

# Finance & Budget Committee

## 2022-2023 Meeting Minutes

Friday, March, 3 rd 2023, 11:32am  
HUB 314: GPSS Board Table, Zoom

### PRESENT:

Van Mai – Vice President of the Finance; Committee Chair  
Sean Lin- Budget Specialist,  
Peter Correa - GPSS Senator  
A.J. Baletico - President of GPSS  
Jon Choi - 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: American Red Cross

**TSA:** ISA representatives introduce how their budget is gonna be used.

Q&A Session:

**Peter:** Does TSA track records for the event?

**TSA:** Tracking records is difficult since attendees come and go at the same time, so basically no.

**Jon:** Does TSA have methods of marketing events to graduate students?

**TSA:** The marketing team releases promotion materials to units such as GPSS to spread the information to graduate students.

**Vice President of Finance:** What do you plan to cover the deficit of the cost?

**TSA:** The club has a lot of fundraising events, and the revenue source varies. TSA conducts several smaller events throughout the quarter, and part of them generate profit to cover the expense for this big event.

**Vice President of Finance:** What is the security plan for this event?

**TSA:** Usually the student advisor took care of the security issue for the events.

**First Nations:** First Nations representatives introduce how their budget is gonna be used.

**Jon:** Where does the name Powwow come from?

**First Nations:** Not sure where the name originates from, but suppose it must have been like a gathering a word for gathering to a specific tribe or cultural area. Therefore, lots of these words were spread around and adopted even upside of the cultural areas.

**Vice President of Finance:** Why did the club decide to make the event from previously one week to two days?

**First Nations:** Powwow is typically on Saturday and Sunday and its tradition is to make it one day, however the club decided to conduct it within two days because the club is running into some budget shortfalls.

**Peter:** Do you expect a lower attendance in general from previous years just because it's now a single day event

**First Nations:** It probably would reduce some attendance because if people are coming for a whole weekend, they might stay the night. But for a one day event, it's probably gonna be a day trip which would deter people who are inclined to come.

**Department of Chemistry:** Department of Chemistry representatives introduce usage of departmental allocation.

**President of GPSS:** How many students responded to the survey and by what channel was it delivered?

**Department of Chemistry:** There's 38 student responses within a week, and the survey was delivered via Slack to all PhD chemistry students.

**Vice President of Finance:** Within the past year, how many community morning events does the department have?

**Department of Chemistry:** Throughout the year, the club had three outings including pumpkin patch, ice skating, and bar call. All of these have been funded exclusively by the students.

**President of GPSS:** Do the organization plan to outreach to the mariners to be on the jumbotron?

**Department of Chemistry:** The quote the club received was through the event coordinator, who is in charge of getting tickets for anyone in the College of Arts and Sciences, therefore that also involves the jumbotron.

**Vice President of Finance:** In case GPSS cannot fully fund, what are the alternatives?

**Department of Chemistry:** If the club is able to have the RSO cover the bowling, then the club will be able to get 34 fully-covered baseball tickets or 45 tickets where students only have to pay \$5. According to the survey result, 98% of students said that they would attend if they only

had to pay \$5. The club could also do a mix of completely covered and partially covered tickets.

**Vice President of Finance:** What are the criteria you would use to allocate the fully funded ticket?

**Department of Chemistry:** Basically first-come-first-served basis. After the limited amount of fully funded tickets, people would have to pay \$5.

**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 12:03pm.*