UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-EAU CLAIRE

STUDENT SENATE

CLASSIFICATION AMENDING THE BYLAWS OF THE FINANCE COMMISSION

NUMBER 51-B-16 DATE March 3, 2008

INTRODUCED BY THOMAS HOLTAN, FINANCE COMMISSION DIRECTOR AND

FINANCE COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the current Finance Commission Bylaws are unfriendly towards Student Organizations; and

WHEREAS, currently zero Student Organizations apply for the $200 they are eligible for; and

WHEREAS, Student Organizations at different universities apply and receive funding from Segregated University Fees; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Commission determined that the zero applicants are a product of the low funding amount; and

WHEREAS, the Bylaws proposed in Attachment “A” are amended to be more inclusive for Student Organizations; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Commission voted on all Bylaw changes and they were approved 13-0-1;
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Student Senate approves the Finance Commission Bylaws found in Attachment “A;” and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon approval of this bill, these Bylaw changes take affect immediately; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that upon passage, President French transmit a copy of this bill to Dr. Brian Levin-Stankevich, Chancellor; Dr. Steve Tallant, Provost/Vice Chancellor; Andrew Soll, Vice Chancellor, Business and Student Services; Dave Gessner, Director, Business Services; Dr. Marty Wood, Chair, University Senate; Ann Lapp, Interim Associate Vice Chancellor, Student Development & Diversity; and Jodi Thesing-Ritter, Associate Dean of Student Development, Student Development & Diversity.
Article 8. Funding Criteria of Organized Activities

Section 8.01 General Funding Criteria

(8.01.1) Philanthropic Activities
• SUF funding may not be used on any type of philanthropic activity or event.
• Philanthropic events, for the purposes of SUF funding support, are any type of activity, event, program, service, or otherwise, of an Organized Activity that is intended to raise money for any other group, organization, or cause. Organized Activities must use a different source of funding to cover the costs and expenses of this type of activity or event.

(8.01.2) Travel
• Travel must be of benefit to those other than solely the traveler(s).
• A SUF-supported travel shall represent the University itself and not solely the Organized Activity or traveler(s) involved. Compliance with this requirement must be demonstrated to the Finance Commission at budget hearings.

Section 8.02 Campus Media Funding Criteria

(8.02.1) In accordance with the charge of the Campus Media Advisory Committee, which states that one of its functions is to review proposed budgets of campus media entities, the CMAC will:
• Review the proposed budgets of those media entities requesting SUF funding before the budget is submitted for consideration by the Finance Commission.
• Advise each media entity on the appropriate funding level to request from the Finance Commission.

(8.02.2) The Finance Commission will proceed with the budget process with the understanding that media entities submitting a budget proposal have had their budgets reviewed by the Campus Media Advisory Committee. However, the Finance Commission shall make the final allocation recommendations to the Student Senate, the recommendations of the Campus Media Advisory Committee notwithstanding.

Section 8.03 Student Organizations Funding Criteria

(8.03.1) To be considered for SUF support, Student Organizations must meet the following criteria:
• Activities and events of the Student Organization must be open to all students.
• The Student Organization must make a substantive effort to fundraise.
• Allowable SUF funding for each Student Organization will be limited to a $200-$750 maximum.