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Senate Approves Final Budget with Minor Change

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The Senate unanimously passed the final budget for student funded groups, making one change in the Outside Speakers Committee's budget at the final Senate meeting Monday night. Appeals for budget changes by the Black Students' Union were denied.

The BSU appealed two items—the cut of a concert account and a requirement to return 100 percent of funds spent on social events.

The SAAC cut \$8,000 from the BSU's proposed budget for a concert by a black performer during tentative budgeting on February 8. In their appeal, the BSU requested \$4,000 to program a black entertainer for a concert in Eastman.

SAAC controller Bill Hayes said the SAAC could not subsidize a concert of \$4,000—\$6,000. "We just don't have the money. There is a possibility in the fall for money to come out of supplemental funds," he said.

Senator Arthur Davis said, it was "unjust" to require the BSU to return 100 percent income on all money spent on social events.

With a decrease in expenses, "the social event isn't going to be as good as it might have been, and BSU might not make the income." A 75 percent income return sounds more "reasonable", he added.

This year the BSU worked hard to generate income at social events but still had to juggle its accounts since their funds did not meet their expenses, said BSU Vice President Donna White.

Dean of Students Peter Kountz said his office could cover a difference of up to \$500 between income and expenses for BSU social events in 1983-84 from the Student Life



BSU Vice President Donna White

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Office programming account.

Outside Speakers Committee

The SAAC put one half of OSC's expense account into contingency during tentative budgeting and required the OSC to put speakers into categories before future budgeting.

Upon appeal, the Senate passed a motion to place the money back into OSC's programming account, but still required the OSC to present a categorized list of speakers.

OSC Co-Chairman Joe Hinchcliffe said that putting the money in contingency was arbitrary and useless.

"By having money in contingency, you might be restricting programming," Senator Allen Nitschelm said.

ECC Chairman Jim Dundorf said that although categorizing would be flexible it would protect the OSC from unstructured budget cuts.

Cosponsorship Funds

A representative of the Committee on Performing Arts also appeared before the Senate to clear up confusion on cosponsorships.

SA Treasurer Mike Ludwig said the extra \$4,500 cosponsorship supplementals should encourage groups to work together on programs.

Groups can cosponsor programs by using regular funds if the program is approved by their controllers and the SA Treasurer, SAAC Controller Margaret Kohin said.

Variable Room Rates

Vice President for Campus Affairs Donald Hess and Acting Area Director Bill Rosenthal spoke before

the Senate on the variable room rates referendum and new Residence Hall policies.

In the referendum last week, students opposed variable room rates by a 983-182 vote.

Hess said that with only 1200 students voting, the referendum did not represent a general student consensus on variable room rates.

Hess said he would review the decision in consideration to the Senate's comments but would not guarantee any changes.

In response to claims that variable room rates are unfair to financially disadvantaged students, Hess said "a lot of things aren't fair in this world...I don't like room rates any more than you do, but how can you cut costs for students?"

Several Senators suggested protest actions against the variable room rates such as a boycott of the monthly option plan, a letter in the freshman orientation packet, and a table at Open Campus this week.

Refrigerators over twelve cubic feet will be prohibited in residence halls next semester said Rosenthal.

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"Universities are supposed to prepare students for dealing with the world. Universities like this are designed to ill-prepare us for dealing with the largest ethnic group in the United States, the black people."

—Louis Sheppard