

Student Activity Fee Committee
Meeting Minutes
464 Student Center West
February 24, 2017

In attendance: Darryl Holloman, Chair and Shamari Southwell, Vice Chair. Voting student members: Gabriela Batista-Vargas, Myles Brown, Joy Nwoke, Anthony Nguyen, Lindsey Smith and Tejal Vashi. Non-student voting members: Ronald Mazique and Gail Sutton. Alternate voting student member: Blessings Akomas and Sara Moreno. Ex officio: Latisha Barnes, Beth Jones, Chip Hill and Shantavia Reid-Stroud.

Not in attendance: Voting student members: Brian Nguyen. Non-student voting members: Melissa Buchheit. Alternate voting student members: Corey Gray, Usra Mohamed and Zenaida Torres.

The Student Activity Fee Committee met on February 24, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. in 464 Student Center West and took the following actions:

I. Approval of Minutes

Anthony Nguyen moved to approve the minutes. This motion was seconded by Myles Brown. With no objections the minutes were approved.

II. FY 2018 University-Wide Fee Council Allocations – Deliberations & Final Vote

Gabriela Batista-Vargas moved decrease Global Peace Youth Corps average allocation by \$1,090 to \$4,500. This motion was seconded by Lindsey Smith and approved by the following roll call vote:

Gabriela Batista-Vargas – Yes
Myles Brown – Abstain
Anthony Nguyen – Yes
Ronald Mazique – Yes
Sara Moreno – Yes
Joy Nwoke – No
Lindsey Smith – Yes
Gail Sutton – Yes
Tejal Vashi – Yes

Gail Sutton moved to decrease the average allocation for Golden Heart Foundation by \$55 to \$500 and decrease National Society of Collegiate Scholars average allocation by \$47 to \$986. The committee agreed that “no group would receive an excess of their requested FY18 amount.” This motion was seconded by Gabriela Batista-Vargas and approved by the following roll call vote:

Gabriela Batista-Vargas – Yes
Myles Brown – Yes
Anthony Nguyen – Yes
Ronald Mazique – Yes
Sara Moreno – Yes
Joy Nwoke – No
Lindsey Smith – Yes
Gail Sutton – Yes
Tejal Vashi – Yes

Joy Nwoke moved to decrease the average allocation of Harnessing Young People Early (HYPE) by \$37 to \$700 and increase Her Campus by \$8 to \$600. This motion was seconded by Anthony Nguyen and approved by the following roll call vote:

Blessings Akomas – Yes
Gabriela Batista-Vargas – Yes
Anthony Nguyen – Yes
Ronald Mazique – Yes
Joy Nwoke – Yes
Lindsey Smith – Yes
Gail Sutton – Yes

Anthony Nguyen moved to decrease Infinite Appeal average allocation by \$123 to \$1,100. This motion was seconded by Joy Nwoke and approved by the following roll call vote:

Blessings Akomas – Yes
Gabriela Batista-Vargas – Yes
Anthony Nguyen – Yes
Ronald Mazique – Yes
Joy Nwoke – Yes
Lindsey Smith – Yes
Gail Sutton – Yes

Anthony Nguyen moved to decrease Lambda Theta Phi average allocation by \$428 to \$1,500. This motion was seconded by Lindsey Smith and approved by the following roll call vote:

Blessings Akomas – Abstain
Gabriela Batista-Vargas – Yes
Anthony Nguyen – Yes
Ronald Mazique – Yes
Joy Nwoke – Yes
Lindsey Smith – Yes
Gail Sutton – Yes

Anthony Nguyen moved to decrease Lambda Upsilon Lambda average allocation by \$586 to \$3,900 and increase the average allocation for Pads for Princesses by \$9 to \$1,000. This motion was seconded by Lindsey Smith and approved by the following roll call vote:

Blessings Akomas – Yes
Gabriela Batista-Vargas – Yes
Anthony Nguyen – Yes
Ronald Mazique – Yes
Joy Nwoke – Yes
Lindsey Smith – Yes
Gail Sutton – Yes

Lindsey Smith moved to increase/decrease the following average allocations and approve the FY18 University-Wide Fee Council budget as amended. This motion was seconded by Gabriela Batista-Vargas and approved by the following roll call vote (Attachment 1):

- Increase Student Veterans Association by \$1,736 to \$17,900
- Increase Rialto Student Ambassadors by \$195 to \$5,000
- Increase Panthers Allure by \$280 to \$2,500
- Increase United Voices of Zion by \$100 to \$801
- Increase Hands on Atlanta by \$100 to \$1,780
- Increase Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority by \$67 to \$1,233
- Increase St. Jude Up ‘til Dawn by \$100 to \$1,642
- Increase Global Peace Youth Corps by \$128 to \$4,628
- Decrease Sisters Helping Each Other (SHE) by \$267 to \$1,267

Blessings Akomas – Yes
Gabriela Batista-Vargas – Yes
Anthony Nguyen – Yes
Ronald Mazique – Yes
Joy Nwoke – Yes
Lindsey Smith – Yes
Gail Sutton – Yes

The meeting adjourned at 3:47 p.m.

February 21, 2017

Student Activity Fee Committee
Division of Student Affairs
Georgia State University
Student Center East – Suite 303
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Ms. Barnes, Ms. Reid Stroud, and the Student Activity Fee Committee:

On behalf of the Student Bar Association (SBA) and the 29 College of Law student organizations that rely on funding through the SBA, the SBA is appealing the College of Law student fee allocation of \$63,369 for the 2017-2018 fiscal year.

The Georgia State College of Law is a thriving community of 670 diverse students representing a multitude of different states and countries. Each semester, College of Law student organizations facilitate countless lunch and dinner presentations on a wide variety of topics related to the law and human interest. These presentations enrich the entire student body, faculty, and staff of the College of Law, as they are open to the entire community. Additionally, they foster diversity and promote learning about different cultures, political parties, religions, and other areas of interest, all while serving to benefit the entire College of Law as a whole. Most of these organizations's sole source of funding is through the student fee allotment.

The SBA is tasked with organizing school-wide events and allocating the remaining funds between 29 College of Law student organizations, including Black Law Students Association, Environmental Law Society, Muslim Law Student Association, OUTlaw (LGBT Law Students Association), and Public Interest Law Association. The recent reductions and current allocation of \$63,369 significantly hinder the ability of these organizations to provide meaningful and consistent programming due to the inherent cost of such events. Due to the College of Law's unique and valuable part-time program, event costs often double, as student organizations make an effort to put each event on at lunch and at dinner so as to benefit both the full-time and part-time students. Additionally, the College of Law's Law Week dedicates an entire week to promoting public service, community involvement, and encompasses a school-wide community service project. All Georgia State students, faculty, alumni, the Atlanta legal community, and stakeholders are involved and benefit from this large-scale endeavor. The SBA this year instituted austerity measures in order to provide all student organizations an additional \$150 for the Spring Semester. This allotment is specifically designed to aid organizations to provide quality presentations for this year's Law Week.

University-Wide Fee Council Allocations for Fiscal Year 2018

Approved by the SAF-C
February 24, 2017

| Page Number | Account Name | FY2017 Final Allocation | FY2018 Original Request | FY 2018 Final Allocation |
|-------------|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 | Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority | \$ 1,090 | \$ 1,465 | \$1,233 |
| 6 | Big Brothers, Big Sisters | \$ 750 | \$ 2,000 | \$1,110 |
| 11 | Comic Book Club | \$ 1,600 | \$ 10,100 | \$2,280 |
| 16 | Global Peace Youth Corps | \$ 3,400 | \$ 13,500 | \$4,628 |
| 21 | Golden Heart Foundation | \$ - | \$ 500 | \$500 |
| 26 | Habitat for Humanity | \$ 1,000 | \$ 2,500 | \$1,792 |
| 31 | Hands On Atlanta | \$ 1,400 | \$ 2,100 | \$1,780 |
| 36 | Harnessing Young People Early (HYPE) | \$ - | \$ 1,000 | \$700 |
| 41 | Her Campus GSU | \$ - | \$ 600 | \$600 |
| 46 | Infinite Appeal | \$ - | \$ 10,000 | \$1,100 |
| 51 | Lambda Theta Alpha Latin Sorority | \$ 5,700 | \$ 13,800 | \$5,830 |
| 56 | Lambda Theta Phi Latin Fraternity | \$ 1,090 | \$ 5,000 | \$1,500 |
| 61 | Lambda Upsilon Lambda Fraternity | \$ 3,250 | \$ 10,000 | \$3,900 |
| 66 | National Society of Collegiate Scholars, The | \$ 1,500 | \$ 986 | \$986 |
| 71 | Pads for Princesses | \$ 1,090 | \$ 1,000 | \$1,000 |
| 76 | Panther Breakaway | \$ 10,500 | \$ 14,600 | \$11,310 |
| 81 | Panthers Allure | \$ 2,400 | \$ 2,900 | \$2,500 |
| 86 | Peerless Perexion | \$ 1,570 | \$ 2,563 | \$1,691 |
| 91 | Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity | \$ 3,900 | \$ 6,900 | \$3,955 |
| 96 | Red Cross Club | \$ 2,270 | \$ 4,350 | \$2,628 |
| 101 | Riatio Student Ambassadors | \$ 4,975 | \$ 8,800 | \$5,000 |
| 106 | St. Jude Up 'Til Dawn | \$ 1,090 | \$ 4,500 | \$1,642 |
| 111 | Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority | \$ 1,090 | \$ 4,110 | \$1,196 |
| 117 | Sigma Lambda Upsilon Sorority, Inc. | \$ 1,580 | \$ 8,150 | \$2,052 |
| 122 | Sisters Helping Each Other (SHE) | \$ - | \$ 7,827 | \$1,200 |
| 127 | Sneaker Community | \$ 1,090 | \$ 5,000 | \$1,423 |
| 132 | Student Veterans Association | \$ 17,900 | \$ 19,000 | \$17,900 |
| 137 | Theta Nu Xi Multicultural Sorority | \$ 1,090 | \$ 4,700 | \$1,340 |
| 142 | United Voices of Zion | \$ - | \$ 1,150 | \$801 |
| 147 | World Youth Alliance | \$ 1,390 | \$ 4,797 | \$2,023 |
| 152 | Young Democrats | \$ 1,090 | \$ 1,825 | \$1,317 |
| | TOTALS | \$ 73,805 | \$ 175,723 | \$86,912 |
| | University-Wide FY 2018 Allocation | | \$86,912 | \$86,912 |
| | (Over)/Under Budget | | (\$88,811) | (\$0) |