

## **Finance Committee** | 5 Feb 2018

### **TOGA** | Travel Request

#### *Presentation*

- initially planned on 5 trips this year → down to 4
- Berkeley is best conference for TOGA - competitive (Ivies, UCs) and Tulane historically has done well
- delegates contributing individual fees ; try to keep below \$100

#### *Discussion*

- flight found for \$257
- cutting from delegate deposit - having students pay their own fees?
- cutting airfare?
- question over future conferences? fund more now, risk cutting later conference? or fund a little to each?

\$6166 | **withdrawn**

(300 airfare x 12 delegates + 85 delegation deposit + 2421, cut individual fees)

\$5866 | 1-10-0

(280 airfare x 12 delegates + 85 delegation deposit + 2421 lodging, cut individual fees)

**\$3592 | 11-0-0**

(2421 lodging, 1171 registration)

### **Debate** | Travel Requests (one to Texas and one to Boston)

#### *Presentation*

- cover registration , asking for registration
- selected hotel that is close enough but still affordable
- Novice Nationals (Boston) higher priority
- one more trip this semester: Nationals
- cannot fund local transportation (Uber to MSY, rental in Boston)

#### *Discussion*

- airfare very high - fund partially? (\$175? \$230?)

- \$175 flight × 14 participant = \$2450
- \$2450 (flights) + \$504 (lodging) = \$2954
- flexibility for flight tickets?
- \$3304 (~200 flights + lodging)

Texas | **\$918** | 11-0-0 funded  
(full request)  
Boston | **\$3304** | 11-0-0 funded  
(\$200 for flights x 14 people + 504 lodging)

## **TIPAC** | Travel Request

### *Presentation*

- delegation to AIPAC policy conference in DC
- annual event, ~18000 attendees, many students
- focus on US–Israel relationship, experience lobbying on Capitol Hill
- provides students tools to engage political processes; networking; etc.
- bipartisan, nondenominational
- cut a lot from initial budget through fundraising
- 21 delegates
- raised about \$4000 (grants, donors, fundraising, etc.) ; USG money would be final push to ensure attendance
- AIPAC at national level funds some student leaders
- requesting \$4305 for 20 people : ~215.25
- Tulane delegates attend annually ; usually one-way trip because conference coincides with Spring Break - this year, requesting \$100 / person for flights because round trip
- delegates book their own flights – requesting \$100 per person
- students being funded are active members of TIPAC, with demonstrated interest
- mostly sophomores and first years, a few juniors
- advantage to TIPAC of sending such a large delegation? aimed at students who are interested in careers in politics / policy - goal of networking

### *Discussion*

- last year: requested \$12,000 - funded \$3,500
- discussion over networking versus education versus bringing value back to campus?

USG Finance Committee Minutes  
Meeting: February 5, 2018  
Senate Session Corresponding: February 6, 2018

VP Finance: Tyler Margaretten  
Recorded by: Griffin Daly

- why isn't Nicole funded?

**\$3862 | 8-1-2**

(\$2362 Lodging + \$100 per ticket x 15 people)

\$2362 (Only lodging)

**Club Baseball | Reallocation Request**

- originally: field rentals ; want to move to minor equipment
- \$1600

**Approved | 8-3-0**