

Central Student Technology Committee (CSTC)

Meeting: Wednesday February 8, 2023

Location: Zoom

Attendees: Jesse Ballard, Victor Berchinsky, Dalal Bima, Stephen Boss, Tom Foulke, Edward Havugimana, Melissa Hunter, Maria Kuznetsova, Jeff Miller, Pat Moran, Sally Quade, Bret Sorensen

### **Proposal Review**

The meeting's direct purpose to go over the proposals and determine which the committee would like to fund or partially fund. Initially the committee expected to have \$30,000 available for funding and after review the committee now has \$60,000.

#### **Coe SIC - 3D Printing**

This proposal is exactly the kind of proposal the committee is looking for. Its purpose is to make technology readily available to a large student population.

Bret Sorensen moved to fund the proposal  
Stephen Boss seconded the motion.

Approved: all  
Opposed: none  
Abstain: none

#### **Education Abroad - Camera**

While phone cameras are improving they are nowhere near the quality of a DSLR camera. While some students would like to take an additional piece of equipment abroad, the added risk is large. The proposal only serves a very small and select student population.

Melissa Hunter moved to not fund the proposal  
Tom Foulke seconded the motion.

Approved: all  
Opposed: none  
Abstain: none

#### **ESports - Travel Computers**

When it comes to funding an extracurricular group it is something this committee has done in the past. Currently these students are taking their own computers to events and are expected to share them amongst the players. That's seen as a pretty big request for anyone. The culture on how gaming is seen academically is shifting. UW in comparison to other higher education institutions would be considered behind in ESports, which can have negative impacts on recruiting. ESports really need to start being considered with other athletic programs like football.

Melissa Hunter moved to fund the proposal  
Jeff Miller seconded the motion.

Approved: Stephen Boss, Edward Havugimana, Melissa Hunter, Maria Kuznetsova, Jeff Miller

Opposed: Victor Berchinsky, Dalal Bima, Tom Foulke, Bret Sorensen  
Abstain: Pat Moran

#### **FCS – Buzzers**

This request serves a narrow population, only a class or two a semester. The instructor is known to use lots of methods for engagement and works closely with ECTL. While this isn't a high tech proposal it may create a lot of engagement at a low cost.

Melissa Hunter moved to not fund the proposal  
No one seconded the motion.

Maria Kuznetsova moved to fund the proposal  
Jeff Miller seconded the motion.

Approved: Victor Berchinsky, Stephen Boss, Tom Foulke, Melissa Hunter, Maria Kuznetsova, Jeff Miller, Pat Moran, Bret Sorensen  
Opposed: Dalal Bima  
Abstain: Edward Havugimana

#### **Honors GH AV and Lighting**

The proposal for classroom upgrades seems more appropriately funded through the college. Students shouldn't have to pay for infrastructure upgrades. The committee would like to see technology actively used not passively used through a classroom upgrade.

Melissa Hunter moved to not fund the proposal  
Tom Foulke seconded the motion.

Approved: Dalal Bima, Stephen Boss, Tom Foulke, Edward Havugimana, Melissa Hunter, Maria Kuznetsova, Jeff Miller, Pat Moran, Bret Sorensen  
Opposed: Victor Berchinsky  
Abstain: none

#### **Studio Coe- VR**

This proposal is exactly the kind of proposal the committee is looking for. Its purpose is to make technology readily available to a large student population.

Bret Sorensen moved to fund the proposal  
Stephen Boss seconded the motion.

Approved: all  
Opposed: none  
Abstain: none

#### **UWC Counseling VR Lending Lib**

A very well put together proposal. Clearly this program will be expanding and the committee is happy to support a great training facility in the center of the state.

Maria Kuznetsova moved to fund the proposal

Jeff Miller seconded the motion.

Approved: all  
Opposed: none  
Abstain: none

**WyGISC iPads**

This proposal requests the funding for some very cool technology the population it would serve is very narrow. As it is slotted for a class it cannot be housed elsewhere for open use.

Melissa Hunter moved to not fund the proposal  
Edward Havugimana seconded the motion.

Approved: Dalal Bima, Stephen Boss, Tom Foulke, Edward Havugimana, Melissa Hunter, Maria Kuznetsova, Jeff Miller, Pat Moran, Bret Sorensen  
Opposed: Victor Berchinsky  
Abstain: none

Jesse will be reaching out to the proposal authors with the committee's decisions.