

USG Finance Committee Minutes  
Meeting: April 4, 2018

VP Finance: Tyler Margaretten  
Recorded by: Griffin Daly

**Crawfest** | Annual Budget

*Budget details:*

\$159,850 received  
\$172,350 requested **+12,500**

\$14,500 facilities no change  
\$12,000 security **+2,000**  
\$ 1,000 posters no change  
\$ 500 cups no change  
\$45,000 crawfish no change  
\$ 2,000 drinks no change  
\$42,500 bands no change  
\$24,500 AV **+10,000**  
\$10,000 staging no change  
\$16,600 tables no change  
\$ 750 ads no change  
\$ 3,000 travel **+500**

*Presentation details:*

- increased students, attendance → increase in security request
- Crawfest selling alcohol → increase in security request
- spend almost \$60,000 on crawfest; requesting only partial funding (same as last year)
- in past TUCP assists with production funding - this year, support cut out/transferred between budgets
- actual cost ~230,000
- huge amount of fundraising, seeking sponsorships
- next year: trying to keep Crawfest the same - not going bigger and better - but, other campus sponsorships have decreased (HRL, NTC, etc) so needing to make up some difference
- slight increase in travel: increasing caliber of bands featured
- *where profits from alcohol sales will go?* Sodexo administrating
- *difference between 2 (USG) and 9 (sponsorship) and 1(?) funding?* USG funding used for non-revenue based expenditures; money from on- and off-campus sponsorships spent on revenue generating expense (tees, wristbands) and rolls back into 2 account
  - last year: ~230,000 cost, ~40,000 in revenues
  - doesn't make Crawfest money; simply keeps afloat
- change in alcohol policy is effort to retain festival festers at the festival rather than leave for Boot; selling beer, hoping to avoid use of hard alcohol
- hospitality is most expendable increase
- last years sponsorships: ~50,000; this year: ~28,000 so far
- decreased on-campus sponsorships signal tightening in departmental budgets, not disinterest in Crawfest
- street team, new this year, hoping to increase attendance even further

*Debate details:*

- question of increase taken from TUCP; would we have judged TUCP differently if we knew \$10,000 was actually moving, not being completely cut?
- fund all of AV? production is nonnegotiable price—will be paid for either way, if not by USG, money taken from elsewhere in Crawfest budget, loss of value elsewhere
- Security? do they need full increase? completely tied to alcohol policy—no: growing festival, need more security overall

**\$171,850** +10,000 in AV, +2,000 in sec 7-6-0  
\$170,850 +10,000 in AV, +1,000 in sec

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**Students for Sensible Drug Policy** | Annual Budget

*Budget details:*

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\$320 received  
\$360 requested +40

\$250 speakers -50  
\$80 food/drinks +80  
\$30 print/copy +10

*Presentation details:*

- goal of club: pushed for reforms in drug policy; vocal support of marijuana decriminalization bill, lobbying of city council, etc.
- about 12 really committed members
- *speaker?* interested in Know Your Rights seminar, bringing in a lawyer to assist students with navigating police encounters; didn't occur this year
- this year: MAPS Multidisciplinary Association for Psychiatric Studies; giving talk pro-bono this year

*Debate details:*

- just speaking?
- copying: SOC
- food for meetings: no

**\$250** only honoraria 13-0-0

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**Tidal Wave** | Annual Budget

*Budget details:*

\$154,925 received  
\$154,925 requested no change

\$ 5,400 facilities  
\$ 1,500 security  
\$ 150 posters  
\$ 375 sashes, crowns  
\$22,250 food  
\$15,000 giveaways  
\$54,000 band and comedian  
\$ 8,000 fireworks  
\$20,000 stage  
\$26,000 carnival rides  
\$ 50 postage  
\$ 1,000 paint  
\$ 800 print ad  
\$ 400 parking

*Presentation details:*

- unspent areas from last year: some unspent honoraria for comedian
- interested in getting one larger (more expensive) comedian to attract more attendance rather than two smaller comedians to better use funding
- like to have programming every night throughout homecoming week
- half the cost of carnival funded by Tidal Wave, half from Advancement
- underspent on food because a food truck pulled out - ran out of food really early
- always go through all giveaways

*Debate details:*

- question of giveaways: only spent ~13,5 this year; should historical spending influence present budget; giveaway budgets are flexible, spend whatever until its gone
- cuts may seem small, but 500/1000 is larger than a lot of smaller. clubs budgets

154,925 fund in full 4-8-1  
**154,425** -500 in giveaways 10-2-1

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153,925 -1000 in giveaways

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**SAPHE** | Annual Budget

*Budget details:*

\$3,705 received  
\$3,980 requested +275

\$200 magnets  
\$200 stickers  
\$150 merch  
\$300 phone wallets  
net 575→850 +275

\$1,000 tees  
\$600 hats  
\$600 cups  
\$50 Project Clothesline  
\$100 Photographer  
\$300 Food  
\$480 phone

*Presentation details:*

- \$636 spent so far... think they've spent more
- this year reallocated more to tee-shirts bc supplies left over from last year; next year will need more merchandise again

*Debate details:*

- discussion of merch? leftover supplies in SOC, allocation unclear?
- thinking about this year's spending, leftover funds to buy future supplies

\$3,380 2-8-3 fails  
**\$3,080** 10-0-3  
Printing-6231: \$2300  
Food-7543: \$300  
Op-6211: \$480

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**TURTL** | Annual Budget

*Budget details:*

\$700 received  
\$1,078 requested +378

\$35 printing +35  
\$100 food +50  
\$150 film no change  
\$42.50 materials +42.50  
\$750 speaker +250 \*primary line item

*Presentation details:*

- 2 purposes: education (club members and broader campus issues) primarily addresses abortion but also expanding to death penalty, euthanasia, etc.; and service (supporting needs of women in community)
- printing: advertising movie screening, survey
- food is for movie screening
- inviting person featured in their film to come speak as well
- increase in speaker fees based on costs in past years
- fundraised in past to make up difference in honoraria cost but don't regularly fundraise

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- haven't spent any money this year: hoping to screen film in April - all funds associated with that event

*Debate details:*

- relatively large budget for a club of this scale? haven't spent any? considering cut?

**\$500** \$250 honoraria, \$100 refreshments, \$150 film 12-0-1

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**SOAR** | Annual Budget

*Budget details:*

\$20,000 received

\$23,000 requested +3,000

\$1,000 food +1000

\$2,000 honoraria +2000

\$20,000 undoing no change

*Presentation details:*

- organizing, education, and community-building
- addition of honoraria: looking to expand beyond Undoing Racism; shift to more intersectional, issue-based focuses
- a lot of structural change within SOAR to increase operational capacity for these new speaker events
- *priority?* both are important but honoraria slight priority
- *can* fundraise for food for Undoing Racism, but detracts from organizing and educational efforts
- SOAR gets workshop at discounted price because of long-term relationship with People's Institute

*Debate details:*

- proposals to fund in full
- proposals to only partially fund honoraria increase, give them a chance to prove their programming capacity

**\$23,000** fund in full 11-2-0

\$22,000 half honoraria