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Committee on Appropriations and Audits
FALL SESSION
September 30, 2013

Call to Order by Chairwoman Kattih at 12:14 PM.

First Roll Call

Present: Kattih, Abraha, Larkins, Myers, Lopez, Romero, F. Fernandez,

Absent: Devivo (excused)

Chairwoman Kattih: We do have quorum.

Additions/Deletions and/or Clarifications to the Orders of the Day:

Chairwoman Kattih: Next item on the agenda is additions or deletions or changes to the agenda. Are there any changes?

Senator Abraha - *Motion to approve the agenda, accepted.*

Chairwoman Kattih: Are there any objections? Seeing none, the agenda is now approved. Next item is approval of the minutes. Are there any motions?

Senator Larkins - *Motion to approve the minutes, accepted.*

Chairwoman Kattih: Are there any objections? Seeing none, the minutes are now approved.

Open Forum

Chairwoman Kattih: Next, we have open forum. Does anyone have anything to say? You guys are doing an amazing job.

New Business

1. Interim Budget Requests

Interventional Radiology Interest Group

Chairwoman Kattih: With that, we can move onto interim budgets. The first two we have are the College of Medicine organizations and we do have Mr. Ali Antar here to represent his constituents. We can go ahead and start with Interventional Radiology Interest Group. Let me just go through it. They requested \$1,070.60 and they were recommended \$689 for a total of eight events.

Pro-Tempore Aldridge: Can you go back down through that? That last one, the allocation, the form is not correct.

Chairwoman Kattih: I guess you want to go through it and explain your reasoning for your allocation?

Senator Antar: The first one I didn't allocate, it already passed. Unless my calculation is wrong, the recruitment event is a big lunch meeting. I gave it a little bit more—I essentially gave it as a banquet, because it was their biggest event. I don't know if you follow that precedent anymore. That would have made it \$180, but they only requested \$150 so I put it at \$150. The rest of them are other small lunch meetings. What they thought is that they were counting just their members, so they were counting the ten members that normally come, but other people usually come to, because if they have it during lunch, where they bring in speakers and they do that, then all of the other students that are pre-med end up coming. I come to a lot of those meetings. You see a lot more than just their members coming, and it does actually end up recruiting more members. Those students end up signing up on the spot on that day. That's what the rest of the meetings are. I don't think there are more than four events per semester.

Chairwoman Kattih: We have six general club meetings for \$60 for food and \$20 for materials, then we have the Interventional Radiology recruitment event. That's \$150 for food and \$20 for materials.

Pro-Tempore Aldridge: Can you scroll down through the events again?

Senator Abraha: Explain to me a little more about the club meetings. They kind of sound like...

Senator Antar: General body meetings?

Senator Abraha: Yes.

Chairwoman Kattih: I think they are all speaker events.

Senator Antar: Yes. They always bring in teachers to come in and speak. Not just to speak. Sometimes they have instructional kind of stuff. I remember I went to Emergency Medicine and they were teaching people how to do cricoidotomies. That was really cool. There's not every much you can teach in radiology other than going over the latest research or going over some actual radiographs, and how to interpret those, so they will bring in faculty to actually teach them and pinpoint them to shadowing opportunities, volunteering opportunities, all of those kinds of stuff. They are not active meetings but they show up and put them in touch. It's a lot of networking with the faculty after they teach.

Senator Lopez: Were you saying that they didn't throw in an estimated number of guests?

Senator Antar: Outside of their own club.

Senator Lopez: And that's why the food...?

Senator Antar: He said normally we have ten registered members who come out from the other registered members. Then you always have the stragglers that are like, "Oh, what's this? This sounds really interesting." Then they sign up for the club. They don't necessarily sign up to each one, but they sign up to the club and come more often than not to their meetings.

Senator Lopez: I was just wondering for the food.

Chairwoman Kattih: Based off of the meeting with them, I would go off the numbers that are stated here rather than the ones stated here. Again, thirty, \$2 per head, \$60.

Senator Abraha: I mean, I'm satisfied with his explanation, just for next time, in the description make sure they include for each event instead of a general overview. That way, we know what we're funding. That was the problem with the whole MASA week thing.

Senator Lopez: To add onto that, it would keep it from looking like a general body meeting.

Senator Antar: That's what I told them, that they needed to start being more specific.

Senator Abraha – *Motion to vote on recommended budget allocations, accepted.*

Chairwoman Kattih: Are there any objections to funding the Interventional Radiology Interest Group \$689 and moving into voting? Seeing no objections.

YES: Abraha, Fernandez, Larkins, Myers, Romero, Lopez

NO:

6-0-1, Interventional Radiology Interest Group is funded.

Student Interest Group in Ophthalmology

Chairwoman Kattih: Next item on the agenda is the Student Interest Group in Ophthalmology. This organization requested \$795 and they were recommended \$450.50 for four events.

Senator Antar: It's almost the same kind of thing. These are much bigger ones. When you get to those smaller events—you can fix the numbers, I forgot to put it in these ones—that one was also \$50, speaker presentation—I think they were all round \$50, except for that last. Except for that last one, I just went ahead and funded the banquet at what they had so they could have one banquet. Instead of benefit of the doubt, of fifty students, I gave the one banquet. These are like the speaker series, except these ones are bigger. They get actual ophthalmologists from outside of the school is what they told me. Then vision screenings. What I funded—and I guess that was contentious, so I don't know if you want to keep that or not—essentially it's actual supplies that they use for the scopes and stuff like that, to switch out, as opposed to actual plates and napkins.

Chairwoman Kattih: How many students will be attending the vision screenings?

Senator Antar: It caps at twenty. I didn't really give a per student. I just halved the materials and gave them that. If you want to go a percent head, you can do that also. It's an educational session. It's like the stature clinic, except they do eyes.

Chairwoman Kattih: Are there any questions about? Let's scroll through them. They have three speaker events. Two for \$2 per head for \$100 and one of them for \$3 per head for \$150. Finally, we have the vision screening for \$75.

Senator Abraha: What is the vision screening material including again?

Senator Antar: It's material for the scope so they can use it between patients.

Chairwoman Kattih: So disposable tips for eye exams things.

Senator Antar: It's not just eyes. They also do ear. I don't know why. The Odascope, the eye scope and the ear scope come in the same package, so they just do both while they are there.

Chairwoman Kattih: So it's materials to run their organization's meeting. This type of meeting.

Senator Antar: Yes. It's an educational session.

Chairwoman Kattih: It's like when we fund costumes. I don't know if this a good example, but—because maybe for an event, you need costumes because it's an Anime club. In the same way, you need materials for the vision screening for a medical club. I think we'll see a lot of different materials because the organizations that we have are very varied. We will see this again. I would just say kind of keep in mind that we will be seeing more of this so that you can allocate appropriately.

Senator Abraha – *Motion to vote on recommended budget allocation.*

Chairwoman Kattih: Is everyone okay with the way the allocations currently stand?

Senator Larkins: So with costumes, you allocate per person buying the costume?

Chairwoman Kattih: When we allocate for costumes, we take into account how much they are asking for and then we allocate based on that. I don't remember last time if you guys remember when we allocated costumes, we did kind of half of what they were asking for, maybe give or take a little bit more. I don't remember exactly. It just has a cap for how much you can fund but it's up to you guys. It's flexible. So if there are no other—

Senator Romero: For the one that you funded as a banquet, did they specifically say they were going to use it as a banquet?

Senator Antar: The way I used to do it when I allocated is that if they didn't specify a banquet, I would fund one at a banquet level. The one that seemed the biggest.

Senator Romero: We haven't been doing that.

Senator Antar: If you haven't been doing that, then you can take off of that and make it \$50.

Senator Romero: I wouldn't have a problem doing that generally speaking. But since we haven't...

Senator Antar: You've got to follow your precedents. That's understandable.

Senator Romero – *Motion to fund food for \$100 for Speaker Presentation, accepted.*

Chairwoman Kattih: Are there any objections?

Senator Abraha: Yes. Let's vote on it.

Chairwoman Kattih: We are going to vote on Mr. Romero's motion to fund them \$100.

Senator Romero: Does someone want to say something? I can rescind. I didn't realize...

Senator Abraha: No, I can rescind and explain if you like.

Chairwoman Kattih: We are no longer in voting procedure. Ms. Abraha, do you rescind your motion for an explanation?

Senator Abraha rescinds.

Chairwoman Kattih: Mr. Romero, do you want to explain why you want to do this, and then Ms. Abraha we can see your side.

Senator Romero: The reason why I want to fund them \$100 for food is because, although I understand funding at least one event as a banquet we haven't been doing that so far. Because we are trying to be as neutral as possible, and fair with every organization, because we haven't been—it hasn't been a precedent to fund at least one banquet, I think that we shouldn't fund this event as a banquet if they haven't specified it's a banquet.

Chairwoman Kattih: Ms. Abraha, can you clarify exactly where you're coming from.

Senator Abraha: It's not to disagree, but I think we have funded more banquets than not, even during the summer. Again, I don't have the exact numbers, but I think we have this idea where we had in the beginning was one welcoming, one banquet, two events in between. I really do like that. I want to keep it that way. If you guys don't, that's...

Chairwoman Kattih: I would suggest keeping in mind the fact that in the past when we have funded banquets, they have specifically requested banquet money, and not presentations, which may be masquerading as banquets. But in general, as a precedent.

Senator Lopez: I'd like to add on to that. It's when someone requested materials for \$25, and even though we knew they needed more, we weren't going to go over that. So why give someone a banquet if they didn't request it?

Senator Abraha: We went over before.

Senator Lopez: For materials? We went over what they requested?

Chairwoman Kattih: In certain instances. If you guys still are at a stalemate, we can go ahead and vote on that. Are there any motions?

Senator Abraha: That's fine. You can keep going.

Chairwoman Kattih: Just kidding. Are there any objections to Mr. Romero's motion to funding them \$100? Seeing no objections. Are there any additional motions? We are now at \$397.50

Senator Abraha – *Motion to vote on recommended budget allocation, accepted.*

Chairwoman Kattih: Are there any objections ? Seeing none, we are now in voting procedure.

YES: Abraha, Fernandez, Larkins, Myers, Romero, Lopez

NO:

6-0-1, Student Interest Group in Ophthalmology is funded.

To Write Love on Her Arms

Chairwoman Kattih: Let the record state that Mr. Lopez left at 12:30. Next item on the agenda is the interim budget for To Write Love on Her Arms. They requested \$1,128.90. Their welcoming event I did not fund because it had already passed. Releasing your ghosts event, I funded \$60 for food and \$15 for materials because they have thirty people attending and \$15 was what they were requesting in materials. Then they had a concert for eighty people. I funded it \$150, because we would fund it \$160 and the cap of what they were asking was \$150. Then I funded \$20 for materials, which is what they were asking for. Their good bye fall semester event, \$60 for food \$15 for materials which is what they were asking for. New Year, new you event, \$60 for food and \$20 for materials as was the extent of what they were asking for. Then you don't need no relationship, \$100 for food and \$50 for materials for fifty people.. Finally, the spring concert for \$150 for food and \$20 for materials and the stress out day, \$75 for food and \$20 for materials. That was a total of eight events.

Senator Abraha – *Motion to fund goodbye fall semester \$90.*

Chairwoman Kattih: Can you explain to us—you think that's a banquet.

Senator Abraha: Yes.

Chairwoman Kattih: Are there any objections?

Senator Romero: Can you rescind to discuss quickly? I'm not saying I object, but...

Chairwoman Kattih: Do you rescind your motion, Ms. Abraha?

Senator Abraha rescinds.

Senator Romero: Were you the one that talked to the organization?

Chairwoman Kattih: Yes, I was.

Senator Romero: In the name, "good bye fall semester" seems banquet-ish to me. But in speaking with them, do you get the idea that that was the kind of event it was?

Chairwoman Kattih: I don't exactly remember what they were—I don't remember that exact question as in whether or not it was a banquet. I do remember it was one of their bigger events. Based on what they were asking for—However, I think their releasing your ghosts event was larger. I don't know how that plays into your considerations. In this instance, it could be considered a banquet.

Ms. Galchenko: I have a question. Did you meet with this organization?

Chairwoman Kattih: Yes, I did.

Ms. Galchenko: They didn't provide any description of any of the events, they didn't provide where they were holding these events. The description just lists the stuff they are buying. It's not a very well-written budget to begin with. But the concerts are a little bit troublesome for me based on what it is they are asking. Releasing your ghosts, again, how can you guys fund this event without knowing how it pertains to the organization? It seems like it's around Halloween, and typically Halloween events are not funded. How is it that it pertains to the organization in the first place? It seems to be very vague and nondescriptive about what these events are.

Chairwoman Kattih: After meeting with them, I do have additional details. Like you said, they did have a vague budget, so I did feel the need to ask them what they were doing. Let me go through it with you guys. Their first event that we funded, their releasing your ghosts event, does kind of have a Halloween theme, but the way they described it was they are using the ghost theme to segue to depression and releasing anything you're holding onto. Their organization's purpose was...hold on.

Senator Aziz: You could check their constitution if you have P: drive.

Chairwoman Kattih: Since I'm already here, I'm just going to look. They are dedicated to presenting hope and finding help for those struggling with depression, addiction, self-injury and suicide. Their releasing their ghosts fits along with their goal to help with depression and release your ghosts. So that's one thing. Their concerts are not actual concerts. They are kind of an open conversation between those attending and those in the panel about depression, self-harm and those kinds of topics. That's why they had two of those panels, or "concerts". Their new year new you was geared toward inspiring change in self-image and how you present yourself and how you feel about yourself. Their don't need no relationship, again, about how to avoid depression, addition, self-injury and suicide while being single. Then their stress out day was geared toward ways to prevent stress and stressful situations. Next time, that is a very good point, Masha, and I didn't realize how vague this budget was. Next time, I'll make sure all events are detailed as possible rather than a simply a list of the materials they are buying. Does that kind of clear up everybody's questions if you did have any?

Senator Abraha – *Motion to fund goodbye fall semester \$90.*

Chairwoman Kattih: Are there any objections?

Pro-Tempore Aldridge: Can you rescind for a question?

Senator Abraha rescinds.

Pro-Tempore Aldridge: I thought the last organization discussed was that if they didn't necessarily have an end of the semester banquet then you didn't have to fund one.

Chairwoman Kattih: That's what they did for the organization right before. It was specifically a speaker event. The reason I think this could be flexible is because the good bye fall semester could be construed as a banquet, even though they haven't said as much. Again, it's up to you guys. Just keep in mind that we do need to be following some kind of precedent, but we don't want to deviate from our usual why we fund \$30 versus why do we fund \$2.

Senator Aziz: So when you met with them, did they say anything about this event?

Chairwoman Kattih: Nothing in particular that specified this event as a banquet.

Senator Aziz: What did they say this event was?

Chairwoman Kattih: This was a new event, and it was just an end of the year celebration to say goodbye to the fall. Again, it can go either way. So with Ms. Abraha to fund the event for \$90, are there any objections?

Senator Larkins objects.

Senator Larkins: It seems more of a social to me rather than a banquet.

Senator Abraha: It's okay. We can vote on it.

Chairwoman Kattih: Ms. Abraha, do you rescind your motion?

Senator Abraha: No.

Chairwoman Kattih: We are now in voting procedure. Let's do that. Are there any objections to voting by hand-raising? By straw poll? Seeing none.

YES: 1

NO: 4

4-1-1, Senator Abraha's motion does not pass.

Chairwoman Kattih: With that, are there any additional motions?

Senator Fernandez – *Motion to vote on recommended budget allocation, accepted.*

Chairwoman Kattih: The total amount for the To Write Love on Her Arms organization is \$826.80 and they do have a 25% deduction for missing the annual deadline. They are at \$620.10. If there are no objections going into voting procedure, we will now vote.

YES: Abraha, Fernandez, Larkins, Myers, Romero

NO:

5-0-1, To Write Love on Her Arms is funded.

X-Labs

Chairwoman Kattih: Next item on the agenda is X-Labs at USF. This organization requested \$2,162.40.

Okay, so their allocation—this is going to be up to committee to decide, because a lot of the funds they are asking for, in fact \$2,000 of the funds, is materials. Again, it's unconventional materials. We can go through it. A high-altitude balloon x4. They want money for a project to build a high-altitude balloon that will go 10,000 feet. They need helium balloons, the electronic parts, the aircraft component, the tracking system and the hardware. That's the \$1,000 they are asking for.

Senator Abraha: School 7-12 grade kids?

Chairwoman Kattih: The way they are doing this they are going to use this event to outreach to high school children and their crew. So you can consider this as an event for high school kids, and in that case we would zero fund it because it's not directly benefitting USF students. At the same time, this organization's whole purpose is to inspire students and provide university engineering students with hands-on experience. The first event—

Ms. Galchenko: I see where you might be shaky on the school students attending the launch itself. It does look a lot like what we do with the Engineering Expo. Engineering Expo week is geared toward the high school students for the College of Engineering. The thing is that these organizations build the stuff for the project for themselves as the students. They don't involve high school students in it. They are the primary beneficiary of getting the experience of constructing the project. If they invite visitors to see how it launches, they are not providing—I don't know, that \$40 isn't going to buy much to begin with—they don't seem to have this elaborate event where they cater to how many students come from high schools. I wouldn't worry

about that aspect as much. The direct impact does seem to be on the students, the members of the X-Labs that are building this balloon thing.

Chairwoman Kattih: With that, our decision will be to fund the materials for this project and how much.

Pro-Tempore Aldridge: The project name high-altitude balloon x4. Did they say in the meeting with them that this is one balloon? The other interpretation of this statement would be high altitude balloon times four, meaning they are requesting four balloons. Did you know if this is a one balloon thing or they are making three or four of these things?

Senator Romero: Four. It says four in the description.

Chairwoman Kattih: I want to say it's one balloon, but I am not sure.

Senator Aziz: Could be the fourth model. It says another high-altitude balloon, meaning they have probably done it in the past.

Chairwoman Kattih: I want to say it's one project, one output.

Senator Romero: Later down in the description, it says balloons. Materials for this project will include heating, gas, balloons, electronics, aircraft and all of the rest of it.

Chairwoman Kattih: If you guys want more clarifications about this, we can...

Ms. Galchenko: I would imagine that if they are trying to send a balloon 100,000 feet up, they will need more than one cover or layer of balloon. That's why they have balloons as plural rather than singular.

Chairwoman Kattih: It's still one project. The whole point—all of the materials they are going into one presentation thing that's flying. I wouldn't really—the details of it is more something we would consider in terms of exact materials we are funding as opposed to whether we want to fund 1/4th of the materials because we think it's four balloons.

Senator Abraha: I was going to say, in materials, we can fund this similar to the geology club we did before, when they were climbing things. We can come up with the assumption of how many of those we needed.

Chairwoman Kattih: That was the Karst club. At that time, they needed several sets of machinery and we only funded them two of them, I believe. In this case, I would recommend—actually, let's keep that in mind as we continue along with the rest of the budget. The local lab setup, they wanted money to set up their lab. I don't fund this because we don't fund stock materials for the organization. That's stuff they could probably get funded through either if they wanted to get funded through Student Government and through CSI they can rent it out and that way it's available to everybody and not just their organization. This is keeping in precedent with what we've done before. Then the quadcopter construction, again it's up to you guys. They want to construct a quadcopter, which is a flying RC helicopter to demonstrate engineering abilities and how to carry out engineering things and so the materials is going to be for that and wireless communication machines, hardware. So I can start off with making a couple of recommendations and you guys can go from there. I would recommend funding them about \$250 for the high-altitude balloon and \$200 for the Quadcopter construction. We've been kind of doing about half, about quarter, whatever. That's why I did half for the quadcopter and the high altitude balloon.

Senator Abraha: We should do \$500 because that would be half.

Senator Larkins: Have they asked for funding before for these events?

Chairwoman Kattih: They have—I don't know if it was for these events. They have previously been funded. Ms. Abraha, did you want to formally motion for that?

Senator Abraha: Was that your final recommendation?

Chairwoman Kattih: Yes.

Senator Abraha – *Motion to fund \$500 for high altitude balloon.*

Senator Abraha: I'm trying to see how much they cost. An amendment to my own motion--\$600.

Senator Abraha – *Motion to fund \$600 for high altitude balloon.*

Chairwoman Kattih: Can you clarify exactly why you're funding \$600?

Senator Abraha: (inaudible)

Chairwoman Kattih: Is this because the total cost is \$600?

Senator Aziz: A comparable commercial high-altitude balloon costs \$599 based on amazon. That's just information.

Senator Larkins: I thought we don't cover the whole amount of the item they are purchasing.

Chairwoman Kattih: The funding \$250 almost covers our 50%. I would actually suggest maybe going up to \$300 as my recommendation. The commercial costs would be \$600 then we're subsidizing.

Senator Abraha: That's only for one.

Chairwoman Kattih: They didn't specify that they needed four.

Senator Abraha: They said balloons, so they might need more. Not necessarily four, but they might need more.

Senator Romero: I don't have a motion. I just believe that we should fund it \$500. I'm not necessarily making a motion, but the reasoning behind that is because A. we're taking into account what their budget says, not necessarily what a balloon costs. We don't know what they are buying, where they are buying from, all of those things aren't our problems. We strictly go off the budget, and the budget says \$1,000 for materials. We have been previously allocating about half of what they asked for materials, even to a lot of the medical societies that Senator Antar was here promoting as well. I think that to keep with precedent, I think the best thing we should do is fund \$500, making it half of what they asked for balloon or balloons, whichever case it may be.

Chairwoman Kattih: Does anyone have any motions for that funding?

Senator Romero – *Motion to fund high-altitude balloon x4 for \$500.*

Chairwoman Kattih: Are there any objections?

Senator Larkins objects.

Chairwoman Kattih: State your objection.

Senator Larkins: Before—I don't know if you can bring in another committee that you're in, but in another committee I've been in, they looked up the cost of something and went by that cost rather than what they put on the budget.

Chairwoman Kattih: I would say yes, that's a good example. At the same time we have to remember what we've previously done in committee just to keep that precedent. It's up to you guys. This is why we're here as a committee. It's very flexible. It can go both way. Do you rescind your motion?

Senator Larkins rescinds objection.

Chairwoman Kattih: Senator Larkins rescinds her motion. We are at \$784.40 for this organization.

Senator Abraha: For the last event, how much did you fund them?

Chairwoman Kattih: Half of what they requested. \$400 and I funded them—their last event, I funded them half of what they were asking for, for materials.

Senator Abraha: (inaudible)

Chairwoman Kattih: Are there any other questions or motions?

Senator Abraha: Can we raise the funding for the last one?

Chairwoman Kattih: Ms. Abraha is asking whether or not the quadcopter can be funded more. I would caution against that just because of the way we treated with that. We want to be consistent, especially within the same budget. Again, they do have flexible spending. If certain costs do not cover all of the supplies, maybe they can use that material toward another event.

Senator Abraha – Motion to vote on recommended budget allocation, accepted.

Chairwoman Kattih: Are there any other questions about the budget? Are there any objections to moving into voting? The final allocation will be \$784.40 without the 25% deduction and \$580.40 after the 25% deduction. Seeing no objections, we are now in voting procedure.

YES: Abraha, Fernandez, Larkins, Myers, Romero

NO:

5-0-1, X-Labs is funded.

PrimeTime@USF

Chairwoman Kattih: Next item on the agenda is PrimeTime@USF. This organization requested \$1,971.60. I recommended their allocation to be \$381.60. Their first event has already occurred, so it will be zero funded. Their basketball day I funded \$50 for food for twenty-five people. Their members' retreat I did not fund, because it was not open to everybody. It was limited to the best members would be able to go on this trip. I recommended they seek the travel grant with that if applicable. Club shirts, I funded them \$210 because I

did—it's how much they asked for, but I went off a certain number of shirts. They asked for \$210 for fifty shirts, so—or less shirts, but they said fifty people would get shirts. They would pay the difference. Their end of the year celebration, again, because it wasn't open to everybody, I couldn't fund it. Flag football tournament, I funded it \$50 for food for twenty-five people.

Senator Abraha: Did you get a chance to ask if they want to change some of their events to make sure it's open to everyone?

Chairwoman Kattih: Yes. We still wouldn't be able to fund the Rays game, because it's considered travel. Their members retreat. It is as it stands.

Ms. Galchenko: The Bucs game they wanted to go to, the other thing that you can take into consideration is Student Government has purchased tickets to the Bucs game. So if they want to go to a Bucs game, they can go and get the reduced ticket rather than buying tickets through the A&S budget.

Chairwoman Kattih: Are there any other questions about this budget? Are there any motions?

Senator Larkins – Motion to vote on recommended budget allocation, accepted.

Chairwoman Kattih: Ms. Larkins with a motion to vote for \$328.60 for PrimeTime@USF. They do not get a 25% deduction. If there are no objections? Seeing none, we are now in voting procedure.

YES: Abraha, Fernandez, Larkins, Myers, Romero

NO:

5-0-1, PrimeTime@USF is funded.

Chairwoman Kattih: I know it's 1:00, so if any of you would like to postpone for next week. If not, we can trek right along.

Senator Myers: I need to leave, so...

Chairwoman Kattih: You can leave.

Senator Abraha: Are we going to have quorum?

Senator Fernandez: I'm going to have to leave in about five minutes.

Ms. Burkhard: I'm sorry Zein, do you remind repeating that one more time?

Chairwoman Kattih: For PrimeTime@USF, \$328.60. Seeing as many of our committee members...I'll take a motion.

Senator Romero: I'd rather...

Senator Abraha: We won't have quorum.

Senator Romero: I don't have to leave, but...

Chairwoman Kattih: We won't have quorum, so...

Senator Abraha – *Motion to postpone the rest of the budgets, accepted.*

Chairwoman Kattih: Are there any objections to that motion? Seeing none, we will postpone these budgets until next week.

Senator Larkins: What if someone have events this next week and they have funding on there. Is there any way we can meet...? We can't meet any time outside of the pre-set time?

Chairwoman Kattih: We can do special sessions. Honestly, these student organizations have requested their budget fairly recently in terms of our overall grand scheme of timeline, so they haven't even been waiting for the whole four weeks. I don't think there's really a problem with pushing them. The only reason I added them onto today's agenda is because we could have had time. So that's just an explanation. In the future, if there are time-sensitive events that are really important for the organization, we can meet in special sessions at the end of the week. It would still have to wait until the next Senate meeting, so there's really no... you know?

Announcements

Chairwoman Kattih: With that, we are now in announcements. Guys, make sure to get in your two audits. I've been checking the audits every day. Everyone gets positive points. So just do that. I need two from you by Sunday. The other thing is positive points are up to date, so if you want to check that, I've added some positive points. For every time you present legislation, you get positive points, so I've taken care of that. If you guys have any questions as you go along with the audit form, if you have any suggestions, bring it to committee and we'll talk about it. That's the whole other part of our committee. Other than that, if there's nothing else, I will take a motion.

Senator Abraha – *Motion to adjourn, accepted.*

Chairwoman Kattih: Any objections? Seeing none.

Meeting adjourned at 1:04 PM.

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