



THE THIRTY-THIRD CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS

Calendar: April 20, 2026

Location: Senate Chambers

Time: 6:30 PM

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Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Reading and Approval of the Minutes

- 03-02-26 Meeting Minutes
- 04-06-26 Meeting Minutes

Petitions into the Assembly

Special Introductions and Student Comments

Messages from Student Government

Report from the Office of Governmental Affairs

Report of Officers

- Report of the Speaker
- Report of the Deputy Speaker for Finance
 - Financial Report 04-20-26
- Report of the Deputy Speaker for Communications
- Report of the Deputy Speaker for Judicial Affairs
- Report of the Deputy Speaker for Advocacy

Advisor Announcements

Committee Report

- Internal Affairs
- Student Advocacy
- Outreach

Funding Requests

- Bill 15: Summer Picnic
- Bill #16: Grant Transfer
- Bill #17: Gospel Choir Allocation

Unfinished Business

New Business

Round Table

Closing Announcements

Adjournment

Organized COGS Meeting Minutes- March 2nd, 2026

Call to Order: 6:38pm

Pledge + Roll Call

Meeting Minutes: Postponed to next meeting

Petitions into the Assembly- N/A

Special Comments/Student Orgs

Introduction from LINC

- The organization introduced themselves, and explained that they wanted to come to the meeting to witness the budget process and defend their organization. Thanked COGS

Ally, Leon Country SGA

- A high school student involved in Leon's County student government. She expressed that she was grateful to sit in and just wanted to observe the process.

Messages from Student Government- N/A

Report from Govt Affairs- N/A

Report of the Officers

Speaker Report

- "Thank you" to Maddie and Joey for budget week
- "Thank you" to Nicholette, Noah, and Jack for the BOT meeting
 - o Explained the significance of the meeting, how influential the BOT are, and ended with another TY
- Will be repping COGS for the undergraduate budget week alongside 2 representatives; will have more updates after
- Next meeting is March 23rd due to spring break

Deputy Speaker for Finance

- Budget is done, let Joey know if you don't have access to the budget spreadsheets. We will talk more about budget later tonight

Deputy Speaker for Judicial Affairs

- Not much to update; we will be having new petitioners next meeting, BOT went well.

Deputy Speaker for Advocacy

- Advocacy + outreach meet together for focus group with CHAW; waiting to hear back from Rose on details, but the focus group will be fed
- 60-90 minutes; planned for 6:30pm
- Information will be sent to Noah

Advisor announcements

- 5500 people voted for the SGA election; double the amount from last semester and 1,000 away from the most ever. On track to also beat UF in voter participation.
- 6500/7000 votes is the goal
- Shouted out Jack, Noah, and Nicholette for BOT meeting
- There is a new requirement imposed by the ADA on the university for digital accessibility, and the university is supposed to be in full compliance by April 24th (although realistically it is unlikely that we will be able to transfer all the info into accessible format by then)
 - o Meaning someone who is blind must be able to have a screen reader communicate the information.
 - o Currently, both Civic plus and Municode cannot meet this standard. Tanner has a meeting on Thursday with someone who is on this task force to transfer all our websites information into a correct format.
 - o In this meeting Tanner will assist/oversee the process for the Senate, then he will create a checklist on things we will need to do/templates we will need to utilize moving forward. Will send this info to Noah and other COGS exec
 - o Municode is the biggest issue right now for digital accessibility, as none of the documents can be accessed through a screen reader.
- Golden week
 - o Glow in the dark 5K this weekend at 8pm
 - o Monday – Wednesday, Wednesday ends with SGA mixer at proof

Committee Introduction and Reports

Internal Affairs- No quorum, could not meet and thus could not redesignate Arezoo. Will do that during the next meeting.

Advocacy- Not many updates; working on getting a survey published and trying to locate the housing excel sheet, so if anywhere knows where this is then let Desean know

Outreach- Noah gave great email template for college outreach to tell them about COGS, and let her or Noah know if you'd like the template. Promoted International coffee hour at 5pm at the Globe. Mentioned other events; bowling and billiards, food truck event towards end of the semester.

Funding Requests

Bill #9- LINC

- Prior to presenting this bill, control of the floor was given to Joey that way Steven could present as the sponsor
- **Three-minute opening-** The organization is requesting funds for keynote expenses and conference materials (mainly food). This conference aims to support research and professional development. LINC hosts this conference each year, and students come from across the country, and even internationally. Steven also noted the amazing structure of the quote. Also mentioned the extra orgs providing funding to this event, and clarified they are asking COGS for honorarium of one speaker of the two speakers (travel+\$500) and food for 50 people. The total for the event is \$1962.50

Open for Questions

- Devon: Did you say the event is next month?
- Steven: "I wrote the bill when it was February, but the event is this month"
- Devon: It says in the attachments that the event is Friday-Saturday, but in other parts it says it is Thursday-Friday, I'm just a bit confused on this.
- Steven: I'll let LINC clarify on that
- LINC representative: It will occur on the 5th and 6th (Thursday-Friday)

Period of Pro

- Jack: LINC is great, the quote is great/we should honestly use them as an example for other orgs. Very supportive, looking forward to it.
- Deshawn: this formatting is fantastic go teach it to other orgs plz
- Devon: always happy to support

Period of Con

- N/A

Call to Question

- Jack moved to call to question, Desean seconded
- The sponsor waived his right to a final statement

Final Vote

- Approval:Denial:Abstain = 16:0:1 – **Bill passes**

Unfinished Business

Bill #8- Tiebreaker bill

- Three minutes: The sponsor (Joey) explained the context of the bill, as there was an election between two students for the position of Deputy Speaker for Judicial Affairs in Fall 2025 that resulted in multiple tied votes. It was awkward for the candidates and the rest of the Congress since there was no set procedure to turn to during this scenario. This bill is intended to provide a procedure for such events. The sponsor read portions of the bill out loud to showcase some of the exact language. He explained that the bill was written to preserve anonymity throughout the election process, as well as to give the candidates and opportunity to be re-heard after the first vote that results in a tie.

Open for Questions

- DeSean: Is this for all elections?
- Joey: No, it includes all Deputy Speakers, including the Speaker

Period of Pro

- Devon spoke in pro, stating this is one of the best ways to avoid the awkward situation that happened last fall
- Jack spoke in pro about the way IA has handled code redrafting by hosting a workshop which discusses the pros/cons of different approaches. He expressed hope that COGS will continue this process.

Period of Con

- N/A

Call to Question

- Desean called to question, Terence seconded the motion.

Closing Statement + Passage

- The sponsor expressed thanks to the Internal Affairs committee for assisting with the redrafting by brainstorming ideas in committee meeting.
- The bill passed 16-0-1

New Business: Bill #2026

- We were excited about bringing the bill, but the budget must be available for 10 school days to provide adequate notice to students; we don't meet that req today

- Still need to make small tweaks such as OPS salary, but other than minor tweaks this bill is near final version, might add a few funding requests for RSOs as well
- Jack: When we hear this on 23rd this is time to make your voice heard, bring amendments (difficult because small reserves but still...), but please let Joey know if you plan on proposing an amendment
- Steven: Clarified don't feel bad about bringing objections because it's a big bill that people normally engage in debate about

Closing Announcements

- Jack: it's still election day and so is tomorrow; He listed out the available things we as grad students can vote on. He told everyone to vote.
- Tanner: Emphasized the importance of this election
- DeSean: If you need something to do this weekend, please go to the music conference for his organization. Begins on Friday and features multiple black artists and other singing groups. It is free, please come support!
 - o Clair: Asked the exact details of starting and end time
 - o DeSean: It begins Friday evening, and goes into Saturday. Someone from Julliard and another person from Stanford will be in attendance.
 - o Logan: You could even go to the coffee hour this Friday at 5pm then head over to DeSean's event!
- Sima: Expressed gratitude to the US military for taking back their country from Iran. Expressed desire for the regime in Iran to end.

End of Meeting:

WEBVTT

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00:00:06.400 --> 00:00:07.060
Noah Andres Baez: Apple.

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00:00:09.500 --> 00:00:10.690
Noah Andres Baez: Alright.

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00:00:10.940 --> 00:00:12.110
Noah Andres Baez: We're ready.

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00:00:12.720 --> 00:00:21.790
Noah Andres Baez: Get started with tonight's meeting. It's 6.38 PM. Thank you all for coming out to tonight's meeting, and happy Graduate Student Week!

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00:00:22.910 --> 00:00:24.060
Noah Andres Baez: That's a thing?

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00:00:24.930 --> 00:00:30.859
Noah Andres Baez: But for tonight's meeting, we'll go ahead and kick it off with the Pledge of Allegiance, and then we'll go into roll call.

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00:00:34.850 --> 00:00:45.569
Noah Andres Baez: I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

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00:00:46.810 --> 00:00:48.800
Noah Andres Baez: Alright, thank you all.

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00:00:53.020 --> 00:00:55.480
Noah Andres Baez: Starting off with Roko, we got Terrence.

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00:00:56.260 --> 00:00:58.080
Noah Andres Baez: Noah is here.

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00:00:58.220 --> 00:00:59.180
Noah Andres Baez: Arizu?

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00:01:00.040 --> 00:01:01.140
Noah Andres Baez: Rid one.

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00:01:01.590 --> 00:01:02.510

Noah Andres Baez: Claire?

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00:01:03.810 --> 00:01:08.750

Noah Andres Baez: Daniel is absent excused. Isabella's absent excused. Fahab?

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Noah Andres Baez: Chisie?

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00:01:11.530 --> 00:01:12.580

Noah Andres Baez: Rosaline?

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00:01:13.430 --> 00:01:14.380

Noah Andres Baez: Brian?

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00:01:18.540 --> 00:01:19.540

Noah Andres Baez: Nicolette?

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00:01:20.820 --> 00:01:23.719

Noah Andres Baez: Logan is absent, excused. Isaiah?

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00:01:25.060 --> 00:01:26.640

Noah Andres Baez: I'm here. Luis?

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00:01:28.060 --> 00:01:31.209

Noah Andres Baez: Janai is absent, excuse. Islamia?

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00:01:32.070 --> 00:01:33.020

Noah Andres Baez: Devin?

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00:01:34.140 --> 00:01:43.850

Noah Andres Baez: Jack is late, coming in, but he told us he's running late. Seema is absent excuse. Joey's absent excuse, Madison's absent excuse, Deshawn?

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00:01:44.310 --> 00:01:45.530

Noah Andres Baez: And Taylor.

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00:01:45.720 --> 00:01:47.780

Noah Andres Baez: Great, we have quorum.

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Noah Andres Baez: Alrighty, next we'll go into reading and approval of the minutes. Noah just got back, and he is working on collecting and putting together all the meeting minutes from the previous two meetings, so he will update us today when he gets back.

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Noah Andres Baez: But he said that he will have the meeting minutes for the past two meetings, and this meeting to approve at the upcoming meeting, if that makes sense.

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00:02:19.460 --> 00:02:33.700

Noah Andres Baez: So, with that being said, we can go on from that and go straight into the first order of business tonight, and that's petitions into the assembly. Now, we have two petitioners on tonight's agenda. Are they both here? I see one..

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Noah Andres Baez: He's in the restroom? Alright, great. We will wait a minute for him, but we have two, one for the College of Arts and Sciences, seat 1, and the second petitioner will be for the at-large, seat 1.

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Noah Andres Baez: And leading that, we'll have Nicolette running up that, and I will wait for him to get back just to explain the rules so they can both hear them equally, so... we'll just take a couple minutes here.

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Noah Andres Baez: Cool. Alright, Nicola, you want to come on up?

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00:03:23.270 --> 00:03:27.330

Noah Andres Baez: Oh, wait, sorry. You can come on up first.

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00:03:27.510 --> 00:03:32.679

Noah Andres Baez: That the first petitioner into tonight's assembly will be Ifuluwa.

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Noah Andres Baez: I will let her, say that name correctly when she comes up here.

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00:03:45.860 --> 00:03:55.930

Noah Andres Baez: But you will have 3 minutes for an opening statement. Whenever you are ready, you can go ahead and give that opening statement, and then we'll have some questions to follow up on it with.

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Noah Andres Baez: Whenever you want, yeah.

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00:04:26.390 --> 00:04:27.090

Noah Andres Baez: Yeah.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, I completed my master's program here at FSU, during the last summer, so I just, started my, PhD program.

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Noah Andres Baez: During my master's program, I was the vice president of the African Graduate Student Association, one of the RSOs that Cox closely works with.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, I have some experience not only working with some members of COGS, but also interacting and, making deliberations on how to improve the welfare of students, here at FSU.

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Noah Andres Baez: Also, in my department, we have the Graduate English Student Organization, GISO. While I'm not an active member of GISO, I'm a floor member, and I do some advocacy for graduate students in the department.

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Noah Andres Baez: English department being one of the departments with the highest numbers of, graduate students, here at FSU.

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Noah Andres Baez: In the past, I've worked with, student organizations from my home country. I'm from Nigeria, by the way. I attended Abrahamia Oulawa University, and I was part of the Student Union Senate as, a campus journalist.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, I wasn't a senator, but I worked, closely with the Senate.

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Noah Andres Baez: As, a campus journalist, covering student affairs and, speaking up, where it mattered.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, it's my pleasure to be here. I hope that I'm able to make meaningful contribution if my petition is approved. Thank you, everyone.

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00:06:14.810 --> 00:06:17.989

Noah Andres Baez: Great, thank you. Are there any questions for the petitioner?

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Noah Andres Baez: Nope.

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Noah Andres Baez: Just because you might have answered it, and I just wasn't here for it. Okay. Based upon what you know about the committees, do you have a specific preference in mind? Yes, I looked up some of the committees, there are three, I believe.

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Noah Andres Baez: And the Student Affairs Committee closely aligned with what I would like to do if, I eventually join, COGS, just because there are lots of, issues around, student welfare,

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Noah Andres Baez: health, health issues, academic issues, and, and the rest, so it's Student Affairs Committee.

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Noah Andres Baez: I just want to ask if... I know we are towards the end of the semester already, and you need to plan towards the, the fall, right? I want to know if you will be available on Mondays.

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Noah Andres Baez: Right now, my schedule for fall is yet to be finalized, but I believe I should have my Monday evening free for fall.

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Noah Andres Baez: What competition?

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Noah Andres Baez: Yes, thank you so much. So, one of the prevalent ones would be,

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Noah Andres Baez: administrative staff turnover, or retention. So we've been having that issue. Since I joined FSU, every semester, the administrative staff leaves. So that means there is a lot of destabilization.

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Noah Andres Baez: COGS grants for travel, conferences, presentations are not being dispersed because people that are to do this work are not available. So, it's becoming a lot of, you know, it's becoming a huge thing. I don't know whether it's about the pay, or it's the structure of the college or the department as a whole.

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Noah Andres Baez: But from what I gathered, it's been affecting a lot of us.

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Noah Andres Baez: Currently, students went for conferences since

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Noah Andres Baez: I think February, and the grants are yet to be disposed, even though they've been approved. So while the...

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Noah Andres Baez: administrative staff retention is not directly what we have control over. Just because it's affecting students, then it becomes a problem. So that's one of the things, I hope, I'm not sure how to approach that yet, but I hope that with conversations, we should be able to have dialogues on how

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Noah Andres Baez: Stability can... happen in that.

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Noah Andres Baez: sector.

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Noah Andres Baez: For the petitioner.

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Noah Andres Baez: Seeing none, could we ask the second petitioner to come on up and introduce himself?

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Noah Andres Baez: That the second petitioner's name is Huswani, and they're going for the at-large seat 1.

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00:09:14.220 --> 00:09:25.790

Noah Andres Baez: And similar to the first petitioner, you'll have 3 minutes for an opening statement, and then we will open the floor for questions. You're welcome to start whenever you want, and there's a microphone with a

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00:09:26.220 --> 00:09:27.470

Noah Andres Baez: Over there for you.

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00:09:28.020 --> 00:09:29.669

Noah Andres Baez: Hi, everyone.

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Noah Andres Baez: Good evening, I'm Usain Inuhu, and I'm a sophomore PhD student, Chemical and Biomedical engineering.

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Noah Andres Baez: Ready to make clothes.

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Noah Andres Baez: Oh yeah, sorry.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, as I said, my name is Hussein Inuhu, and I'm a second-year PhD student at the Chemical and Biomedical Engineering Department.

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Noah Andres Baez: I'm vying for the position of at-large 1.

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Noah Andres Baez: And, this is not my first leadership experience.

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Noah Andres Baez: Previously, I had bachelor and master's degree in chemical engineering, where I've contributed to the development of student.

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Noah Andres Baez: During my high school, I was the senior prep, where I oversee the activities of student organizing and delivering tutorials to lower high school students.

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Noah Andres Baez: During my college, I was the... Okay, sorry.

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Noah Andres Baez: At my college, I first had held several positions, one of which I was a senator representing engineering at the Senate. During that time, I had the honor of

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Noah Andres Baez: Organizing one of the vibrant activities in engineering, which was We had a challenge of...

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Noah Andres Baez: a calculus, course, so I was able to take it up to the Senate, and we were given a different lecturer, which was different from what we had before. That has helped a tremendous, increase in the passing of the course. Secondly.

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Noah Andres Baez: I was also,

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Noah Andres Baez: we have an organization called Kasana State Student Association. In Nigeria, we have different states, so Kasana is one of the states. So I was also,

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Noah Andres Baez: the Vice President of Casino State Student Association. And also, we have organized different cultural and festival activities in the campus, which has

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Noah Andres Baez: have, in... UTAS helped us in, fostering the, awareness of the association.

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Noah Andres Baez: And, currently, I'm the Communication Officer at African Graduate Student Association, where we create awareness of the activities of African Graduate Student Association, and this has helped in increasing awareness from

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00:12:05.150 --> 00:12:14.479

Noah Andres Baez: Previously, we have maybe, like, 30 or 40 students participating in the activities of ATSA, African Graduate Student Association, and currently we have

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00:12:14.480 --> 00:12:30.830

Noah Andres Baez: over 100 people, 100 students participating in the activities. So this, leadership experience, I will bring into Cox in order to, see that Cox has moved forward with the student activities. And lastly, I'm also the...

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00:12:30.830 --> 00:12:46.759

Noah Andres Baez: Chemical and Biomedical engineering graduate student associating officer, where we liars with the student and, carry the student matters to the chair in order to see how the department will go forward. If given the

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00:12:46.760 --> 00:12:54.480

Noah Andres Baez: opportunity to join COGS, I will bring this leadership experience in order to see COGS move forward. Thank you very much.

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00:12:58.660 --> 00:13:01.380

Noah Andres Baez: Great, thank you. Any questions for the petitioner?

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Noah Andres Baez: Same question as I posed to the previous candidate. Within our... within the Congress of Graduate Students, we do have three committees, and it is required that all members join at least one committee. Was there a committee preference that you might have, or kind of any inclination as to when you would want to join? Yeah, I have preference for the internal affairs.

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00:13:30.580 --> 00:13:33.410

Noah Andres Baez: Will you be available on Monday evenings?

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00:13:33.630 --> 00:13:35.099

Noah Andres Baez: Yeah, sure, I'll be available.

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Noah Andres Baez: paper-related questions?

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Noah Andres Baez: Seeing none, I'll now ask both petitioners to please step on outside while we go through deliberations, and we'll bring you back in when we're ready. Alright, thank you. Thank you.

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00:14:20.650 --> 00:14:22.910

Noah Andres Baez: Great. Comments on the petitioners?

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Noah Andres Baez: Take a clip.

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Noah Andres Baez: Both of them seem like they have really strong leadership experience, and I think that's something valuable they could bring to COGS.

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Noah Andres Baez: Anything else on the petitioners? Good one.

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Noah Andres Baez: Yes, I...

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Noah Andres Baez: Sorry. So, personally, I think I've worked with, both of them in different states, and I have a personal relationship with them.

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Noah Andres Baez: So... I've seen the passion in them, you know, to take on some positions in Cox.

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Noah Andres Baez: maybe a year ago, and they've been nurturing this through their various involvement in other organizations. So I think this is the right time for them to, to join, and I believe they will be a great addition to Cox.

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00:15:19.550 --> 00:15:22.629

Noah Andres Baez: Thank you, Redwan. Any further comments on the petitioners?

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00:15:27.020 --> 00:15:41.219

Noah Andres Baez: I can... I can say something quickly, too. I would just like to echo everything that's been said here. I like their detail-orientedness, I like the specificity they were able to establish, and I like that they were able to answer the questions pretty well, that they..

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00:15:41.260 --> 00:15:53.199

Noah Andres Baez: Both of them seemed to do some research on COGS, were aware of the committees, and were flexible with their Monday evening schedules as well. So, I echo what Ridwan and Nicolette said as well.

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00:15:53.440 --> 00:15:56.339

Noah Andres Baez: Are there any further comments on the petitioners?

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00:15:57.680 --> 00:16:03.650

Noah Andres Baez: Great. Seeing none, we can then take a motion to go to vote. Is there a motion?

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00:16:06.830 --> 00:16:08.549

Noah Andres Baez: Sean, is there a second?

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00:16:09.050 --> 00:16:12.970

Noah Andres Baez: Taryn seconds. Great. Is there any objections to going into the vote?

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Noah Andres Baez: Seeing none, we can go into the vote.

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00:16:16.190 --> 00:16:25.670

Noah Andres Baez: First, we'll do the vote for the College of Arts and Sciences seat 1, for if... Fuolua?

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Noah Andres Baez: So sorry.

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00:16:28.150 --> 00:16:33.679

Noah Andres Baez: All those voting yes for College of Arts and Sciences seat 1, please raise your hand now.

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00:16:44.700 --> 00:16:47.680

Noah Andres Baez: All those voting no, please raise your hand now.

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00:16:49.160 --> 00:16:50.819

Noah Andres Baez: And all those abstaining.

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00:16:51.800 --> 00:16:52.570

Noah Andres Baez: Great.

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00:16:53.170 --> 00:16:59.410

Noah Andres Baez: Next, we'll go into the vote for the at-large seat 1, the second petitioner, Husani.

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00:16:59.870 --> 00:17:05.739

Noah Andres Baez: All those voting yes for Husani's petition into the at-large seat 1, please raise your hand now.

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00:17:10.550 --> 00:17:12.240

Noah Andres Baez: All those voting no?

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00:17:15.079 --> 00:17:20.019

Noah Andres Baez: I'm like, was that a piano? I was like, I was so confused for 2 seconds there.

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00:17:20.560 --> 00:17:22.219

Noah Andres Baez: And all those abstaining.

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00:17:24.109 --> 00:17:26.569

Noah Andres Baez: Alrighty, we can invite the petitioners back in.

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Noah Andres Baez: Apparently, they're also adding pianos to every floor of the UK.

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Noah Andres Baez: I saw that link.

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Noah Andres Baez: Sorry?

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00:17:32.950 --> 00:17:33.870

Noah Andres Baez: They're pretty nice.

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00:17:42.270 --> 00:17:44.280

Noah Andres Baez: Congratulations, petitioner!

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00:17:46.330 --> 00:17:59.920

Noah Andres Baez: Please stay up at the front here, that congratulations, both of y'all have been approved at a unanimous vote of 16-0 to 0 for your petitions into the Assembly. Our Deputy Speaker for Judicial Affairs, Nicolette, will now come up to swear y'all in for the oath.

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Noah Andres Baez: I state your name.

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00:18:25.830 --> 00:18:28.030

Noah Andres Baez: Promise to support and defend.

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Noah Andres Baez: the Constitution of the United States of America.

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00:18:35.970 --> 00:18:37.560

Noah Andres Baez: the state of Florida.

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Noah Andres Baez: in the Florida State University student body.

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Noah Andres Baez: And I shall perform my duties.

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00:18:47.910 --> 00:18:49.809

Noah Andres Baez: To the best of my abilities.

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00:18:50.660 --> 00:18:51.950

Noah Andres Baez: So, help me, God.

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00:18:52.790 --> 00:18:56.540

Noah Andres Baez: Congratulations, you guys. Yep. Congratulations.

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Noah Andres Baez: And then get one with unders.

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Noah Andres Baez: Are you too?

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00:19:59.020 --> 00:20:17.020

Noah Andres Baez: Alrighty, congratulations to our two new senators. Now we can move into special introductions and student comments. There is a few new students here and familiar faces. Now's a quick time to introduce yourselves, if we want to start quickly up front here, and then we can move to the back. You want to say a quick hi?

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00:20:17.570 --> 00:20:23.499

Noah Andres Baez: Hey, can y'all hear me? Okay, hi, I'm Miracle Potter, I'm a fourth-year clinical psychology graduate student.

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Noah Andres Baez: And in the back?

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00:20:27.480 --> 00:20:38.360

Noah Andres Baez: Hi, everyone. My name is Rita, I'm the president of the Master of Public Health Student Association, and Devin here has been helping me on this bill, so thank you so much for allowing me to be here.

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00:20:39.080 --> 00:20:42.979

Noah Andres Baez: Thank you, and any other special introductions from the audience that I'm missing?

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00:20:43.850 --> 00:20:50.290

Noah Andres Baez: Great. Seeing none, we can now go into messages from student government. Any messages from student government in the audience?

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00:20:50.790 --> 00:20:56.530

Noah Andres Baez: Seeing none, we can go into report from the Office of Governmental Affairs. Any reports from government of Office...

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Noah Andres Baez: Governmental Affairs.

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Noah Andres Baez: Seeing none, report of the officers. I can kick it off with the report of the speaker. My updates really aren't too many for y'all, that it is graduate celebration for Graduate Student Excellence Week this week, so there was a ceremony this morning that I attended, and

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Noah Andres Baez: There's a certain senator in the audience that did win one of the more prestigious awards there this morning, amongst many other graduate students.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, shout out to Islamyat back there in the back.

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Noah Andres Baez: And there was many other external award winners. Ridwan, I saw your picture up there included, and many other graduate students.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, very great event this morning. There was great food, great turnout, and, great, just great celebration of graduate students, that a lot of the work we do goes uncelebrated, especially all the hard work we put into grant funding and manuscript submission.

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Noah Andres Baez: That it's a huge objective of the new graduate school's, plan is to support this more.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, any ideas y'all have for me that I can bring to the Graduate School Council in...

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Noah Andres Baez: Potentially celebrating that even further, and how we can promote graduate students applying to external funding and submitting more manuscripts.

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Noah Andres Baez: Even if it's financial, let me know, and we can work on putting an idea together to compensate that as well.

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Noah Andres Baez: Just an idea, throwing it out there.

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Noah Andres Baez: Besides that, that really took up my focus for today, and I've been busy with lab work, so I have no other reports related to COGS. I do have a quick, follow-up, though, that Deputy Speaker for Finance Joey is not here, so I will give you a quick update from him.

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Noah Andres Baez: that the financial report is included in tonight's agenda. You can see that

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00:22:58.630 --> 00:23:17.190

Noah Andres Baez: Conference grants are running low, so that will be addressed with one of the reallocation bills at the end of today's meeting. But besides that, no further updates that Joey told me to give on his behalf, so we can then go into Reporter Deputy Speaker for Communications, right as you took a big bite.

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00:23:21.130 --> 00:23:37.020

Noah Andres Baez: If we're gonna go to Nicolette first, and then come back to me, that would be great. You ready, Nicolette? Yeah, my report, I'll try and drag it out, because it's short, but basically, as you guys saw, we had two new petitioners come in, so we are slowly but surely filling up all the available spots.

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Noah Andres Baez: Which is great to see. And also, you guys will hear from me again later tonight for a bill for the Clinical Psychology Graduate Student Association.

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Noah Andres Baez: That's all from me Thanks, Nicolette. You ready? Yes, finally. Sorry.

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Noah Andres Baez: It was a cold grilled grilled cheese sandwich, hard to swallow. But for updates for me,

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Noah Andres Baez: I want to shout out the outreach committee for doing such wonderful work of talking to all the deans of the different colleges. So far, because of what you guys have done, a lot have reached out to us in terms of how we can help, how they can help fill up our seats, so it's great to see, so I want to say thank you all for that.

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Noah Andres Baez: Something else, so, every year, during the spring semester for finals, COGS will host two main events, one being a bowling, event where we rent out the entire space.

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Noah Andres Baez: So bowling, billiards, the golf simulator, I think they have, like, one more thing, and I forget what it is. But we host that for 3 hours, and then, as well as doing food truck for our fuel for finals. So far, we're getting the coordinating logistics, in terms of.

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Noah Andres Baez: the,

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Noah Andres Baez: the bowling alley, so we're getting that reserved. But when it comes to the Fuel for Finals, I want to hear from you all. Typically we'll do, like, a coffee pop-up, as well as, like, a food pop-up, and that can either be the same day, at the same time, or it can be two different days, but I want to hear from you guys, so please,

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Noah Andres Baez: Either come to our outreach committee, or email me directly about potential ideas, just because we do want to hear from you all of what you think would be best.

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Noah Andres Baez: And then when it comes time to market, I'm gonna be pushing that out a lot more.

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Noah Andres Baez: And then, I think this is our second-to-last meeting, correct?

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Noah Andres Baez: In person, yes.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, next meeting, I will be announcing my removal from the Congress, just because I will be graduating, so it feels surreal, feels weird,

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Noah Andres Baez: But yeah, I just want to take this time a little bit to also say thank you all for making the Congress such a wonderful place to be for the past two years. I really have appreciated it.

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00:25:48.890 --> 00:25:50.040

Noah Andres Baez: And that's all for me.

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Noah Andres Baez: And yes, we have done everything we can to try to convince him to stay.

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00:25:58.300 --> 00:25:59.339

Noah Andres Baez: It hasn't worked.

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00:26:02.370 --> 00:26:07.980

Noah Andres Baez: Thank you for those updates. Deputy Speaker for Advocacy.

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Noah Andres Baez: Sean?

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00:26:18.310 --> 00:26:22.669

Noah Andres Baez: Hello, all. The only updated I have is,

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Noah Andres Baez: even I are meeting this week to work on some projects for advocacy, and I'm really excited about that.

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Noah Andres Baez: That's my update.

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Noah Andres Baez: I'm excited, too.

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Noah Andres Baez: Advisor announcements. Tanner.

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Noah Andres Baez: Hey guys, happy Monday. Leadership Awards Night is tomorrow night, April 7th at Student Union Ballrooms. Make sure, you guys come out and support each other. Hopefully, I'm sure someone in here is nominated for an award.

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Noah Andres Baez: On a more serious note, as we all know, April 17th, the one-year memorial of the..

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Noah Andres Baez: incident that happened on campus is coming up. The SGA, Student Government Association, will be hosting a memorial at the FSU Letters from 9am to 4 p.m. that day. Flowers will be provided, cards, so I encourage you guys to come out, take a moment to reflect on what happened, if you're able.

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Noah Andres Baez: lay a flower down, and then you can write a note, and it'll be posted. They're going to actually archive everything that happens that day, for the future. They're going to be taking photos out there, just to kind of remember how the FSU community came together.

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Noah Andres Baez: the mental health counseling team on campus will also be out there helping anyone who might need assistance through there, so if you're able, I really encourage you to attend that event, even if it's 5 minutes, come out. It'll be a good day.

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Noah Andres Baez: SGA inauguration is April 24th, it's in the Student Union ballrooms. I know COGS will not be getting inaugurated at this ceremony, but I still encourage you to come out and support your fellow

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00:28:06.680 --> 00:28:16.550

Noah Andres Baez: SGA people and get a free meal. That's why I'm going. But yeah, so instead of that, that's, all that I have today. Thank you.

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Noah Andres Baez: I'm also singing on it, I think. Yes, Deshaun will be doing the National Anthem, so come out and support Deshawn.

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Noah Andres Baez: At the... I think I already said this, but at the last inauguration, I tried to get Deshaun a microphone, and the smartass that Deshaun is said, I don't think I need a microphone, and then just bolts out, like, the loudest national anthem I've ever heard in my life.

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00:28:38.460 --> 00:28:48.180

Noah Andres Baez: And, so anyways, he proved that, I did... he did not need a microphone. So, there'll be no microphone for you, Deshawn. So, yeah. All right, thank you.

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Noah Andres Baez: Thank you, Tanner.

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Noah Andres Baez: Now we can go into committee reports, start off with internal affairs. I don't think Jack or,

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Noah Andres Baez: Vice President are here for internal affairs, but I can give the quick updates, and let me know if I'm forgetting anything from

the meeting, but we basically just discussed, transferring of seats in internal affairs, and that was it. It was a short meeting. Our next one will be next week, Monday, at the regular time for Internal Affairs.

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Noah Andres Baez: I believe it's at 5.15 is when those are scheduled, if anyone wants to tag along.

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Noah Andres Baez: Slowing down for the end of the semester with internal affairs.

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Noah Andres Baez: Student advocacy?

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00:29:30.510 --> 00:29:31.750

Noah Andres Baez: Hello again.

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00:29:31.910 --> 00:29:36.240

Noah Andres Baez: Yes, so we met last Monday, and

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00:29:36.430 --> 00:29:41.750

Noah Andres Baez: We had a couple updates about parking and, some other things, and..

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Noah Andres Baez: Like I said earlier, I'm meeting with Steven on Wednesday.

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Noah Andres Baez: To, discuss projects for the future, and, yes.

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Noah Andres Baez: Great, thanks, Sean. And outreach. Logan's not here. I'm not here.

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00:29:58.930 --> 00:30:12.059

Noah Andres Baez: I was not there for this outreach meeting, so.. When's the next outreach? Next outreach meeting is Monday at 6pm, or 6.30pm, so.. be there for that. Great. Thank you, Noah.

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00:30:12.540 --> 00:30:27.529

Noah Andres Baez: Alright, that's it for introductions for tonight's meeting, so now we can get into, new business, of which are all funding requests. It looks like 5 funding requests. Bills 12 through 16 will be introduced at tonight's meeting.

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Noah Andres Baez: We'll kick off tonight's first bill, number 12, with the Clinical Psychology Graduate Student Association allocation Request Bill.

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Noah Andres Baez: And this one's sponsored by Nicolette. So, whenever you're ready, Nicolette, you'll have 3 minutes for an introduction statement.

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Noah Andres Baez: Hi guys, so this is an event from the Graduate, sorry, excuse me. The Clinical Psychology Graduate Student Association. We have the president joining us here today, so thank you for joining us, and...

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Noah Andres Baez: sending this information about your bill. Basically, what this event is, or what this bill is funding, is the Diverse Speakers Series, which includes a research presentation presented at the Clinical Psychology Program staffing meeting.

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Noah Andres Baez: In which the speaker, Dr. Erica Lewis, will discuss research related to factors influencing engagement in psychotherapy.

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Noah Andres Baez: After that, they're also going to have a Q&A lunch at 12 to 1, where graduate students will just have the open opportunity to ask any clinically orientated or research-orientated questions, and hear that feedback from her.

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Noah Andres Baez: And then from 3 to 4, a professional development presentation will occur, where Dr. Erica Lewis will provide clinical training

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Noah Andres Baez: For students and faculty working to improve engagement in their practice.

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Noah Andres Baez: What this bill would cover financially is the travel costs for Dr. Erica Lewis. It also includes a \$500 honorarium for her, just for thanking her for traveling, spending her time, multiple hours, if not the entire day, just spending with students.

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Noah Andres Baez: It includes an honorarium, and it also includes food, so both the breakfast and lunch for students attending that event.

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Noah Andres Baez: This event's going to be advertised through flyers and emails.

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Noah Andres Baez: And additionally.

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Noah Andres Baez: Yeah, that's actually... that is it. So, I risk the rest of my time. Great. Thank you, Nikola, for the introduction. Any questions for the sponsor of the bill?

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Noah Andres Baez: Yeah, Sean. Just a quick question. Do you know if the quotes include taxes?

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Noah Andres Baez: Cause I'm just seeing tax on, like, the hotel, say, for example.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, I believe that the taxes on the... because the itemized hotel one does include the taxes, but I would reach over to you to ask if you know specifically if the flight includes the taxes. I know the rest of the quotes do.

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Noah Andres Baez: And typically,

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Noah Andres Baez: even though FSU is tax-exempt, typically we end up do have to pay tax when it comes to airlines. So that is something that...

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Noah Andres Baez: It's one of those things we just have to eat.

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Noah Andres Baez: Good question.

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Noah Andres Baez: Yeah, Shazam.

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00:33:36.210 --> 00:33:46.929

Noah Andres Baez: Sorry, hi, good evening, everyone. So, just to chime with, Darshan here, like, so for the hotel expenses, does it come under itemized expenditure?

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Noah Andres Baez: Because, the travel cost, food, honorarium is there.

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00:33:51.940 --> 00:33:57.030

Noah Andres Baez: And, I don't see the hotel... Cost.

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Noah Andres Baez: Based on the quotation given, it's not there in the itemized column.

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Noah Andres Baez: Yes, I apologize, I just consolidated the travel cost, including hotel and airfare. If you add together the... I believe it's \$420 for the hotel and the \$375, that gets you to the travel cost. Oh, so it's all included. Yes, correct. Sorry, I should have added eyes, but yes. Thank you, thank you.

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00:34:23.460 --> 00:34:37.189

Noah Andres Baez: And just to clarify, that's only the hotel and the airfare and that one line item? No other? Correct, no other, and then the honorarium is the separate line item. It doesn't go towards the travel costs, that's just a pure honorarium.

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Noah Andres Baez: Thank you, good question. Any other questions for the sponsor of the bill?

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Noah Andres Baez: Yes, so, my question is for the quotes for food, specifically. For Panera and Publix, we are able to get tax exempt on that. Do you have quotes to reflect that?

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Noah Andres Baez: If not, are you able to get those in a timely manner?

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Noah Andres Baez: Say that?

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Noah Andres Baez: I can get those to you, I don't have them now. Beautiful. And if anyone would like to make a motion to reflect that change, just because... because it's tax-exempt, we can kind of cut that cost down, that would be greatly appreciated, if someone can do that quick math.

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Noah Andres Baez: I motion to do that.

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Noah Andres Baez: to reflect the change in the bill when we get the quotes. Yes,

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00:35:33.830 --> 00:35:34.363

Noah Andres Baez: Thank you.

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Noah Andres Baez: So... Deshawn, can you amend your motion to...

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Noah Andres Baez: Lower the food line by \$12.78.

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Noah Andres Baez: I'm in my motion to lower the food amount by \$12.87. \$78. \$78. \$12.78? Yes. Gotcha. Is there a second to Deshaun's motion?

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Noah Andres Baez: Jazeen seconds. Are there any objections to this motion?

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Noah Andres Baez: \$12.78.

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Noah Andres Baez: \$213.22 will be the new line.

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Noah Andres Baez: That would be a co-op.

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Noah Andres Baez: So the new... Line item will be \$214 for food.

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Noah Andres Baez: And we'll need an updated quote, too.

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Noah Andres Baez: And then... Or did we already do that?

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00:36:42.350 --> 00:36:47.589

Noah Andres Baez: That was, what we did. For the line item?

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Noah Andres Baez: Could I also get a motion to amend the total to reflect the correct total with the adjusted line item from the previous motion?

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Noah Andres Baez: Motion, is there a second to his motion?

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Noah Andres Baez: Bahad seconds. Are there any objections to the second motion to amend the total to reflect the correct amount from the First Amendment?

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Noah Andres Baez: Seeing no objections... Are there any other questions before... Question?

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Noah Andres Baez: How do I go about sending in the, updated quote?

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Noah Andres Baez: So, you can just send that, when you're making the purchase order for everything, just using that updated quote that you have.

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Noah Andres Baez: Okay, thank you.

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Noah Andres Baez: Further questions?

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Noah Andres Baez: Motion to call to question?

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Noah Andres Baez: Deshaun?

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00:37:38.270 --> 00:37:44.639

Noah Andres Baez: I motion to call to question. Is there a second? 7 seconds. Is there any objections to calling to question?

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00:37:45.550 --> 00:38:03.300

Noah Andres Baez: Seeing none, we are calling bill number 12 to question with the two amendments, the first one adjusting the line item to remove taxes from the one quote, the second amendment to adjust the total to reflect the corrected amount. Do you want me to give you those totals? Are we good with those

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00:38:04.200 --> 00:38:06.050

Noah Andres Baez: Amendments. Good?

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00:38:08.270 --> 00:38:10.950

Noah Andres Baez: \$1,509 is the new total.

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00:38:11.320 --> 00:38:18.829

Noah Andres Baez: Sound good? Great. Going into vote now. All those voting yes on the amended bill number 12, please raise your hand now.

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00:38:20.040 --> 00:38:21.760

Noah Andres Baez: Only members can vote.

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00:38:25.900 --> 00:38:28.110

Noah Andres Baez: And are you financially certified?

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00:38:29.680 --> 00:38:35.549

Noah Andres Baez: Just want to make sure before... only if you're certain, then I'll take your vote. If not, I just don't want to risk it.

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00:38:42.160 --> 00:38:43.750
Noah Andres Baez: All those voting, no.

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00:38:45.520 --> 00:38:47.890
Noah Andres Baez: And all those abstaining, you too.

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00:38:49.040 --> 00:38:51.009
Noah Andres Baez: You would raise your hand for abstention.

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00:38:54.360 --> 00:38:56.100
Noah Andres Baez: And then, Nassine, you two.

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00:38:56.640 --> 00:38:57.980
Noah Andres Baez: You would abstain.

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00:38:59.370 --> 00:39:00.670
Noah Andres Baez: So, two abstentions.

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00:39:01.320 --> 00:39:07.490
Noah Andres Baez: Great. Well, congratulations, bill number 12. Your bill passes with a vote of 16-0-2.

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00:39:17.530 --> 00:39:18.210
Noah Andres Baez: Okay.

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00:39:35.180 --> 00:39:45.449
Noah Andres Baez: All right, well, we're good to go into the next bill. The next funding matter for tonight is bill number 13 for the MPHSA budget transfer request.

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00:39:45.680 --> 00:39:48.789
Noah Andres Baez: This spill transfer is...

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00:39:48.790 --> 00:40:08.880
Noah Andres Baez: Sponsored by Representative Peters. So, Devin, whenever you're ready, you have 3 minutes of the floor, and then we'll follow up with questions. Thank you, Steven. Appreciate it, and thank you, everybody. Good evening. Rita's here also just to take questions as the, like, representative and the president of the organization. But this, fundamentally, this bill just reallocates

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00:40:08.880 --> 00:40:20.880

Noah Andres Baez: \$700 from their clothing and awards category to the expenses category within their current budget. This is just meant to offset a \$145.25 shortfall

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00:40:20.880 --> 00:40:40.730

Noah Andres Baez: from their initial, purchase order for an upcoming conference that they'll be hosting at the Student Services Building on April 11th. Their initial request was around \$654, just had to come down to the planning, the logistics, and they, were unaware of what the cost would be, so they just need this transfer to,

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00:40:40.750 --> 00:40:53.639

Noah Andres Baez: To offset that \$145, and then the additional costs that are illuminated within the, quotes are in... within the itemized expenditures, are just for accessories and,

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00:40:53.650 --> 00:41:01.140

Noah Andres Baez: products that will be at the event. Gift bags, copy paper sheets, wristbands, and they like.

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Noah Andres Baez: And the funds within this transfer will also take care of a feature event that they'll be having on May 2nd, their hooding ceremony.

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00:41:10.370 --> 00:41:15.400

Noah Andres Baez: And I do have an amendment that I will make to my own bill,

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00:41:15.800 --> 00:41:21.320

Noah Andres Baez: Upon looking at the, just the totals.

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00:41:21.610 --> 00:41:39.999

Noah Andres Baez: the final line on the background information is incorrect. It should say, instead of \$554.75, it should be \$534.64. So I will amend that on my own. Also, within the invoices, just for clarity, the first one

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00:41:40.490 --> 00:41:42.059

Noah Andres Baez: Let me see real quick...

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00:41:43.670 --> 00:42:01.309

Noah Andres Baez: The second one with all the, the second quote with the gift bags and whatnot, that is totaled at \$28.47. We will also apply a new one that does not reflect that estimated tax, that says \$1.99.

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00:42:01.590 --> 00:42:12.979

Noah Andres Baez: And beyond that, this opportunity is just a great opportunity for students within the public health field to congregate and share ideas, network.

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00:42:13.060 --> 00:42:29.890

Noah Andres Baez: This specific event, the conference, will have speaker seminar sessions, a networking hour, a tabling portion, an inaugural student research showcase, that will provide free resources, opportunities for the students to gain exposure, enhance the professionalism, and build connections.

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00:42:30.270 --> 00:42:37.999

Noah Andres Baez: And... It'll also be free for the students as well. So, beyond that, I close my opening statement.

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00:42:40.040 --> 00:42:43.880

Noah Andres Baez: Thank you, sponsor. Questions for the sponsor for Bill Number 13?

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00:42:45.110 --> 00:42:45.910

Noah Andres Baez: Deshaun.

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00:42:46.690 --> 00:42:52.030

Noah Andres Baez: This is just a, question of clarification. So you're asking to...

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00:42:52.610 --> 00:43:03.570

Noah Andres Baez: Move, money over, right, and then asking for \$145.25 to cover the remaining.

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00:43:04.240 --> 00:43:21.309

Noah Andres Baez: That... for the remaining, conference cost, and then also they have, like in the, quotes, there's accessories and products that will come with the event, plus they have a hooding ceremony on May 2nd. So this is just a transfer request from their clothing awards category that's already in their budget.

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00:43:21.310 --> 00:43:25.689

Noah Andres Baez: To their general expenses that will take care of the remaining semester.

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00:43:25.690 --> 00:43:30.330

Noah Andres Baez: and that \$145, shortfall, that was from their original PO.

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00:43:30.730 --> 00:43:37.180

Noah Andres Baez: So, okay, okay, yeah, so you're asking for \$679.89 total.

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00:43:37.690 --> 00:43:48.110

Noah Andres Baez: It's, yes, yes. Okay. And then the remaining 20 will just be in the general expenses category for them to, use, you know, down the line. Okay, great, thank you.

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00:43:49.350 --> 00:43:59.009

Noah Andres Baez: So, point of clarity, we won't need to do any sort of amendment for a cover sheet, only the bill. Okay. If it's needed. Another question,

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00:43:59.320 --> 00:44:09.409

Noah Andres Baez: Point of reference, too, that I did speak or request \$145.25 for student service building venue fees for this exact event.

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00:44:09.560 --> 00:44:13.580

Noah Andres Baez: So why are you requesting another \$145 after that?

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00:44:19.120 --> 00:44:28.599

Noah Andres Baez: Yes, so the \$145, I did see your expedited speaker request. We can remove that if... if that's been processed. I was unaware.

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00:44:30.120 --> 00:44:36.069

Noah Andres Baez: Yeah, we'll need to do an amendment for that to remove that line item, since it's already been approved. Sounds good, okay.

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00:44:40.150 --> 00:44:42.819

Noah Andres Baez: Further questions for the sponsor of the bill?

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00:45:35.690 --> 00:45:36.380

Noah Andres Baez: Yeah.

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00:45:36.860 --> 00:45:40.329

Noah Andres Baez: Sorry, just a question for the sponsor and or the,

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00:45:40.940 --> 00:45:52.959

Noah Andres Baez: president of MPHS... MPHSA. Just wanting to make sure, your staples quote is specifically for the copy paper, the 500 sheets of that, and then the 50... and then the thank you cards?

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00:45:53.350 --> 00:45:54.260

Noah Andres Baez: Correct?

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00:45:54.760 --> 00:45:56.660

Noah Andres Baez: That's what that quote is assigned to?

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00:46:00.250 --> 00:46:02.889

Noah Andres Baez: Yes, it is. Okay, beautiful, thank you.

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00:46:12.640 --> 00:46:16.359

Noah Andres Baez: Don't have anything in pro to say for the bill number 13.

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00:46:21.140 --> 00:46:27.110

Noah Andres Baez: Seeing none, we can go into a period of con. Does anyone have anything to say in con of the bill?

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00:46:27.740 --> 00:46:29.410

Noah Andres Baez: this transfer request.

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00:46:32.140 --> 00:46:46.390

Noah Andres Baez: Yeah, no, I will just add that I don't have anything in con to say, but just to point out that this line item needs to be crossed out for sure, and that an amendment for the tax probably needs to be... no? Just an updated quote.

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00:46:49.500 --> 00:46:58.779

Noah Andres Baez: Seeing no more cons, we'll go into another period of pro for any amendments. Can I get an amendment to

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00:46:58.970 --> 00:47:04.310

Noah Andres Baez: Cross out the first line item conference venue shortfall of \$145.25.

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Noah Andres Baez: Do you motion? Yes, I move to cross out the conference

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00:47:09.510 --> 00:47:16.190

Noah Andres Baez: Venue shortfall of \$145.25, because it has been speaker requested. Is there a second?

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00:47:17.100 --> 00:47:21.680

Noah Andres Baez: Nicolette seconds. Are there any objections to this motion, this amendment?

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00:47:23.690 --> 00:47:27.060

Noah Andres Baez: Seeing none... We can go into... we can...

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00:47:29.260 --> 00:47:34.289

Noah Andres Baez: here for another amendment. Is there another amendment to adjust the total

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00:47:35.030 --> 00:47:38.099

Noah Andres Baez: Well, first let's, let's, let's first do the tax.

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00:47:38.280 --> 00:47:46.909

Noah Andres Baez: No, we don't need to amend the tax, because that total's correct without the tax right now, we just need an updated quote from you to represent that.

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00:47:47.470 --> 00:47:55.930

Noah Andres Baez: So, the second amendment, could I get to adjust the total to match the corrected amount striking out that first line item that we just did?

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00:47:58.160 --> 00:48:00.330

Noah Andres Baez: Redwan motions, is there a second?

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00:48:01.180 --> 00:48:08.570

Noah Andres Baez: Terrence seconds. Are there any objections to the second amendment to adjust the total to the match for this struck-out first line item?

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00:48:09.830 --> 00:48:10.780

Noah Andres Baez: Terrence.

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00:48:11.950 --> 00:48:12.700

Noah Andres Baez: And then...

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00:48:15.970 --> 00:48:20.269

Noah Andres Baez: Seeing no objections, are there any further questions?

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00:48:20.660 --> 00:48:23.770

Noah Andres Baez: In regards or comments to this bill, as amended.

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00:48:25.010 --> 00:48:27.780

Noah Andres Baez: Seeing none, is there a motion to call to question?

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00:48:28.310 --> 00:48:29.280

Noah Andres Baez: Deshaun?

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00:48:29.870 --> 00:48:32.310

Noah Andres Baez: I move to call to question. Is there a second?

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00:48:32.740 --> 00:48:37.809

Noah Andres Baez: Fahad seconds. Are there any objections to moving this bill to question? As amended.

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00:48:38.480 --> 00:48:51.420

Noah Andres Baez: Seeing no objections, we can go into a vote on bill number 13. With the two amendments, the first amendment being striking out the first light item of \$145.25, and the second amendment being...

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00:48:51.420 --> 00:48:59.720

Noah Andres Baez: Updating the total to represent the new total of \$534.64 is the number we got over here.

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00:49:00.630 --> 00:49:03.229

Noah Andres Baez: All those voting yes, please raise your hand now.

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00:49:11.810 --> 00:49:13.379

Noah Andres Baez: All those voting, no.

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00:49:15.660 --> 00:49:17.389

Noah Andres Baez: And all those abstaining.

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00:49:22.180 --> 00:49:25.670

Noah Andres Baez: Alright, congratulations, with a vote of 15-0 to 2.

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00:49:26.040 --> 00:49:27.800

Noah Andres Baez: Bill number 13 passes.

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00:49:28.050 --> 00:49:29.240
Noah Andres Baez: Thank you, guys.

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00:49:29.730 --> 00:49:31.160
Noah Andres Baez: Someone's in the restroom.

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00:49:46.240 --> 00:49:58.729
Noah Andres Baez: The next bill will be bill number 14. This was originally going to be sponsored by Joey, Deputy Speaker of Finance. Joey's not here, so I will be sponsoring this bill, so I will give the floor on over to Noah.

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00:49:59.680 --> 00:50:03.460
Noah Andres Baez: Thank you, Steven. You have 3 minutes for introductions. Begin whenever ready.

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00:50:04.010 --> 00:50:18.170
Noah Andres Baez: Thank you. Noah. This is a real easy transfer request bill to explain. It's not an easy one to swallow, but we've already ran out of conference presentation funding for the grants in this current cycle.

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00:50:18.200 --> 00:50:28.879
Noah Andres Baez: As a quick reminder, it's April, and the cycle just opened last month. Caveat is, summer cycle's usually the slowest cycle when it comes to conference grants applications.

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00:50:28.880 --> 00:50:47.069
Noah Andres Baez: So we're really banking on that for this last cycle here. But long story short, in the meantime, we have a rule set in place that now is automatically transferring money from the previous cycles that hasn't been used into the current cycles for us to use in the current cycle.

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00:50:47.070 --> 00:51:00.400
Noah Andres Baez: However, what we need right now is presentation grant funding in the presentation grant line item, which is separate from the attendance grant line item, so we can't automatically transfer from previous attendance grant cycles

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00:51:00.400 --> 00:51:13.929
Noah Andres Baez: to our current presentation grant cycle, if that makes sense. So that's all this bill is outlining right here. It's a reallocation from the two previous attendance cycles into the current presentation cycle, where we need the majority of our money at.

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00:51:13.930 --> 00:51:19.820

Noah Andres Baez: As much as we can get right now to finish off the rest of this summer before the new fiscal year kicks off.

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Noah Andres Baez: But the totals are listed here of \$6,000 from the first cycle of July through October, and then \$8,000 being transferred from leftover from the November through February cycle, totaling \$14,000 to help us chip away at the current presentation deficit.

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00:51:35.450 --> 00:51:38.389

Noah Andres Baez: That's it. I waive the rest of my time.

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00:51:39.000 --> 00:51:41.099

Noah Andres Baez: Beautiful, thank you so much, Steve.

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00:51:41.520 --> 00:51:47.229

Noah Andres Baez: Thank you so much, Steven. We are now in a period of general questions. Are there any questions for the sponsor of the bill at this time?

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00:51:50.400 --> 00:51:57.040

Noah Andres Baez: Alrighty, seeing none, we are in our first round of pro. Is there anyone wishing to speak in pro of this bill?

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00:51:58.670 --> 00:51:59.540

Noah Andres Baez: Nicolette?

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00:52:00.030 --> 00:52:07.619

Noah Andres Baez: I think this is a much-needed allocation, considering how popular, travel grants have been recently.

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Noah Andres Baez: And...

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00:52:09.140 --> 00:52:18.520

Noah Andres Baez: correct me if I'm wrong on this, but I believe that this is typically an automatic process. The only reason we need this bill is because we're specifically moving attendance grant money

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00:52:18.810 --> 00:52:25.560

Noah Andres Baez: to presentation grant money. If it was presentation, it would happen automatically, correct? Correct. Okay, cool.

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00:52:27.200 --> 00:52:31.100

Noah Andres Baez: Beautiful, thank you, Nicolette. Is there anyone else wishing to speak in pro?

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00:52:33.500 --> 00:52:39.170

Noah Andres Baez: Alrighty, seeing none, we are in our first round of con. Is there anyone wishing to speak against this bill?

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00:52:42.690 --> 00:52:53.450

Noah Andres Baez: Alrighty, seeing none, we are back in our second round of... oh! I was just gonna move to call to question. So, now we are in our second round of probe, but I will now entertain a motion to call to question.

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00:52:53.730 --> 00:52:58.299

Noah Andres Baez: I motion to call to question. Okay, Deshawn motions to call to question. Is there a second?

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00:52:59.280 --> 00:53:05.849

Noah Andres Baez: Okay, Fahad seconds. Alrighty. Sorry, I'm, like, doing minutes as I'm trying to get this done.

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00:53:06.620 --> 00:53:12.929

Noah Andres Baez: Alrighty, so we are now going to call to question. So all those in favor, please raise your hand.

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00:53:21.560 --> 00:53:23.950

Noah Andres Baez: Alrighty, all those in no.

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00:53:26.570 --> 00:53:28.690

Noah Andres Baez: Alrighty, and then all those in abstention.

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00:53:30.130 --> 00:53:30.930

Noah Andres Baez: Okay.

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Noah Andres Baez: Alrighty, with a vote of 14 to 0 to 3, bill number 14 passes. Congratulations.

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Noah Andres Baez: Joey will be excited.

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00:53:47.150 --> 00:53:48.050
Noah Andres Baez: Very surrender.

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00:53:50.460 --> 00:53:51.280
Noah Andres Baez: Alright.

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00:53:52.170 --> 00:53:53.639
Noah Andres Baez: Bill 15 is next.

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00:53:54.490 --> 00:54:00.100
Noah Andres Baez: Alrighty, next is bill number 15. This will be sponsored by Deputy Speakers.

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00:54:01.300 --> 00:54:02.240
Noah Andres Baez: Stokes?

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00:54:03.840 --> 00:54:07.410
Noah Andres Baez: What'd he say? Oh, opening.

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00:54:08.330 --> 00:54:09.940
Noah Andres Baez: Oh, thank you.

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00:54:10.130 --> 00:54:17.910
Noah Andres Baez: Okay, but whenever you're ready, Deshaun, you have 3 minutes for an opening statement, and then we'll have a period of questions for you.

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00:54:26.460 --> 00:54:30.209
Noah Andres Baez: Hello! So yes, this is for the...

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00:54:30.350 --> 00:54:34.140
Noah Andres Baez: Bangladeshi Student Association, they're doing...

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00:54:34.250 --> 00:54:37.259
Noah Andres Baez: Two events with this bill.

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00:54:37.420 --> 00:54:41.239
Noah Andres Baez: And, they've come to us before, and they...

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00:54:42.260 --> 00:54:48.900

Noah Andres Baez: have been approved, and they do a really great job of engaging their community and other people in the community.

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00:54:49.250 --> 00:54:51.350

Noah Andres Baez: Yes, and I will waive the rest of the time.

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00:54:57.020 --> 00:55:01.789

Noah Andres Baez: Great. Thank you, sponsor. Are there any questions for the sponsor, bill number 15?

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00:55:24.030 --> 00:55:24.840

Noah Andres Baez: Cool.

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00:55:25.450 --> 00:55:30.440

Noah Andres Baez: I'm sorry, point of information, that was just because it was on an old,

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00:55:30.690 --> 00:55:45.340

Noah Andres Baez: this was taken up an old piece of legislation, just for the, cover sheet, so that is why it's on there. But there's no need to amend it, it can... the cover sheet won't be used in any sort of way, shape, or form. But there is no speaker, there is no travel, that was just an oversight.

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00:55:45.560 --> 00:55:46.480

Noah Andres Baez: Okay, got it.

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00:55:46.600 --> 00:55:54.429

Noah Andres Baez: I have another question, that is, like, when is... I can't seem to find any date of, like, when the program is... will be held.

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00:56:03.230 --> 00:56:05.759

Noah Andres Baez: So, it is April 12th.

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Noah Andres Baez: From 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. I just forgot to put that in there. Okay, okay.

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Noah Andres Baez: And it's at the FSU Lakefront Park.

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00:56:15.330 --> 00:56:16.050

Noah Andres Baez: God.

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00:56:16.580 --> 00:56:17.969

Noah Andres Baez: Thank you.

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00:56:18.280 --> 00:56:20.010

Noah Andres Baez: I actually have another question.

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00:56:20.210 --> 00:56:22.409

Noah Andres Baez: Sorry, but,

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00:56:23.210 --> 00:56:32.380

Noah Andres Baez: So, as far as I remember, like, they already got this budget from their annual budget fund. They received it in the August.

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00:56:32.540 --> 00:56:37.310

Noah Andres Baez: So, they're, like, requesting for the same event twice.

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00:56:38.650 --> 00:56:42.339

Noah Andres Baez: So I'm not actually sure, like... Why is that?

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00:56:54.300 --> 00:56:58.280

Noah Andres Baez: Or Goes.

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Noah Andres Baez: Point of questioning, are you asking from last budget, or the budget that we just did? No, the last budget.

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Noah Andres Baez: Sorry, I thought someone said something.

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00:57:11.790 --> 00:57:22.089

Noah Andres Baez: We can... give us a quick second to check, but sometimes what happens is, when it comes to events and such like this, you might have a full allocation that you might give, but because

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00:57:22.730 --> 00:57:33.900

Noah Andres Baez: inflation and other things become more costly. Sorry, y'all. Because things become... become more costly, sometimes what you can budget for, it might be a little bit more. So, we've had it before where student orgs

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00:57:33.970 --> 00:57:46.650

Noah Andres Baez: they have a set budget, they think they're gonna hit it, they think that'll be it, but then there's other expenses that might come along, and so that's why they might request more. But we can get a double confirmation, though, from Steven looking at the budget report right now.

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Noah Andres Baez: You're correct.

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00:57:52.510 --> 00:57:53.260

Noah Andres Baez: You're correct.

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00:57:53.960 --> 00:57:54.710

Noah Andres Baez: Okay.

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00:57:55.510 --> 00:57:59.300

Noah Andres Baez: So... so this is not, like, inflation adjusted, right?

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00:58:04.010 --> 00:58:07.470

Noah Andres Baez: That is a great question. I can't answer that.

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00:58:07.680 --> 00:58:20.989

Noah Andres Baez: What I can answer is their line items for the 2025-2026 budget for the Ide Festival was \$200, and then \$2,200 for expenses and \$2,200 for food.

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00:58:25.180 --> 00:58:33.130

Noah Andres Baez: For point of... This is... these are essentially, from my understanding, two events happening at once.

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00:58:33.370 --> 00:58:35.489

Noah Andres Baez: Both Eid and...

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00:58:36.060 --> 00:58:43.189

Noah Andres Baez: I'm not... for the sake of transparency, I'm not going to try and butcher that, the event, because I do want to be understanding.

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00:58:43.470 --> 00:58:51.959

Noah Andres Baez: So that might be why as well. So they might have planned for Eid, things increase in that budget, but then they're also having another event hosted within Eid as well.

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00:58:52.690 --> 00:58:59.149

Noah Andres Baez: So, I remember, like, when they pitched the budget, in the last year.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, in that budget, I think, like, the both program, it's, like, together in every year.

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00:59:04.890 --> 00:59:08.719

Noah Andres Baez: So I think, like, it's not something that is new. Okay.

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00:59:11.220 --> 00:59:12.130

Noah Andres Baez: Good questions.

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00:59:12.550 --> 00:59:13.450

Noah Andres Baez: Thank you.

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00:59:14.650 --> 00:59:16.179

Noah Andres Baez: Suzy? Yeah, question.

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00:59:22.860 --> 00:59:41.289

Noah Andres Baez: Eid is the... it... sorry. So, basically, both the events have similar time frame. One is the Bengali New Year, and it falls, right after, or sometimes, like, this time it is falling after the Eid celebrate... like, after the Eid, which has been passed, and we haven't had the, I think the event.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, that's why it's mostly together, organized, so they're asking for the budget for... based on those two events together, instead of doing two separate events.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, I think it just makes sense to have it, so that's why they did it previously, and now they're following the same pattern. So, like.

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Noah Andres Baez: My question is...

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Noah Andres Baez: See if you can get him on speaker. Point of information, we are calling the, the pres- we are going to try and call the president of the Bangladeshi Student Association, just to get

confirmation about what is happening, and specifically about the budget and why they might need to change it up.

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Noah Andres Baez: We did invite them out to...

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Noah Andres Baez: Yes. So it's important to bring this...

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Noah Andres Baez: The meeting now, because now I'm never.

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01:00:55.690 --> 01:01:01.520

Noah Andres Baez: Great question. While we're working on bringing up the president on the phone, is there any further questions?

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Noah Andres Baez: I'm so sorry.

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Noah Andres Baez: If you'll just put him on speaker.

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Noah Andres Baez: The question is, the budget is already allocated in the previous year, like, from your annual budget pitch, so the fund is already there in the account.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, why you are, like, requesting for that individual event again? So, you are basically trying to, request, money for the same event twice, right?

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01:01:54.990 --> 01:02:06.790

Noah Andres Baez: Okay, I see what you're talking about. So... the money that, we had for the previous year, I'm sorry, who am I speaking to?

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01:02:07.280 --> 01:02:08.680

Noah Andres Baez: It's Hassan.

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Noah Andres Baez: Okay, yeah.

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01:02:11.670 --> 01:02:25.360

Noah Andres Baez: So if you go into, North Central, you can see, like, our expenditure over, like, the previous year, and, we had certain events that we... that wasn't in our budget request...

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Noah Andres Baez: proposal, like, in the PowerPoint, and we had... we actually did other events too, which... which was done by the previous president of, the Citizen Association.

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01:02:36.100 --> 01:02:48.409

Noah Andres Baez: I'm in the new committee, but those events were organized that were not in the proposal, so some of that budget was used up doing those events.

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Noah Andres Baez: I think, I don't know if you have access, but I think you do. You can, like, if you go into North Central, you can see, like, the history of, all the events and the money that was spent, doing that. Okay, one second.

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01:03:05.560 --> 01:03:12.070

Noah Andres Baez: Hey, thank you for, my name is Steven Medereb, I'm the Speaker of the Congress of Graduates. I first wanted to thank you for taking the time

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Noah Andres Baez: Next question's coming from Islamiya, whenever you're ready.

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Noah Andres Baez: Hi, President, thank you so much. So, I just need clarification. If I get it correctly, what you're trying to say is that the money that was allocated for you

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Noah Andres Baez: Last year, you used it for some other events that were not included in the budget, is that correct?

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Noah Andres Baez: So, I was not in the committee when it was used.

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Noah Andres Baez: I'm in the newer committee, and I got re-registered the organization in the beginning of the semester, but it was used by the

committee, like, the executive board members that was there last year. Oh, that's interesting. That means you were not in the committee, but they used the money for something. Yes. Okay, good. Yes. Thank you.

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01:04:36.170 --> 01:04:51.419

Noah Andres Baez: And it looks like, the Bangladeshi Student Association was awarded by the Congress of Graduate Students, \$730 in expenses and \$1,400 in food for discretionary costs.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, I'm just curious what you have used those discretionary costs for, and why they can't be used for excess funds needed for this event that's already line-itemed in your budget.

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01:05:05.530 --> 01:05:12.960

Noah Andres Baez: Can you... When was this dispersed again? Can you, like, maybe hear me say? Because...

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01:05:13.130 --> 01:05:17.430

Noah Andres Baez: I'm... I think you may be talking about last year?

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01:05:18.870 --> 01:05:33.899

Noah Andres Baez: I'm talking about the current fiscal year budget. I don't know when you were elected president of your organization, but we're still in the 2025-2026 fiscal year, and until the end of the summer.

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Noah Andres Baez: The budget does not reset for the 2026-2027 year.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, until then, we are under the same fiscal year budget that's been approved for your organization and all other graduate student organizations here at FSU.

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Noah Andres Baez: So that's what I'm referencing.

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01:05:53.720 --> 01:06:08.120

Noah Andres Baez: Okay, so it was for the 2025-2026 year. So, that's the part that I was trying, like, maybe if we could get the previous year's president onto the line with us, he could explain it better.

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01:06:08.120 --> 01:06:17.490

Noah Andres Baez: I do have, like, the bookkeeping and accounts from him, but I think he can explain, like, where he used, like, in which events that was used in.

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01:06:17.580 --> 01:06:19.539

Noah Andres Baez: If that makes sense.

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01:06:20.130 --> 01:06:32.730

Noah Andres Baez: Because I re-registered the organization at the beginning of the semester, and we've only had one event that was the International Bazaar so far, which was the last... last two transactions.

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01:06:33.060 --> 01:06:35.340

Noah Andres Baez: In... in North Central.

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01:06:36.750 --> 01:06:38.609

Noah Andres Baez: Gotcha. Thank you for the answer.

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01:06:38.950 --> 01:06:41.649

Noah Andres Baez: We have one more question, if you have the time.

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01:06:45.020 --> 01:06:53.379

Noah Andres Baez: Hi there. My name is Noah, and my question for you is regarding, the Eid celebration and...

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01:06:53.840 --> 01:07:11.689

Noah Andres Baez: I'm... I don't know how to pronounce it. Pohele Beauchat, thank you. Do you know the estimated attendance and, of, like, how many people you expect to attend the event? And then, as well, how have you marketed the event thus far?

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01:07:12.390 --> 01:07:24.339

Noah Andres Baez: So, most of our participants are in a Facebook group, and we've mostly been marketing in the Facebook group, and we have a total of...

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Noah Andres Baez: A little above 160 on North Central, so we do expect somewhere in the range of 150 to 180 people, because a lot of people come in with dependents... not dependent, like spouses, children, etc.

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Noah Andres Baez: Okay, thank you. And then, just to make sure, you do not charge anyone to attend the events, correct?

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Noah Andres Baez: Yes, correct. Alrighty, thank you so much.

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01:07:48.720 --> 01:07:49.620

Noah Andres Baez: Any other questions?

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Noah Andres Baez: Great. Any further questions?

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01:07:53.260 --> 01:07:57.170

Noah Andres Baez: for the president of the Bangladeshi Student Association.

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01:07:58.730 --> 01:08:03.959

Noah Andres Baez: Well, seeing none, that is all the questions we had for you. Thank you again so much for your time this evening.

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Noah Andres Baez: Bye-bye.

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01:08:11.270 --> 01:08:13.520

Noah Andres Baez: Good thing she answered.

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Noah Andres Baez: Would've been nicer if they showed up.

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Noah Andres Baez: Alright.

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01:08:20.569 --> 01:08:21.879

Noah Andres Baez: Are there any more questions?

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01:08:22.060 --> 01:08:26.959

Noah Andres Baez: Well, we can go into a period of... we can... we'll still finish up any further questions, I'm sorry.

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01:08:30.359 --> 01:08:48.000

Noah Andres Baez: We'll have a period of pro and con after this that we can talk about. Just any other further questions that we can clarify before moving on? Yeah, Nicolette. I think I heard you ask this, but I

didn't hear the answer of where those discretionary funds went. I'm just curious, since it seems as though... She didn't know.

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Noah Andres Baez: Parents?

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01:08:59.740 --> 01:09:02.450

Noah Andres Baez: Yeah, just to clarify, I know it's...

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Noah Andres Baez: weird how they requested it, like, last year, but it's for this current fiscal year still, so that's the issue. So the requests they...

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Noah Andres Baez: put in for this current fiscal year, even though it was last August.

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Noah Andres Baez: is...

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Noah Andres Baez: It started last August, it's still in effect right now. So they already requested funds for this event in their line item budget. However, the caveat is the only thing they requested funds for is the Ide Festival, while here, they're requesting it for multiple...

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01:09:34.240 --> 01:09:38.479

Noah Andres Baez: Celebrations, it sounds like. Two, yeah, instead of just one.

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01:09:43.149 --> 01:09:44.189

Noah Andres Baez: There's no cap.

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Noah Andres Baez: If you have good reason.

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Noah Andres Baez: Quest as much as you want.

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Noah Andres Baez: So they requested for, like, two events in once. But they do that every year.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, I remember the last year, like, I came to that event.

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Noah Andres Baez: And it was, like, Eid and then Paul Belshek together, so every year that happens.

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Noah Andres Baez: For this one, they specifically, from their budget and what we had allocated, this was specifically for the eFestival. Now, the organization might have just decided from this year to combine the two, just because..

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01:10:28.690 --> 01:10:48.610

Noah Andres Baez: from what I'm... my understanding is they can hit on... thank you. From my understanding, they hit on, like, similar days, or, like, the same week, so they just decide to combine them together, if I'm not mistaken. But from so far, the allocation that has been requested has been for one event, and that was Eid.

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Noah Andres Baez: But we can talk to them later about how that needs to go up moving forward, but..

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Noah Andres Baez: It is solely for one event at this moment.

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01:10:58.150 --> 01:11:10.480

Noah Andres Baez: Thank you, Noah. I was just gonna say, I mean, she did mention it's a new committee, or at least new head of committee, so... Is this a question? So, I'm sorry, it was a statement. We'll save it for pros. Okay, yeah, for sure. Any more questions?

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01:11:10.590 --> 01:11:14.370

Noah Andres Baez: For the sponsor, for... just in general, for clarification.

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01:11:14.870 --> 01:11:16.779

Noah Andres Baez: Question, Shazine? Nicolette?

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01:11:17.120 --> 01:11:24.630

Noah Andres Baez: Yeah, just clarifying question. So, how much was the... how much did they actually request in the budget?

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Noah Andres Baez: In the 2025-2026 budget for the Ide Festival, they requested \$200 in expenses and \$2,200 in food.

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Noah Andres Baez: They were full... yeah, they were awarded that. They were... been fully allocated that for that line item. Also, was my follow-up question to the President was regarding the discretionary funds for further clarification of \$730 in expenses and \$1,400 in fees.

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Noah Andres Baez: Microphone.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, just to reiterate, to get the understanding, the amount for 25, 26 is \$2,000?

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Noah Andres Baez: \$2,200 for food, \$200 for expenses, so \$2,400 total. So that was the budget request for the whole cycle? That's what they were allocated for this year for their Ide Festival. For this year. For this current right now. Yeah, so that is 26 and 27.

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Noah Andres Baez: 25 and 26. I know it's confusing. Okay, 25 and 26. Yeah, fiscal years, we always plan ahead. Oh, okay. So when we say fiscal year, that's meaning, like, it's in effect this moment. Yeah. But they apply for... The current Ide Festival is what the \$2,200 in food and \$200 in expenses is allocated for, right now. On April 12th.

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Noah Andres Baez: 26. So...

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Noah Andres Baez: Yeah, I'll go quickly to Devin, then Islamiat, and then we might need a motion if we need to keep asking questions. I'll keep it quick. So then this 2147 is for the first, celebration, the one before the I'd, in the short title.

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Noah Andres Baez: It's a combination of the two, is what they're saying. Okay. We don't know.

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Noah Andres Baez: Thank you. So, I have two questions. The 2026-2027 fiscal year would start in June, right? At the end of summer, technically August. August, oh, okay. Because I wanted to ask

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Noah Andres Baez: maybe it's because they didn't ask, they didn't request for the HEAD funding for this current, budget, but since the fiscal year will start in August, then it probably was the previous one. And I'm not familiar with their specific line items for the next budget, but I assume

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Noah Andres Baez: Most organizations do the same. Okay. Thank you. We can double-check that, but it's a good question. Last questions? Any more?

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Noah Andres Baez: I have another question, so...

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Noah Andres Baez: So, I'm trying to understand, because they already got the funding for aid, and that was, like, \$2,400, right?

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Noah Andres Baez: So, they're, like, combining two events together now.

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Noah Andres Baez: And they already received that \$2,400, and now they're requesting for another \$200 and something dollars.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, like, if we sum those up, it's, like, \$4,000 or something. So, are they, like, feeding one people twice?

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01:14:23.400 --> 01:14:31.699

Noah Andres Baez: Long story short, they don't know where the money went that we already allocated them, is what it sounds like to me, that under the previous...

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01:14:31.870 --> 01:14:35.460

Noah Andres Baez: Exec Board, Is what it sounds like to me.

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Noah Andres Baez: They spent it.

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01:14:37.540 --> 01:14:41.729

Noah Andres Baez: Now, they're currently dealing with the dilemma that they need the money for their event.

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01:14:42.580 --> 01:14:45.680

Noah Andres Baez: Okay, thank you. Is my understanding, correct me if I'm wrong.

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Noah Andres Baez: That seems... that seems to be the understanding. And then, also, just point of clarification as well.

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01:14:51.720 --> 01:15:11.370

Noah Andres Baez: We can double fund an event. We've done it before, where they have requested something in their budget, then later on, they realize, hey, this event costs way more than we thought, and we've helped finish it out. It's not... it's not usually something that typically happens, but it has happened before, and we have funded it before, but again, that's a conversation...

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01:15:11.490 --> 01:15:15.889

Noah Andres Baez: to have now of, do we want to fund it all? If not, how much?

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01:15:16.210 --> 01:15:18.899

Noah Andres Baez: That's a conversation to have. Final questions?

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01:15:21.850 --> 01:15:28.369

Noah Andres Baez: Wait for Pro. Any more questions? Seeing none... Pure to pro, shazine.

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01:15:30.790 --> 01:15:44.789

Noah Andres Baez: I understand the dilemma here, whatever has happened. So, one thing you have to take into consideration, that one is constant, another keeps moving with the moon... moon calendar. Eid doesn't happen on a constant

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Noah Andres Baez: So it doesn't happen on a same day, same timeline, because it goes with the lunar cycle, so it proceeds, like, from if it was in August last year, it will be, like, this year it was in March, next year it's gonna be, like, end of February, so it's gonna...

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01:16:01.080 --> 01:16:23.989

Noah Andres Baez: backtrack, like, you know, retrograde in that order. But Bengali New Year is on 14th of April, so I think just to keep both together, because now the number of students have increased within the organization, and doing two separate events sometimes, maybe, I do not know how they function in that way, how they organize everything, but from what I have seen, they tried keeping it

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01:16:25.020 --> 01:16:40.789

Noah Andres Baez: keeping it together to make it easier to ask for fun when it comes to this kind of event, because otherwise I assume that they will have to come again and again to ask for it. So I guess that's the way they are doing it right now, because earlier it was, like, one event each.

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Noah Andres Baez: And I also, agree with Fahad that with the... when it comes to spending the budget, they're, like, you know, I think because this is a new committee, they do not know, but if they fall short of it, I guess that's how it works in, you know, injecting funds where it is needed. Maybe, I think, from other... I've seen for other organizations, they have also gone through budgets, but then sometimes they want to

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Noah Andres Baez: they ran, or they fell short of it, so it was, like, fun... they came again forward to ask for requests. So, I guess that's the situation right now, if...

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Noah Andres Baez: we look into it, but I do not know for what other event they have used previously, based on the allocated budget. Thank you. Thank you, Shine. Any further comments in pro?

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Noah Andres Baez: Thank you. So, I don't know, it might be pro and con together. Thank you. So...

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Noah Andres Baez: I am in support of the request. It's something that would foster community development, cultural advancement among the Bangladesian students, but...

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Noah Andres Baez: Something's stuck in my brain.

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Noah Andres Baez: From what the president said. And to me, it looks like misappropriation of fund.

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Noah Andres Baez: Because the president, when I tried to ask for clarification, the president still mentions that

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Noah Andres Baez: They didn't know what the fund was used for, but probably they used it for something that was not included in the budget.

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Noah Andres Baez: So that's misappropriation. And I believe that this Congress is against such.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, I don't know if there's a way..

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Noah Andres Baez: To bring out everything they used the money for.

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01:18:27.950 --> 01:18:30.240

Noah Andres Baez: Particularly the last budget.

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01:18:30.480 --> 01:18:40.769

Noah Andres Baez: If we are able to know what they used the money for, even if it is not included in it, we need to know that they used the money for what it was approved for.

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01:18:42.440 --> 01:18:48.280

Noah Andres Baez: Again, I'm saying this because of what the president said. It's not... I didn't bring it all from my brain.

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01:18:48.390 --> 01:18:56.280

Noah Andres Baez: The president said that they used the money for something that was not included in the budget, and that's misappropriation.

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Noah Andres Baez: It's not allowed anywhere.

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01:18:59.680 --> 01:19:10.940

Noah Andres Baez: Aside that, I'm here for the budget, for the request, it's fine, but I think I would need to see what they use that money for. Thank you. Thank you, Samia. Red one, and then Devin.

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01:19:11.780 --> 01:19:20.580

Noah Andres Baez: Right, thank you. I know it's not Dishon's, fault, but Jasmine.

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01:19:20.770 --> 01:19:23.759

Noah Andres Baez: Whoa. I think you did a great job.

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01:19:23.800 --> 01:19:42.449

Noah Andres Baez: Well, for me, I will want to support the bill as well, but I will want us to be careful about, what we are funding, right? To know what they spend the money for, we can always check the North Central.

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Noah Andres Baez: The history will be there.

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01:19:44.570 --> 01:20:02.430

Noah Andres Baez: So, if it's something different from what they are bringing up now, then this is a case of mismanagement from the previous, administration. And I don't think this current administration should be punished for that. However, we should not fund

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01:20:02.560 --> 01:20:16.190

Noah Andres Baez: this same thing under the same name, right, in which they put in the budget. We can have any other thing, you know, for it, but that shouldn't be, you know, under the same name.

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Noah Andres Baez: for us not to, duplicate, you know, the same, event. Right, but for me, I would want us to paint this bill.

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Noah Andres Baez: For this sitting, I don't know, when is the event?

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Noah Andres Baez: Less than a week.

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01:20:40.230 --> 01:20:48.670

Noah Andres Baez: I don't just know what exactly we can do in this case, because we still need to talk to them, right?

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Noah Andres Baez: I'll top... yeah. No, it's okay, I'll top it off, and make it super quick. I'm just super trepidatious about it, because it seems like there wasn't a cohesive transition from last committee to this committee, lack of transparency overall when it comes down to the delineation of, like, the items, and how much the last one specifically costs.

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Noah Andres Baez: Sorry, point of order, please remember that it is... we are in a period of pro, so if there is negative comments to say, that can be done in con. Understood. So, I am not, like, completely against

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Noah Andres Baez: But these are concerns that I share with the rest of you, and am, like, kind of pondering at the current moment. Apologies for that, Noah. But,

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Noah Andres Baez: Generally speaking,

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Noah Andres Baez: I do find it, like, apt for us to at least question these specific, you know, concerns. Thanks, Devin.

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Noah Andres Baez: Okay. Pro? No, I'm... Any more pros?

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Noah Andres Baez: Fit.

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Noah Andres Baez: Is there a way the previous president can be asked to provide explanations? She said that on the phone. No, no, no, not the current one. Yeah, no, she said she could reach out to the previous president.

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Noah Andres Baez: The previous administrations, he said she could try to reach out to get those documents, but it was brought up, we can check all of their funds on Mill Central, it just...

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Noah Andres Baez: Shouldn't be done the night of an allocation. Okay, alright.

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Noah Andres Baez: Okay, thank you.

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Noah Andres Baez: Alright. Any other pros?

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Noah Andres Baez: Seeing none, we're now in a periodic con. Okay, so I'm just gonna start this off, because I do agree that it is...

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Noah Andres Baez: heavily concerning about what's happened, but I do want to give grace where grace is due. This person is stepping into a presidency role without any knowledge of what's happened with the org beforehand. Eid is a wonderful celebration, and it is a very popular event that they host. If I'm not mistaken, like, I see...

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01:23:04.210 --> 01:23:10.190

Noah Andres Baez: This might... cultural question. This is the one with the colors, right? Where they throw colors, right? Or is that a different event?

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Noah Andres Baez: Different event? Okay. Okay.

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01:23:14.570 --> 01:23:26.950

Noah Andres Baez: Thank you, thank you. But it's wholly and Eid, those are the two main events that they have, so I understand that there is a difficulty when it comes to funding this, because... just of the administration handoff.

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Noah Andres Baez: We can put in proviso that this money wouldn't hit their account, or unless... until we see the Renault Central documentation to see where that money has gone, and if they do have it, we can... again, it can be an amendment where we can claim our money back.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, we do have proviso language that we can include in order to ensure.

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Noah Andres Baez: But I think also what could potentially happen is... yeah, I do need that, thank you.

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Noah Andres Baez: We can just decrease?

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01:23:57.300 --> 01:24:02.760

Noah Andres Baez: the amounts from what they have put in the budget. So, for example,

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Noah Andres Baez: They have requested for food the \$1,574, and their food allocation request is \$2,200, so we just wouldn't fund that entirely, just because they already have that money allocated. But contractual services, when it came to

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Noah Andres Baez: their budget proposal, they didn't have any, so we can keep that. So, it would be \$280, take out the 1574, and then...

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Noah Andres Baez: Expenses,

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Noah Andres Baez: just keeping it by \$93, because they already had a counter for \$200, if that makes sense. So math-wise, it would help kind of top off the event of where they're at, while not double-dipping into it is a potential solution.

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Noah Andres Baez: if the Congress would be interested in something like that.

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01:24:50.930 --> 01:24:54.530

Noah Andres Baez: Thank you, no. Any further cons?

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Noah Andres Baez: Nicolette?

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01:24:56.920 --> 01:25:06.419

Noah Andres Baez: I was kind of doing some math on the line items, mainly because I noticed that they put Walmart in two different line items.

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Noah Andres Baez: And... Was that just a transcription error? Yeah, that was me, so...

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Noah Andres Baez: they... we had to break it down because they had requested food, like the drinks, which is considered under food, and then the expenses, so the rest of, like, the decorations and stuff. So that's why Walmart is the twice... that's why there's two different quotes for it, just for sake of transparency, to make it easier to read.

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Noah Andres Baez: So that was a... that was a me thing going in.

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Noah Andres Baez: Editing a little bit.

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Noah Andres Baez: And then... Follow up.

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Noah Andres Baez: I noticed that the contractual service, like the, paying for, like, the gate fees and everything else on that page.

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Noah Andres Baez: It looks like we have \$200 circled, and then also a guest fee circled on there. Is that something we typically pay for?

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Noah Andres Baez: We have, I think we've paid for it before... I think we've paid for it before,

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Noah Andres Baez: But again, I know with Eid especially, they get a lot of the Tallahassee community, that come into this event.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, I think... That's why they have included that guest feed, just to make it more accessible to

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Noah Andres Baez: Everyone that they try and get this.

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Noah Andres Baez: Thank you, Shazine. Are there any further comments and con of this bill?

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Noah Andres Baez: You wanna go? Sure.

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Noah Andres Baez: Yeah, I'm just gonna say, I do find it interesting that they... it seems as though they didn't plan to have it be a combined event, just because that is what it's been...

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Noah Andres Baez: for the past 2 years, looking on Null Central.

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Noah Andres Baez: I'm also a little confused as to where the discretionary funds went, considering this is the only event they host, as of, at least on Knoll Central. So, I just kind of wanted to bring that up as well.

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Noah Andres Baez: Can I... Yep. Thank you, Nicolette. Like, they host a lot of events, like, throughout the years.

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Noah Andres Baez: Like, that's not the only event.

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Noah Andres Baez: Null Central... you don't have to advertise every event on Null Central. There's social media for clarification, but I mean, we...

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Noah Andres Baez: Yeah, yeah, if you want a point of clarification. Yeah, point of clarification, though, I will say, in agreeance with Nicolette, the president did say that they've only hosted one other event.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, that is why I think there is a lot more area of concern, because if they've just hosted one event, and they have a

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Noah Andres Baez: if we look at that budget, it... they had a... they got a lot in that budget total, in terms of everything, like, main total-wise, so I would be... that's why, like, from what Jazine said about the food, I'm still very hesitant on, just because...

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Noah Andres Baez: the... I guess, like, the main comment of concern that everyone has is the fact of we, for transparency, they're not very transparent, but I don't, again, I don't think that's on the President, I think that's more so just based off the handoff and the miscommunication of that. But again, we can put proviso language on this bill in order to ensure that funds are being

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Noah Andres Baez: Managed correctly, and aren't dispersed until we see what their funds have been managed.

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Noah Andres Baez: And we can personally work with them, making sure that they get everything. We can get that done, try and get that done as quickly as possible, so that they can still host these wonderful events. I don't want to cancel these events entirely. I know that they bring a lot of, not just FSU students, but the greater Tallahassee community as a whole together.

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Noah Andres Baez: So that's why I'm still... I'm wanting to help fund this event as much as possible, but due to transparency, I have my reservations.

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Noah Andres Baez: Thank you, Noah. Further cons?

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Noah Andres Baez: I can talk.

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Noah Andres Baez: I wanna fund this event.

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Noah Andres Baez: But we, in total, budgeted them over \$9,000 for the 2025-2026 budget cycle. \$9,100 for 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6...

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Noah Andres Baez: events I'm counting?

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Noah Andres Baez: Some t-shirts, \$2,000 for t-shirts, and then on top of that, discretionary funds.

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Noah Andres Baez: I think they requested for additional budgets, additional fund last... this year, this current year. That is why we have that...

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Noah Andres Baez: There you go.

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Noah Andres Baez: Yeah.

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Noah Andres Baez: It's just...

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Noah Andres Baez: tough for me to even want to amend this, considering they didn't even show up tonight, considering, although the president did answer the phone.

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Noah Andres Baez: Didn't really answer any questions too well.

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Noah Andres Baez: Still major concerns.

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Noah Andres Baez: We're already transferring from the last of our previous cycles, just to cover our current presentation grants. Our reserves are now below \$40,000 for the rest of the year. We already gave them \$9,100.

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Noah Andres Baez: with a line item for this very specific event, I don't even like the idea of changing this name event just to...

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Noah Andres Baez: have a different name for a line item. It's the same event, same dates, I mean, within the moon rising, I guess.

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Noah Andres Baez: I wasn't convinced.

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Noah Andres Baez: Yeah, and I... actually, I was in the Budget Committee, so that's where, like, I saw their presentation and everything, and, like, every year, basically, it's the same.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, that's why the question actually came to me, like, why, like, there's, like, Another individual event request.

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Noah Andres Baez: Alrighty, y'all. Any further cons?

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Noah Andres Baez: Alright, well, just because we've had a lot to discuss here, I will bring it back to another round of pros, in case anyone wants to make an amendment. If no one does, then I will.

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Noah Andres Baez: I, I motion to amend.

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Noah Andres Baez: I motion to amend getting... cutting out all expenses, so cutting out that \$293, And then...

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Noah Andres Baez: Halving the food, to whatever number that would be, but keeping contractual services the same.

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Noah Andres Baez: I think that can potentially be a good compromise of halving just what they get.

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Noah Andres Baez: And I think... I think food is the most important part, truly. But yeah, that's my amendment.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, the motion, just for clarification, is to cut the expenses by...

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Noah Andres Baez: 293, so cut it out entirely.

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Noah Andres Baez: And then... And then the last one, what about that?

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Noah Andres Baez: They didn't pay.

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01:33:17.880 --> 01:33:25.310

Noah Andres Baez: Gotcha. So there's 3 line items. This motion is to amend those... the first line item by cutting it completely.

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Noah Andres Baez: And then the second line item would be cut in half.

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Noah Andres Baez: And then the third line item would be unchanged.

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Noah Andres Baez: Does that make sense?

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Noah Andres Baez: So, total, just for clarification, total would be, the total price would be \$1,067. That would be its total price, because we would be cutting food from \$1,574 to \$787, and then keeping that \$280 for the lakefront property.

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Noah Andres Baez: Is there a second?

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01:33:56.820 --> 01:33:58.070

Noah Andres Baez: Devin seconds?

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Noah Andres Baez: Are there objections to this amendment of the bill?

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Noah Andres Baez: Yeah, point of question? Point of question. Yeah, well, I just have a question of putting in the proviso language in this bill as well. Is that when we would do this now, during an amendment? Or...

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01:34:18.130 --> 01:34:18.890

Noah Andres Baez: Okay.

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01:34:19.510 --> 01:34:20.190

Noah Andres Baez: Oh no.

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01:34:28.950 --> 01:34:34.429

Noah Andres Baez: It's been seconded by Devin. Are there any objections or any more needed points of clarification?

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Noah Andres Baez: Seeing no objections... Any further amendments?

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Noah Andres Baez: Amendment to insert proviso language in there about managing the funds and making them be very transparent.

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Noah Andres Baez: We should be pretty specific with this proviso language.

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Noah Andres Baez: that's why I was trying to call Jack, because law school people know how to do that better than I do.

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Noah Andres Baez: But what do we want specifically? What is the goal from this proviso language that we want?

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Noah Andres Baez: You ready?

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Noah Andres Baez: Let me know how this sounds to everyone. Amendment to add improviso language, which would state that the organization must be transparent regarding the spending of the funds, which will include reporting the use of the funds after the event, as well as continued transparency in the expenditure of allocated funds.

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Noah Andres Baez: Yeah, and I... from the sounds of it, it sounds like it's on track to me. I guess the question I have for the proviso language is,

do we want to incorporate transparency from the past as well, or do we just want it starting now and going forward?

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Noah Andres Baez: Because my intentions were the past should be included with this, too, so we... I think we need to add that to the proviso.

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Noah Andres Baez: She needs to get that old president on the phone and figure out those details.

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Noah Andres Baez: Excellent.

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01:38:45.470 --> 01:38:46.260

Noah Andres Baez: I'll put it.

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01:38:50.130 --> 01:38:56.470

Noah Andres Baez: You're glory, but... You always stop pushing for the time.

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01:39:02.190 --> 01:39:02.890

Noah Andres Baez: I love you.

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01:39:08.850 --> 01:39:21.629

Noah Andres Baez: And just for a point of reference, while we're finishing up this proviso language, this will be the last bill for the night, not to spoil it, but the next bill, I'll explain it when we get there, but we'll strike it down on the floor.

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01:39:23.470 --> 01:39:26.160

Noah Andres Baez: So, thank you all. I know it's a late meeting.

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Noah Andres Baez: If you think this is late, try staying at Senate until 11 o'clock at night every Wednesday.

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Noah Andres Baez: Yeah.

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01:39:45.340 --> 01:39:46.869

Noah Andres Baez: Why isn't that late?

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01:39:47.760 --> 01:39:48.440

Noah Andres Baez: I agree.

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01:39:52.080 --> 01:39:58.570

Noah Andres Baez: They lose themselves in parliamentary procedure. They do it to themselves.

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Noah Andres Baez: There will be 3 amendments happening at once.

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01:40:06.120 --> 01:40:09.940

Noah Andres Baez: I'm on the record, COGS is my favorite, let me be clear.

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01:42:27.390 --> 01:42:29.129

Noah Andres Baez: Oh, I see. We...

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01:42:29.320 --> 01:42:45.339

Noah Andres Baez: Alright, I think we're ready to get back to it. We're gonna have a motion to amend the amendment of her original post, so...

Noah, or do you want to just... who wants to read it? No, so we will entertain a motion to,

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Noah Andres Baez: Oh my god, I forget what it's called.

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01:42:51.190 --> 01:42:53.949

Noah Andres Baez: Sorry. It's not vetoed the motion, but it is...

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01:42:55.380 --> 01:43:02.739

Noah Andres Baez: Strike. No, not strike, because striking is getting rid of it. So for sake of transparency, the way this has to work is...

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01:43:02.910 --> 01:43:12.589

Noah Andres Baez: We have amended... we have made the amendment of the old proviso language. We are having to cut that to then do the new proviso language that we have just drafted.

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01:43:13.860 --> 01:43:18.490

Noah Andres Baez: We can just... can you just give the new proviso language, and we added it correctly?

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Noah Andres Baez: Whenever you're ready, Nicolette.

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01:43:21.810 --> 01:43:37.529
Noah Andres Baez: So, the new proviso language is, the Bangladeshi Student Association must report to Laura McKinney, which is our financial person, must report to Laura McKinney regarding the past fiscal year, 2025 to 2026.

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01:43:37.630 --> 01:43:39.690
Noah Andres Baez: Up to the current allocation.

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Noah Andres Baez: Regarding the spending of funds, which will involve reporting the use of the funds, as well as the expenditures of the allocated funds.

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Noah Andres Baez: Failure to do so will result in relinquishment of the funds as allocated in Bill 15, which is the current bill.

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01:43:59.680 --> 01:44:00.570
Noah Andres Baez: Sounds good.

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01:44:01.230 --> 01:44:06.580
Noah Andres Baez: I think it covers all of our bases. The only thing I have suggestion-wise is a date.

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01:44:07.870 --> 01:44:11.349
Noah Andres Baez: But I don't think it matters as long as they do it

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01:44:11.620 --> 01:44:16.569
Noah Andres Baez: Because they have a week, so I don't think a day matters. They either show us this proof.

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01:44:16.860 --> 01:44:19.170
Noah Andres Baez: Or they don't get the out...

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01:44:19.300 --> 01:44:24.949
Noah Andres Baez: What's going on? I'm gonna get a point of order for 2 seconds. Can I motion for a 5-minute recess?

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Noah Andres Baez: You will see why, because... Provide the language.

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Noah Andres Baez: It's fine.

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Noah Andres Baez: Motion for recess for 5 minutes. Is there a second?

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01:44:39.540 --> 01:44:43.350

Noah Andres Baez: seconds, are there... Objection for 5 minutes. We'll make this as quick as possible.

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01:44:46.110 --> 01:44:48.959

Noah Andres Baez: No objections? Alright, quick recess for 5 minutes.

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01:44:50.440 --> 01:44:51.410

Noah Andres Baez: Arielle.

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Noah Andres Baez: He's getting another grilled cheese up there.

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Noah Andres Baez: How many lawyers does it take to write proviso language?

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Noah Andres Baez: Third floor bathrooms are closed, just in case anyone's headed there. I found out the hard way.

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Noah Andres Baez: No.

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Noah Andres Baez: Unless it's budget.

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Noah Andres Baez: Right? Yep.

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Noah Andres Baez: As long as you have it for the meeting, you don't need quorum for the entire 100% of the meeting.

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Noah Andres Baez: If they come trickling in, then we can update them on... They missed.

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01:54:37.840 --> 01:54:42.190

Noah Andres Baez: So, we're in second round of pro right now? Yeah, second round of pro, I motion to amend.

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01:54:42.590 --> 01:54:47.500

Noah Andres Baez: Yeah, okay, go ahead. I motioned to amend strike this entire bill, so zero funding.

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01:54:49.250 --> 01:55:01.340

Noah Andres Baez: Just because we are not able to see anything from the org, we have no idea what we would be getting into, it doesn't... it is not a best practice, and we have talked with Jack as well.

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Noah Andres Baez: Based on the information that we have, based on the information that we're able to receive at this time, which is little to none, it doesn't... it is not fiscally responsible to be funding this organization right now.

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Noah Andres Baez: Given just how...

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Noah Andres Baez: not knowledgeable we are about the situation, and the fact of that their own board is not knowledgeable about how much finances they have. They were given a lot of money from this previous budget.

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01:55:26.330 --> 01:55:28.230

Noah Andres Baez: And that money is just gone?

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Noah Andres Baez: Currently, so I just don't feel comfortable and or confident to give them any money at this moment.

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Noah Andres Baez: And just point of clarity, we'd be happy to bring this up at another meeting if they had the time to do so, but it doesn't seem like they have the time to do so. It's just more so lack of communication, and...

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Noah Andres Baez: Lack of ethics, if we approve this, in our opinion.

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Noah Andres Baez: So... Just for those entering, there was a motion for striking this bill completely for no funding.

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Noah Andres Baez: There hasn't been a second yet, but I will ask for a second.

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Noah Andres Baez: Now that we're all back here. Is there a second to striking this bill for no funding? And I can answer questions if there's a second.

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Noah Andres Baez: I second. Second.

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Noah Andres Baez: Are there any objections to amending this bill to strike it completely for no funding?

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Noah Andres Baez: You object?

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Noah Andres Baez: My concern is just, like, I mean, there are events that are happening.

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Noah Andres Baez: Like, how would they... They... I think it's, like, one of the biggest events, like.

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01:56:42.910 --> 01:56:44.060

Noah Andres Baez: I mean, I get it.

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01:56:46.640 --> 01:56:47.960

Noah Andres Baez: concern, particularly.

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Noah Andres Baez: It's not... Current administration's called.

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01:56:51.650 --> 01:56:52.610

Noah Andres Baez: Oh.

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01:56:53.160 --> 01:56:54.500

Noah Andres Baez: the previous administration.

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01:56:54.860 --> 01:56:55.670

Noah Andres Baez: Houston area.

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01:56:57.890 --> 01:57:01.410

Noah Andres Baez: Or, or hand, and like... That's my concern, is...

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01:57:02.870 --> 01:57:11.509

Noah Andres Baez: What are they gonna do? We understand, and then point, I guess you have a point of clarification. Welcome!

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01:57:12.900 --> 01:57:25.849

Noah Andres Baez: We are in second period of pro. An amendment has been made to strike the entire bill down. It has now been seconded. It was seconded, but it was just now... Objected. Objected to by Deshaun.

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Noah Andres Baez: Yes.

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01:57:29.010 --> 01:57:29.780

Noah Andres Baez: won't matter.

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01:57:30.200 --> 01:57:31.050

Noah Andres Baez: Maybe better than...

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01:57:36.660 --> 01:57:39.239

Noah Andres Baez: this fund, or to not have this funding bill for...

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Noah Andres Baez: by any further funding to the organization, which I would probably Second.

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01:57:45.300 --> 01:57:46.539

Noah Andres Baez: Proper way of doing that.

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01:57:47.220 --> 01:57:50.100
Noah Andres Baez: On the final vote on the bill.

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01:57:50.430 --> 01:57:51.690
Noah Andres Baez: Rather than amendment.

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01:57:52.700 --> 01:57:56.629
Noah Andres Baez: For about the funding. Okay. I, I think that would probably be...

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Noah Andres Baez: Good point. I would like to step in here. I don't think, I think we need to have the

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Noah Andres Baez: the first amendment on the floor is to cut the expenses entirely, food cut in half, and then lower the bill to \$1,067, so I think we need to address that amendment first, probably sponsor withdraws his amendment, and then there would need... we'd need to go through that steps.

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Noah Andres Baez: Amendment was already withdrawn? Yeah. Okay. Okay, I did not know that part, thank you.

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Noah Andres Baez: First Amendment was withdrawn, so now we are currently... So, just for a point of clarification, the way this bill is currently, all funds are still there, so the 293, the 1574, and 280, all together adding 20... Oh, thank you.

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01:58:43.670 --> 01:58:56.340
Noah Andres Baez: All together, thank you. Altogether, they're adding to 2147 is still... is what the bill is at currently. So, no other... no amendments have been made, so the bill is basically how it was in its original state.

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01:59:03.770 --> 01:59:07.339
Noah Andres Baez: So, all amendments have been retracted. Are there questions?

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01:59:07.460 --> 01:59:11.130
Noah Andres Baez: Do you have a question? A point of clarification? Well, I think...

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Noah Andres Baez: funding at least, like, half of the food is what I would move for, because people are still going to go to the event.

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Noah Andres Baez: And, it's still gonna happen.

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Noah Andres Baez: And, like we said earlier, I think that... Punishing the current administration, or...

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Noah Andres Baez: Even the people who are going to attend the event, I don't think it's fair.

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Noah Andres Baez: Yeah.

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01:59:40.630 --> 01:59:43.299

Noah Andres Baez: Any other pros or cons, comments?

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01:59:44.530 --> 01:59:46.050

Noah Andres Baez: But it's back.

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01:59:47.490 --> 01:59:59.050

Noah Andres Baez: I actually agree with Deshawn, that, like, we can reduce the fund, but, like, it's not, like, the community's fault, or, like, who will be going to the event.

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Noah Andres Baez: Or the current administration's fault that, like.

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Noah Andres Baez: Those funds has been exhausted, or something like that.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, I think, like, it'll be better if we, like, reduce the fund, but still give them funds, so that the event

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Noah Andres Baez: can occur. Thank you.

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Noah Andres Baez: Give a hot... Check?

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02:00:21.140 --> 02:00:24.689

Noah Andres Baez: Pro or commentary? We're in pro currently, yeah, so...

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Noah Andres Baez: Is there anyone else wishing to speak in person?

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Noah Andres Baez: I agree. I don't think we should be setting a precedent, and I don't think we will be within this first instance. I think that we should, since of how just...

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Noah Andres Baez: unorthodox the situation is. Just, I say, cutting it in half will be appropriate. This isn't something that we'll, like, let... slide by going forward, but,

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Noah Andres Baez: I don't think we should be insensitive to, you know, to this specific community and this specific association, especially considering that it is a different admin at the helm of it now, so...

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Noah Andres Baez: Yeah. I have a... I don't know, point of question.

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Noah Andres Baez: Didn't we fund an organization recently that had something kind of similar with administration.

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Noah Andres Baez: Oh, no, that was the... or is that what the,

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Noah Andres Baez: They applied for SGA funds, and then came to us. That's what that was?

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Noah Andres Baez: Okay, great.

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Noah Andres Baez: Yeah, okay, great, thanks. That's what I was just trying to remember.

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Noah Andres Baez: Further pros?

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02:01:32.340 --> 02:01:35.080

Noah Andres Baez: Seeing none, period of con. Check.

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02:01:35.900 --> 02:01:47.480

Noah Andres Baez: So, please forgive me, I've tried to get caught up on what was happening prior to y'all's recess, and my apologies for being late.

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Noah Andres Baez: But, as I understand it, the question here is... and the question here is whether or not they have the funds to begin with, because that seems like the most important question to me, because

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Noah Andres Baez: Like, I have the budget for this year in front of me, and the money that we budgeted them, they got, because Laurel had to move the money over. Like, that's her... like, she had to move the money over to them, and we funded them

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02:02:10.880 --> 02:02:22.600

Noah Andres Baez: \$2,400 for their Eid festival. So... and... and I was also told, and someone, if, when I'm done, please feel free to correct me if I'm wrong on this, I was told that they've only done one event so far this year.

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Noah Andres Baez: And we budgeted them a total of \$9,100 for this entire school... fiscal year, and that we're almost out of. So, at least to me.

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Noah Andres Baez: I think this is less of a... this is less of an issue of... I don't think this... I don't think... if we vote... I think we should vote this down.

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02:02:42.420 --> 02:02:55.110

Noah Andres Baez: not because I don't... I think we're punishing this organization. I don't think we're punishing this organization, because I think they have the funds. I think they just need to go have the conversation with Laurel and get clarification

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Noah Andres Baez: on how to use their funds. Because we gave them \$9,100, and unless they used \$9,100 in one event.

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Noah Andres Baez: then they have the money there, and if they did use \$9,100 in there, then that's an even bigger problem, because we didn't budget them \$9,100 for one event, we've budgeted them \$2,400 for their Eid celebration. So, that money should be in there, and I think this is just an issue of

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Noah Andres Baez: a new administration was not properly trained on how to use Null Central, on how to access the funds they already have.

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Noah Andres Baez: And because of that, they just came to us thinking that that was how they would get access to funds.

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Noah Andres Baez: they have the funds already, we've budgeted it to them, so I don't think we need to allocate more funds to them, because they already have the money to do this celebration. And unless I have... unless someone's able to give me any evidence showing that they have somehow used \$9,100 for one event.

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Noah Andres Baez: I can't support the bill.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, I hate to put ourselves in a situation where this might be a contentious vote on this, but I can't support a bill when they've already gotten a lot of money, and I know they have come to us for other money throughout the year. I don't want to be double funding them for the same event.

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02:04:06.280 --> 02:04:12.409

Noah Andres Baez: They have the money, they should use that money, and we should just... leadership should just work with them to get them

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02:04:12.460 --> 02:04:21.140

Noah Andres Baez: over to Laurel. So, I'm gonna ask that y'all vote down on this. Thank you. Thank you, Jack. I see 3 hands, Noah, Claire, and then Red one.

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02:04:21.290 --> 02:04:27.069

Noah Andres Baez: So, and I'm gonna reserve a follow-up after this, but point of clarification, Jack, since you weren't in the room.

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Noah Andres Baez: It is from what the president told us, from when they are president, when they have been president, they have only hosted one event. So this could be a separation between fall to spring, and a whole new executive board coming in, but... so that is the one event in question. It's just under this person's leadership, they have only hosted one event.

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Noah Andres Baez: And so my follow-up is also, I would agree.

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Noah Andres Baez: There is this money allocated, it just seems like this person, or let me just say this organization in total, does not know where that funding is.

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Noah Andres Baez: From what it seems like.

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Noah Andres Baez: The treasurer might have a better sense of it, but even then, doesn't really seem like they do.

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Noah Andres Baez: I agree, we've given them money in the past, they have come to us for allocations before, like, allocation requests before, so I would also agree to be... I would vote no on this bill, just because

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Noah Andres Baez: there seems to need to be some planning, and maybe that we, as the Executive Board, can work with them, to get them to Laurel, and making sure everything else

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Noah Andres Baez: is, like, all their ducks are in a row before we just give them additional money. I think some necessary bookkeeping needs to be done first before we bring them somewhere else.

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Noah Andres Baez: Thank you, Noah. Claire?

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Noah Andres Baez: I was gonna bring up the same point of clarification, but I wasn't sure if the president was saying that they only had one event this year, or if it was for both semesters. That wasn't entirely clear, but I would interpret it as it was just for this part of the year so far.

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Noah Andres Baez: So that's all that I was gonna say. I don't think they would have spent \$9,000 on just one event total. That sounds pretty ridiculous, and if that did happen, that's crazy, but...

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Noah Andres Baez: That's it.

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Noah Andres Baez: Make it clear. Red one, you're up.

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Noah Andres Baez: Right, I hate to say this, but I believe the right thing for us to do this time is for us to turn down the BO.

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Noah Andres Baez: And the reason is that the president, you know, mentioned the fact that they had some other event within this financial year, but not this particular one, right? If that is the case, then they need to...

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Noah Andres Baez: list their priorities for... for the year, right? If we turn down this bill, we also need to add a message in notes to them to meet with someone

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Noah Andres Baez: you know, that could put them through, you know, because these are new phases, right? New administration, so they may not know

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Noah Andres Baez: You know, what went wrong.

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Noah Andres Baez: And this could destabilize the whole of the organization, because if you are not holding an event, you tend not to, you know, get some things right, and that will be passed on to those coming after them.

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Noah Andres Baez: So, we should not just tone it down. There should be a language stating that we

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Noah Andres Baez: have the, we desire, you know, to fund this, bill, but for these reasons, we...

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Noah Andres Baez: We are unable to do that, right?

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Noah Andres Baez: So that they know the reason why we are rejecting this, bill.

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Noah Andres Baez: Thank you, Red One, I saw a hand and hand.

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Noah Andres Baez: Point of question for you, for Ridwan, for you, for my question is, are you asking

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Noah Andres Baez: For there to be... language...

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Noah Andres Baez: created separately to let them know about this issue, and for them to help... and for us to help them fix it, or... I think you just want us to make sure we...

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Noah Andres Baez: We help them. We help them, right, in a way, but not to fund this bill.

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Noah Andres Baez: Right, but they should know the reason why we are rejecting this.

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Noah Andres Baez: No, just for clarification purposes, I think we're on the same page, that I would... with these... what he's saying is I would then come up to the organization first thing tomorrow morning with an email letting them know they have this already budgeted.

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Noah Andres Baez: And here's what we need to do with Laurel right now to get you the funding that you already have for this event in a line item in your... in your bank account. Is that what you're saying?

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Noah Andres Baez: Okay, beautiful. I thought you were meaning, like, up, like...

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Noah Andres Baez: revise the language on a bill that wasn't there, but... I don't think we need language for that, but I will definitely plan to do that.

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Noah Andres Baez: Suzine?

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Noah Andres Baez: amount in their account, so that will be utilized for this event. Yes. Instead of approving this current bill. Thank you.

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02:09:07.530 --> 02:09:08.679

Noah Andres Baez: Are there cons?

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Noah Andres Baez: Yep.

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Noah Andres Baez: this is just a point of, I guess, clarification. I reached out to the president, and she's looking up

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Noah Andres Baez: How much is on the Note Central now?

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Noah Andres Baez: Well, it's already late.

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02:09:28.830 --> 02:09:32.259

Noah Andres Baez: And that's great. Thank you. Yeah, I'm just letting you know.

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Noah Andres Baez: Any further cons?

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Noah Andres Baez: Alright, right now, the bill is unamended.

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Noah Andres Baez: Is this a pointed question?

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Noah Andres Baez: So, according to what she just sent me, they have available \$588.29.

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Noah Andres Baez: Yes.

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02:10:03.370 --> 02:10:04.290

Noah Andres Baez: Thanks, buddy.

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Noah Andres Baez: Sorry, Michelle. One at a time, please.

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Noah Andres Baez: I'm a... yeah... point of information to Tanner. Tanner, do you have...

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Noah Andres Baez: Do you have the backdoor access on Null Central to be able to pull up their finance page? Do we have the same brain? My Null Central's pulled up.

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Noah Andres Baez: Yeah, cause I...

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Noah Andres Baez: And then I guess... I guess my question... my question would be then to... to Tanner, I, to Tanner, once he pulls it up, if he can relay to us... if he can relay to us what the... or what POs have been

processed by this organization... or what POs have come from this organization since the start of the fiscal year.

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Noah Andres Baez: Because I think that will... that will answer our question as to whether or not that they've just somehow spent their budget, which I...

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Noah Andres Baez: I'm about to debate, so let me not do that.

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Noah Andres Baez: If... Oh, sorry. So, there's... Yeah, it's the question. So, they, they got the fund in August, right?

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Noah Andres Baez: So, if they got the fund in August, and if the new committee started their,

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Noah Andres Baez: time, tenor, in January.

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Noah Andres Baez: Yeah, this year. So then, like, there's a gap between, like, August to December.

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Noah Andres Baez: So... Was the previous committee still... Owned organization for...

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Noah Andres Baez: According to their Instagram, It looks like voting closed for elections.

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Noah Andres Baez: Yes, September 30th?

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Noah Andres Baez: So, it might be recent.

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Noah Andres Baez: Yeah.

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02:12:14.070 --> 02:12:15.320

Noah Andres Baez: So...

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Noah Andres Baez: Yeah, so there's, like, 55 results of purchase requests that they've done.

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Noah Andres Baez: So far, of what she sent me.

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Noah Andres Baez: What's the dates on them? Oh, yeah, here we go. For the record, I don't have access to Null Central for their RSO.

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Noah Andres Baez: That's all I have so far.

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Noah Andres Baez: Okay, I... we're just gonna... you're just gonna keep sending screenshots.

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Noah Andres Baez: Alright, we're still in second round of con.

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Noah Andres Baez: I mean, it looks like they spent the money.

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02:12:58.540 --> 02:13:00.370

Noah Andres Baez: That's what it looks like.

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Noah Andres Baez: Right, because they have, according to what she sent me, they have a balance of \$1,049.40, and they have available \$588.29.

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Noah Andres Baez: So if... if we funded \$9,000, They have spent... That doesn't matter. 8,500.

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02:13:26.090 --> 02:13:33.579

Noah Andres Baez: Yeah, Nick... Rowan and then Nicolette. Then I guess in terms of debate, if we're still in con, then I... then I'm...

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02:13:35.380 --> 02:13:41.169

Noah Andres Baez: Listen, I know the money is there, and I know the importance of this event, but I'm also... but if that's the case.

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02:13:41.510 --> 02:14:00.109

Noah Andres Baez: That's got me really concerned, because that means that they went off... that they went outside their line items. And the whole reason... the whole reason in last year's budget that we adopted the line items was because the Budget Committee wanted to make a conscious decision

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02:14:00.110 --> 02:14:09.290

Noah Andres Baez: That we wanted... that when we were giving funds to these orgs, we wanted to make sure those funds could last them the year, based on the requests that they were giving us.

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02:14:09.290 --> 02:14:23.880

Noah Andres Baez: And it's not like we were... it's not like, you know, like this year, we had to make some cuts, and it was a bit of a... it was a bit of a rougher budget. We barely made any cuts last year. So I think with most of our budgets, it was literally, we took off the things we legally could not fund.

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02:14:23.930 --> 02:14:31.420

Noah Andres Baez: And then you got the rest of the request. So that means that they've blown... that they've basically blown past their full request for the year.

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02:14:31.600 --> 02:14:33.669

Noah Andres Baez: Which, that really concerns me.

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02:14:34.080 --> 02:14:43.930

Noah Andres Baez: So, I would... I understand the importance of this event, but I would have real concerns with throwing more money in

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02:14:44.290 --> 02:14:48.769

Noah Andres Baez: When they should have planned for it, because that was the whole point behind the line items.

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02:14:49.300 --> 02:14:52.360

Noah Andres Baez: Thank you, Rowan. Further cons? Nicolette?

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02:14:52.850 --> 02:15:06.849

Noah Andres Baez: Yeah, I think given... you said September 30th was when they had elections and everything? That's what it looks like on their Instagram. Okay, given that, combined with the fact that the president said that she had only hosted one event.

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02:15:07.160 --> 02:15:12.819

Noah Andres Baez: even if we do take into consideration maybe it was for this year, I think I find that trembling.

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02:15:20.700 --> 02:15:35.360

Noah Andres Baez: Yes, exactly. Largely, if they got funded at the end of summer, and people were ushered into office by October, I'm finding it troubling to think that all the 9K got spent in the two months that they weren't in charge.

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02:15:35.520 --> 02:15:36.610

Noah Andres Baez: So...

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02:15:37.060 --> 02:15:44.410

Noah Andres Baez: Point of... Thank you, Nick. Go ahead. Do you want to speak quickly here? Yeah. Point of clarification for those

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02:15:44.520 --> 02:15:48.699

Noah Andres Baez: who celebrate this holiday? Is it, like, two times a year, or is it just once?

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02:15:49.180 --> 02:15:57.369

Noah Andres Baez: It is two times a year? Okay, so this could potentially be... they sell it... does it happen, like, once in fall and once in spring?

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02:15:57.760 --> 02:15:59.460

Noah Andres Baez: No? Okay.

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02:16:03.570 --> 02:16:15.039

Noah Andres Baez: No, I'm saying, like, sorry, I might need to re-clarify. Is Eid... like, because I know the two... the two themselves are, like, near each other, but spread apart. Is there, like, two Eads, if that makes sense?

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02:16:21.210 --> 02:16:23.830

Noah Andres Baez: Oh, but they are, like, close in time.

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02:16:27.500 --> 02:16:42.640

Noah Andres Baez: Okay, thank you, because my... I guess my question for it was... it could have been, like, if there are two EADs, had they already used the money on the first one, and if we can see from their Instagram, if there's an Eid already that has been done, and now they're doing, like, Eid Part 2, essentially?

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02:16:43.120 --> 02:16:48.909

Noah Andres Baez: I... this is a cultural question that I'm asking, essentially. That was just... the first one, I would say.

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02:16:49.719 --> 02:16:51.680

Noah Andres Baez: happened in March.

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02:16:52.680 --> 02:16:56.629

Noah Andres Baez: Oh, much. Oh, last year. Last year and March.

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02:16:57.980 --> 02:16:59.789

Noah Andres Baez: And ma- oh. Much.

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02:17:00.040 --> 02:17:02.680

Noah Andres Baez: Last... last year twice, right?

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02:17:03.030 --> 02:17:07.050

Noah Andres Baez: March and May. This year, they had one already.

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02:17:09.000 --> 02:17:15.170

Noah Andres Baez: Oh, so this is gonna be their first one, so they haven't hosted anything for this fiscal year, essentially.

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02:17:18.629 --> 02:17:25.549

Noah Andres Baez: Okay, thank you so much for that, I just needed that clarification. Good question. Alright, we're still in a period, second round of con.

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02:17:25.969 --> 02:17:31.410

Noah Andres Baez: So I would change my, or retract my...

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02:17:31.870 --> 02:17:35.750

Noah Andres Baez: Objection, because looking at the...

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02:17:35.920 --> 02:17:53.960

Noah Andres Baez: other amounts that she sent me? Just in a period of con, right? Yeah, there's no... there's no... there's no amendment right now.

Oh, okay. I'm saying I... I agree to strike... to, like, reject the bill. Because I'm looking at all the accounts, or amounts that she's sending, and...

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02:17:54.020 --> 02:18:00.090

Noah Andres Baez: they spent the money. Someone spent the money. I can see it, I mean, there are large chunks

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02:18:00.850 --> 02:18:03.140

Noah Andres Baez: on here. So... Gotcha.

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02:18:03.620 --> 02:18:09.910

Noah Andres Baez: She did, she did give me the number for the previous person.

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02:18:10.510 --> 02:18:15.959

Noah Andres Baez: But I... that's... I also agreed to reject it. Alright, thank you. Any more cons?

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02:18:16.299 --> 02:18:20.140

Noah Andres Baez: Seeing none, we'll go into another round of pro. Is there a motion?

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02:18:20.690 --> 02:18:29.540

Noah Andres Baez: Motion to call to question. Motion to call to question. Is there a second? Deshaun seconds. Are there objectives to bring this unamended bill to...

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02:18:30.000 --> 02:18:30.830

Noah Andres Baez: Not to question.

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02:18:32.150 --> 02:18:36.460

Noah Andres Baez: No objections, seeing none, it's time to vote on this bill unamended.

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02:18:36.990 --> 02:18:39.620

Noah Andres Baez: All those voting yes, please raise your hand now.

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02:18:42.330 --> 02:18:44.820

Noah Andres Baez: All those voting, no, please raise your hand now.

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02:18:55.910 --> 02:18:58.859

Noah Andres Baez: All those abstaining, please raise your hand. Two.

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02:19:02.400 --> 02:19:04.230

Noah Andres Baez: First bill, not passed.

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02:19:07.730 --> 02:19:08.570

Noah Andres Baez: Yeah.

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02:19:08.870 --> 02:19:27.279

Noah Andres Baez: Oh, yeah, that is crazy. I will be reaching out to this organization first thing tomorrow morning to supply them all the guidance they need to hopefully find any funds they have remaining in their bank account and figure out this issue so that this event can still happen. It is very important to me that this event still happens, and we will do everything we can without breaking ethical code.

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02:19:27.549 --> 02:19:34.000

Noah Andres Baez: But I think we made the right decision. Good job, everyone, and great questions. Thank you for sticking through it. I know it's a late night.

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02:19:34.660 --> 02:19:53.069

Noah Andres Baez: Bill number 16 is on our agenda. We are striking it down that the... for y'all's reference, the University Gospel Choir bill proposal, their executive board is undergraduates. So we can't... even though it's a lot of graduate students, we cannot fund an executive board that is undergraduates. So that's the reason for that bill being struck down tonight.

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02:19:53.710 --> 02:19:54.590

Noah Andres Baez: Alright.

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02:19:56.200 --> 02:19:58.310

Noah Andres Baez: Motion to cancel Roundtable.

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02:19:58.790 --> 02:19:59.680

Noah Andres Baez: Mr. Dunwick?

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02:20:00.440 --> 02:20:02.690

Noah Andres Baez: It's been seconded by everyone.

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02:20:03.240 --> 02:20:13.689

Noah Andres Baez: Are there any objections to Waving Roundtable? Wait, wait, are there any objections to Waving Roundtable? Seeing none, thank you. Are there any closing announcements for tonight?

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02:20:13.870 --> 02:20:26.849

Noah Andres Baez: Quick. Yeah, real quick, I just wanna, I just wanna say, because I wasn't here for committee announcements, that, that Internal Affairs, is meeting next week at 5.10 p.m.

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02:20:26.850 --> 02:20:40.619

Noah Andres Baez: This, again, as we all know, this is the last set of committee meetings before graduation. Because of that, and because of that, I will step down as chair at the end of the IA meeting, so that there is time for chair elections.

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02:20:40.620 --> 02:20:43.090

Noah Andres Baez: So if you are on internal affairs.

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02:20:43.090 --> 02:20:57.460

Noah Andres Baez: please consider, running for chair. We need a chair for IA, and yeah, thank you, and I'll have much more to say next, or our last meeting. I know, crazy, we're about to graduate. Thank you, Jack. Closing announcements, anyone else?

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02:20:57.460 --> 02:21:14.469

Noah Andres Baez: Oh, I do, just one last one. Quick. Okay, I'm gonna make... y'all, I'm gonna make this very quick. So, essentially, I work as a graduate assistant for Student Conduct. We are looking for new board members, so if you work with any undergraduate students, or you yourself want to be here for, hearing student conduct cases.

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Noah Andres Baez: please reach out to me, and I will submit... I will give you all forms that you would need, to apply. But if you know any undergraduates who are maybe wanting to go to law school, or maybe wanting to go up into the governance field, who might be interested, please

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02:21:29.260 --> 02:21:35.199

Noah Andres Baez: like, reach out, let me know, so I can reach out to them. We're trying to get as many people as we can to apply. Thank you.

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02:21:36.410 --> 02:21:37.470

Noah Andres Baez: Announcements?

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02:21:37.720 --> 02:21:44.239

Noah Andres Baez: Thank you guys, great evening. We are adjourned at 8.59, not even 9 o'clock!

COGS Financial Report, Fiscal Year 2025-2026 as of April 20th, 2026

ACCOUNT	ALLOCATION AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION	AVAILABLE
Reserves	\$100,024	For RSO funding requests at COGS meetings	\$29,366
PRESENTATION GRANTS (Jul-Oct)	\$110,000	Presentation Grant balance for the July-October funding period	\$4,831
PRESENTATION GRANTS (Nov-Feb)	\$110,000	Presentation Grant balance for the November-February funding period	\$9,701
PRESENTATION GRANTS (Mar-Jun)	\$110,000	Presentation Grant balance for the March-June funding period	\$2,765
ATTENDANCE GRANTS (Jul-Oct)	\$20,000	Attendance Grant balance for the July-October funding period	\$8,738
ATTENDANCE GRANTS (Nov-Feb)	\$20,000	Attendance Grant balance for the November-February funding period	\$11,906
ATTENDANCE GRANTS (Mar-Jun)	\$20,000	Attendance Grant Balance for the March-June funding period	\$10,100



34th Congress of Graduate Students Legislation Cover Sheet

COGS Bill #: 15

Sponsor(s): Speaker Mederev

Short Title: Funding support for the 2026 Chemical and Biomedical Engineering Graduate Student Association (CBEGSA) Summer Picnic

Summary of Legislation: This legislation authorizes funding support for the 2026 CBEGSA summer picnic event at Florida State University. The funds requested will help cover shirts and food for attendees.

Background Information: The summer picnic event is an annual, graduate-student-led celebration hosted by CBEGSA at Florida State University. The event brings together undergraduate students and graduate students to celebrate the new summer semester and engage in festivities. CBEGSA's picnic event has been successfully held in recent years with support from the Congress of Graduate Students (COGS). Funding from COGS is being requested to support the 2026 event, scheduled for May 9th from 11:30am – 4:00pm at the FSU Frontlake Park and Retreat.

Effect of Proposed Legislation: If enacted, this legislation will allocate COGS funding to support the 2026 CBEGSA summer picnic at Florida State University

Attachment(s):

- Attachment #1: Proposed Bill
- Attachment #2: Quotes

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34th Congress of Graduate Students

Bill #: 15

Sponsored by: Speaker Medarev

Date: April 20, 2026

Amount: \$899.00

From (account name): COGS Unallocated

To (account name): Chemical and Biomedical Engineering Graduate Student Association

Title: 2026 CBEGSA Summer Picnic

Itemized Expenditures:

Quantity	Description	Unit Price
1	Full Press Shirts	\$527.00
1	Food	\$372.00

Total: \$899.00

By: _____
Steven Medarev
Speaker, 34th COGS

By: _____
Joseph Serrone
Deputy Speaker for Finance

Date: _____

Date: _____

By: _____
Dr. Amy Hecht
Vice President for Student Affairs

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		Fax
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Allocation, Revision, or Transfer

34th Congress of Graduate Students

Bill #: 16

Sponsored by: Deputy Speaker Serrone

Date: April 20, 2026

Amount: \$10,000.00

From (account name): COGS Unallocated

To (account name): March-June Presentation Grants

Title: Presentation grants have run low on funds. This is to take advantage of our remaining reserves to make sure I can approve as many grants as possible.

Itemized Expenditures:

Quantity	Description	Unit Price
1	Transfer from COGS Reserves to March-June Presentation Grants	\$10,000.00

Total: \$10,000.00

By: _____
Steven Medarev
Speaker, 34th COGS

By: _____
Joseph Serrone
Deputy Speaker for Finance

Date: _____

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By: _____
Dr. Amy Hecht
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FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS



34th Congress of Graduate Students Legislation Cover Sheet

COGS Bill #: 17

Sponsor(s): Deputy Speaker Stokes

Short Title: University Gospel Choir at FSU tour

Summary of Legislation: This bill would fund the hotels in Stafford, VA. We will be fundraising ourselves for the cost of the hotels in Philadelphia, PA, the vans, gas for the vans, food, and the final hotel stay as we journey back to Tallahassee, FL.

Background Information: The Florida State University Gospel Choir (FSU Gospel Choir) is a vibrant student ensemble within the Florida State University College of Music at Florida State University. The choir celebrates the sound of Black sacred music. Under the direction of maestro Jeremy Moore, the ensemble performs a wide spectrum of gospel music—from traditional spirituals and hymns to contemporary gospel and inspirational works. Beyond performance, the FSU Gospel Choir serves as a cultural and educational space, bringing together students from diverse backgrounds who share a passion for gospel music. The ensemble regularly performs at campus events, community programs, and most recently traveled to Oregon, where we had an incredible performance in “A Gospel Christmas At the Angus Bowmer Theatre” with the Rogue Valley Symphony.

The FSU Gospel Choir Tour is envisioned as a gospel pilgrimage, engaging students in a purposeful journey through historically and culturally significant regions along the East Coast. We will feature music from H. Leslie Adams, The Spirituals Ensemble, Ricky Dillard, and Shirley Caesar. Through performances, workshops, and community engagement, students will explore the legacy and continued evolution of gospel music in America.

We have raised \$1,200 thus far and plan to do another packaged snack sale on May 15th and May 22nd at the college of Music. Also, we have our students reaching out to family, friends, and other in their network to raise money. Each student has a goal of \$300 to raise. We have also reached out to local businesses and churches in the area for sponsorships.

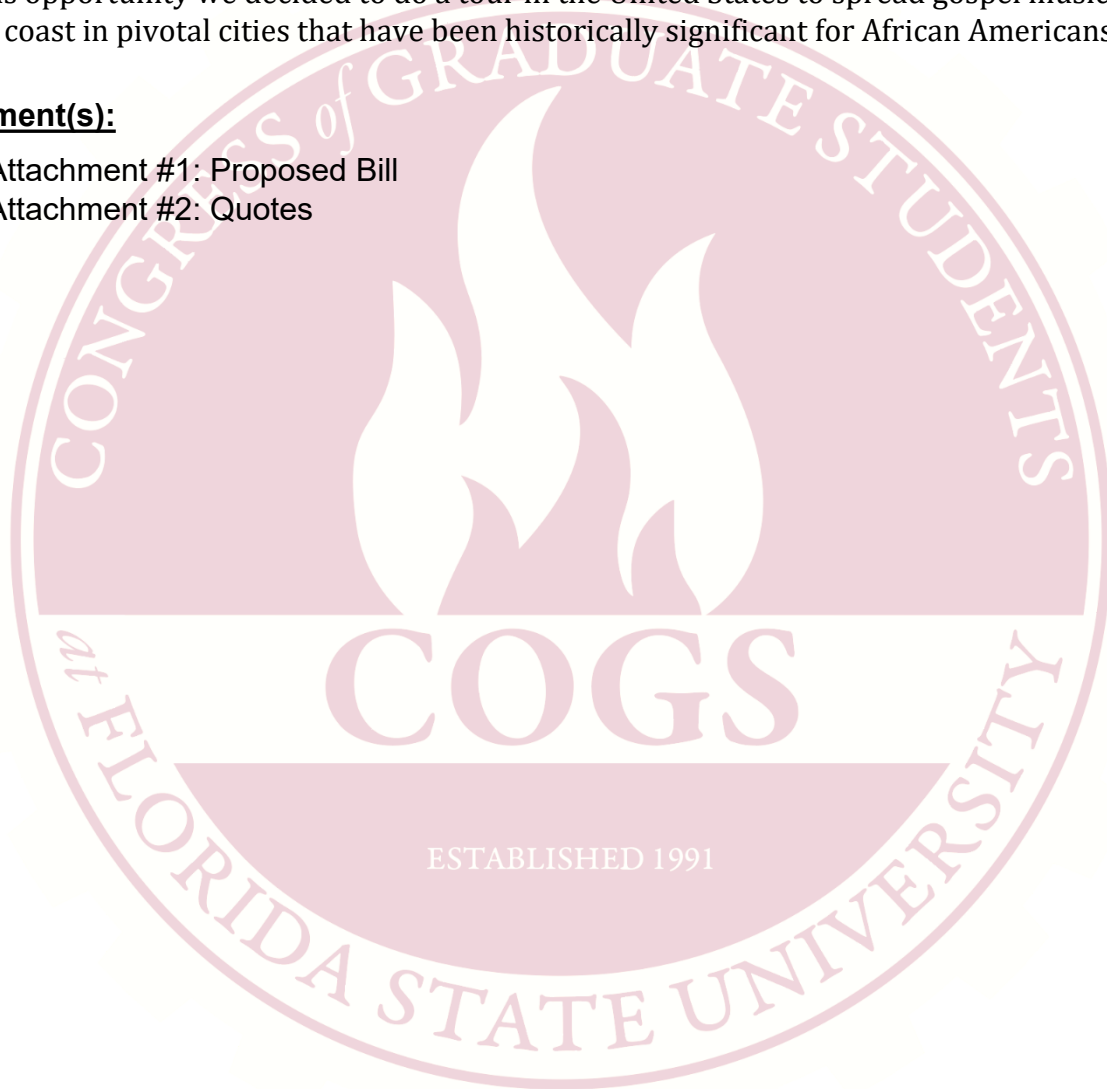
Effect of Proposed Legislation: The proposed funding will support Florida State University Gospel Choir students by providing access to valuable performance, travel, and professional development opportunities beyond the classroom. It also helps reduce financial barriers, ensuring

more equitable participation among students. For the broader FSU student body, the Gospel Choir serves to promote the university through outreach and performances while uplifting culturally significant musical traditions.

This tour will also serve to showcase the talent, drive, and dedication of FSU students. The Gospel Choir went on its first tour last year when we went to Oregon. However, when the College of Music funded tour fell through due to improper planning from the partnering organization in Colombia. After this opportunity we decided to do a tour in the United States to spread gospel music along the east coast in pivotal cities that have been historically significant for African Americans.

Attachment(s):

- Attachment #1: Proposed Bill
- Attachment #2: Quotes





Allocation, Revision, or Transfer

34th Congress of Graduate Students

Bill #: 17

Sponsored by: Deputy Speaker Stokes

Date: April 20, 2026

Amount: \$3,701.00

From (account name): COGS Unallocated

To (account name): FSU Gospel Choir

Title: FSU Gospel Choir Allocation

Itemized Expenditures:

Quantity	Description	Unit Price
5	Hotel cost for Stafford, VA for 3 nights	\$1.00
5	Hotel cost for Philadelphia, PA for 2 nights	\$193.00

Total: \$3,701.00

By: _____
Steven Medarev
Speaker, 34th COGS

By: _____
Joseph Serrano
Deputy Speaker for Finance

Date: _____

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FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS



Allocation, Revision, or Transfer

32nd Congress of Graduate Students

Bill #: Do not fill.

Sponsored by: DaSean Stokes

Date: Monday, April 20, 2026

Amount: \$3,701.30

From (account name): Click or tap here to enter text.

To (account name): Click or tap here to enter text.

Purpose & Description: University Gospel Choir at FSU is requesting help from COGS to fund our hotel costs while we stay in Stafford, VA. We are seeking support from COGS since we were unable to receive funding from our college. We were told no after being told to continue to plan. The FSU Gospel Choir Tour is envisioned as a gospel pilgrimage. This tour provides valuable professional development opportunities by allowing our students to collaborate with high school music students, a veteran’s care center, as well as churches in the D.C. and Philadelphia area. Our students also gain exposure to diverse audiences and communities, which is especially beneficial for those pursuing careers in performance, education, or arts leadership. Additionally, the tour creates networking opportunities with churches, community organizations, and musicians in other cities, helping to build connections that may support future career paths.

Itemized Expenditures:

Quantity	Description	Unit Price
5	Hotel cost for Stafford, VA for 3 nights	\$118.00
5	Hotel cost for Philadelphia, PA for 2 nights	\$193.13

Total: \$3,701.30



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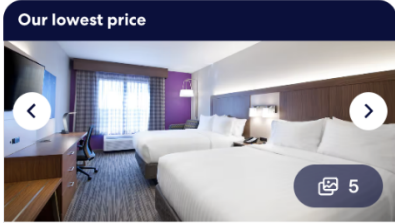


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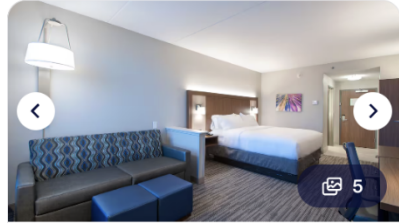
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\$143 nightly
\$2,774 total
 for 5 rooms
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Standard Room, 2 Queen Beds, Accessible (Communication Accessible)

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4 reviews

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- High-speed internet access

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