



**MINUTES**  
**DASB FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Monday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015**  
**3:30 PM**  
**Student Council Chambers A**

**Call to Order**

3:33

**Roll Call**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Late</u>	<u>Left Early</u>	<u>Excused</u>
Rhea	x				
Quang	x				
Nehal	x				
Melanie	x				
Julia	x				
Thao	x				
Arjun	x				
Naeema	x				
Drew	x				

**Public Announcements**

*Please note: Members of the public are limited to two minutes.*

**Approval of Minutes**

**February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015**

- Naeema moves to approve minutes from February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015
  - Seconded by Thao.

**Business**

- Rhea moves to move business item number 2 to number 1.
  - Seconded by Thao.

**1. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION**

Title: New or Additional Funding Request of \$9,000 for Travel for Trip to Washington D.C.

*This item is to discuss and vote on the Additional Funding Request of \$9,000 for Travel for Trip to Washington D.C.*

Presenter: Julia Malakiman

Time: 30 Minutes (start at 4:50PM)

- Lisa recommends a separate account for Washington Trip.
- Rhea we would then need to waive the stipulation to not fund travel for new accounts.

- **Julia moves to pull the business item.**

- **Seconded by Thoa.**

- Rhea moves to take a 5 minutes recess.
  - Hand vote fails.

## 2. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION

Title: Festival Committee

*This item is to discuss and vote on the New Funding Request of \$22,676 for the Festival Committee to hold the Baylands Festival.*

Presenter: Julia Malakiman

Time: 30 minutes

- Rhea moves this item to number 1.
  - Seconded by Naeema.
- Intern Michael asked what is the possible turnout.
- Julia said 500-2000 people.
- Michael asks why is the security so high?
  - rDanny Acosta gave this estimate. Because they want the event to be free there needs to be a lot of police officers present.
- Having the festival in the sunken garden helps cut cost.
- Michael again asked about Security.
  - John clarifies that there is not enough FHDA police officers so they need to tap into the Sheriff's office.
- Naeema asked about Marketing
  - Julia said Marketing Committee will be on this, along with spots in La Voz and Mercury.
- Arjun asked about the other \$6,750 that was approved. What's the procedure in moving to approve this?
- John clarified that yes that will be included and must be noted when making a motion.
- Arjun asked why such a big leap in cost?
  - Julia said we need funds upfront to be safe. Then any money that comes in from sponsors would go to the charity of the event.
- Bret noted that a few things are missing from the budget. Insurance needs to be in the budget; ambulance service is a must like at graduation. He also mentioned that the pay for artists may not be enough.
- Julia said she told the artists that's the total amount they will receive.
- John said they didn't need insurance for DeAnza Day.
- Arjun asked why the spike in estimated attendance?
  - Julia said now that it's in the sunken garden, there's only one stage and 5 hours total.
- Rhea asked about permits.

- Julia said she doesn't think there needs to be permits from the city, there is nothing going on in the Flint Center that day.
- Rhea asked how will you make this an annual thing if you haven't submitted a budget request for next year?
  - Julia answered that because of the success of this year, sponsors will see the success this year and we will use the proposed sponsor packets to get sponsorships for next year.
- Brett says DeAnza is already at the next level, but a new festival is exciting. But there is a concern for anything to happen to any *one* student. What are the risks here? When you make the decision, you must think about the risks. There is a lot of security, but there is a lot of people coming in from a lot of different places. There may be alcohol because of the bands.
- Julia said this will really bring the campus together.
- John mentioned the use of a control point for students who come in.
- Naeema mentioned a "free" ticket portal that would allow to cap the attendance at 500 or whatever.
  - Thoa mentioned they are using Eventbrite. She also mentioned MC Jin is a Christian rapper who performs at Churches.
- **Julia moves to rescind \$6,750.**
  - **Naeema seconded.**
- Quang moves to end discussion.
  - Julia Seconds.

**Finance Committee Votes to rescind amount of \$6,750.**

<u>Name</u>	<u>yes</u>	<u>no</u>
Rhea	x	
Quang	x	
Nehal	x	
Melanie	x	
Julia	x	
Thao	x	
Arjun	x	
Naeema	x	
Drew	x	

**The motion to rescind is unanimously approved.**

- **Julia moves to approve \$ 22,676 for the De Anza Festival from Special Allocations.**
  - Seconded by Thao.

- Rhea said she doesn't feel comfortable about this and feels its way too rushed, although she does want to do it.
  - Julia said she wishes Tony was here. Tony and his team is so capable of making this an excellent festival. She said lets show next year's senate how to do it right.
- Brett said he talked to Tony when the venue was the VPac. When you change the venue its changes everything.
- John expressed similar concern that Tony's team may not be able to do the same work outside.
- Brett said all the costs procured beyond your budget cannot be absorbed by the general fund because they cannot do entertainment.
- Arjun said this is fantastic but he cannot seem to support this. He doesn't see this along a timeline that would seem best.
- Naeema asked what would be left in special allocations.
  - Rhea said \$37,600 now, and leaving after the festival \$14,000 left until June.
- Julia said never has special allocations been completed used, and this will benefit the community, the school and high schools around it.
- Arjun said this is rushed and not precise enough to make sure this is pulled off.
  - Julia said as soon as this budget is approved, we can really start to move when we can get these funds.
- Lisa asked why it was taken out of Vpac.
  - Julia said it wouldn't be a festival if it were in there. We want to have a festival where people can be outside together.
- Nehal said you are prepared for this but it needs to be a small scale.
  - Quang brought up security again.
- Rhea said there is so much uncertainty behind this festival that she is hesitant to approve this motion.
- Melaine asked what if we cut it down to three hours.
  - Julia said there are 2 hours of buffer time, beginning hour and closing hour for buffer time.
- Brett said it's been loose on his side. There has not been a meeting with Brett, Donna, Tony altogether to talk about this. Perhaps we talk about it for next year, a gather a committee of committed students that will spearhead this next year.
  - Julia replied we haven't had those meetings because we haven't had any money to start.
- **Naeema moves to extend time for 10 minutes at 4:15pm**
  - **Seconded by Thao.**
- Drew said there is no lack of preparation.
- Julia said we have a great set of Senior Staff that will help us.
- Quang said who would be paid first? What the timeline?
- Julia said that same night she will email the band producers to get it sorted.
- Drew asked can we get reimbursed from sponsorships.
  - John said anything we get back anything it goes into miscellaneous.
- Lisa asked what are looking to get back?
- Julia said if we can get donations through our proposal package, maybe we can
  - Lisa clarified that none of the donation will offset these costs.
- Brett said it needs to be clear what the charity actually is, if you are expecting people to donate.

- Arjun said the fact that security wasn't even considered till this week and the other concerns that have been raised make him hesitant.
- Quang said he needs a week to think about it.
- Naeema said has this brought up to the Senate to even hold a festival?
- **Arjun moves to end discussion**
  - **Seconded by Nehal**

**Roll Call Vote to end discussion.**

<u>Name</u>	<u>yes</u>	<u>no</u>
Rhea	x	
Quang		x
Nehal	x	
Melanie	x	
Julia		x
Thao		x
Arjun	x	
Naeema	x	
Drew		x

- **Motion to end discussion fails.**  
**5 yes 4 no**
- **Thao moves to extend time by 10 minutes at 4:26PM**
  - **Seconded by Quang.**
- Rhea said if anyone else were to pay for it she would be all for it but the risk is ours.
- Quang said we are not necessarily worried about the budget but the risk and the advantages, and we should get Senate opinion on this.
- Arjun said he is worried about money and there are other things that can benefit students without such risk.
- Lisa mentioned that this Senate is out office by June 1<sup>st</sup>. The next president will be signing off on things by the time of the festival.
- John said you can bring something before the Senate without approving it but will have to be next week.
- John helps to entertain a motion: You can refer this to the committee as a whole, where all of Senate becomes the finance committee.
- Arjun says that's not responsible of us, since we are the finance committee.
- Julia moves to bring this item to the committee of the whole next Wednesday
  - Quang seconded.
- Bret expressed concern about cost over runs of getting power to the sunken garden.

- Julia said she thinks it's fair to bring it to the whole senate. And if there is concern thinking of saving special allocations for something better, there won't be anything better.
- **Quang moved to end discussion**
  - **Seconded by Nehal.**

**Roll Call Vote to move this item to committee as a whole.**

<u>Name</u>	<u>yes</u>	<u>no</u>
Rhea		x
Quang	x	
Nehal		x
Melanie		x
Julia	x	
Thao	x	
Arjun		x
Naeema		x
Drew		x

**Motion fails to move the item to Senate as committee as whole.  
3 Yes, 6 No.**

- Arjun clarified that the risk here is not just the drug abuse and violence but potential to accrue costs unseen in almost every area. There is just too much uncertainty.
- Rhea said we need to either extend time or vote.
- **Arjun moves to end discussion.**
  - **Nehal seconded**
    - **Quang objected.**

**Roll Call Vote to end discussion**

<u>Name</u>	<u>yes</u>	<u>no</u>
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Rhea	x	
Quang		x
Nehal	x	
Melanie		x
Julia		x
Thao	abstain	
Arjun	x	
Naeema	x	
Drew		x

**Motion to end discussion fails.**

**4 Yes, 4 no, 1 abstain.**

- Naeema moves to extend time by 5 minutes at 4:41PM
  - Seconded by Thao.
- Thao asked who else do you talk to about this that's really fired up about it? The theme is sustainability but the festival doesn't seem sustainable in itself, because of Julia is doing all the work.
- **Quang moves to end discussion.**
  - **Nehal seconded.**
    - **Thao objects**

**Roll call to end discussion**

<u>Name</u>	<u>yes</u>	<u>no</u>
Rhea	x	
Quang		x
Nehal	x	
Melanie	x	
Julia		x
Thao		x
Arjun	x	
Naeema	x	
Drew	x	

**Motion passes to end discussion.**

**Roll Call Vote to approve \$22,676 for the Festival Committee.**

<u>Name</u>	<u>yes</u>	<u>no</u>
Rhea		x
Quang		x
Nehal		x
Melanie		x
Julia	x	
Thao	x	
Arjun		x
Naeema		x
Drew	x	

**Motion fails to approve \$22,676 for the Festival Committee.**

**3. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION**

Title: Finance Code Change

*This item is to discuss and vote on the changing the Finance Code to allow the Restricted Reserves to be \$470,000.*

Presenter: Rhea Goveas

Time: 30 minutes

- Rhea moves to strike \$500,000 and replace with \$470,000
  - Seconded by Quang
- Quang to moves to end discussion.
  - Seconded by Nehal.

**Roll Call Vote to chance the Finance Code to strike \$500,000 and replace with \$470,000 for the Restricted Reserves amount.**

<u>Name</u>	<u>yes</u>	<u>no</u>
Rhea	x	
Quang	x	
Nehal	x	
Melanie	x	
Julia	x	



Thao	x	
Arjun	x	
Naeema	x	
Drew	x	

**Finance Committee passes unanimously the motion to change the Finance Code to strike \$500,000 and replace with \$470,000 for the Restricted Reserves amount.**

**Burning Issues**

**Announcements/Informational Reports**

**Julia announces Prayer Room opens this Wednesday**

**Adjournment**

**4:54PM**