



Science
Undergraduate
Society

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February 15, 2017 Grants Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 1:06 PM

Present

VP Finance	Sheila Wang
AVP Finance	Ryan Lou
Integrated Sciences Representative	Caroline Sutton
Mathematics Representative	Tommi Muller
Physics Representative	Arnold Choa
Member-at-Large	Talia Ada Ang

Regrets

Astronomy Representative	Hikari Rachmat
Statistics Representative	Oscar Tu
Member-at-Large	Thomas Hoang
Member-at-Large	Alyssa Yong

Moved by Arnold, Seconded by Caroline.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Grants Committee approve the following meeting minutes:

February 1, 2017 Grants Committee Minutes
February 8, 2017 Grants Committee Minutes
February 15, 2017 Grants Committee Minutes

...MOTION PASSES

Club Operations Grants:

MISA

Membership (4.5/5)

- 59/61 = 97% of students are in Science
- Formula: $\frac{(97\% - 60\%)}{40} \times 5 = 4.5\%$

Events (11.5/20)

6/10 for Variety of Events

- A bit too many social events
- Academic events are not gathering enough attention

2.5/5 for Collaborations with Other Clubs

- Really only collaboration with BIOSOC

3/5 for How well these Events Appeal to Members and Non-Members

- The events attract people who are non-members
- Attendance is too small to attract different people, probably mostly recurring people

Rationale (27/40)

3.5/5 for Following Directions

- Is not 1.5 spaced, but if it was then it wouldn't exceed the page limit

3/5 for Grammar/Mechanics

- Answered the questions but was not really persuasive

6/10 for Goals of the Clubs

- Goals are there to help MBIM and BIOT students with career paths and interaction with other majors

14.5/20 for How the Club Benefits Science Students

- With the small turnout, it cannot be determined how it benefits many science students
- Does provide MICB students with social activities that are fun

Budget (29/35)

5/5 for Aiming for a Zero budget

- The \$101.07 is relatively low compared to their overall budget of around \$12,370.00

9.5/10 for Detailed Expenses/Revenues

- Well itemized budget with good detail for each event
- Formatting is not the best as there are no sub-headers, but the details are most important

14.5/20 for Reasonable Expenses and Revenues

- Grad cruise was not listed in the events above (no attendance)
 - \$3,500.00 subsidised by the club, but there is no attendance to see benefits
- There are some other events in the Budget section that are not listed above in the events
- Has sourced funding from other organizations (AMS, PREP 101, MICB Department)

Total: (4.5 + 11.5 + 27 + 29)/100 = 0.72 x \$1,200.00 = \$864.00

CMSSA

Membership (5/5)

- 132/138 = 96% of students are in Science
- Formula: $\frac{(96\% - 60\%)}{40} \times 5 = 5\%$

Events (16/20)

9/10 for Variety of Events

- Good mix of social and academic events
- Academics have less attendance than their social events though

3/5 for Collaborations with Other Clubs

- There is collaboration with MHAC and possibly with other clubs in Sci Grad (not listed)

4/5 for How well these Events Appeal to Members and Non-Members

- The social events appeal to a wide variety of members

Rationale (32.5/40)

5/5 for Following Directions

- Followed formatting directions; kept it under 2 pages

4/5 for Grammar/Mechanics

- Was persuasive but generic

8/10 for Goals of the Clubs

- Can tell very well that they are enthusiastically trying to get their name out in order to have larger attendance
- However, they are not supporting students as much as they are claiming

15.5/20 for How the Club Benefits Science Students

- They do help CMS students network as their degrees are really broad and do not focus on one specific area like most Science majors do
- Study sessions help bring students together in a quiet room together to help each other study for final exams, but just CMS students

Budget (21.5/35)

0/5 for Aiming for a Zero budget

- If the club operations grant is included, then the budget would have a very large surplus

6/10 for Detailed Expenses/Revenues

- No breakdown, only headers
- There are separated expenses

15.5/20 for Reasonable Expenses and Revenues

- Hard to gauge without events broken down into categories
- Banner is good for promotion and the expenses are reasonable
- Not sure where the CMSSA apparel expenses are (in relation to income)

Total: (5 + 16 + 32.5 + 21.5)/100 = 0.75 x \$1,200.00 = \$900.00

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Membership (0.5/5)

- 11/17 = 65% of students are in Science
- Formula: $\frac{(65\% - 60\%)}{40} \times 5 = 0.5\%$

Events (9/20)

4/10 for Variety of Events

- All social events, not trying to put on academic events, but it is understandable given the club's fundraising nature

0/5 for Collaborations with Other Clubs

- No collaborations with other clubs

5/5 for How well these Events Appeal to Members and Non-Members

- The food appeals non-members and benefits a good cause as well

Rationale (16/40)

5/5 for Following Directions

- Followed formatting directions; kept it under 2 pages

4/5 for Grammar/Mechanics

- Was persuasive in that the cause was well explained and

4/10 for Goals of the Clubs

- To fundraise for underprivileged kids and to show that SUS is not just about socials and informational events about careers
 - However, it is more focussed on providing awareness among first years

3/20 for How the Club Benefits Science Students

- As a fundraising club, it provides volunteering opportunities but not much else
- Seems to only reach out to first year Science Students (philanthropy)

Budget (12.5/35)

0/5 for Aiming for a Zero budget

- Large deficit due to large donation expenditure

6.5/10 for Detailed Expenses/Revenues

- There's more detail, but still not itemized
- Expenses and revenues well separated

6/20 for Reasonable Expenses and Revenues

- Some of the expenses are reasonable and expenses are par for the course (prizes, food)
- But since the profits are being donated, we would like to see a better attempt at trying to run the club better to be more sustainable; not relying on grants in the future

Total: (0.5 + 9 + 16 + 12.5)/100 = 0.38 x \$1,200.00 = \$456.00

Meeting adjourned at 1:56 PM