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UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-EAU CLAIRE

STUDENT SENATE

CLASSIFICATION SPECIAL ALLOCATION TO ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT

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INTRODUCED BY THOMAS HOLTAN, FINANCE COMMISSION DIRECTOR AND THE
FINANCE COMMISSION

1 WHEREAS, the Athletics Department requested \$5,110 for an indoor track
2 and field cage and a new balance beam; and

3 WHEREAS, the Athletics Department's request meets the four criteria to
4 qualify for a special allocation; and

5 WHEREAS, the reason for the two items are safety reasons; and

6 WHEREAS, the balance beam recently fell apart on January 7, 2009 before a
7 meet; and

8 WHEREAS, springs and screws popped out of this piece of equipment
9 every time a gymnast practiced; and

10 WHEREAS, the beam itself became warped resulting in the apparatus
11 wobbling and the coach having to repair after every couple of jumps; and

12 WHEREAS, the beam was a few years past its life expectancy; and

13 **WHEREAS, a new beam was not written into the projected budget because**
14 **of fiscal conservancy, and trying to extend the lifespan of the equipment; and**

15 **WHEREAS, the new beam costs \$2,993; and**

16 **WHEREAS, the upper administration was previously willing to pay 100% of**
17 **the new indoor track and field cage; and**

18 **WHEREAS, because of a timing delay to investigate the compatibility of the**
19 **ceiling storage capability of the Ade Olson Addition, the project got delayed; and**

20 **WHEREAS, in the change of the economy, the Athletics Department is now**
21 **asked to provide 1/3 of the cost; and**

22 **WHEREAS, because of this unknown funding request, the Athletics**
23 **Department was not able to include it in the previous budget cycle; and**

24 **WHEREAS, the weight throw is dangerous given the nature of the spin**
25 **technique; and**

26 **WHEREAS, the cage is necessary to protect participants and spectators**
27 **from weight throw implements which can be launched outside of the intended**
28 **competition area; and**

29 **WHEREAS, a Blugold athlete has already been struck by a weight; and**

30 **WHEREAS, the University has a commitment of safety for its student**
31 **athletes; and**

32 **WHEREAS, after receiving three bids (\$6,350 - \$7,837 - \$9,760) the Athletics**
33 **Department decided to go with the cheapest bid because there was no difference**
34 **in quality; and**

35 **WHEREAS, because the current administration is providing 2/3 of the cost,**
36 **the Athletics Department is requesting \$2,117; and**

37 **WHEREAS, the amount of the two projects combined is \$5,110; and**

38 **WHEREAS, the Finance Commission voted 10-0-2 in support of allocating**
39 **\$5,110 to the Athletics Department;**

40 **BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that Student Senate allocates \$5,110 to the**
41 **Athletics Department; and**

42 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that upon passage, President Lauer transmit a**
43 **copy of this bill to Dr. Brian Levin-Stankevich, Chancellor; Dr. Marty Wood,**
44 **Interim Provost/Vice Chancellor; Dr. V. Thomas Dock, Acting Vice Chancellor,**
45 **Administration, Facilities & Finance; Dr. Beth Hellwig, Vice Chancellor, Student**
46 **Affairs; Dave Gessner, Director, Business Services; Scott Kilgallon, Director,**
47 **Athletics Department; and Jodi Thesing-Ritter, Associate Dean of Students, Dean**
48 **of Students Office.**