 1) Jasmine, ASI Secretary of Internal Affairs explained that the Inter-Council Banquet is a dinner to celebrate the successes of all the councils throughout the year. She then explained that budget request which totals to \$5,015, which after the \$300 contribution from 11 councils reduces to \$1,715. She reviewed the line items which included dinner from KW, a DJ, decorations, a photo booth, and the table rental.
  - (a) Louis recommended increasing the amount of people they expect just in case
  - (b) Taylor pointed out that on the budget it says KHP Catering and it should be KW Catering

### **IV) Information Item**

- 1) There were no information items.

### **V) Adjournment**

- A) Meeting was adjourned at 3:22pm
- B) Next Finance Committee Meeting: May 15, 2015, 3:00pm-5:00pm, BSC – England Evans