

STUDENT ORGANIZATION FUNDING AGENCY

Tuesday, January 19th, 2021

Meeting held via Zoom

7:00 PM

Minutes

Members

Rylee Lindemann, Chair
Lilly Ng , Vice Chair*
Andrew Frelich, Advisor
Page Schoer, SOFA Liaison
Christopher Song, SOFA Liason
Kale Stroup, Senate Liason

Visitors

Alexander Dembinski
Bryan Bresina
Alex Tangren

*arrived after call to order

**excused absence

*** unexcused absence

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair R. Lindemann called the Student Organization Funding Agency meeting to order at 7:00 PM on 01/19/2021.

II. MINUTES

K. Stroup moved to approve minutes without objection.

III. REPORTS

A. Advisor

No Report.

B. Senate Liaison

No Report.

C. Treasurer

No Report.

D. Vice Chair

No Report.

E. Chair

Post reports are due 30 days after funding has been used.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. UND Tennis Club (Equipment) –

UND Tennis Club approached SOFA requesting funding for a tennis stringing machine that will allow the team to restring their rackets. The machine will be used in team building activities and is intended to use for future years.

Read by K. Stroup, concurred by P. Schoer

Summation of Equipment	\$1,498.66
Amount Fundable = Total *.75	\$1,124.00

MOTION

K. Stroup moved to allocate \$1,124.00 to UND Tennis Club.

Seconded by C. Song

DISCUSSION

No discussion

VOTE

MOTION CARRIES

B. North Dakota Student Chapter of the American Meteorological Society (Operating) –

NOT PRESENT.

C. Men’s Club Hockey Team (Programming) –

Men’s Club Hockey Team approached SOFA requesting funding for renting an ice rink for games and practices. The request also includes funding for referees required for games. All games are open for students to attend as long as masks are worn.

Read by C. Song concurred by P. Schoer

Summation of A. Advertising Costs	\$0.00
Summation of B. Performers' Expenses	\$0.00
Summation of C. Other Expenses	\$4,270.00
Line item D (if applicable). Food Expenses	\$0.00
Total	\$0.00
Amount Fundable = Total *.75	\$3,202.50

MOTION

C. Song moved to allocate \$3,202.50 to Men's Club Hockey Team.

Seconded by L. Ng

DISCUSSION

No discussion

VOTE**MOTION CARRIES****D. Men's Club Hockey Team (Transportation) –**

Men's Club Hockey Team approached SOFA requesting funding for a series of games that will take place in St. Cloud, MN.

Advisor A. Frelich expressed concerns over SOFA's ability to approve transportation requests based on UND's current policy regarding funding transportation events due to COVID-19.

MOTION

K. Stroup moved to table the request based on transportation restrictions until the following SOFA meeting.

Seconded by L. Ng

DISCUSSION

No discussion

VOTE**MOTION TABLED**

E. Ski and Snowboard Club (Transportation)

Ski and Snowboard Club approached SOFA requesting funding for lift tickets purchased for a club trip in Whitefish, MT.

Discussion was held on whether the request should be classified as an operating request or a transportation request. SOFA Liaisons also discussed whether the request should be funded based on the organization's retroactive funding policy.

Read by P. Schoer, concurred by XXXX

MOTION

P. Schoer moved to table the request until the following SOFA meeting.

Seconded by C. Song

DISCUSSION

No discussion

VOTE

MOTION TABLED

I. Bylaw Update

Chair R. Lindemann shared the proposed bylaw updates with the group and asked for discussion.

C. Song suggested including the Virtual Attendance request under the operating section of the bylaws. He expressed concerns with how the request would work in the future.

R. Lindemann responded that Operating requests would continue to be used in the manner that they currently are and that the Virtual Attendance request would be more for events and activities online.

A. Frelich reminded SOFA that Operations requests have a maximum of \$1,000.00 that can be requested while the Virtual Attendance request has a cap at \$14,000.00

MOTION

P. Schoer moved to approve the bylaw update as presented.

Seconded by K. Stroup

DISCUSSION

No discussion

VOTE

MOTION APPROVED

J. New Liaison Applicant

R. Lindemann introduced the new SOFA Liaison applicant, Alexander Dembinski.

A. Dembinski introduced himself and informed SOFA that he is a double major in Business Management and Information Systems. He also serves as the Vice President for Alpha Tau Omega. He expressed his reason for wanting to join SOFA was to gain experience, build his resume, and that the position was recommended to him by former SOFA Liaison Aaron Kreps.

A. Frelich asked A. Dembinski when he planned on graduating.

A. Dembinski answered that he originally planned to graduate in the spring of 2023, but that he might graduate later depending on his class schedule.

A. Frelich asked whether A Dembinski had any other jobs or commitments, as well as if he would be available on Tuesday nights at 7 pm.

A. Dembinski responded that his only other commitment outside of school was his involvement with his fraternity, but that the meeting schedule would not interfere with SOFA.

A Frelich asked the applicant how many credits he was taking during the current semester.

A. Dembinski answered that he was currently enrolled in 15 credits.

R. Lindemann asked A Dembinski if he was comfortable reaching out to clubs and organizations via email.

A. Dembinski expressed his comfort level with reaching out to others.

R. Lindemann questioned whether the applicant was comfortable with expressing his opinions if he disagreed with other members of SOFA.

A Dembinski answered that he speaks his mind and would have no problem with disagreeing with another individual.

R. Lindemann asked A. Dembinski to further elaborate on why he wanted to join SOFA.

A. Dembinski expressed that he did not know much about SOFA before applying but that A. Kreps had recommended the opportunity.

MOTION

C. Song motioned to approve Alexander Dembinski as a SOFA Liaison.

Seconded by K. Stroup

DISCUSSION

P. Schoer reiterated the need for SOFA Liaisons at this time.

K. Stroup stated that he seemed like a capable applicant.

VOTE

MOTION APPROVED

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

SOFA Chair R. Lindemann reminded Liaisons to continue to look for new SOFA Applicants.

A. Frelich reminded the group of SOFA's retroactive funding policy and why it was in place.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Chair R. Lindemann adjourned the meeting on January 19th, 2021 at 8:02 pm

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

Rylee Lindemann
Chairman

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