

Student Activity Fee Advisory Committee

February 3, 2023 – Meeting Minutes

VIRTUAL MEETING

Members Present: Christine Lin (SAFAC Chair Outgoing), Randee Sepeda (SAFAC Chair Incoming), Rajan Rijal (Staff), Shiva Davanloo (Faculty – Alternate), David Tercero (Staff – Alternate), Michele Culpepper (Faculty – Alternate), Travis Grasser (Faculty – Alternate), Jesus Palacios (Student Rep), Elijah Pinguel (Student Rep)

Members Absent: Sammi Woodyard (SAFAC Vice Chair Incoming), Brian Allison (Faculty), Marifrances Casey (Staff – Alternate), Brian White (Faculty), Beren (Joe) Davidson (Student Rep), Yonel Jose Perez Rodriguez (Student Rep)

Administrative Liaison / Coordinator: Michael Gregorash (Present)

Minutes Taken By: Michael Gregorash

Representatives were present from the following organizations:
SWE (Society of Women Engineers) Conference

I. Official Start of Meeting:

The email meeting was called to order at 7:21 p.m. on Wednesday February 8.

II. Budget Review:

At the beginning of this meeting, the SAFAC budget balance is \$507,392.00

III. Approval of past minutes and additional notes:

The minutes were presented from the meeting on January 20, 2023.

Michele Culpepper made a motion to approve the minutes. Elijah Pinguel seconded.

The minutes were approved as distributed.

IV. Funding Requests Presentations:

a. SWE (Society of Women Engineers) Conference

Funding in the amount of \$7,715.00 is requested to cover the costs of attending the SWE (Society of Women Engineers) Conference in Seattle Washington from March 30 to April 1, 2023. The Society of Women Engineers (SWE) is an organization that stands on the progress of diversity, inclusion, and gender parity in the male-dominated engineering and technology industry. Their mission is to empower women professionally as engineers, and leaders, and further expand the positive depiction of what it is to work in a profession that improves the quality of life. At this conference, there will be keynote speakers from notable companies like NASA, Amazon, Microsoft, etc., giving seminars about their personal feats, their professional process,

and even personal failures that will be of huge inspiration to our SWE chapter here at Collin College. There will be plenty of opportunities here for us to meet with other colleagues through the competitions, info sessions, engaged exchanges, special events, and snap sessions being held at this conference. As we network with new people from all over the nation, life-changing connections will be made with colleagues and company recruiters that will not only change our lives but also change theirs. Here, we will obtain extremely valuable information concerning our career paths. Overall it will motivate our student body to acknowledge what we are capable of achieving with all our newfound intellectual gems.

V. Funding Requests Voting Results:

a. SWE (Society of Women Engineers) Conference

Funding in the amount of \$7,715.00 is requested to cover the costs of attending the SWE (Society of Women Engineers) Conference in Seattle Washington from March 30 to April 1, 2023. Michele Culpepper made the motion to fund up to \$7,715.00 to cover the costs of attending the conference. Elijah Pinguel seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous to pass.

VII. Announcements:

Michael Gregorash announced that the next SAFAC Meeting will be Friday, March 3, 2023 via Zoom.

VIII. Adjourn:

David Tercero made the motion to adjourn the meeting on Monday February 13 at 10:58 a.m.