AS Board of Directors Queer Guild Funding Proposal

Proposed Motion: To fund a two year grant of $5,000 from FXXRES (AS Discretionary Reserves) for the AS Queer Guild Summit.

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Sponsor: Nate Jo, AS Vice President for Business & Operations & AS Equity & Identity Resource Centers

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Background & Context

The Queer Guild Summit was officially created fall 2017. The Guild Summit is a compilation of AS Queer &/or Trans focused clubs working to set policies, procedures to hold each other accountable. To provide support for each other and ensure the sustainability of each club. The Guild Summit provides a space in which AS club leaders can come together and address issues affecting the community as well as foster inter-club communication and provide a space to plan and collaborate large scale events, such as QueerCon.

Summary of Proposal

This proposal would span over two years, a total of $2,500 each year. The funds will be transferred into the QRC’s budget (FXXLGB). These funds will then be made accessible to participating AS members of the AS Queer Guild Summit. AS Guild Summit members will then be able to fill out an online WIN form via the SAIRC’s page and request funding. The form will be processed by the AS Queer Guild Summit chair, AS QRC Community Engagement Coordinator. Funding requests will be presented as an info item, then moved to an action item the following meeting where all voting members will be able to determine whether funding requests get approved. Once funding request get approved the QRC will then transfer the monies to the appropriate AS club.

Fiscal Impacts

The $5,000 grant request will serve as a pilot period to determine the fiscal needs of participating AS Queer &/or Trans focused clubs. Each year $2,500 will be transferred into the QRC’s budget. After the two year pilot period, this grant is to be revisited and determine whether or not to operationalize an AS Queer Guild Summit budget.

Rationale

Originally the AS Queer Guild Summit was created with the intention of establishing a group and space where AS Queer &/or Tran’s leaders can gather and support one another in their respective clubs. The space was also intended to create better inter-club communication, community and partnerships. By establishing a budget specific to AS Queer &/or Tran’s clubs would allow greater possibilities for these AS club to provide better experiences and programs for LGBT+ students on campus.
Form outline for WIN via the SAIRC page:

Submissions are due:

- Two days before the meeting time in order to make it onto the upcoming AS Queer Guild Summit Agenda.
- General event/activity at least 3 weeks before event
- Event/Activity including a paid performance/presenter at least 4 weeks before the event
- Travel at least 4 weeks before, unless involving airlines, than 5 weeks before.

Meeting Process:

- Requests for less than $75 may be approved with an executive decision by the AS Queer Guild Summit chair, AS QRC Engagement Coordinator, without attending an AS Queer Guild Summit meeting.
- Request for more than 475 but less than $300 will go through a one meeting process. You will describe your event/expenses and the council will vote during the same meeting.
- Funding requests over $300 will go through a two meeting process. A club representative will introduce your proposal at the first meeting and return the following week for the Guild’s final vote.

Presenting Organization: ________________________________

AS Club Organization ASB number: ______________________

Student name (name of the student submitting the funding request): ______________________

Phone number: ______________________

WWU email: ______________________

Name of the event/project/conference: ________________________________

Event date(s) (if applicable): ________________________________

Location (if applicable): ________________________________

Estimated number of attendees (if applicable): ________________________________

Reason for funding (please provide a through description of the event or what the funds are requested for and the expected benefits to the Western community and your club):

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Budget Document upload: ________________________________

Total anticipated expenses: ________________________________

Your club/organizations contribution (leave blank if the amount is zero): ______________________

Estimated ticket sales (if you will be selling tickets for your event, otherwise enter N/A or free):

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Co-sponsorships from other groups (please write how much money any other groups will be contributing. Leave blank if the amount is zero): ________________________________

Other revenue (please write any additional revenue you will be using. If no other expected revenue then leave blank or enter N/A): ________________________________

Amount requesting from the Queer Guild Summit: ________________________________