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APPROPRIATION

Florida International University – Student Government Council – Biscayne Bay Campus

Agenda Item:

In support of funding the show aquarium display to be placed in Biscayne

Bay campus

Authors:

Ms. Ami Nakagawa, Business Administration Senator

Sponsors:

Ms. Sola Adebodun, Senator at Large

Ms. Yiran Ding, Graduate Senator

Ms. Monique Lewis, Lower Division Senator

Committee:

Finance Committee

Date:

April 15th, 2013

In support of funding Aquarium Club show aquarium display

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 show aquarium display will provide educational and professional programming with hands-on experience of marine biology, as well as adding value to FIU and the community,

Whereas.

the show aquarium display will be put in an appropriate location approved by the administration of the Biscayne Bay Campus,

Whereas,

the club will educate FIU students by holding seminars to express the environmental outreach and community service,

Therefore be it Resolved,

the Finance Committee will appropriate \$3,275.00 to Aquarium Club in an

effort to help cover a portion of the show aquarium display cost.

Proviso-Language: The funds will be contingent upon approval of the project by the WUC Director, Student Affairs Administrators, facilities, and SGA President; upon approval by the Activities & Services Business Office (ASBO) and the Vice President of Student Affairs of the carry forward request.

□ Enact Appropriation:	In Favor Of:	Opposed:	Abstained:
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2013.0012	Date Signed:	APR 192	013
x ~~			
Pablo Adam Haspel , SGC President			



April 19, 2013

Ami Nakagawa SGC-BBC Finance Chair

CC: Jazmin Felix

RE: Veto Appropriation 2013.0012

Hello Senator Nakagawa,

This memo is to inform you of the veto of Appropriation 2012.0012 which was passed awarding \$3,275.00 to the Aquarium Club. I spoke to members of students affairs regarding the feasibility of this project in the long run, and was told that the WUC could not at this time afford the monetary nor labor charges associated with this project. There method outlined in the proposal for long term funding violates SOC rules, and is not sustainable because it is wholly dependent in SOC recognizing the club and funding it every semester, which are not guaranteed. If the club ceases to exist, it would be up to the WUC staff to pay for and care for the animals, which is something they are not prepared to do at this time. It would encourage the club to continue its discussions with the division and to include SGA in the meetings so that we can be better advocates for the project in the future.

Sincerely,

Pablo A. Haspel

Student Government President – Biscayne Bay Campus