Finance & Budget Committee
2022-2023 Meeting Minutes

Friday, April 7th, 2023, 11:32 am
HUB 314: GPSS Board Table, Zoom

Present:
Van Mai – Vice President of the Finance; Committee Chair
Maleen - GPSS Senator
Jon Choi - GPSS Senator
Raj - GPSS Senator

Not Present:

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

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

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

Q&A Session:
Vice President of Finance: Could you elaborate on the graduate student involvement in the WiUX conference?
WiUX: All students including graduate students are welcome to attend, and people will receive newsletters and information from WiUX if they are in the email list. WiUX is creating more volunteer opportunities so that they can be involved in the community

Raj: WiUX is trying to market and advertise to graduate students, have WiUX done that before? What is the media and how is WiUX trying to target?
WiUX: Reaching out to advisor to connect with graduate students and arrange more meetings for this topic

Raj: Have WiUX consider collaborating with organizations such as GPSS Circle etc.
WiUX: Not in the past, but WiUX is open to having more collaborations with these organizations that focus on graduate students.

Maleen: Is this the first time WiUX applying for GPSS?
WiUX: This is probably the first time, since the organization did not keep records for the past.

Jon: Is WiUX marketing the event specifically for women? Or do WiUX plan to include men as allies as well?

WiUX: Though the event is entitled Women, the event is marketed for everybody regardless of how you identify as long as the participants had interest and wanted to experience the conference in an accessible format.

Vice President of Finance: The previous team from WiUX didn’t apply for GPSS funding, what kind of sources did they rely on to raise funds to organize the event?

WiUX: Not much record for previous years, but as for last year there are additional sponsors from teams networking connections with industry professionals through mentorship programs.

Vice President of Finance: The estimation of participants is around 30 graduate students, is that based on your historical record?

WiUX: It’s not entirely based on the historical record but more of an estimation from the organization since the participants consisted of faculties, undergraduate students and graduate students.


Jon: GMJ has other funding that’s still pending, what is the likelihood that you will receive that funding? If not received the funding, how would you go about planning and hosting the event?

Grey Matters Journal: The likelihood of receiving other funding is fairly high. If not granted, GMJ has other funding sources such as personal donations or Mary Gates Leadership Awards.

Maleen: Some equipment like projectors can be rented for free as a student in UW, therefore, do GMJ think equipment rentals budget is essential or necessary?

Grey Matters Journal: It is essential because SCLP doesn’t fund the specific data projector for Kane Hall. Therefore it is essential for the event since it is something that is not included in STF funding.

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 11:54pm.