



FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS

TWENTY EIGHTH CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS

Assembly Meeting
COGS Regular Session
Monday, October 19th, 2020
Zoom
6:30 PM
Agenda

Call to Order:

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call:

Reading and Approval of Minutes:

Petitions into the Assembly: Hannah Smith (Fine Arts)

Special Introductions and Student Comments:

Messages from Student Government:

Report from the Office of Governmental Affairs:

Elections:

Report of Officers:

- The Report of the Speaker
- The Report of the Deputy Speaker for Finance
- The Report of the Deputy Speaker of Judicial Affairs
- The Report of the Deputy Speaker of Communications

Committee Report:

- C-SAC:
- Internal Affairs:
- Student Advocacy:
- Student Affairs:

Funding Requests:

Unfinished Business:

New Business:

- *Bill #21: Organization for Religion Graduate Students Group*
- *Bill #22: Music Theory Funding Request*
- *Bill #23: Ecology and Evolution Research & Discussion Group Funding Request*

Round Table:

Adjournment:

Next Meeting: **Monday, November 2^{nds}, 2020 6:30 PM via Zoom**



COGS Financial Report, Fiscal Year 2020-2021

ACCOUNT	ALLOCATION AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION	BALANCE
UNALLOCATED	\$21,331.18	For RSO funding requests at COGS meetings	\$21,331.18
ORGANIZATIONAL (C-SAC)	\$3,000	RSO funding for allocations less than \$1000 for the fiscal year	\$3,000
LSC	\$44,000	Funding allocations from Law School Council to Law School Student Organizations	\$44,000
MSC	\$44,000	Funding allocations from Medical School Council to Medical School Student Organizations	\$44,000
PRESENTATION GRANTS (Jul-Oct)	\$53,000	Presentation Grant balance for the March-June funding period	\$53,000
PRESENTATION GRANTS (Nov-Feb)	\$60,000	Presentation Grant balance for the November-February funding period	\$60,000
PRESENTATION GRANTS (Mar-Jun)	\$47,000	Presentation Grant balance for the March-June funding period	\$47,000
ATTENDANCE GRANTS (Jul-Oct)	\$6,000	Attendance Grant balance for the July-October funding period	\$6,000
ATTENDANCE GRANTS (Nov-Feb)	\$6,000	Attendance Grant balance for the November-February funding period	\$6,000
ATTENDANCE GRANTS (Mar-Jun)	\$5,000	Attendance Grant balance for the March-June funding period	\$5,000



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Assembly Meeting
Regular Session
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10-5-2020
6:30 p.m.
MINUTES



Call to Order: 6:32 pm

Pledge of Allegiance: Representative Fomberg

REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT: Blake-Hedges, Brinkman, Fomberg, Creigh, Collins, Ilesanmi, Hirsch, Morgan, Mendez, Sangokunle

REPRESENTATIVES LEFT EARLY, EXCUSED:

REPRESENTATIVES LEFT EARLY, UNEXCUSED:

REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT, EXCUSED: Cheuwa, Mathesie

REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT, UNEXCUSED: Hagemeyer

REPRESENTATIVE LATE, EXCUSED:

REPRESENTATIVES LATE, UNEXCUSED:

Reading and Approval of Minutes: Motion to Approve Minutes, Blake-Hedges; Sangokunle 2nd; No Objections; APPROVED.

Special Introductions and Student Comments: none

Messages from Student Government: none

Report from the Office of Governmental Affairs: none

Report of Officers:

- **The Report of the Speaker**
 - We hope to hear more about elections soon, they seem to be delayed. We also hope to make more headway on funding.
- **The Report of the Deputy Speaker for Finance**
 - Last COGS meeting we opened our conference and attendance grants. We are still working on opening up those grants for use which are why we have the two resolutions on the agenda this evening.
- **The Report of the Deputy Speaker of Judicial Affairs**
 - Nothing new to report, is still working through taking on the role.
- **The Report of the Deputy Speaker of Communications**



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- In the processing of updating contact information for representatives.

Committee Report:

- **C-SAC:** nothing to report
- **Internal Affairs:** Met 9/28 & meeting minutes are posted.
- **Student Advocacy:**
 - Met on the 1st of October, discussing childcare at FSU and pricing to help the graduate students. Hoping to work with the deputy speaker of communications.
- **Student Affairs:**
 - Discussed creating a new on boarding video to help new members adjust.

Funding Requests: None

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

- Resolution #10 Virtual Events Funding – sponsored by Representative Sangokunle
 - Aims to facilitate the funding of virtual events by RSO's.
 - Three minutes for questions and answers
 - No questions
 - The first round of pro:
 - Morgan – it is very important to find ways to open up funding with RSO's. We definitely want to benefit the student experience here and utilize the money
 - Brinkman – it is a good bill to make sure we're doing our part
 - Blake – Hedges – this allows MSC and to also hear funding requests.
 - First round of con:
 - No cons
 - Second round of pro:
 - Motion to call the question – Brinkman
 - Second – Creigh
 - **Vote passes: 8-0-1**
- Resolution #11 Travel Grants Opening - sponsored by the representative Blake Hedges
 - We are pushing back the window for applications for grants so that there will be more time to apply for grants in this funding period. This will allow more students the chance to access funding for virtual grants and conferences,
 - Questions and answers?
 - Will pushing this window affect subsequent funding periods? – Mendez
 - No, this will only affect the time individuals can apply for grants. It will be two weeks prior instead of a month.



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Will students who have events in October be able to apply? -
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- No, there would not be sufficient time to process those applications- Blake-Hedges
- First round of pro
 - This is good because she has had many individuals reach out with an interest to apply – Hirsch
- First round of con
 - No cons
- Second round of pro
 - Motions to call the question – Mendez, second by Fomberg
 - No objections
 - Vote by show of hands
 - **Passes, 8-0-1**

Round Table:

Adjournment: 7:14 pm

Next Meeting:

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Allocation, Revision, or Transfer

28th Congress of Graduate Students

Bill #: 21

Sponsored by: Representative Collins

Date: October 19, 2020

Amount: \$500.00

From (account name): Organization for Religion Graduate Students Group Food

To (account name): Organization for Religion Graduate Students Group Expense

Amount: \$500.00

From (account name): Organization for Religion Graduate Students Group Food

To (account name): Organization for Religion Graduate Students Group Contractual Services

Purpose & Description: The Organization for Religion Graduate Students (ORGS) was allocated a total \$4000 for the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year through the COGS Budget. ORGS received \$3000 in contractual services to cover the cost of their speakers and \$1000 in food to cover food for their annual symposium. They are now moving the symposium to be held online, and no longer need food for the event. They would like to transfer the \$1000 to cover more speakers and fees to host the event online.

Itemized Expenditures:

Quantity	Description	Unit Price
1	Honorarium for Keynote Speaker	\$1,000
5	Honoraria for RoundTable Speakers	\$500
1	Website Design and Virtual Hosting of Symposium	\$500

Total: \$4,000.00



Allocation, Revision, or Transfer

28th Congress of Graduate Students

Bill #: 22

Sponsored by: Representative Creigh

Date: October 19, 2020

Amount: \$1,500.00

From (account name): COGS Unallocated

To (account name): Music Theory Society of FSU Contractual Services

Purpose & Description: The Music Theory Society of FSU is holding their 38th Annual Music Theory Forum, which is the oldest graduate student-led conference in the field. This event garners attention from graduate students across the country, providing an opportunity for our students to engage with emerging scholars and discuss their research. The Keynote Speaker this year will be Professor Philip Ewell from Hunter College, CUNY, who is a renowned scholar in the field. Professor Ewell will prepare a one-hour research presentation as well as lecture graduate-level music theory classes the Friday before the Forum. This event provides graduate students an opportunity to organize a scholarly conference that models other conferences in their field. It also provides undergraduate students an opportunity to experience music theory at the professional level. Additionally, this conference is an important recruiting tool for the Music Theory program.

Itemized Expenditures:

Quantity	Description	Unit Price
1	Honorarium for Keynote Speaker	\$1,500.00

Total: \$1,500.00



Allocation, Revision, or Transfer

28th Congress of Graduate Students

Bill #: 23

Sponsored by: Representative Ilesanmi

Date: October 19, 2020

Amount: \$1,950.00

From (account name): COGS Unallocated

To (account name): Ecology and Evolution Research & Discussion Group

Purpose & Description: Much of these funds requested will be used to further establish the outreach arm of EERDG and to prepare for upcoming events both in foreseeable and unforeseeable future, when the COVID crisis subsides. Clothing funding will be used to purchase a large shipment of t-shirts that will serve as excess for years to come, and will immediately increase the recognizability of our organization at outreach events. In addition, funds for food will be used to increase attendance at on campus events for both undergraduate activities, when possible, and for graduate students, to increase their involvement in outreach

Itemized Expenditures:

Quantity	Description	Unit Price
1	Expense	\$850.00
1	Food	\$400.00
1	Clothing & Awards	\$700.00

Total: \$1,950.00