



Agenda
Student Senate Meeting – September 21, 2006

- I. Roll Call**
- II. Call to Order**
- III. Approval of Minutes from 09/14/06**
- IV. Audience Participation**
- V. Committee Reports**
 - A. Business Affairs
 - B. Chair
- VI. Special Business**
 - A. Special Election of CFA Representatives (3 vacancies)
 - B. Special Election of CIT Representatives (5 vacancies)
 - C. Special Election of H&SS Representatives (2 vacancies)
- VII. New Business from Committee**
 - A. 0607-003 Special Allocation of to Southwestern Program for Deliberative Democracy for Campus Conversations 2006-2007
 - B. 0607-004 Special Allocation of \$2500 to Jolanta Lion for Faces of Democracy: The CMU International Film Festival
- VIII. New Business from the Floor**
- IX. Points of Discussion**
- X. Announcements**
 - A. Academic Affairs will now be meeting from 5:45-6:30 on Mondays in UC 318G.
 - B. Finance will now be meeting at 4:30 on Tuesdays in UC 306.
- XI. Adjourn**

Appendix

0607-003 – Special Allocation of \$1500 to Southwestern Program for Deliberative Democracy for Campus Conversations 2006-2007

Date: Spring 2007

Request: Campus Conversations is an initiative which uses Deliberative Polling® to gather an understanding of what the student body thinks about an issue by polling participants before and after they deliberate on an issue.

Additional funding sources: Office of the Provost, English Department, and the Dean of Student Affairs.

Budget:

Catering: \$500

Participant Incentives (\$25 Student Random Sample participant): \$500

Web-site: \$300

Advertising (posters, flyers): \$300

Project Management: \$1000

Document Design: \$1500

Total Cost: \$4100

Committee Decision: The Finance Committee felt that while Student Senate should show it's support for Campus Conversations, an allocation this large would set too high a precedent for future requests from Campus Conversations. While the event is beneficial for campus, the committee felt that \$1500 would be an appropriate sum, and would provide a bar for other organizations, such as GSA, to provide funding for this event. Senate would be paying for Participant incentives and Project Management.

Vote: Simple Majority

Media Restriction: None

Original Request: \$3500

0607-004 – Special Allocation of \$2500 to Jolanta Lion for Faces of Democracy: The CMU International Film Festival

Date: November 29 – December 10

Request: The 2006 CMU International Film Festival will provide free movie showings in McConomy Auditorium as well as showings at the South Side Works (open to the public, discounted for CMU). In addition, international film directors will be on campus to speak about their movies and provide free workshops.

Additional funding sources: *Confirmed:* Dean of H&SS, Sprout Fund.
Anticipated/Requested: On-campus departments, Polish Cultural Institute, 10 Ethnic Organizations, Donations, Ticket Sales, South Side Works, Whole Foods, LOT Polish Airlines, and WYEP.

Budget:

Administrative Expenses: \$6,700
Programming Expenses: \$16,400
Marketing Expenses: \$11,300
Facility Expenses: \$4,000
Equipment/Tech Expenses: \$1,000
Misc. Expenses (Including Hosting Directors): \$11,500

Total Expenses Projected: \$50,900

Committee Decision: The Finance Committee was split on this allocation (2 for \$2500 – 2 for \$3000). The committee was enthusiastic on funding the event, but was unable to agree on how much to fund it. Half the committee felt that \$2500 was sufficient for funding the event and would not hinder its success. The other half felt that based on its value, it deserved more money. The \$2500 would pay for part of the programming expense for film costs.

Vote: Simple Majority

Media Restriction: Yes. Since this is a film festival there are restrictions filming the movies themselves, however everything else may be filmed.

Original Request: \$5000