I. Call to Order

A. Present: Mary Beth Vahala, Sydney Navoichick, Jenasea Hameister, Kara Ostlund, Linsey Strzyzewski, Zac Knutson, Anastasia Grochowski, Andrew Matchett, Kate Lochner, Heidi Pullen

II. FY 23 Budget Presentations [Continued]

A. College Feminists (\$3,825)

- 1. In the process of rebuilding after the 2020 school year. With energy and momentum, new ideas are on the board; looking to become curators of social justice knowledge
- 2. This semester, there are 45 people on their roster with weekly meetings occurring every Thursday. College feminists did participate in the activities fair, and had their organization promoted there.
 - a) A Film night
 - b) November 9th speak out in support to sexual-assault survivors
 - c) For the remainder for the Fall, College Feminists are looking to focus on recruiting and overall campus knowledge of the organization
- 3. This Spring, college feminist are focusing on larger-scale projects
 - a) Getting the greater community involved and showing students how their education in social justice can be utilized in the world outside of the organization (Planning for March to start this project). The "Bring your Feminism to work" project
 - b) Events to educate and destigmatize/demystify sex-work with the "Ask-A-Stripper" discussion night
 - (1) Currently have a general geography of where to find speakers for both the demystifying sex-work and the feminism in the world topics, but no specific speakers have been found.
- 4. Merging departments into the Race, Gender, and Sexuality department but looking to maintain delineation and identity for the WGS students on track for graduation. But, College Feminists are also looking forward to the merger and excited to start working together with other departments.

B. International Student Programs (\$6,931)

1. Due to last year under the Covid-19 pandemic, the traditional planning and allocation of resources could not be continued, however, events were carried out for the student body and our international guests, for instance, the international coffee hour.

- a) The prime example of innovative programs last year is shown through the Kitchen Quarantine program, a dentration/meal-kit program that allowed students to cook meals from cultures around the world and partnered with the larger La Crosse and Madison communities to engage with each other online.
- b) Also focused on the support of our international students with care packages and community-building activities to assist with any feelings of isolation during the 2020 school year.
- 2. This year, International Student Programs are looking to host events with greater collaboration and engagement now that regulations around the covid-19 have allowed for in-person meetings.
 - a) The global initiatives week is an example of this
- 3. Next year, International Student Programs are interested in bringing back some of the more traditional programs to increase internationalization and international awareness throughout campus.

C. Student Services & Buildings (The Racquet Press \$15,278; Sports Clubs \$30, 855; Sports Clubs - Postseason \$2,882)

- 1. No change in the total amounts, but there have been changes internally in response to what items and funds are needed
 - a) The Postseason expects to use the entirety of their funds for travel, as they are able to this semester
 - (1) The most that a team can apply for is \$500, the remaining amount is to be made up for students in the organization
 - b) The Racquet does have new reporters who are on their payroll
 - c) Sports clubs (24 club teams and over 540 participants) request that SUFAC consider the increase in segregated fees in the future; they are requesting this increase for safety purposes and so that students are able to pay less to participate in these organizations.
 - (1) No exact dollar amount has been suggested for the increase, the current amount is \$3.59 per student.

D. Organizations Committee (Distinguished Lecture Series \$6,700; Graduate Activities Program \$6,931; Campus Activities Boards \$78,701; Organization Grants \$23,175; Student Leadership Programs \$4,590)

- 1. Distinguished Lecture Series: According to the Organizations Committee, this organization has not been meeting. They have officially recommended that this organization be given a budget of \$0 for this FY
- 2. Student Leadership: There has been little to no change in the programs, so the funding has been suggested through historical patterning

- 3. Campus Activities Board: The Organizations Committee recommends that the full amount be given to CAB. The only major change has been in student help that requires students to be paid by the hour in compliance with UW System requirements
- 4. Organization Grants: The Organization Committee recommends that the budget remains at its historic allotted amount. Org grants is also requesting the full carry-over request from the prior 2020 school year; looking for this request to be put into an "emergency fund" and to be accessible for organization to host events
- 5. Graduate Activities Program: Once again looking at the traditional allotment in order to provide activities, lectures, and other programs for graduate students

III. Green Fund (Current Cash Balance: \$213,986.72)

- A. Fall 2021 Large Grants
 - 1. Esports and Outdoor Connection LED project (\$67,000, Total Cost: \$78,225)
 - a) Split the cost with the REC (who will be paying \$11,285)
 - b) Esports Area will be housed in the old Fitness center
 - c) Environmental impact of LED lights
 - (1) LED lights last longer on average and are less expensive to keep lit (saving an approximated \$4,000 a year);LED lights also do not have environmental contaminants like mercury which are present in other bulbs.
 - d) JCES lists this as a Medium priority project
 - (1) Their input suggest a more equal allocation of funds between the Green Fund and the REC
 - 2. Drift Share Bike Share
 - a) Proposed \$5,400 of funding for a one-year contract pilot program with a \$5,000 contribution from MTU.
 - (1) Impact
 - (a) Increased accessibility to bikes and reduces liability for users: \$1 per/hour
 - (b) Planned for reduction in carbon emissions from vehicles
 - (2) JCES lists this as high priority project
 - b) Since this is a pilot project, data will be gathered so that the school will have greater knowledge of how to move forward with
 - c) Hope is to start this project in the Spring semester

IV. Discussion:

- A. Review of presentations (Voting will occur on 11/22)
- B. Review of Cash Balance Carry Over Requests

V. Announcements:

A. Next meeting will be held on November 2022

VI. Adjournment

A. Meeting Adjourned 7:48 PM