

Finance & Budget Committee

2022-2023 Meeting Minutes

Friday, February, 10th 2023, 11:30am

HUB 314: GPSS Board Table, Zoom

PRESENT:

Van Mai – Vice President of the Finance; Committee Chair

Sean Lin- Budget Specialist,

Peter Correa - GPSS Senator

Maleen Kidiwela - GPSS Senator

Meshell Sturgis - GPSS Senator

NOT PRESENT:

Vice President of Finance called the Meeting to order at 11:32am.

OVERVIEW

Vice President of Finance gave each member the agenda. Quorum was not reached, so agenda item 2 was not voted on.

1. Call to Order - Approval of Agenda
2. Review for Special Allocation: Matsuri 2023 by Japanese Student Association (JSA)
3. Review for Special Allocation: Winter Swing Dance by Swing Kids

Persian: Persian representatives introduce how their budget is gonna be used.

Q&A Session:

Peter: Where will the event be held? How many years has this event been running?

Persian: The event will be held in UW Tower main floor and the event has been running for 12 years

Peter: What does the event look like? How many participants are expected?

Persian: The event usually ends up selling 300 tickets, and the tickets are usually sold through Venmo and social media. The club also keeps a sheet to check participant's names so that those without tickets won't be able to join the venue. No tickets are sold at the door.

Peter: Why do you choose UW Tower over other venues?

Persian: It's kind of like a tradition that is passed down from the other leadership. However, looking for another venue is definitely another option in the future. Additionally, UW Tower is accessible and convenient for every participant.

Meshell: What is the graduate student attendance? How does this event support graduate students?

Persian: The majority of our members who show up recently have been graduate students. The club currently does not have a formal graduate student chapter, but the club is open to graduate students. Based on historic records, Persian Circle has at least 50% participation are graduate students.

Meshell: How much are the tickets?

Persian: Early bird special with \$3 off which is \$22 for both undergraduate and graduate students. If non-student or someone older is \$27, \$10 for kids between the ages of 6-10 and free for under 6.

Meshell: Who are you using for security?

Persian: The UW Tower requires the club to pay per hour.

Van: Do you have any profit from this event?

Persian: It depends on the cost for each year, but for most of the time the club did not really earn that much profit and the majority of the ticket sale will be put towards food.

Van: What is the portion of non-Iranian in the Persian Circle?

Persian: It ranges, but for the last event there's around 30 attendees that were non-Iranian.

Vice President of Finance thanked each member again for joining the Committee and attending the meeting.

Vice President of Finance moved to adjourn the meeting. The committee seconded.

The Meeting was adjourned at 12:15pm.