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## SOAC Agenda and Meeting Minutes

August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026, 5:00-8:15 pm

- I. Call to order
  - A. Meeting is called to order at 5:10 PM
- II. Roll call
  - A. Present: Gabriela, Katherine, Drew, Ella, Bridget, Ghlyah, & Tejas
  - B. Absent: Grace, CUSG Rep
- III. Approval of Agenda
- IV. Food Operational Requests
  - A. Organization: Sikh Student Organization
    1. *Funding Request Title: Meeting for Food*
      - a) Requesting \$500 for food
      - b) Liaison Summary:
        - (1) This is a student organization, and promotes Sikhism, and they do workshops and other cultural practices. They are asking for funding for food.
      - c) Discussion:
        - (1) none
      - d) Move to approve Sikh Student Organization for their total requested amount of \$500 | Tejas
        - (1) 2<sup>nd</sup> | Ella
        - (2) 7:0
        - (3) **APPROVED**
  - B. Organization: Students Against Campus Sexual Assault
    1. *Funding Request Title: Operations- Promotional items and meeting food-Fall 2026*
      - a) Requesting \$574.52
        - (1) Food - \$500
        - (2) Branded Promotional Items - \$74.52

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b) Liaison Summary:

(1) They are requesting food for their meetings. They want to get cosmos for their meetings, and then they also want to get stickers for their meetings. They talk about SA and they just spread awareness about this cause. They have about 50 members on campus, and they are an established group on campus. Their stickers are a non-reusable item, but cosmos pizza seems great.

c) Discussion:

(1) Its only 50 stickers, so SOAC doesn't really see a problem funding the whole request.

d) Move to approve Students Against Campus Sexual Assault for their total requested amount of \$574.52 | Ella

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V. New Business

A. 5:15 PM: Taiwanese Student Association

1. *Funding Request Title: Operational- TSA Welcome event - Late August/Early September*

a) Requesting \$438.07

(1) Food - \$323.45

(2) Space Rental - \$64.64

(3) Parts/Materials/Supplies - \$49.98

b) Presentation Notes:

(1) The Taiwanese Student Association is a student organization primarily serving graduate students who come from Taiwan or share Taiwanese heritage, while remaining open to all students. The club aims to provide international students with a welcoming space to build connections on

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campus. The submitted request funds a welcome and reunion event for both new and continuing students to foster community and introduce incoming students to the organization.

c) Questions:

(1) How do you advertise?

- i. They have a Facebook, and they mostly use Facebook posts. Students join on their Facebook page to stay in the know. There is also a WhatsApp group as well.

(2) Have you done this event in the past?

- i. The presenter attended the event last year, and this event has been held for several years running now. The event will have board games, food, and just a social space. In the past, they also had table tennis and card games.

(3) One of the items is trash bags on the purchase list. Is this something the rec asked you to buy?

- i. They just wanted to buy it just in case, but if the rec provides it, they don't need to buy it then.

d) Discussion:

(1) SOAC doesn't have any issues. SOAC just was wondering if some things could be suggested. They could advertise with ISS, because that's usually the first line of communication for international students.

(2) SOAC might want to take off the trash bags.

(3) The rec center does provide them for spaces.

(4) They are single use plastic so it could be SOAC can't even fund that.

(5) SOAC was concerned about the single use plastic part of the trash bags.

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(6) SOAC would want to see what the new amount would be if we take out the trash bags.

e) I move to approve Taiwanese Student Association for their total requested amount of \$431.56 (excluding the trash bags) | Grace

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B. 5:45 PM: Biology Honors Society

1. *Funding Request Title: Operations: Academic Year Operational Funding Request -SOAC Funding*

a) Requesting \$1360

(1) Parts/Materials/Supplies - \$260.00

(2) Branded/Promotional/Materials - \$300

(3) Memberships - \$300

(4) Food - \$500

b) Presentation Notes:

(1) This biology honors organization connects students across various biology majors and seeks to collaborate with major-specific departmental clubs to build community. The group is requesting increased funding to support a larger lineup of events, categorized into social and career-focused meetings. Career events feature guest speakers to offer networking opportunities in a professional setting, where food is requested to boost engagement. Additional requests include crafting materials for social community-building events, tabling supplies for the Be Involved Fair, graduation cords and stoles, national membership dues for the Tri-Beta network, and resources to build an active alumni network across campus.

c) Q&A:

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(1) I know you have promotional items. Do you have a place to store stuff on campus?

i. They are applying for a storage locker at the UMC.

d) Discussion:

(1) SOAC loved the presentation and liked how they had justification for everything.

(2) SOAC really agrees with their purpose, and when students are bio majors, it can make them feel disconnected from others.

e) Move to approve Biology Honors Society for their total requested amount of \$1360 | Ella

(1) 2<sup>nd</sup> | Bridget

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C. 6:00 PM: AI Club at CU Boulder

1. *Funding Request Title: Operations - AI Club Promotional Items and Meeting Materials - Fall 2026*

a) Requesting \$900

(1) Food - \$500

(2) Branded Promotional Items - \$300

i. Tablecloth - \$176.20

ii. Stickers - \$94.23

(3) Memberships - \$100

i. Claude Pro Subscription - \$100

b) Presentation Notes:

(1) AI Club requested \$900 in operational funding to support an inclusive environment for students and staff to engage with artificial intelligence topics. The food budget is designated for general meetings scheduled during dinner hours. Supply requests include a one-time purchase of a

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tablecloth and an educational subscription to provide learning materials and tutorials. All funded meetings remain open to the general campus community, with no funds allocated toward internal operations.

c) Q&A:

(1) Where do you advertise these events?

i. They use social media, Instagram, and linked in.

(2) Is the club to educate people on AI or teach people how to use it?

i. They kind of have a little bit of both. As people get more involved, it becomes more handheld. But most members engage with the informational aspects, for example AI for educators.

d) Discussion:

(1) SOAC was a little concerned about the title of the club, but after they explained about their educational purposes, SOAC thinks this is a good club.

(2) SOAC also thinks this is a good club, and they are super prominent on campus specifically at Leeds, and this is a super relevant issue right now.

e) I move to approve AI Club for their total requested amount of \$900

| Drew

(1) 2<sup>nd</sup> | Ella

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D. 6:15 PM: Survivor Club

1. *Funding Request Title: Operational - Survivor Boulder Season 3 - October 24 & 25, 2026*

a) Requesting \$2695

(1) Space Rental - \$995.00

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(2) Parts/Materials/Supplies - \$1100

(3) Branded/Promotional Items - \$400

(4) Food - \$200

b) Presentation Notes:

c) Q&A:

d) Discussion:

e) I move to table Survivor Club for their total requested amount of \$2695 | Gabby

(1) 2<sup>nd</sup> | Drew

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E. 6:30 PM: American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics

1. Funding Request: Event - AIAA Speaker Series - September 9-10, 2026

a) Requesting: \$1,155.38

(1) Airfare - \$855.38

(2) Food - \$300.00

b) Presentation:

(1) This is for the speaker series. This is for the airfares of speakers. We have three confirmed speakers, two of them virtual, but two of them want to come in person, and the rest of line items are printing post cards to advertise for the event as well as catering for the event. The event is for members and outside members too.

c) Q&A:

(1) How do you advertise?

i. They advertise online, through social media, and they also advertise with physical post cards and posters in the UMC.

d) Discussion:

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(1) SOAC thinks it makes sense to fund speakers to come to campus.

e) Move to approve AAIA for \$1158.38 | Drew

(1) 2<sup>nd</sup> | Ghlyah

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2. *Funding Request: Operations - Promotional Items, Online subscriptions, AIAA memberships*

a) Requesting \$148

(1) Memberships - \$148

i. National AAIA membership - \$148

b) Presentation Notes:

(1) This club connects aerospace students to career professionals and development. Their meetings are speaker series, and they are requesting memberships to a national aerospace organization for their board members.

c) Q&A:

(1) How will this benefit the CU community as a whole?

i. This will help their club members to reach out to more professionals and therefore help cu students be able to have more of a network to engage with.

(2) Why is there only membership for four members?

i. Because membership is for their board members. They might submit more operational requests, but they are still deciding on some logistics and planning decisions. Memberships are required for all board members on the national level.

d) Discussion:

(1) I think concerning this request, this makes sense.



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- e) Move to approve American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics for their total requested amount of \$148 | Drew

- (1) 2<sup>nd</sup> | Tejas

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F. 6:45 PM: Korean Graduate Student Association

1. *Funding Request Title: Operations - Promotional, Supplies, Advertising, Food, Printing - Fall 2026*

- a) Requesting \$276

- (1) Space Rental - \$276

- b) Presentation Notes:

- (1) The organization is hosting a kickoff event on August 28th from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM at The Connection, open to all CU Boulder students. Aimed at fostering student connections, the group reserved a small group space for the two-hour activity-based event, selecting interactive activities over a standard sit-and-talk format to encourage natural interaction. The event is advertised via promotional flyers.

- c) Q&A:

- (1) How do you advertise to students?

- i. Word of mouth advertising works great, and then they also have people bring friends who are in the same department, and then others brought friends from their other departments. They use flyers and they don't advertise a lot, but for this event specifically they use Instagram, and then flyers. They also are thinking about using email.

- d) Discussion:

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(1) This seems like a good organization, and SOAC should encourage them to advertise more as well as through the international student office.

(2) Word of mouth works great, also using the connection is great cause students who are in the UMC will sometimes wonder in.

e) Move to approve Korean Graduate Student Association for their total requested amount of \$276 | Tejas

(1) 2<sup>nd</sup> | Ella

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#### G. 7:00 PM: Global Business Club

##### *1. Funding Request Title: Operations - Promotional items and meeting food - Fall 2026*

a) Requesting \$1000

(1) Food - \$500

(2) Branded/Promotional Items - \$500

b) Presentation Notes:

c) Q&A:

d) Discussion:

e) Move to table Global Business Club for their total requested amount of \$1000 | Drew

(1) 2<sup>nd</sup> | Gabby

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#### VI. Old Business

A. We have a meeting on Wednesday, and there is retreat on Thursday and Friday!

#### VII. Officer's Reports

A. Chair

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B. Vice Chair

C. Advisor

1. 30 days in advance – clarification question for CSI Liaisons

- a) This allows time for finance to process and do the purchase.
- b) Board members agree with Gabby that it should be on the day of submission.
- c) YTR
- d) I think having it exactly a month out might be a little less confusing cause then we don't get caught up on the day count.
- e) I think it should be exactly a month just to clear up confusion, because some months have 30 days, some have 31 days.

D. Late roll call

VIII. Adjournment 7:05 PM