

2011-12 SOC Appeals Deliberations 4/24/11

FIRST ROUND

Apocalips

J: what we are currently allocating is 7500 and they are asking for an additional 3000

G: this is for a show as well

J: I thought that CUPSI was taken into account?

G: it is, this is primarily for the show

J: so this is so they can do a show every semester?

A: this is money that we wanted to give them anyway but we didn't want to give them more than they asked for?

J: mmhmm. I think one thing that is worth noting about them is that they don't do as many personal performances in the spring

N: once they go to CUPSI they kind of stop

J: I think that if they did more of their shows...

A: so right now we're just talking about if we want to consider their appeal or not

G: motion to reconsider funding

O: second

J: are we going to discuss the number, or just...?

F: let's just do it now

Vote to reconsider. Unanimous ayes

A: motion to give them 3000

G: second

Vote to give them 3000. 5 ayes 1 nay.

College Outdoors

F: the number for our original allocation was 17,000. Vote to consider their allocation.

3 ayes 3 nays

tie breaking vote not to review

J: I think that reviewing for college outdoors with the budget they brought us is kind of silly, but the idea that they don't know how they're going to fulfill the scholarship fund when they have no idea how they're going to allocate it would be a misuse of funds.

G: I'm not sure about this and what kind of precedent we want to set

J: well this is something separate than we were asking for last time

G: I don't know why they came to us asking about this scholarship thing and not for funding for equipment but I'm sure that they need it

E: I think that if they asked for funding for their equipment they should have done so

A: I think we should just look at what they're appealing for

J: if college outdoors wants to read these minutes and find an effective way to make a scholarship fund, they should do so. College outdoors is a great thing.

Common Hour

N: they are a new application

F: they are one of the applications that we got last time but we did not look at their request because they did not get registered as an organization on time

J: have they gotten any money this year?

A: no

J: have they functioned fine without money?

A: I think they just want some money for advertizing

Vote to review. Unanimous ayes

F: they are requesting 500. It's essentially just advertizing and food.

J: regarding the appeal they submitted which stated that they were a big part of bringing in the televisions for the news stuff...hasn't that been in the works for a long time?

E: I got the impression that they're willing to take that on as a task, not that they were spearheading it.

N: the news monitors, that's been talked about for the last 2 or 3 years and now IT is going to be able to feed it off of livewhale

J: I'm not against funding them, I just read this appeal as "we've put this together" when in reality I don't think they did.

E: I think that they've been very effective with very little this year and I would be willing to fund them fully so I propose \$500.

O: second

Motion to allocate \$500. 6 ayes 1 nay

Environmental Symposium

N: currently we're allocating \$20,000

J: I thought that their appeals process was...they came in and basically didn't have any different reason why they wanted money and all they wanted was that they wanted their optimal amount.

O: I think they had a specific speaker in mind, was I wrong about that?

Z: that's right

E: and they also wanted to do some kind of art project

O: I think the speaker they wanted was more money

Vote to review. 5 ayes 1 nay 1 abstention

G: as was said earlier they did have some specifics with goals they were hoping to achieve with this additional money, with this speaker specifically, as well as some art media work to complement their symposium. It all seems like great stuff.

J: I motion for no increase. I think that they implied what they wanted to do in their first one and now they just want more money.

O: I thought the appeal was much more convincing than the first one

E: I mean every group we're looking at is trying to get more money and if they give a reason as to why, I'm willing to fund. Now that they have a specific speaker in mind, we should consider funding it.

J: I think that we've seen other symposia come in and say we get really good speakers and are able to talk them down

G: that's true they didn't mention they were planning to fund this speaker and how much the art media work would cost. I'm going to motion for 1600 for now. It's half of what they asked for, more or less. We can probably reconsider as we go into a second round.

O: I'll second that

Vote to allocate an additional 1600. Unanimous ayes.

LC Fire Arts

N: \$830 is what we were originally giving them

G: we did mention last session how awesome this group is, right?

A: let the record show that...

Z: they were kind of rude in their interview. I don't think that should affect our decision

J: I'll motion to consider

A: second

Vote to review 5 ayes 1 abstention

G: just to echo O I agree that it was very easy to have confusion about what the term "optimal" meant, and that theirs was low.

J: I motion for \$190

A: second

G: why \$190

J: it was slightly less than \$203 and slightly more than their least

O: I think it's considerable what they want to do

J: it may be considerable, but I'm moving for \$190

Vote to allocate additional \$190. 4 ayes 1 nay 1 abstention

Gaming Society

N: currently \$570

E: they came back with something very specific so I vote to review it

G: second

Vote to review unanimous ayes

E: they're asking for \$20 for the external website I move to give them that \$20

J: second

Vote to give them \$20. Unanimous ayes

Garden Coalition

O: we gave them way under their optimal I would be willing to review

Z: what they said is that the money we allocated would cover infrastructure costs only and they would like to have additional for events

A: I wonder what the difference is between the \$700 which is their minimal for the raised beds project and the optimal

Vote to review 6 ayes 1 abstention

F: anyone remember why we did not fund them fully?

A: it was halfway between their minimal and optimal

O: I would be willing to give them their optimal amount

Z: second

J: that's \$500

O: yes

Vote to allocate additional \$500. 6 ayes 1 nay

Health Professions Club

N: currently at \$485

O: I think we suggested this group come back to we should review it

Vote to review. 5 ayes 1 abstention

J: we just didn't do the optimal for the CPR class, right?
F: right
J: in the appeal they made it sound like the \$100 operational cost is vital to their club, which is what I think they're doing
O: I think it's new we suggested that they do two CPR classes which I think they're doing
J: I'll motion for \$885 which would add in an additional CPR class.
A: I'll second that
J: I'm certainly open to other things if anyone can explain how their operational budgets are different
Z: they said in their interview that their club was only allocated \$85 if you take out the budget for the CPR class and that's not enough to run a club for a year
J: so they want \$415
Z: right
F: they did attach an explanation
G: I'll find it
F: from what it breaks down, everything else besides the CPR classes, total minimal of \$145 total optimal of \$800.
G: they've added a volunteer day. Besides that, everything is the same except for the CPR class
J: in addition they say that's \$40 for a volunteer day
G: their optimal amount is actually \$945
J: I'll move to put mine up to \$925
Z: how much more would we be giving them?
J: that's an additional \$440
Vote to allocate additional \$440. 4 ayes 1 nay 1 abstention.

IA Symposium

N: currently \$24,500
Vote to review. 3 ayes 2 abstentions
G: part of our hesitation toward giving their optimal amount was about money they would get from the dean's office or the president's office, but they did reiterate that it's not guaranteed
F: I would say every other symposium is requesting that same money from the dean and we also evaluated that as something they are receiving, just to keep that in mind
E: I think that they are still counting on that money from the dean, and this is just kind of a safety in case they don't get it.
G: what are they appealing for?
F: increase to \$30,000, so an additional \$5500
A: their previous total optimal was \$27,500
N: but their appeal application is to have their budget go to a total of \$30,000
G: I would like to see the optimal amount be given. The optimal appeal amount. So I motion to give an additional \$5500
Z: second. I do think this is worthwhile to note that this is going to be their 50th anniversary.
A: so are we giving them extra money because it's their 50th anniversary and next year we wouldn't give them that much?

G: I would suggest that they have a similar budget in future years to what we're giving them this year. This year they had a lot of international speakers, which is expensive. I don't think it's necessarily just about this being their 50th anniversary.
Vote to allocate additional \$5500. 4 ayes 1 abstention.

Pep Band

N: original \$850

G: and their asking to cover an instructor for 6 rehearsals for an hour each, which is \$300, is that right?

F: let's vote to review first

Vote to review. Unanimous ayes

F: so yeah that's an additional \$300 to \$400.

E: I move to give them \$300 to try out an instructor to see how it goes for a year

A: second

G: I'm sorry to beat t dead horse here, but I would like to draw attention to the fact that we gave them the optimal amount last time including for sweatshirts and I remember being assured that no group got their optimal amount for their apparel.

F: would you like to amend that?

G: no I just want the record to show that

Vote to allocate additional \$300. Unanimous ayes

Philosophy Club

N: currently \$500

Z: I'm really excited that they want to do philosophy extravaganza two semester

Vote to review. Unanimous ayes

A: motion to give them an additional \$375 which is the amount we gave them for one philosophy extravaganza

E: second

Vote to allocate additional \$375. Unanimous ayes

Roller Derby

N: currently \$965

Vote to review unanimous ayes

F: so instead of skates they're requesting money for pads

Z: they mentioned that if we fund pads for them this year they will be used next year, and they're requesting enough money to allow for a size range for their players

E: is 25-30 players realistic?

J: the standard size team is 20, so aiming for that number is legitimate

Z: they do mention that their current membership is about 30

J: so they're asking for another \$550-\$690 over the \$965?

E: yes

F: so minimum of \$1450 optimal of \$1590 just for their appeals?

J: I think that would be total

F: ok

Z: they clarify that \$550-\$690 would be their minimal

J: motion for \$750 which is between the two

A: second

Vote to allocate additional \$750. 5 ayes 1 abstention

SAAC

N: originally we gave them \$8300

Vote to review. Unanimous ayes

A: I think the weekend after budget appeals, I went to one of their barbecues, and they said it's open to everyone

J: yeah the football ones are exclusive, but they're put on by PAC. In light of that, I would move...

E: before you motion, I think they're taking over the football ones and they're going to become open to everyone

J: ok

F: the figure we clarified with them was \$1300 additional

J: and that's with multiple football game barbecues?

F: I don't remember what the distribution was, but that's the number we came up with in the interview

J: then I'm going to motion for \$1100 which is their optimal minus one of the football barbecues

E: second

Vote to allocate additional \$1100. 6 ayes 1 abstention

SEED

E: original number is \$1700

Vote to review. 5 ayes 1 nay 1 abstention

F: so they're requesting an optimal increase of \$2500

J: they gave us something else too

F: good because the numbers were confusing during the interview

Z: so it says that they would like to request their original full budget as their minimal and \$4200 in light of SPROG and transportation

F: I think there was a miscommunication between whoever was doing the interview and who wrote this because one said that they weren't requesting money for transportation and one did

Z: I have that they wanted to request transportation to Salem but that they wanted students to cover their transportation costs to conferences.

E: they're requesting a minimum of \$700 and an optimal of a total of \$4200.

J: so that's just registration fee and they're paying for their own transportation?

Z: they would pay for their own transportation to SPROG. They wanted money for transportation for lobby Salem.

O: they said they wanted to go talk to their representatives and they had informed someone of laws that they didn't know about

Z: the model they're aiming for is one month on campus doing speakers and events, and then one month off campus bringing students to do service work and political action.

F: I understand what their minimal now is, which would cover SPROG registration.

What's their optimal requested? An additional \$2500? So \$1200 in registration fees and

\$1200 in travel costs. Technically just \$2400 then. How many conferences do they go to? Where would the other \$400 in registration fees would be? Does anyone know?

Z: it would be nice if this were in a spreadsheet instead of a lot of paragraphs

J: the last sentence which says “the increased concerns about transportation for certain members” makes it seem like this money in the \$4200 would be for transportation, not for SPROG

F: well they specifically say that \$800 is for SPROG. I’m just not sure what the rest of it is

J: I’m going to motion for an additional \$600 which is registration costs for SPROG and subsidizes each of the five people.

A: second

J: If someone can give me a reason why they should have more and put it into real numbers...what they gave us seems like repeating the same things but asking for different numbers

E: I would amend that to \$800 which funds the registration for all four. \$50 is a lot to pay on their own.

J: I’ll accept that

F: what isn’t covered is the other \$400 registration costs and other transportation

J: right but we don’t know what that’s for. It’s not clear.

Vote to allocate additional \$800. Unanimous ayes.

Senior Experience

Vote to review. Unanimous ayes

R: what’s the original number

F: there is none

J: student fee money would not go to buy alcohol, just to be clear

E: did they get money this year from us?

R: finance committee funded them \$5 per ticket for the Blazers and the Winterhawks.

The rest of their funding came from student activities, alumni and parent programs

O: we don’t want them to go to the finance committee if they don’t have to, right?

A: how do we separate what is asked for for alcohol

N: they’re not asking for it. He’s just showing you the amount spent. So the entire budget is about \$13,000

F: they spent \$15,480 this year.

A: they mention that two of their events have alcohol and they’re not asking for money for that.

E: would there be funding available from those other sources?

N: yeah. This doesn’t include a lot of other programs on the schedule that are expensive events like the senior soiree and the commencement banquet.

R: we should cover the Trailblazers and Winterhawks games because they’re very popular and they come to finance committee for that.

A: I heard a lot of people talk about how they liked pints with profs ,so paying for the food and setup would be good. I think a lot of people are interested in climbing at this school and renting out the gym for that seems cool

N: part of senior experience is funded by revenue from the vending machines.

E: I motion for their amount requested which is \$13,000

A: second
Vote to allocate \$13,000. 4 ayes one abstention.

Spanish Club

N: original number \$500

Vote to review. Unanimous ayes

Z: they were late to their interview. Just mentioning that.

G: we should penalize them \$20 for being late.

Z: haha

Z: they want to bring Freddy Vilches and his band, which is awesome

O: which we suggested and we should fund. It's the Celestino money that needs to be discussed

F: they wanted \$60-\$800 additional for the Fiesta del Habana and \$200 for Fiesta de Salsa, which is usually funded by the Spanish department, but they will be hoping to co-fund next year

E: \$200 is the maximum they want to contribute

F: the Havana party cost \$890 this year

E: I propose an additional \$1000. That covers the band and the Salsa party

J: second

Vote to allocate additional \$1000. Unanimous ayes.

SSDP

N: original number is \$800. Did they say how many people showed up to their initial...?

J: fifteen

F; there is a thing about their petition

G: there were over 100 signatures

R: 114

Vote to review. 2 ayes 4 nays 1 abstention.

Stand

N: original number \$750

Vote to review. Unanimous ayes.

F: so minimal increase of \$900, optimal increase of \$1500

Z: they note that they believe that they should receive \$2000, which is close to what they received last year, even though they plan on doing more events for next year

A: they note that they contacted people for next year and found what it's actually going to cost and they have an actual idea of what they're going to do.

Z: I would propose awarding them their full optimal request of \$200

A: second

J: my only concern is that they have this event planned that they weren't able to do this year. In their budget they say this is something we spent and they haven't done it yet

O: did they mention it in their interview?

J: they just said that they weren't able to get it together

Z: I don't necessarily think that's an indication of what will happen this year

Vote to allocate additional \$1250. Unanimous ayes

Unisex

Z: I would just like to note that they brought a pie chart

N: they have been super conscientious about their finances this year

F: they have three pages of itemization

N: so they're just asking for money for resources

G: I know this is standard, but the AIDS quilt looked great this year. There was always someone supervising.

Vote to review. Unanimous ayes.

A: motion to give them an additional \$240. It's the optimal additional resources and paper.

E: second

Vote to allocate additional \$240. Unanimous ayes.

J: why did we not look at Ski and Snowboard?

F: they did not come to their interview. It may have been partially my fault. There was some confusion about the date.

\$30,565 given out overall.

SECOND ROUND

Apocalips

E: motion to confirm

A: second

Vote to keep at \$10,500. Unanimous ayes

Common Hour

J: motion to keep at \$500

A: second

Vote to confirm. Unanimous ayes

DUO

N: original number \$8300

J: I'm concerned for looking at appeals for a group that has missed budget deadlines twice in a row now. It seems disrespectful.

Vote to review. 3 ayes 3 nays 1 absetntion. Tie breaking vote: nay.

Environmental Studies Symposium

G: additional \$1600 is about half of what they'd asked for. We said we'd consider it in this round.

N: you allocated \$1600 already

J: yes. We spent a lot of time in the first session deciding what to give them and we did a good job and then today there isn't a whole lot extra and I think that the \$1600 we added is appropriate. So I would motion to confirm

E: second

Vote to confirm \$21,600 overall. 6 ayes 1 nay.

Fire Arts

E: I think that this amount is more than generous for fire arts, especially since last year their budget was \$200.

J: would you be moving for something closer to \$950, maybe?

E: I'm not making a motion or anything, I'm just trying to point out that that's a large number for this group

G: well by increasing it \$13 you meet their optimal amount

E: I'm decreasing

J: well in the discussion we had last time we kind of went over what optimal and minimal meant. I felt that optimal should be more of a pipe dream that you don't actually get.

F: the \$190 covers all of the funding for what they've itemized and also additional practice knives.

E: I would move to reduce that amount to their minimal of \$160. I think that they have done a good job of using what they've gotten.

J: so \$990

E: I'll second that

G: I really think that they're a group that has been growing and are continuing to grow I think that what they mentioned they would use their money for, including marshmallows, is more than reasonable. I would ask to amend that to the optimal amount of \$203.

E: I reject.

Vote to allocate \$160. 4 ayes 1 nay 1 abstention

Gaming Society

A: motion to confirm the \$20

Z: second

Vote to confirm. Unanimous ayes.

Garden Coalition

E: move to confirm

Z: second

Vote to confirm. Unanimous ayes

Health Professions Club

Z: we talked about this, so I suggest we confirm

A: second

Vote to confirm. Unanimous ayes.

IA Symposium

F: we're currently giving them their optimal

Z: I'm down. Motion to confirm

E: second

Vote to confirm. 5 ayes 1 nay

LC Talks

Z: this is a really cool idea

Vote to review. Unanimous ayes

O: so this is Ted Talks for LC? This is really cool. Even the maximum is incredibly thrifty

J: do we know if they've talked to any professors?

N: yeah. And they've already reserved the Pavilion

O: I would motion for their full \$1840

Z: second

Vote to allocate full optimal. Unanimous ayes.

Pep Band

A: motion to confirm

Z: second

E: I'm happy they came back for appeals

Vote to confirm. Unanimous ayes.

Philosophy Club

E: move to confirm

O: second

Vote to confirm. Unanimous ayes.

Platteau

O: Matt is not coming back next year because of all this.

F snaps in a Z formation

R: we didn't get an application from them?

F: they sent it in at the last minute

J: this is an extenuating circumstance where if the person had not been in the room with us, they would not have known they missed it. What would we have done if someone had shown up to the meeting and not sent in an appeal?

Z: I think if they had been able to provide us with an appeal we would have looked at it.

E: yeah

R: was she supposed to present then?

F: yeah

Z: she had been told that Matt had submitted an application but he hadn't

F: I feel like if it were a different club we would have done the same

Vote to review. 5 ayes 1 nay

F: they are requesting an additional \$200

A: I'm glad that they're taking over the screen-printing

F: I agree. We should at least give them that.

G: that \$1000 also covers photo emulsion?

N: you need that for screen-printing

N: the Platteau does a ton of things and I think that this is a truly optimal budget. I would motion for the full \$2000

E: second

Vote to allocate full additional \$2000. Unanimous ayes.

Roller Derby

E: I think that \$750 is a good amount for a startup, so I move to confirm

A: second

Vote to confirm. 4 ayes 2 abstentions

SAAC

Z: seems reasonable. Motion to confirm

A: real quick: why did you take out one football barbecue?

Z: I'll withdraw the motion so we can talk about this

J: I just know that they only do one event for the other ones. I think that making football into a bigger event than the other ones, I don't know how important that is. I also think that because in the past football ones have not been open to all people, people may not be as comfortable going down there.

E: they can distribute it however they want. Maybe the other ones will be smaller...

G: I think we should give at least a little bit more money for the football one. It's true that it hasn't been open to the public in the past, but they're doing it now, and it's a great opportunity. I'm going to motion to amend the amount by \$100 to \$1200.

A: second.

Vote to increase to \$1200. 4 ayes 3 nays.

Seed

N: so apparently Emma Watson is looking to transfer from Brown so you should work on getting her here.

Z: do you think Emma Watson would be interested in SEED? Back to serious business

F: we're moving away from Emma Watson right now because shit's about to get serious

A: is it too late to start a club and get a budget to bring Emma Watson?

F: I wish I had a gavel right now

E: vote to confirm Seed

Z: second

Vote to confirm. 6 ayes 1 nay.

Ski and Snowboard Club

N: initial number for allocation \$600.

E I'd be hesitant to fund the ski club trip. I would like to see that happen, but I don't think that there's any planning that has gone into that. There's no destination or lodging in mind, etc.

A: ski lift tickets are really expensive and if we gave them their additional minimum for their ski trip, that's for less than 10 people

Vote to review. Unanimous ayes

A: I would like to at least give them their additional minimal. If they have enough money to at least think about lift tickets somewhere, that's something. I'd also be willing to go higher than \$400. Motion to give them \$600

Z: second

G: I would like to see that number go up because I would like to see them go to a place that students would not normally be able to go

A: what would you amend to?

G: \$800

A: I'll accept that

F: I would like to note that we don't know where they're going

G: it gives them the ability to discuss with the group, so I don't see a problem with that

Vote to allocate additional \$800. Unanimous ayes.

Senior Experience

A: motion to confirm

I: second

Vote to confirm. Unanimous ayes.

Spanish Club

A: I think we spent a lot of time breaking this down, so I would motion to confirm.

I: second

G: it measures up to what they actually want

Vote to confirm. Unanimous ayes

STAND

E: I move to confirm

A: second

Vote to confirm. Unanimous ayes

Unisex

G: two words. Pie chart.

E: I move to conform

A: second

Vote to confirm. Unanimous ayes.

THIRD ROUND

Apocalips

Currently \$10,500

A: motion to confirm

G: second

Vote to confirm, Unanimous ayes

Common Hour

O: motion to confirm

I: second

Vote to confirm Unanimous ayes.

Environmental Symposium

Confirm

Fire Arts

Vote to confirm 4 ayes 1 nay 1 abstention

Gaming Society
Vote to confirm
Unanimous

Garden Coalition
Vote to confirm. 6 ayes 1 nay

Health Professions Club
Vote to confirm. 5 ayes 1 nay

IA Symposium
O: motion to confirm
E: second
Vote to confirm. 4 ayes 1 abstention

LC Talks
O: Motion to confirm
E: Second
Vote to confirm. Unanimous ayes

Pep Band
I: motion to confirm
E: second
Vote to confirm. Unanimous

Philosophy Club
Z: confirm
A: second
Vote to confirm. Unanimous ayes

Platteau
Z: confirm
A: second
Vote to confirm. 4 ayes 2 abstentions

Roller Derby
G: motion to amend to \$1865, their total optimal amount
Z: second
J: why?
G: we were just seeking to meet them in the middle at some point, but I really want this number to go up given the membership that they have. Since we have this opportunity to give them more money, I want to.
Z: I also think it's a good idea to put more money toward safety. I think that's a good message to send to clubs.
Vote to increase by \$900. 3 ayes 1 nay 1 abstention

SAAC

A: confirm

Z: second

Vote to confirm. Unanimous ayes

SEED

E: motion to confirm

O: we didn't give them their optimal, did we?

G: no we didn't

A: I'll second that

E: the reason I think that's appropriate is that their budget is so difficult to understand that I don't know what we would be funding if we gave them that other money

J: yeah we spent a lot of time on this the first round.

Vote to confirm. 5 ayes 2 nays

Senior Experience

I: motion to confirm

E: second

Vote to confirm. Unanimous ayes

Spanish Club

A: motion to confirm

Z: second

Vote to confirm. 6 ayes 1 abstention

Ski and Snowboard Club

A; motion to confirm

Z: second

Vote to confirm. 4 ayes 3 nays

R; when we voted not to review an application, we just throw it out?

F: yes that means we're not regarding it at all for appeals

R: is it odd that we voted not to review SSDP without discussion?

N: no, that's the decision by the group

STAND

A: motion to confirm

Z: second

Vote to confirm. Unanimous ayes

Unisex

A: motion to confirm

E: second

Vote to confirm. Unanimous ayes

R: if no one has any particular groups they want to bring up for further discussion....

G: are you sure that we cant ask to at least vote to reconsider SSDP?

J: didn't we unanimously vote nay?

Z: no, it wasn't unanimous

N: it's at the discretion of the chair

A: I would move to reconsider considering their appeal

Z: second

Vote to reconsider 5 ayes 2 nays

R: I just felt that with no discussion, I wasn't sure how that would be read. We should at least discuss whether it has merits or not

G: that's fair, but there are a couple of other groups that we voted not to consider

Z: yes, but we did discuss those a bit more

R: so were people feeling with SSDP that it's anew club and they're already getting a decent sized budget and that they don't need additional funding? And if they have success this year they can come back and ask for more?

J: yeah it seems like it's a group that's on the shoulder of one person at this time, maybe two, and if they can get more membership, that's great, but I think that sending a year old club across the country...

Z: I think we should acknowledge that they tried to show there is student interest in it and that it's not on one person's shoulders, whether or not that's true

A: I think that it's good if they do more group activities and do more events

J: I don't think it's hard to get 114 signatures, and they only brought 15 people to Stamm, people will sign a piece of paper, but that doesn't mean that they actually care

O: also, it seems that it's not for the school, but more of a personal vendetta

A: yeah, it seems like it doesn't do a lot for the school

R: I disagree with that. I think if there are 14 members that's more than plenty of groups. I think the funding is fair

Vote to reconsider 6 nays 1 abstention

G: I would motion that we open the table up for talks on DUO

No second.

F: we didn't necessitate a motion to open discussion for SSDP, so let's just vote
Vote to reopen the discussion. 3 ayes 3 nays 1 abstention. Tie breaking vote aye.

O: who is in charge of DUO next year?

Z: they told us in the first meeting

I: we don't know

F: just to remind everyone why we didn't consider them before, they missed their interviews. I feel like the leadership is on one person right now and it is going to be changing hands and that should be reflected in the application process, and it wasn't

E: I really do support what this club is doing, I would just like to see a little more indication what they want for the money they're asking for. If I had seen a second interview or something. I guess that lack of management on their part doesn't bode well.

J: we were asking for 5 minutes on a Sunday morning. That's not an unreasonable request and if they can't show up for that.

R: it shows a lack of respect

J: that's what I think.

A: our initial allocation was only \$200 shy of their optimal and above their minimal, so I think that's enough money

G: I do want to point out that there were a few groups that didn't show up for their first interview and we still considered them

R: they've done this twice. They didn't show up for an interview and they didn't get their stuff in on time.

J: and this is an appeal. It's a different process

A: also, they don't say what they want with this extra \$200. We don't have enough information

G: I guess what I'm saying is I'm open to that sort of critique.

Vote to reconsider. 6 nays. 1 abstention.

F: if no one has any other issues, can we get the numbers?

N: for the appeals you allocated a total of \$35,425.

F: how much does that leave for finance committee?

N: over \$100,000

J: I think that's a mistake. I was on finance committee last year and we were told we had an unlimited budget and we just funded everyone, so we didn't critically look at things. I think that giving them more than they had this year is good, but giving them \$100,000 budget is a mistake

F: I mean it's in our bylaws that we give the rest to them. Its up to the responsibility of the finance committee itself to responsibly allocate grants, not SOC

I: what happens to money that finance committee doesn't use?

J: we had to dip into the ASLC endowment fund this year because we were so badly in the red at the end of last year and I would hope that a senator would bring a resolution to pay back that deficit that had to be taken from the endowment fund

F: but that doesn't necessarily impact us

N: but a senator could bring a motion forward on Thursday

Z: I hear you, N.

F: If there is no further discussion, vote to confirm appeals allocations in block

J: wait can I ask a random question? I think that SAAB and finance committee act in similar manners in terms of being able to fund ad hoc grant requests. Is there any way to reexamine the SAAB budget to potentially split the remaining money between SAAB and finance committee so that they can do academic pursuits?

A: I mean we said we weren't going to do that

F: I think it's pretty explicitly stated in our bylaws, and I'm not comfortable with going against our bylaws and considering a group that did not appeal

J: can we change our bylaws today and bring it to senate on Thursday? Does anyone else think that's an interesting idea?

I: I think it's an interesting idea

N: I think you need to ask SAAB if they want the money. And not putting words in Ben's mouth, but they like having a limited amount of money because it makes their process more competitive so it's bringing the brightest and the most talented forward

R: is it possible for SAAB to apply for a finance committee grant?

N: anyone can do that

F: so this is something to discuss for next year. I don't think that is on the part of SOC to decide that SAAB should be allocated more money. So if now there's no discussion.

Vote to confirm. Unanimous ayes.