A Resolution Establishing a Student Leadership Award Model for the Funded Councils of the ASI Executive Senate

WHEREAS, The Associated Students, Incorporated (ASI) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that operates as an auxiliary organization of California State University, Fullerton; and

WHEREAS, ASI is governed by the ASI Board of Directors, who set policy for the organization, approve all funding allocations to programs and services, and advocate on behalf of student interests on committees and boards; and

WHEREAS, in the Spring of 2015 the ASI Board of Directors established the Student Leadership Award Advisory Committee (SLAAC) in an effort to create a philosophy and model for which the organization provides financial awards to its student leaders; and

WHEREAS, in the Fall of 2016 the ASI Board of Directors renamed the Student Leadership Award Advisory Committee (SLAAC) to the Student Leadership and Operations Advisory Committee (SLOAC) in response to the committee’s need to review the entire organizational structure of the organization in addition to the aforementioned responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the ASI Executive Senate is composed of the leadership of all student-run councils and programs funded by ASI, who through the financial support of ASI are able to provide opportunities for students to network, host events, and travel to conferences; and

WHEREAS, ASI provides financial awards to student leaders who serve within the funded councils of the ASI Executive Senate, which is a classification of student organizations comprised of primarily Fraternity & Sorority Life councils (Interfraternity Council, Multicultural Greek Council, National Pan-Hellenic Council, Panhellenic Council), as well as the Resident Student Association (RSA); and

WHEREAS, the Office of Student Life & Leadership requires student organizations to have a President/Chair and Financial Officer in order for them to be formally recognized on-campus. This requirement supplements the requirements outlined in the CSU Chancellor’s Executive Order on Student Activities; and

http://www.asi.fullerton.edu/government/executiveSenate.asp

Interview with Student Life & Leadership, retrieved April 11, 2016

http://www.calstate.edu/eo/EO-1068.html
WHEREAS, the current financial award model for the funded councils provides the Chair/President, Financial Officer, and Administrative Officer with individual awards of $1000, $500, and $500, respectively; and

WHEREAS, through the process of ASI allocating funds for three executive board positions, the Office of Student Life & Leadership has been led to believe that these three positions are required for ASI to maintain their funded councils status, which is not the case. This has become an issue for funded councils such as the National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) who do not have enough members to maintain three active executive board positions; and

WHEREAS, funded councils are able to collect dues from their members, such as head taxes within Fraternity & Sorority Life, which allow them the opportunity to generate external sources of funding that can be used at the council’s discretion; and

WHEREAS, unlike funding councils, funded councils receive additional financial and administrative support from an area within the Division of Student Affairs other than the Associated Students, Incorporated (ASI) which contributes to their growth and retention as councils; and therefore let it be

RESOLVED, that with the adoption of this resolution, the ASI Board of Directors shall establish a new financial award model for the funded councils in which it will only provide financial awards for the two leadership positions required by the Office of Student Life & Leadership. These amounts will be $1,000 and $500 for the Chair/President and Financial Officer, respectively; and let it be

RESOLVED, that at a subsequent ASI Board of Directors meeting, the ASI Board of Directors shall adjust the budgets of the funded councils to reflect the no longer financially-supported third officer position; and let it be

RESOLVED, that the changes will be implemented for the 2016-2017 fiscal year; and let it be finally

RESOLVED, that this resolution be distributed to the following campus departments, divisions, and/or entities for their support and consideration: Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs, Office of the Dean of Students, Office of Student Life and Leadership, Student Leaders of the ASI Executive Senate, ASI Leader & Program Development, and ASI Financial Services.

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the Associated Students, California State University, Fullerton, Inc., on the twenty first day of April two thousand and sixteen.

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