

Global Brigades Travel Request

Total Requested: 40000

- 17500 Transportation
- 8100 Hotel/Lodging
- 17730 Registration Fees

Conference Details:

- They are requesting this money to fund their service trip to Panama, Darien Region
- They will be assisting doctors in a medical clinic
- They are hoping for funding to make it more affordable for their members to go on the trip

Presentation Details:

- The total cost breaks down to 990 per person
- Last year we funded 5000 for transportation
- Do you have priorities for funding?
 - Transportation for help with the flight costs
- Do you fundraise as a club?
 - No
 - They are planning on fundraising, but not much
- How will the money be allocated? Need-based? Equally?
 - Last year, it was given out equally
 - This year they are hoping to bring the club to a vote to see what they prefer
- Are all 27 people committed to going already, regardless of our funding? Yes
 - These individuals have committed to either raise money, or find the money elsewhere
 - Has it happened before that someone was not able to go because of funds?
 - She is not positive, but their vice president is not going because she cannot afford to go

Debate Details:

- Last year we funded them 5000
 - If we funded them in full, it would eat into our roughly 69000 travel budget for the rest of the year
- We aren't familiar with their organization. What are they doing while they're there?
 - This is a Tulane chapter of national organization
 - Similar to Alternative Breaks
 - They are helping to assist doctors
- How many went last year?
 - Last year they requested 22550 (we funded 22-ish percent)
 - They only requested that we fund transportation
 - 22 percent of 40000 would be 8800 in total
 - 22 percent of their travel (17500) is 3750
- What are they bringing back to campus?
 - It is good for Tulane that they go to this?
 - They could go to the 9th ward and provide the same services
- Maggie thinks that we should pick a nominal amount that we are just allocating

- 3750 is roughly 20 percent of their travel request
 - 170 per student for travel

Voting: **3750, 13-0-2**

- **3750 Transportation**

National Society of Black Engineers Travel Request

Total Requested: 5391

- 4200 Transportation
- 3576 Hotel/Lodging
- 1515 Registration Fees

Conference Details:

- For NSBE's national convention
 - Like regional conference, but more chapters
- Students have the opportunities to get internships, mentors, etc. specifically for NSBE members
 - An opportunity for engineers to make personal connections and apply for jobs that are specifically for them
- Students can bring this back onto campus with leadership skills

Presentation Details:

- They have applied for NCI and NTC for funding
 - They received this money and they are asking for the remainder
- How is it decided who is going?
 - They get 3 officers to go
 - General application for everyone else
 - Anyone who applied are able to go
- What is the age breakdown?
 - 5 grad students
 - 2 seniors
 - 3 juniors
 - 1 sophomore
 - 2 freshmen
- Have people been to other conferences before? Are there benefits to sending them again?
 - Yes
 - Each year, they update the companies that are being there
- Interviews are on site
 - They upload the resumes beforehand
- Generally, we fund 4 to a room
 - They may not be uncomfortable sleeping with the opposite gender
 - They have religious concerns, especially for the graduate students
- What are the benefits that are going to be brought back to campus?
 - Many of the people on the list are officers of the club
 - They have opportunities to train the incoming officers
 - Each individual picks their own workshops that peak their interest
 - They replicate these workshops on campus in their club

Debate Details:

- GAPSA gives us a chunk of money
- Are these the same grad students that we funded last semester?
 - Yes, all three
- The rooming situation – those with religious issues can stay in same-gendered rooms and the ones that don't can stay in the third room
- How do we want to fund?
 - By person?
 - By category?
- Do we have an issue funding the same people again?
- Do we have an issue sending 12 people? 5 grad students? Not because they are grad students, but because there are less years for them to be here
- 11 students have to pay, but 12 are going – Kia is the group leader so she doesn't have to pay
- What does it change when you cut out the extra room?
 - They are asking for 4 rooms, we are most likely going to fund 3
 - This would be 2682
 - This would make the total request 4497
- They have gotten a lot of grants
 - They have done their part to raise money
- Because it has a lot of personal enrichment, should they personally contribute?
- 3600 would be roughly 80% of full adjusted for room
 - About 75 per person

Voting: **3600, 15-0-0**

- **3600 (80% of total request)**

TUSTEP Reserve Request

Total Requested: 6353

Presentation Details:

- They are planning on building an outdoor dog-park type area near Willow to allow the TUSTEP dogs to run off-leash
 - They have been getting complaints from housing that not everyone that lives in Willow enjoys having the dogs run around open there
 - Currently, they do not have outside room for the dogs to run off-leash
 - It is important that these dogs learn how to come back to their owner off leash for advanced training
- They came up with this idea with the university
 - They worked with the campus architect and planning
 - This is secluded from the townhomes
 - The pricing comes from facilities

- The TUSTEP dogs are insured
- They are contributing 1500 from their nine account
 - They consistently use all of the money in their two account for vet visits, emergencies, etc.
- This would be a service animal specific space
 - But not just TUSTEP
- Maintenance of the area?
 - Taken care of by facilities
- Is it a key card or a splash card access?
 - A key code
 - Given just to people that are handlers and that have service animals
- Is there capacity to put USG signage on it?
 - Yes, they would love to have that happen and have programming with us

Debate Details:

- We love puppies
- 6353 fund in full

Voting: **6353, 15-0-0**

Catholic Relief Services (CRS) Budget Request

Total Requested: 350

- 100 printing supplies (banners)
- 50 copying
- 100 printing (brochures and posters)
- 100 office supplies

Presentation Details:

- They are Catholic Relief Services
- They hope to solve global crises like migration, climate change, global hunger, etc.
- They raise awareness on campus to open our eyes as a community
 - Be more aware in our lives
 - Buying fair trade, etc.
 - Answering questions about specific issues
- Mostly just promotional materials for tabling on McAllister, etc.
 - They also have events throughout the semester
- How did you operate before without a budget?
- Are you aware that you have 50 free copies of black and white paper in the SOC?
 - If you don't see this funded, that's the reason
 - Is there anything that you would need that this wouldn't cover?
- Are you newly active?
 - The club has existed before
 - She is a freshman
- Is the banner one big banner or is it event-specific?
 - They are wanting one banner for each tabling event

USG Finance Committee Minutes
Meeting: 17 January 2019
Senate Session Corresponding: 22 January 2019

VP Finance: Maggie Palys
Recorded by: Olivia Johnson

- We have banner paper in the SOC

Debate Details:

- We think this is mostly a tabling organization
- They can get a lot of these supplies in the SOC for free
- 150
 - 100 event supplies
 - 50 promotional
- 100
 - 100 event supplies

Voting: 150, 5-10-0; **100 15-0-0**

- **100 event supplies**