

ASA Executive Board Minutes for meeting on 9/27/05

Present: James, Jen, Will, Mike, Mitra, Nici, Marcus, Janet

Absent: Ken (excused)

Proposed Agenda:

1. AWS Appeal to Funding Restriction
2. votes: Battlebots Name Change, AWS Appeal
3. Office Space Application
4. Bulletin Boards (?) <-- is there anything to talk about here?
5. Groups and Registration
6. How to Assess the Survey

Janet Zhou presenting for Association for Women Students (AWS)

- \* wants funding restrictions removed (for FinBoard)
- \* Nici: grad groups have to pay for copies and such
- \* JanetZ: funding AWS will get is what they apply for event at a time
- \* James: will this set a precedent that all groups who want operations funding get restrictions lifted?
- \* Janet: AWS came to the Midway, yet did not check in
- \* NOTE: in database, they are Association FOR  
also, they HAVE funding (funding status = undergraduate)
- \* current size: 30 on email list; 10-15 active
- \* Mike: adverse to fees? - JanetZ: yes since people already giving time
- \* Janet: what recruiting have you done? - JanetZ: mostly through mentor program
- \* \$ requested: \$250 for the semester

\*\*\*AWS Vote/Discussion

They're MIT/Wellesley survey could be done by someone else

Jen: AWS should have more of a claim to money than some other groups, but we can't retract funding from other groups that probably shouldn't get it

Mike: worried that they claim to represent all women?

James: should we make them represent women before granting them funding?

Issue going around that their math/sci event could have been done by SWE.

Jen: could we have a "funding cap" that we give to finboard?

worried they will do operations now, then events later (which cost a lot) and AWS will be less likely to look elsewhere

we should not be telling Finboard what to do, how to fund - they should know how to allocate and when groups are inflating requests.

why are people saying no, on the fence:

- \* worried will ask for too much - so maybe yes if with finboard cap
- \* why can't they do bake sale? print themselves?
- \* EC not going to be represented well
- \* they should know how to get money - lot of members are UA

Janet moves to "lift the funding restriction on AWS"

Mike seconds

5-0-3, motion passes

Battlebots name change to Competitive Robotics Club

Jen moves to change name. Nici seconds. Janet moves for a white ballot. No objections.

Quick discussion of office space policy and who should have priority in office space requests. No motions.