AN ACT To Revise, Correct and Update The Financial Procedures Act

Short Title: FPA Modernization Act

Primary Sponsor: John Daley, CLAS, Organizational Ways & Means Chairman

Secondary Sponsor(s):

First Reading:

Referred To: OWAM

Passage:

Enacted:

Whereas, The FPA is in need of clarifying language updates and punctual correction;

Therefore, be it resolved by the Student Senate of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte:

SECTION I: The FPA is to read:

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ARTICLE IV. EVENT GRANTS
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SECTION II: ARTICLE I. POLICIES & PROCEDURES
SECTION 1. Definitions
§8-1.1. Definitions.
Within this Act, the following definitions shall apply:
A “strike” shall be defined as: an official relinquishment of the chance to be funded and for a have a grant considered for that current meeting of the Organizational Ways & Means Committee under the premise that the grant is being voluntarily pulled by the sponsoring group(s) after the 5:00p.m. deadline on the Tuesday of their scheduled time.

SECTION III: §8-1.2. Grants Overview.

Grants will not be accepted with any handwriting on them except for the signature line. Grants containing typos, errors, or misinformation that is crucial toward the grant and related information shall not be heard by the Committee unless otherwise explained for in the attached documentation.

From the time a grant is submitted until 5pm on Tuesday, groups may withdraw their grant without penalty for any reason and may resubmit for a following week. Groups that withdraw their grant after this time will receive one strike. Groups are only allowed to resubmit a grant once after the first strike.

Once a grant has been approved by Senate General Assembly, another grant cannot be resubmitted for the same event by the same organization.


Student organizations must complete the online SAFC Financial Workshop in order to activate the funds awarded by SGA. This is an SAFC requirement and must be completed by student organizations once per year.

SECTION V: §8-2.5. Organizational Funding Hearings.

Upon submission, organizations may choose to sign up to attend their hearing or allow the Committee to review their grant as is without attending, thus waiving their rights to a hearing.

If the group chooses to have a hearing, a member from the applying organization is required to attend and present during the hearing. Advisors are permitted to sit in on hearings; however, they may not speak unless otherwise specified or recognized by the Chair, and may not be the sole representative for their group during the hearing.

SECTION VI: §8-2.11. Friday.

All grants must be submitted by Friday at 12pm to be heard for the following week’s hearings.

SECTION VII: §8-4.3. Application and Approval.

At least 50 percent of all attendees at event funded by the Committee should be UNC Charlotte students.

SECTION VIII: §8-4.4. Contracted services.

Defined as monies given to an artist, lecturer, entertainer, performer, or otherwise professional individual or group providing services.

Any associated costs for contracted services must be included in this line-item and may not be funded through any other line-item in event grants.
(c) The applying organization is required to make all travel arrangements pertaining to travel for the individual or group.

(d) A university contract must be used when making arrangements and securing payment after funds have been allotted for this category.

(e) A biography or description of the services to be provided, as well as the name and contact information of the individual, group or agency, and documentation/proof of cost must be submitted with this line item in order to be considered by the Committee.

SECTION IX: §8-4.9. Food and Beverage.

(a) Food and beverage for events must be for only UNC Charlotte students, unless the Committee determines other attendees requested to be fed are crucial to the success of the event. The Committee will make sure of this by verifying through the hearing process with questions to groups.

(b) In order to be considered by the Committee, food must be from Chartwells unless given a special exception, must include itemized documentation and appropriate menus, or dummy contracts or invoices from Chartwells. Non-Chartwells pre-packed food is acceptable.

SECTION X: These changes shall join the previously passed Financial Procedure Act revisions made earlier in 2014, and shall take effect on June 1st, 2014.

Mandates:

Dr. Arthur R. Jackson, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs

Dr. Christine Davis, Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Dean of Students

Chase Kapitsky, Student Body Treasurer

Sameer Aery, Press Secretary

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I hereby certify that this legislation was considered and adopted by the Student Senate of the University of North Carolina in accordance with the Constitution of the Student Body and the By-Laws of the Student Senate on this _____ day of ________________, _____.

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Jason Hartsoe
President Pro Tempore of the Student Senate

I hereby signify my approval of this legislation as adopted by the Student Senate of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, this _____ day of ________________, _____.

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Brady Nails
President of the Student Body