

STHSA Meeting

STH Room 115

5:00-6:00pm

Board Attendees: Ko, Dan, Debbie, Soren, Andrew, Sara Beth,

Student Attendees: Jeff Rickman, Jen Q

1) Students discuss current budget issues and status of student group funds

Budget: \$31,331 (unencumbered available funds)

Carry over of \$20,000 from 2009-2010 year

Soren explaining requisitions/purchase orders what "unencumbered" means

Students discuss commitment to community lunch for rest of year – including next week STHSA responsible for 6 lunches – approximately 7,000 of this remaining budget is committed to comm. lunch

Approximately \$24,000 remaining

12 Student Groups – total is \$14,000 promised funds that will be transferred

Approximately \$10,000 remaining after that

Roughly \$6-8,000 expected to come in from University

Students discuss anticipated funds from University's Student Activities Office

Students discuss the reason for spending down surplus -the Office of Dean of Students office is encouraging us to spend what was remaining from last year – because budgets should be based off of number of students currently paying fees/enrolled, rather than 'leftover' from previous years

Dean's office – has the right to reclaim monies left over for fees

Soren – we don't need to hold onto funds that students have paid in from previous years –

Jen – we want to give everyone their monies worth this year – but there are risks there – people expecting more – there are other things we could do with this remaining budget

Soren – we could make a purchase for the corporate body – perhaps conference funding

Soren – the remainder (hypothetically) is about 15,000

Approximate budget breakdown

31,000 – current

6,000 – approximate anticipated funds

37,000

7,000 for lunches already committed

14,000 for student groups

5,000 on graduation celebration

1,000- cushion of overages and other fees

10,000 left over – spent half of excess – this is good

Jen – putting together a committee to have a conversation about what needs to be done with rest of monies – we should take them

Soren – something else we should think about – the balance from last year was committed to

invoices didn't come back till late fall last year –

Soren – we should not make a provisional spending statement like that ever again – too difficult to get that number nailed down

Andrew – what about quotes for graduation

Jen – very happy with this – also there is monies that will come back to general pot at end of year

Soren – move that we appoint the continuing students to develop budget strategy prior to end of school year – Soren retracts

Jen – motions that we put together a group of people who are not graduating and other non-board students that will be here next year without vested interest by end of semester to develop budget strategy (may include other students who are graduating) continuing and noncontinuing both exec and non who will work on budget issues – all in favor – passed unanimously

Dan – regarding last year's commitment – last year STHSA – no firm amount (approx 2k)

Soren – make commitment of \$1750

Andrew – motions that we give \$1750 to deans discretionary fund to –dropped

Soren – Move that no later than April 29th, Soren will make report on how much is owed by last years SA and that we will write check to Deans discredionary fund – all in favor –

Andrew opposed – motion passed

Jen – we could set up system where we could take monies from student groups and – essentially we could do a semester audit – jen – better financial picture if we do semester audit –

Debbie – first year that we've done this

Andrew – yes semesterly audit – but hard deadlines

Jen – flexible Robin Hood model –

Soren – sheer madness to do audit – mid-se

Debbie – motion to have budget committee deal with these issues – all in favor, Andrew abstains – motion passed

2) Student Group accounts will be settled by today – by Tuesday afternoon they will be able to handle that –

Theology has checks – They can deposit this into their account – Ko will send email

Jen motions that student groups who earn monies on their own have the right to keep those funds without our interference – seconded – Soren H. is opposed – Jeff abstaining – motion is passed – 6 in favor –

3) Field Ed Mixer – this will go out as email – encourage wording to have 2/3 yrs to come – email Meredith to encourage people – next Wednesday at 10am - \$20 donation to community life office – seconded – oxnam room – free coffee

4) Conference Funding Requests

Nory Leachon – requesting \$175 – for Northeastern Jurisdiction Clergy Women

Jen – what is this conference -

Dan – so far Valentina has been asking for same information twice – Dean Newsome will ask Valentina to not ask for more information – Dan will ask to get this in writing

Soren – moves to approve \$100 – seconded, all in favor – Andrew abstains – motion passed

Dealing with how to get Jeff his reimbursement – Debbie will go back and ask for monies – Brian Hall

motion to go past 6 - passed

5) Elections – students have been asking – we need to set a date for this – motion to make elections the first week of april – april 4-8 – electronic elections – following university announcements – ***motion to make April 4 and end April 8 5pm- seconded – discussion – all in favor – motion passed***

Soren – motion follow bylaws, but – nominations due 9am Monday March 28th – gives us week to debate – public – all in favor – passed

President, VP, Treasurer, Secretary – in Bylaws

6) Community Lunch – Debbie review