

**Student Activity Fee Committee
Special Meeting Minutes
315 Dahlberg Hall
October 14, 2011**

In attendance: Rebecca Stout, Chair and James Dutton, Vice Chair. Voting student members: Greg Hodgkin, Zain Malik, Hanish Patel, and Ben Williams. Non-student voting members: Joann Bacon, Eric Blacknall and Matthew Robison. Ex officio: Beth Jones, Edgar Torbert, Jeff Walker and Shantavia Reid.

Not in attendance: Voting student members: Star Arvizo. Alternate voting student member: Elise Laplante and Chris Brown.

The Student Activity Fee Committee met on October 14, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. in 315 Dahlberg Hall and took the following actions:

I. Approval of Minutes

Greg Hodgkin moved to approve the minutes. This was seconded by Zain Malik and approved with no objection.

II. FY 2012 Diversity Fee Council Allocation

Lanette Brown, the chair of the Diversity Fee Council presented the council's FY 2012 Allocation Process to the committee (see attachment 1).

James Dutton moved to approve the Diversity Fee Council's FY 2012 Allocation Process. This motion was seconded by Eric Blacknall and approved by the following roll call vote.

Joann Bacon – Yes
Eric Blacknall – Yes
Greg Hodgkin – Yes
Zain Malik – Yes
Hanish Patel – Yes
Matthew Robison – Yes
Ben Williams - Abstain

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

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II. FY 2012 Diversity Fee Council Allocation (Attachment 1)

TO: Dr. Rebecca Stout, AVP/Dean of Students
FROM: Lanette Brown
Chair, Diversity Fee Council
DATE: October 14, 2011
SUBJECT: Diversity Fee Council

OVERVIEW

The Diversity Fee Council met on September 16, 2011, held a Q&A Session on September 30, 2011 and determined funding recommendations at its October 7, 2011 meeting.

SEPTEMBER 16TH MEETING

The meeting commenced with introductions by the attendees and a review of the agenda. There was a detailed overview of the following documents:

1. Student Activity Fee Guidelines,
2. Student Activity Fee Overview, and
3. Diversity Fee Guidelines.

Particular emphasis was placed on reviewing the criteria for evaluating the proposals.

DIVERSITY TRAINING

The Diversity Training provided attendees with:

1. Specific data on the diversity of Georgia State University's student body,
2. A review of Georgia State University's Non-Discrimination Statement,
3. Clarification of the differences between dialogue, discussion and debate, and
4. A discussion on social identity groups and terminology related social identity groups.

REVIEW OF THE QUESTIONING PROCESS

Most importantly, through role-playing the questioning process, attendees extrapolated how to integrate the principles from the diversity training into the questioning process for the Q&A Session.

SEPTEMBER 30, 2011 Q&A SESSION

The Council members reviewed the twenty-two (22) proposals prior to the September 30, 2011 Question and Answer (Q&A) sessions. Seventeen (17) organizations registered through the Office of the Dean of Students for a five-minute session with the Council. During the Q&A sessions, Council members asked the organization's representative(s) questions in reference to their proposal. Fifteen (15) organizations attended the September 30, 2011 Q&A sessions. Given that September 30, 2011 was Rosh Hashanah, special arrangements were made to have Hillel make a presentation at the October 7, 2011 meeting. One organization that registered for a presentation failed to attend. Organizations that did not appear before the Council's Q&A Session were not penalized.

OCTOBER 7, 2011 MEETING TO DETERMINE FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

After Hillel made their presentation, each voting member submitted funding recommendations. The proposed allocations were based upon rating the following criteria:

- Past performance and budget management of the various organizations.
- Programs or services with broad appeal to various constituents.
- Programs and services that serve the greatest number of students.
- Programs and services that cross organizations and encourage co-sponsorship and shared responsibilities.
- Programs and services that support the development of community on campus and maximizes Georgia State University's rich legacy of cultural diversity.
- Programs and services that complement the academic mission of the institution.

A spreadsheet listing the average allocations and the specific allocation for each voting member (Table 1) was distributed to each member; the average allocations became the starting point of the discussions. The members reviewed the allocations in which there were little variance in each voting member's allocation and decided not to make any changes. Discussions occurred in areas where the variance of recommended funding allocations was the greatest. The funding of only two organizations was changed (Softer Touch's funding was increased from \$1680 to \$2,000 and the Council of Interfaith Concerns was decreased from \$4502 to \$4182).

In addition, the Diversity Fee Council recommended that the Student Activity Fee Committee increase the future funding of the Diversity Fee Council. This recommendation was based upon the number of submitted proposals to celebrate the diversity at Georgia State University in relationship to the allocated dollars.

ATTENDANCE

Members of the Diversity Fee Council

Name	Major/Department	Voting Status	Dates of Attendance
Lanette Brown, chair	Dean of Students Office	Non-voting member	Sept 16, Sept 30 and October 7
Amanda Antara	New Student Orientation	Voting member	Sept 16, Sept 30 and October 7
Kara Gordon	Law	Voting member	Sept 16
Salman Masood	Computer Science	Voting member	
Tiffany Patrick	Law	Voting member	Sept 16, Sept 30 and October 7
Elizabeth Shortridge	Law	Voting member	Sept 16, Sept 30 and October 7
Sofia Siraj	Political Science	Voting member	
Benjamin Williams	Sociology	Voting member	Sept 16, Sept 30 and October 7
Elisa Wong	Law	Voting member	Sept 16, Sept 30 and October 7
Miquel Colmenares	Political Science	Alternate Student member	
John Crochet	Law	Alternate Student member	
Yasmina Pierre	Political Science	Alternate Student member	

FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Table 1

Diversity Fee Council Allocations for Fiscal Year 2012 October 7, 2011										
Packet Page Number	Account Name	FY2011 Allocation	FY2012 Original Request	FY 2012 Final Allocation	Average Vote	Member 1	Member 2	Member 3	Member 4	Member 5
1	Alliance for Sexual and Gender Diversity	\$6,506	\$11,000		\$5,887	\$3,930	\$6,500	\$6,506	\$6,500	\$6,050
9	Black Grad Student Assc (formally Minority Graduate Student Alliance)	\$1,483	\$5,875		\$1,420	\$1,800	\$1,500	\$1,200	\$1,500	\$1,100
15	Black Out	\$1,375	\$1,750		\$1,440	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,375	\$1,400	\$1,625
19	Black Student Alliance	\$6,538	\$8,650		\$6,110	\$5,150	\$6,500	\$7,650	\$6,500	\$4,750
25	Campus Crusade for Christ		\$2,670		\$1,431	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,170	\$2,600	\$1,385
29	Campus Ministry International		\$1,000		\$654	\$470	\$600	\$600	\$600	\$500
33	Catholic Student Association	\$2,792	\$9,400		\$2,583	\$3,000	\$2,800	\$2,792	\$2,800	\$1,525
39	Chabad @ GSU		\$12,550		\$1,950	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$576	\$1,875	\$2,300
45	Conscious Collective	\$4,017	\$8,100		\$3,007	\$4,017	\$3,000	\$4,017	\$2,000	\$2,000
51	Council of Interfaith Concerns	\$4,652	\$7,450		\$4,502	\$5,000	\$4,700	\$6,250	\$5,000	\$1,562
57	Hillel @ GSU		\$10,825		\$2,748	\$2,770	\$3,000	\$1,000	\$1,875	\$5,100
65	InterVarsity Christian Fellowship (formally Greek InterVarsity)	\$1,588	\$8,000		\$2,402	\$2,770	\$2,500	\$1,588	\$2,000	\$3,150
71	Latino Leadership Council	\$853	\$5,800		\$1,179	\$1,667	\$1,000	\$576	\$1,000	\$1,650
77	Muslim Students Association	\$2,194	\$7,543		\$3,563	\$2,643	\$2,200	\$5,323	\$3,100	\$4,550
83	NAACP	\$3,654	\$10,425		\$2,904	\$4,368	\$3,650	\$2,000	\$2,500	\$2,000
89	Nat'l Black Law Students Association (formally Future Black Law)	\$875	\$1,480		\$636	\$504	\$700	\$675	\$600	\$701
95	Office of International Affairs, Study Abroad Programs	\$5,981	\$6,500		\$4,902	\$5,961	\$6,000	\$3,300	\$6,000	\$3,250
101	Project Nur		\$710		\$651	\$650	\$600	\$710	\$600	\$695
105	Salsa Club @ GSU		\$5,574		\$2,020	\$2,000	\$1,500	\$950	\$2,200	\$3,450
108	Softer Touch		\$2,750		\$1,880	\$950	\$1,500	\$2,500	\$1,300	\$2,150
115	Tighter Grip	\$2,566	\$8,080		\$3,650	\$2,900	\$2,600	\$4,342	\$3,500	\$4,907
121	Vineyard of Praise Gospel Choir	\$2,067	\$3,150		\$2,220	\$2,100	\$1,600	\$2,150	\$2,100	\$3,150
	TOTALS		\$139,282	\$0	\$57,550	\$57,550	\$57,550	\$57,550	\$57,550	\$57,550
	Diversity FY 2012 Allocation		\$57,550	\$57,550	\$57,550	\$57,550	\$57,550	\$57,550	\$57,550	\$57,550
	(Over)/Under Budget		(\$81,732)	\$57,550	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Table 2

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57	Hillel @ GSU	\$10,825	\$2,749
65	InterVarsity Christian Fellowship (formally Greek InterVarsity)	\$8,000	\$2,402
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