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Meeting called to order by Chairman Ayaz Hemani at 1:09PM.

Hemani- The first thing on the agenda is roll call. I am here. Naseem is here. Sarah is here. Shyam is here. Abdool is here and Kelly Is here. We have guests joining us: Ms. Alyssa Thomas representing Ms. Jessica Morgan on behalf of SLT. The next thing on the agenda is additions/deletions to the agenda.

Motion to accept the agenda by Senator Aziz.

Are there any objections? Seeing none. Agenda has been approved.

Hemani- Minutes were not sent out. Are there any motions? Naseem?

Motion to postpone the minutes by Senator Akel.

Hemani- Are there any objections? Seeing none. The minutes have been postponed. The next thing on the agenda is open forum.

Open Forum

Hemani- Would anyone like to speak at this time? Okay. Moving onto new business.

New Business

Hemani- We have Signature Event presentations. The first organization up is Jamming with Jesus. Would you like to come up to present?

Presenter 1- Good afternoon guys. My name is Randell Nairn. I am the president of Shekinah Glory Student Ministries. And this is a collaborative event, called Jamming with Jesus that we would like to do with other Christian organizations on campus.

Presenter 2- So, the details of this event would be Friday, August 26th 2011 from 6PM to 8PM in the Oval Theatre, so we plan to make this event big. It is going to be a collaboration as Randell previously said.
Between our organization Shekinah Glory Student Ministries as well as other Christian organizations here on campus, such as Black Campus Ministries, Total Praise Gospel Ministries and the Gospel Prayer at USF.

Presenter 1- And a description of this program is Jamming with Jesus is a showcase of musical talent and of on campus ministries. Our goal is to inform the students, returning and new, about the Christian organizations we have on campus and that is going to include singing and dancing and we hope that they will enjoy the concert and they’ll also want to participate in the Christian organizations we have presented to them.

Presenter 2- So, just to begin, to give you some information on our organization Shekinah Glory Student Ministries, it’s an interdenominational Christian organization. So, we don’t say that we’re a specific branch of Christianity. We accept all who want to worship with us. We were founded in 2005; here on this campus. Each Friday night at 7PM, we have Bible study and on Sundays at 3:30, we also have a glory worship service. So, it am makes it easy for those who might not have cars to worship with us here on campus. Additionally, we have a barbeque in the spring semester. We give scholarships to students and participate in student activities. Our aim is to support the total man; mind, body and soul.

Presenter 1- One of the ministries that will be participating is Total Praise Gospel Ministries. Founded on October 30th, 2004. They have been dancing, miming and giving bible studies. They fast and bible study. They want to encourage spiritual growth and teach the arts. They are a dance ministry for God.

Presenter 2- Black Ministries have been on this campus for 8 years. They are a component to feed the homeless. They teach bible study and they attend conferences. Their aim is to reach out to ethnic students.

Presenter 1- The last one is the Gospel Prayer here at USF. Founded in the early 70’s, they encourage, inspire and uplift. They praise and worship through song. They perform weekly and they have a concert here at least once a semester.

Presenter 2- Others are the navigators, black Baptist ministries and hey have a lesser rule. They work and participate in this event.

Presenter 1- Here is a run-through of the plan. There will be a PowerPoint, we have opening prayer and praise and worship. They’ll dance. The gospel choir will perform and we will have a guest performer. We’ll have an offering. We’ll donate the offering and all of the organizations will come together to do a song selection and we’ll do an alter call and information booths afterwards so students can get more information on the organizations.

Presenter 2- So, why is this grant needed. First to get the oval theatre, we will need money for the tech fee and for our guest artist. So, that requires to pay their hotel, airline and their services. We wanted to get a larger scale artist so that a lot of people can come. I don’t know if you know anyone in the gospel ministries. They perform on national programs. We want local Tampa performers as well. That’s why the numbers are so high.
Presenter 1- And that’s it.

Hemani- So, since you guys have two minutes left, would you like to breakdown your budget on your actual sheet, because on here you have a $700 speaker fee.

Presenter 2- We just estimated and now we know who we want, so that’s why our numbers are smaller.

Patel- Did you guys know that you could get Bull’s Radio to get you speakers?

Presenter 2- Well, it’s more than that. It’s other equipment, like mic. Stands. We’ll check that out.

Aziz- Is there a different artist you’re using for the difference in price?

Presenter 2- No, we didn’t know which artist we wanted. It was like a rough estimate.

Akel- Are you guys planning on having this event without the grant?

Presenter 2- Without it, the oval theatre may be unaffordable, but we’ll still have local Tampa performers done. We’ll probably have to do a lot more promoting.

Senator- Have you done this event previously?

Presenter 2- We have done it personally. But the gospel choir did their showcase and they had a performer as well. They were able to fill the oval theatre for their event. So, we wanted to get this on the scale.

Senator- How do you guys plan on advertising?

Presenter 1- Fliers, Facebook, twitter, chalking.

Hemani- Have you already booked the oval theatre?

Presenter 1- The oval theatre has been booked, as well as our performers.

Aziz- What is the total cost of your event?

Presenter 2- The $2000.

Aziz- There’s no extra?

Presenter 2- Each group will contribute financially. There’s still the tech fee and possibly the speakers if we can’t get it through bull’s radio. But it will cost the full $2000.

Hemani- You were saying that if you did not get this grant, you might get a quarter filled Oval Theatre. If it came to that, would you change the venue to make it more accommodated to the population or reduce fees and not having speakers?

Presenter 1- Yes because if we’re able to get a smaller space, we would definitely do that if needed.
Aziz- Will there be any food at the event for everyone?

Presenter 1- No, it’s too big.

Aziz- So, just food for the guest artist?

Presenter 1- Yes.

Hemani- Why $200 for food for the guest artist.

Presenter 1- There’s 3 meals in a day, so...it might be less.

Hemani- Are there any other questions at this time? Who on the committee would like to sponsor this event. Alright Naseem.

Presenter 2- Alright. Thank you.

Hemani- Is the health career symposium people outside?

Presenter 2- Thank you all so much. Thank you.

**Signature Event Presentation 2**

Hemani- Do you have any PowerPoint presentations? Would you like to... Alright you have eight minutes to present and then there will be a five minute question and answer period. If you have not reached your eight minutes you can further explain your application and your budget detail. Once the eight minute marker is here I will bang my gavel three times to let you know your time’s up.

Presenter 1- Alright, we’re with the undergraduate health council. Yeah and we’re um...

Presenter 2- We have two big events each year. The symposium and the expo. The primary goal is to network with other organizations. We’re going to have so many speakers.

Presenter 1- The primary goal is to expose our opportunities to be a pre-health student at USF. This includes providing students with the networking of different health professionals in organizations. Its for every type of major.

Presenter 2- We’re going to have a showcase. Like an information session for their future career goals. The first part is the speaker and the second is the showcase. In A and B it will be quiet and C will be the showcase.

Presenter 1- We will be collaborating with different organizations. We also have different orgs like USF active minds, the public health student association, pre vet society and physical therapy associations.

Presenter 2- This is just a general idea, not set in stone yet. We signed up in the ballroom from 10 to 4. It’s going to start at 11. We’re going to have sign in during the showcase part. This is where the showcase will begin.
Presenter 1- We didn’t want just medical based people. We wanted health professionals and community based speakers. We wanted a broad speaker to touch everyone.

Presenter 1- It is November 8th. The location is the ballroom. We have A, B and C now. This is a general idea of what it’s going to be like. This is what I was talking about. It’s going to be separated and we want to respect the speakers. Here there is going to be food.

Presenter 2- This is the pictures of the symposium last year. It touches the multicultural. It is minority based.

Presenter 1- This is just the showcase part. It doesn’t matter what major you are. This is the freshman.

Presenter 2- Are there any questions? So, we could elaborate much more.

Presenter 1- We have a proposed...here... we split up everything into categories. Food and drinks is just $525. Our fruit platter is $200. I think we put it onto the application. It is just the general idea. I know last year’s including the student government funds, it was $2025. That was including our own funds and the student government funding. It was $1935 based on what was spent last year.

Presenter 2- Also, I guess we want to say that this symposium is geared towards underclassmen, because we want them to network and be aware of organizations as well.

Presenter 1- They haven’t responded but we have the biology and research department coming from chemistry. We have three from med school and some from the pharmacy.

Akel- Are they going to volunteer?

Presenter- Yes. We are not paying them.

Patel- So, you’ve done this before? How many people usually come?

Presenter 1- 250 was in the ballroom.

Presenter 1- I think there might be 300.

Presenter 2- The amount of students will fluctuate.

Akel- Will you do this event without these funds?

Presenter 2- We will have to put on many more fundraisers.

Presenter 1- It’s been an ongoing thing and I don’t want to disappoint as big as it was the previous years.

Hemani- So, I just have a quick question. For your cost, it is under $2000. You said that student government has provided before.

Presenter 2- it’s just our regular annual budget and we incorporated that.
Hemani- How much would you put towards this event?

Presenter 2- If we’re awarded this amount, we’ll put whatever we can towards it.

Presenter 1- We’ll use our own funds, but decrease it a lot.

Hemani- I also have another question. The signature event grant starts to create traditions. Your organization has put this event on in past years. Why should we continue?

Presenter 1- I know from this, we’ve gained so many more contacts. It’s what we hold, to network with all organizations. We have a monthly meeting with other organizations and we include them and unify the science based organizations.

Presenter 2- Event though this event has been done previous years, we’re still a fairly new organizations. We’re not known on campus as others are. It’s fairly new.

Aziz- It says on the application the date is 10/25/11.

Presenter 1- We had to change the date.

Aziz- Who’s in charge the day of?

Presenter 1- It’s our entire organization and about 9 people will be in charge.

Aziz- Is the AV put into your budget?

Presenter 1- No, but we talked to the event planner and she said...

(Gavel)

Hemani- That means the question and answer period is over.

Both presenters- Thank you.

Hemani- Next up we have the USF College of Business Student Organization Summit. Do you have a PowerPoint Presentation. Excuse me sorry. Which committee member would like to sponsor the event?

Chaudry- I’ll sponsor the event.

Hemani- Sarah, could you retain her contact information, so you can keep in contact.

Signature Event 3

Hemani- Alright, please keep in mind that you have eight minutes to present. Afterwards, you will have a five minute question and answer period. If you don’t use your full time, you have a binder over there with your information and you can just take us through that.
Presenter 1- Hi, everyone. My name is Sara Rasheid. I represent Phi Beta Lambda from the college of business and I have a couple of great helpers that have been putting this together with me, so I’ll let them introduce themselves.

Presenter 2- I run the mentor program inside the college of business.

Presenter 3- I am the president of the business society.

Presenter 4- My name is Keith and I am part of the Alpha Kappa Psi business.

Presenter 5- My name is Christy and I am the current president of the Phi Beta Lambda chapter.

Presenter 1- Alright, so first I would like to tell you a little bit about the event we’re palling and what its going to be is a professional event that represents the college of business. We limited it down to professional development 101. September 8th 2011. It will be in the evening for students that have classes throughout the day. You don’t want to be passing in through classes. The estimated attendance is 600 to 800. The event itself will potentially have the president of USF. We’re going to have a headlining guest speaker to come up and recruit for members. We’re going to have a student organization showcase. It’s a recruitment and professional development event. There will be small food and a business showcase and a networking session. Our estimated cost, it’s kind of expensive but the most expensive thing is the guest speaker. The guest speaker is really inspiring. It’s for business organization that I’ve talked to. He’s really great and gets people ready to go. These are just some of the costs included: the stage set up, sound, we have free ads, decorations and materials for student orgs. Our funding will be from the student grant, student organizations; we have 14. We don’t want to use it as the main way to fund it. We have the college of business that will contribute 300 to 400 dollars. Any additional costs will be offset by the college of business. The guest speaker is Ben Glenn. He’s an inspirational speaker and has ADHD and he’ll be doing paintings while he speaks. You can select what kind of topic you aww to talk about. He does very spiritual topics that get people on that right track. He’s going to do the speech and he’s going to originally be 15 grand and we talked him down to 3500. We have a contract ready to go and with that we have the first right of refusal so everything is kind of set and ready to go. We’ve met 5 times these past couple of months and being there during the event to have their members there, people are using this as their first chapter meeting. Some organizations took on catering and just different things like that. The benefit is for the students. This is the first of kind of event that encourages members that are freshman to look into majors and to look into Beyond the books. And for the university, we’re going to expose it to potential sponsors and it allows our alumni to come back and be more supported and that’s all.

Hemani- You still have two and a half minutes. Would you like to go any further into the application?

Presenter 1- So, if you go to the page 3, we have the basics, such as the reasoning for the location. We want to hit the new crowd that is exposed to the college of business. We thought about it and talked about and holding it there is a really great way to network with new students. If you go to page 6, everything is broken down and this is the one day quick overview having professionalism, the guest speaker and the student organizations there. I think I’ve covered it all.
Hemani- Are there any questions at this time?

Chaudry- This is the first time, so how many people?

Presenter 1- We usually go all out and for showcases, we usually have that amount of traffic.

Presenter 2- So, that’s why we chose the speaker. We could have gotten the president of Raymond and James that wouldn’t be necessarily saying come join the college of business, because we know retention rate increases as soon as they get involved. The 14 organizations have 400 students. The poll 250 and upward and we’ll also be inviting the alumni association. The idea is to get the young students there and to realize that this is what it’s all about.

Patel- It says stage setup $150. Could you explain this?

Presenter 1- That was an estimate on how much stage we’ll need. Based on that, we were able to estimate the cost. It’s something we’re going to put just in case they charge us. And the AV cost is $12 an hour.

Hemani- I have a question. Your guest speaker fee is $3500. Most other organizations have their total amount half that much.

Presenter 1 – USF has never seen someone like this. He’s a very inspiring guest speaker and I went out of my way to the next concert to see it again. It pays for the flight, food and lodging. When I told him we had a budget, his point of contact was willing to work on that.

Presenter 3- We are looking to first year transfer students. This sets the stone and targets transfer students and we believe this is going to set a stage for us and I think somebody as inspirational as this guy can put this message pretty well. We want to leave our mark on them as well and come hire us. We are second to none. Compare us to UF or UCF. We have to market ourselves as Bulls to gain some recognition.

Presenter 1- They will be left with that inspiration and mark and I know what to expect, I’m not going to get a bland speaker and it reflects on the college of business.

(Gavel)

Hemani- Alright, that ends your five minute question and answer. Which committee member would like to present this at Senate? Ms. Kelly Wright. Would you like to provide them with your contact information?

Presenter 1- Thank you.

Hemani- Alright, thank you.

**Signature Event 3**

Hemani- Are you Health Admission? Okay. Do you have a presentation?
Presenter 1: I do.

Hemani: Alright, please keep in mind that you have eight minutes to present. And then there will be five minute question and answer period. If you don’t reach your eight minute mark, you can refer to your application which is in this binder and that is right there. Feel free to begin whenever you are ready.

Presenter 1: Hello. First off my name is Alexandria Kinonas. And I am an admissions counselor recruiter in the office of MD admissions and I’ve worked at other institutions in the state of Florida and I’ve never had to do a presentation and I’m very excited. It impressed me very much. The other thing too is one thing that came across our offices was the fact of a true joint collaboration with all of USF health. In the past there has been a symposium that has been put on but we have never had a true collaboration within our own departments. Our own Dr. Clasko has jumped on board to show a shared student services. About a couple months ago we started talking about collaborating on recruitment visits. Can we attend together and share materials and we started talking about an event and a true admissions open house. This would also... This would also provide us a way to showcase USF health in a new light and the health campus so that they could experience the environment over there and not a lot of people venture out and not a lot of students tour. They may not know where the college of health is. We want to make sure the students have a taste of that. We would have small individual sessions and each would highlight a different college. I’m going to pass out a typical folder of what a student would get and you can see the breakdown of the presentations that would be there. There’s going to be the grad op. and the undergraduate professors doing undecided measure. So, there’ll be two breakout sessions. The idea was that each school would have an opportunity to present their information in their own way so that our professional and graduate students are going face to face so that it’s very exciting so that they get in contact because that life is so busy. We’re also going to have faculty presentations and the deans will say a few words. At the end of the day there’s a tabling fair and we want to get some financial aid offices and diversity offices and our programs highlight resources that they can utilize. Those are the highlights. We are not going to be charging a registration fee. We just really want it to be welcoming. There will be some packets of information. Possibly some goody bags too. Just fun goodies that the students will have and interact with. Faculty, students and the different departments. So, that’s’ my presentation; very quick.

Hemani: Would you like to go through your presentation?

Presenter 1: Oh I think the last thing was that we are bringing in the student organizations as well. They’ve been very gracious to jump on board with us as well. Tabling with us and getting fliers out. And parking and people are being navigated to the right session and then we also have the public health student association.

Hemani: Alright, that ends the presentation period.

Patel: You have $700 for the Oracle advertising have you looked at others?

Presenter 1: I thought with the new welcome back editions it would make us available. We can make our own fliers and programs. We did the majority with the Oracle.
Aziz- Are the two student organizations funding at all?

Presenter 1- We didn’t put that burden on them, so we didn’t want to request them to finance on anything.

Akel- So, you’re still going to go on with the planning if we don’t want to.

Presenter 1- Possibly. We may not do the Oracle advertising. We wanted to do a small snack at the end. We were thinking about drinks and crackers and cheeses. Just very light refreshments. We just wanted to keep it very basic.

Aziz- How do you plan on getting the students to the college of health?

Presenter 1- We have free parking outside the college of nursing. That’s where some of the student organization members would help by navigating the crosswalk.

Hemani- This grant is used for student organizations coming together and this event is more planning oriented, what do you have to say about that. What is the students role in planning this?

Presenter 1- It wasn’t made clear. We brought in the student organizations because they would be a great vessel. I worked with Megan Whit before; we did a forum last year and it wasn’t on a larger scale and that’s where we can use her skills and also that day of the event they are going to be in the meetings for helping with planning, but for the day of the event they will help with logistics, time monitoring and helping people navigate.

Hemani- Did they help with the planning for the day?

Presenter 1- No. We had already discussed that prior to and we brought them in when it came into looking at additional help for the day.

Hemani- Any other questions? Okay. Thank you.

Presenter 1- Thank you.

Hemani- Thank you.

**Signature Event 4**

Hemani- Do you have a PowerPoint Presentation?

Presenter 1- Yes.

Hemani- You guys have eight minutes and following that you will have a five minute question and answer period. Whenever you’re ready.

Presenter 1- There’s a small party and everyone was drinking. And everyone was wasted. She woke up that next morning with no memory and she asked what I did to her. I never thought I would be considered a rapist.
Presenter 2- As we walked down the hall, she said her boyfriend would be mad if she was late to class.

Presenter 3- I’m only 15. And he says I am better than my mom and I can do it right. He’s pouring his coffee and pacing the floor. In 15 minutes it’s going to happen again.

Presenter 1- You might think it’s not a problem, but it happens every day.

Presenter 2- Only 25 describe it as rape.

All- We’ve had enough.

Presenter 1- Raising awareness against violence in women.

Presenter 2- We stress the goals for our event.

Presenter 1- The purpose of enough block party is to inform you about the violence against women.

Presenter 2- We will also discuss international practices such as female circumcision.

Presenter 2- We plan on having performances throughout the event. We will have speakers from showcasing groups.

Presenter 1- Each game will present a fun way for students to learn. We’ll have STI testing and self-defense classes. We will have a hand wall and dunk tanking, face painting and balloon animals. If you remember this event, you’ll remember what you’ve learned.

Presenter 2- All items will be donated to the woman’s shelter or Tampa bay. We’ll have this held October 11th at the heart of the school in the Marshall Center.

Presenter 1- We have advertised through bull market and tabling where we will be giving away information about our event. Purple is the color for domestic violence.

Presenter 2- Right here is a detailed budget. This is showing what we need to make this event successful.

Presenter 1- Basically, I just want to lead you guys with a few words: think about all of the women who don’t know their rights. Women are abused every day. USF must be informed. Your contribution will be worth it. So, we ask that you help us help our fellow students.

Hemani- You still have two more minutes, would you like to go through our application?

Presenter 1- You guys can just ask questions.

Patel- If you could return to your expected budget, it seems different.

Presenter 3- Basically we know the budget that you were given, we thought that one didn’t have enough details and we couldn’t detail ours. Hopefully you’ll understand why we needed that.
Akel- Will this go on without our funding.

Presenter 1- Yes, but not at the magnitude we want.

Aziz- Did you book the road?

Presenter 1- Yes, we booked the road and the grass area.

Hemani- Are you asking for funds for a self-defense trainer?

Presenter 1- Yes.

Hemani- Available to everyone?

Presenter 1- Yes. We don’t discriminate.

Hemani- You have a dunk tank. There may be some problems with that. Who will be in the dunk tank.

Presenter 1- We wanted people to have fun at the event and it will be one of our members.

Presenter 3- Basically it does deal with your event.

Hemani- Are there any other questions? Alright, thank you. Would any committee member like to sponsor this event? Mr. Aziz? Alright. Mr. Patel. Alright, thank you.

Presenter 1- Thank you. Have a great day everyone.

Presenter 2- Thank you.

Hemani- That is the end of the presentations for this time period. Are there any motions at this time?

Motion for a recess by Senator Aziz

Hemani- Could we put constraints on that please? Maybe until 2:45PM.

Motion for a recess until 2:45PM by Senator Aziz.

Signature Event 4

Hemani- We are out of the recess. Do you have a presentation?

Presenter 1- No.

Hemani- You have eight minutes to present and if you have not reached your eight minute mark, you can go back to your budget. You have a five minute question and answer period.

Presenter 1- Thank you. I am the president of the Students of India Association.

Presenter 2- And I am public relations of the Students of India Association.
Presenter 1- And every year we put on the largest Hindu holidays of the year and it’s pretty much a nine day holiday which we believe that all the gods form a goddess to protect them from a demon. So, we dance for nine nights straight for our devotion towards that goddess. So, what we want to do is the same thing every year and have the event on campus. We had it at the rec. center and last year we had it in the ballroom. It’s expensive to get the actual band and its around 1500 dollars. We might have religious offerings to make it cheaper. Its 500 people so it’s really expensive.

Presenter 2- It highlights dance and music and that’s why it’s a really big organized event at USF. Everybody gets involved. Islam and Christianity is represented. We do it together, so the event happened last year and we had over 600 people out there. It was a really great experience. People from the Marshall Center were really excited. We want a live band.

Presenter 1- It is a religious event and it comes off as multicultural. It is all cultures and everyone is there. That’s pretty much it.

Presenter 2- That’s it.

Hemani- You have another 5 minutes.

Presenter 2- We sort of explained what we’re looking for...

Presenter 1- Last year, we received 500. Anything will help us. We wanted to answer your guys’ questions.

Presenter 2- We don’t need further time,. 

Hemani- We can move into question and answer for 5 minutes.

Aziz- How do you teach the dancing?

Presenter 1- People that come usually ask people they know. I taught for an hour last year.

Presenter 2- You’re just following the person in front of you.

Akel- How are you guys going to advertise for this?

Presenter 2- We have Facebook, list serves, blackboard.

Presenter 1- We’re going to send out emails as well.

Presenter 2- Our groups that we’re presenting with are partners and without much effort, we can get our targeted audience really quickly.

Wright- On here it has the proposed location as the ballroom. Is it already booked?

Presenter 1- That’s October 10th.

Akel- Are you still going to have this event even without our funding?
Presenter 1- Yes, it’s our biggest event of the year. Students from UCF, UM, the universities in Florida all come to see it.

Hemani- if you were partially funded, where would you put this money towards?

Presenter 1- Most of the money is going towards the band.

Hemani- I know that the events get really large. And general parking is limited. Would you allow general public to come?

Presenter 2- The general public would not be coming to the USF one, because the ICC one would be happening. Since we’re planning it early, we’re not even advertising to other people; it’s usually word of mouth. I don’t think we’re going to ID.

Presenter 1- The main audience is college students.

Presenter 2- We’re not even outreaching to the temples.

Chaudry- because you guys are doing this at a different date, do you think you’ll have a great turnout?

Presenter 2- Most kids at USF don’t have a car, or have exams, so we put it on a Friday, because you don’t have school versus that you stay till 4 or 5 in the morning. Our main goal is to give students something to do. I don’t think it will actually impact our turnout.

Hemani- That ends the question and answer portion. Which committee member would like to sponsor?

Akel- I’ll sponsor. Put your information on the back of here.

Hemani- Alright, thank you.

**Signature Event 5**

Hemani- Alright you have 8 minutes to present and there will be a five minute question and answer period. If you have not hit your eight minutes you can go back to your application.

Presenter 1- My name is Oz. I am the President of my society. I just want to give a short introduction of the group. So, our purpose is to spread the dialogue to aim to bring USF faculty and students of different cultures together by (inaudible). So, I just want to come here...This organization is new and fresh. We have had one event so far. That event was the bringing of somebody forth from a different university for a conference. This is going to be the second event for us. The second organization is to create and promote and encourage professional excellence. The chapter will act as a catalyst for the students and faculty to provide an opportunity not in the fields of science. So the institute of engineers provide the resources of the access to resources. This network encompasses learning opportunities. It provides the opportunity of members to have leadership. So, next slide. What is our goal? In the name of the event is First Friendship. The goal is to bring the students of the college of engineers together and to see how diverse work life may be. Since acknowledging and making the universities (inaudible). So, the benefit is for the students of the college of engineers to fill themselves with more social involvement. At this
point, I would like to read the sentences. The educational benefit of the education is committed to maintaining a diverse student body. It enhances the curriculum. So, what the organization’s main drive is industrial engineers. Again our target is all engineering students in undergraduate and graduate levels and staff, also involvement of the graduate students in this event. Since it promotes the friendship and dialogue, the student society represents the being of binding. So (inaudible) members who are industrial engineers requires communication to understand customers and colleagues needs. Next slide. The description is going to be held in the fishbowl. It should be finished the 25th of August. Not only are we going to reach industrial engineers, we will reach other engineering students. If it’s not available, we have reserved another location. The time is September 6th, 3:30 to 5:30. This is for newcomers. Our plan to advertise is through word of mouth and email. Our budget is shown in the table. If you go...this is a good combination for students. I talked to Ayaz... So, this might change. I don’t know maybe, it is very expensive. We are expecting 200 people. The fishbowl is where a common cross action is for most students. We will have music groups and a friend of mine is going to play...

(Gavel.)

Hemani- That’s the end of your presentation. Now onto the 5 minute question and answer period. Does anyone have any questions? Could you explain your budget?

Aziz- Is it open to students that are non-engineering students?

Presenter 1- Our target is the engineering building, but students are over there getting to classes from engineering school...so yeah.

Torres- On your application the proposed date is in January.

Presenter 1- We changed that and it’s going to be September 6th.

Hemani- Point of information: the student officers of organizations emailed them and the date wasn’t arranged. Could you further explain your budget?

Presenter 1- Food...I mean pizza, soft drink. It says mostly everything. The friend of mine, there might be a good chance for our university...I’ve never seen anybody play this instrument, so it’s going to be ethnic music. I’m trying to contact a Chinese group. We have one Hispanic group. There’s going to be a church group. We have a guest speaker who is going to talk about how engineers work life is. And that’s it.

Hemani- Who’s the guest speaker.

Presenter 1- We are trying to reach a person from the industry, because if that person’s image is good, then we will have a good event. We have many choices.

Presenter 2- We have general meetings and that brings more membership and we can ask them to come to such an event.

Aziz- Will any organizations be contributing to the event?
Presenter 1- The organization I’m managing will be helping. I am going to mention the budget. I’m planning on making one more event this fall. So, yeah.

Presenter 2- This will be depending on the funding of you guys. We will still have this event even if you guys don’t provide for us.

Hemani- Any other questions? Alright thank you. Which committee member would like to sponsor this event? Aziz. If you have any questions, Mr. Abdool Aziz is the point of contact.

Presenters- Thank you very much you guys.

**Signature Event 6**

Hemani- For the next presentation, it’s going to be Uniting and Diversity. You’ll see the actual timestamp.

(Inaudible conversations)

Hemani- Alright, before you begin, I have a quick little spiel. You have 8 minutes to present and a 5 minute question and answer period after that. If you don’t reach your 8 minute mark you can refer back to your application to clarify the details regarding your budget. Just let me know when you are ready to begin.

Presenter 1- Hi, thank you for hearing us. We would like to present the Unity and Diversity Student Organization Signature Event. Each club wants to participate this fall. Its our goal to showcase the multicultural richness among our student organizations. Just a brief history on Tango. It’s in Argentina and it has a strong Italian presence and that’s about 60 percent of the total population. Tango is a melting pot of cultures. The African influence was enriched by the polka and the waltz. Because of the roots it was played in Paris and it was all the rage.

Presenter 2- It was a huge part in Paris and it was a social event for dancing tango. Some of our goals are to provide our members with enrichments and we will use a social aspect of tango to bridge a gap between its culture.

Presenter 1- Some of our other goals are to give our members a great way to show their school pride and take pride in their membership.

Presenter 2- Some of the event activities planned are various foods and we have French and Italian food. We plan on showcasing different activities and various events. We plan on a funny tango skit.

Presenter 1- We also plan on having a tango professional performance. With that we include club activities with tables for new members. So, each club is going to have a scavenger hunt theme so people go from booth to booth and at the end we will have a prize. And then with that said, for our budget, we plan on trying to divide it evenly. So, we’ll have their own budget. We will have a DJ or a band play tango music. And then moving on, we plan on having tango games. We have a short little clip we’re going to show you. This is Victoria and she plans on having them come in and give a brief demonstration.
Presenter 1- Victoria and Federico are professionals and have performed before and we had a really great turnout. Just a brief little clippet. We’ve had event success in the past. We would like to continue to grow this. For example, the tango and French club have collaborated and basically the tango club comes in and we teach dances while the French club has the café’ night for us. The Italian and French club and German club participated in our Marti Gras event. We already have a basis with them.

Presenter 2- In conclusion, the unity and diversity event will unite all cultural events.

Presenter 1- We also have some fliers that we will use for the promotion of the event. This is just many of the things we’ll use all of our outlets and things from HYPE. We’ll take out an article in the oracle and use screens and chalking. We are also going to use Facebook and email through blackboard. Thank you.

Hemani- Alright, we will begin the question and answer period.

Aziz- On the flier it says September 1\textsuperscript{st} and on here is says the 19\textsuperscript{th}. Have you booked a room already?

Presenter 1- Yes, we have.

Chaudry- Could you break down your budget for us?

Presenter 1-We were going to split the budget up equally to each club. We would like to have enough money for the organizations can provide the food we want. We want each club to represent their culture. We have already spoken with restaurants that we would like to have catered the events. We’re working to cut this budget down. We would like to have the music aspect and if we can, then we will.

Chaudry- What is most of your money going to? Food and music. So, if we do fund you, where is most of the money going to go?

Presenter 2- To the food and music and materials and that’s...

Chaudry- Are you going to have this event even if we don’t fund you?

Presenter 2- Yes.

Aziz- Do you have a system set up where students will have to do a task?

Presenter 1-We have various games and the student will be required to stop at each showcase and learn about each club before they have any food at all. We want to amerce them in the event.

Hemani- Any other questions? What is the expected contribution for each organization? Like if this is not funded at all...

Presenter 1- That is dependent on what the other organizations look like. We usually spend about 300 to each event. But try to cut this down, because if we don’t get this grant, we’ll have to take out other planned events.
Hemani- What is the expected cost for the entire event?

Presenter 1- About $1800.

Hemani- Which committee member would like to sponsor the event? Ms. Torres. She will be your point of contact for this event. Thank you.

Presenter 1- Thank you very much for your time.

**Signature Event 7**

Hemani- Oh, you want to replace it? Yeah, go ahead.

(Inaudible murmuring)

Hemani- Just as a reminder, you have 8 minutes to present. And you have a 5 minute question and answer period. If you have not reached your 8 minutes, you have the rest of your time going through your application.

Presenter 1- Hi, this is a presentation on A Night in Tokyo and I am the president.

Presenter 2- Hi I am the Public Relations.

Presenter 3- Hi, I’m Melanie.

Presenter 4- Hi, my name is Carlos.

Presenter 1- A night in Tokyo showcases Japan. This is going to be our second year doing this. Last year was a great success. This event is going to involve the Japanese community in the USF area. We have performances like demonstrations and a fashion show. So, we’re definitely repeating this. The Japanese Street Fashion Show is new for this year. This is what we have on the menu. We have a beef and pork menu. We also have a vegetarian menu. We have 3 sponsors and they agreed on providing us food for this event.

Presenter 2- This event will have a great cultural impact. This will give faculty and staff and students an opportunity to experience Japanese fashion, culture and foods from local restaurants and the club members can be involved by participating.

Presenter 3- Contributing organizations are two additional clubs. The clubs gave us an opportunity because they are not very popular and students are always interested in martial arts club and they were able to get a lot of new members through our event. I’m going to go over expenses. The MSC ballroom is $172. Decorations and utensils total are about $432, that’s plates, forks, spoons, napkins and cloths. The food total, Japanese food is a little pricey, the confirmed sponsors were for free, to feed 300 people, it’s about $700. The performer’s total, we plan to have a professional drummer group, the least amount that they can charge us is $500. The total is $1900.
Presenter 4- The event will benefit the students with language. It gives the students to be involved in USF activities and the clubs will be present and it will allow USF to get involved with the Japanese community. We hope that with the popularity of this event, it will become an annual event.

Presenter 3- We probably don’t have time for links for their performances. We’ll do Tampa Tyco.

(Clip plays)

Presenter 3- Sorry! I was trying to...whatever. My bad.

Presenter 1- Just refresh it.

Presenter 3- Okay, we’ll just watch a minute and then...

(Clip Plays)

Presenter 3- And we hope to have them at our event. Thank you.

Hemani- Are there any questions at this time?

Aziz- How much will each of the organizations be contributing?

Presenter 4- I think the budgets are very small. We were only given about $100 through our budget.

Presenter 3- The martial arts clubs do not get funding.

Aziz- Would you get more funding if we did not allocate what is needed?

Presenter 4- They wouldn’t be able to provide much.

Hemani- On your application, you said organizations involved do not have an annual budget, so what happened? You guys were funded last year through the grant, but this year, you didn’t request it during your annual budget.

Presenter 4- They only looked through the first few budgets. When I appealed, they only had $100 to give out.

Hemani- What about the other organizations?

Presenter 3- The anime clubs and culture and language clubs don’t request budgets.

Akel- If we don’t fund you, will you still have the event?

Presenter 4- We’ll still try our best.

Torres- What is the security for?

Presenter 3- That was my fault. We took that out.
Aziz- What should a student expect?

Presenter 3- It’s a sit down banquet.

Presenter 4- We have volunteers serve food.

Hemani- You said you required $700 for food and you have sponsors? So, that’s over $5 per person for food.

Presenter 3- We hope to have over 300 people. We booked all 3.

Aziz- November 19th is pretty late and its near finals. What was the decision for?

Presenter 4- We participate in Journey to the East in September and in October we leave town. So, November is the only time that was not too late. We wanted to make time for them to attend.

Aziz- What was last year’s date?

Presenter 4- Last year it was February.

Presenter 3- A lot of the attendees were adults, so we made it on a Saturday.

Gavel.

Hemani- Alright, thank you. Which of the committee members would like to sponsor the event? Mr. Aziz. He will be the point of contact for this event.

Presenters- Thank you.

Hemani- This ends our presentations for today. Are there any motions at this time.

Motion to adjourn by Senator Akel.

Hemani- Are there any objections? Seeing none.

Adjournment called by Chairman Ayaz Hemani at 3:59PM.

Transcribed by Senate Secretary Theresa Rivera.