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APPROPRIATION

Florida International University – Student Government Council – Biscavne Bay Campus

Agenda Item:

In support of funding Graduate Student – Andrew Shantz attendance to the

2012 International Coral Reef Symposium

Authors:

Mr. Christopher Morisset, Lower Division Senator

Sponsors:

Ms. Ami Nakagawa, Business Administration Senator

Ms. Ertha Jean-François, Arts & Sciences Senator

Ms. Kerline Honore, Arts & Sciences Senator

Committee:

Finance Committee

Date:

September 12th, 2012

In support of funding Graduate Andrew Shantz attendance

Whereas,

the Student Government Council's main goal is to promote overall programming that is beneficial to students. In order to better represent and

spread knowledge within and beyond FIU,

Whereas,

the conference will allow the student to present his/her oral presentation on the "biological drivers of feeding decisions in herbivorous reef fish" on behalf of FIU as well as showcase FIU's research on the international stage and contribute to the University's stated mission of conducting novel research and collaborative engagement with both local and global communities,

Whereas,

the conference shall be held from July 9th to July 13th 2012 in Cairns,

Australia,

Whereas,

a copy of the abstract paper and a copy of the conference program will be presented and provided to the Finance Committee upon return of the

conference.

Therefore be it Resolved, the Finance Committee will appropriate \$660.00 to Andrew Shantz in an

effort to help cover his conference registration fees.

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Pablo Adam Haspel, SGC President					



September 17, 2012

Christopher Morisset
SGC-BBC Finance Chair
CC: Oluwatamilore Odimayo
RE: Veto Appropriation 2012.0015

Hello Senator Morisset,

This memo is to inform you of the veto of Appropriation 2012.0015 which was passed to fund \$660 to graduate student Andrew Shantz. The reason for the veto is mainly due to the amount. This is an extremely large amount to give to a single student and is inconsistent with past practice where international conferences received a maximum of \$500. I believe there should be a ceiling in the committee so that there is a maximum amount awarded. In the first meeting the committee awarded about 33% of its total budget and that is not sustainable for the entire year. We want to ensure that there is enough money for the entire year particularly because we will be publicizing this fund. I have spoken with you in regards to this matter and it appears that we are both in agreement on the need for a ceiling which I recommend the committee implements.

Sincerely,

Pablo A. Haspel Student Government President – Biscayne Bay Campus



September 24, 2012

Hello Mr Haspel,

This shall serve as the official report pertaining to the above mentioned appropriation. It was recently vetoed and the veto was overturned by 2/3rds of the senators present at the meeting. It passed by 10 yays and 4 Nays. No one abstained because it was a financial document.

Regards,

Oluwatamilore Odimayo SGC-BBC Speaker of the Senate