

19th Meeting of the 14th Financial Board FY21

Zoom Meeting ID: 969-9035-1848

November 18th , 2020

6:00 pm – 7:30 pm

I. Call to Order

II. Treasurer's Remarks

III. Old Business

IV. New Business

F.132 Art and Design Club (\$92.91) - Passed in Full

F.133 Engineers Without Borders - WPI (\$12.83) - Passed in Full

F.134 Lens and Lights & SocComm Films (\$8,639.00) - Passed in Full

F.135 Student Government Association (Reallocation- \$10,000.00) - Passed in Full

F.136 WPI Wireless Association (\$1,269.00) - Passed in Full

F.137 Coffee Club (Reclassification- Class I) - Passed as Class VI

V. Questions, Comments, and Ideas

VI. Adjournment

F.132 Art and Design Club - (\$92.91)

Purpose of Funds:

These funds will be used to purchase art supplies for our winter-themed art time. We will be knitting cozies for mugs and doing coloring pages. Tea and hot chocolate packets will also be given in the kit so that everyone has a beverage for their mug. The event will be held over zoom and supplies will be distributed safely via table sitting in advance.

Presentation:

They host an arts and craft event every Friday. The events this term are virtual. It's open to all of campus, but you have to register beforehand to guarantee supplies. Supplies will be stored in their storage closet in Salisbury.

Questions:

Discussion:

PRO: This sounds like a fun event for people to go to, especially since there's not much to do on campus right now.

PRO: It seems like it would be a fun event.

Outcome: Passed in Full

F.133 Engineers Without Borders-WPI - (\$12.83)

Purpose of Funds:

Funding to pay for T-shirts.

Presentation:

They want 24 t-shirts for \$14.24 each, a total of \$341.66, and 50% of the total is \$170.83. They already have \$158.00 in their budget, so they only want \$12.83.

Questions:

Discussion:

PRO: It's not much more to cover the cost of shirts for their additional numbers.

PRO: It follows our bylaws.

Outcome: Passed in Full

F.134 LNL and SocComm - (\$8,639.00)

Purpose of Funds:

We hope that by purchasing a large inflatable screen we can cut costs for SocComm Films to an external company, while also allowing for frequent outdoor events given the current situation due to COVID-19.

Presentation:

The 27 foot diagonal inflatable screen that will bring new life to campus despite the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. They hope to host more outdoor movie nights. Allow more clubs to host events on campus. Allow for in house Movie on the Quad services, eliminating costs to external companies, expand the amount of events on campus. Shipping is free. SocComm pays \$1,363.00 per movie on the quad not including LNL's sound services. They expect buying their own will even out cost wise in about 6 Movie on the Quads. LNL is hoping to do more events and this gives them the opportunity. LNL has storage places to put the screen. For maintenance, LNL has a database for equipment inventory and inspections. They hope to make outdoor events a reality again since COVID hindered on campus activities.

Questions:

When do you expect it to be used for the first time?: Hopefully in the spring once the Quad reopens.

Didn't they used to have one?: They used to rent one.

Discussion:

PRO: It's better to buy something than rent it.

PRO: They might not need it right now, but hopefully they can use it in the future.

Outcome: Passed in Full

F.135 Student Government Association - (\$10,000.00)

Purpose of Funds:

Reallocation from pep rally to go to the WPI Emergency Assistance Fund.

Presentation:

The Pep Rally had to be cancelled, so they'd prefer that that money go into an Emergency Assistance Fund.

Questions:

Discussion:

PRO: Money going into the Emergency Assistance Fund is always a good thing.

PRO: It's disappointing to not have a Pep Rally but at least the money is going to good use.

Outcome: Passed in Full

F.136 WPI Wireless Association - (\$1,269.00)

Purpose of Funds:

Purchase a Maestro Control Console. They FR-ed for this item along with a few items last D-Term however it wasn't going to be in stock until after the fiscal year ended.

Presentation:

Internal purchase to get more equipment. They would like a Maestro Control Console for \$1,199.00. It will cost \$70.00 shipping. It will work with the Power Genius XL and FLEX Radio software. It allows for global communication between amateur radio enthusiasts and the club. They want to upgrade some of their equipment. It has increased emergency commutation range and capabilities.

Questions:

Discussion:

PRO: If we approved it last year, I think we should approve it again for the same reasons.

PRO: It fits the purpose of the club.

Outcome: Passed in Full

F.137 Coffee Club

Current Classification:

Class VII - Non-Funded

Requested Classification:

Class I - Special Interest

Current Club Membership:

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Presentation:

Questions:

Discussion:

PRO: They would have to go through a longer process to be able to be reclassified if we deny it.

CON: They've been inactive for a while I think they should have to be a provisional club.

CON: If a club becomes inactive like this and we let them join a new class without going through the waiting period it will set a precedent we don't want. We don't know if they're gonna take it seriously.

CON: We have a waiting period of a year for a reason so I think they should have to wait that time. They can always get reclassified later.

Motion to change the club they're getting reclassified into from Class I to Class VI.

PRO: They can go through the waiting period now.

Motion passes.

Outcome: Passed as Class VI - Provisional