Student Organization
Resource Fee

SORF Meeting
Tuesday, April 2, 2024, at 5:30PM
Student Org Complex

Call to Order:
Meeting called to order at 5:40pm

Roll Call:
Present:

- Amani Laliwala, *Chairperson*
- Dipankar Yettapu*, Vice-Chairperson*
- Troy Kowalski*, SORF Treasurer*
- Hayley Hoppock, *Undergraduate Board Member*
- Matthew Pruyn, *Undergraduate Board Member*
- Destiny Gallegos, *Undergraduate Board Member*
- Ivy Wang, *Undergraduate Board Member*
- Anika Chakraborti, *Undergraduate Board Member*
- Kate Suchodolski, *Graduate Board Member* (HH proxy at 6:34pm)
- David Bein, *Graduate Board Member*
- Nick Fink*, SORF Advisor (non-voting member)*
- Christina Fraser*, SORF Secretary (non-voting member)*
- Taylor Mettler, *SORF Advisor (non-voting member)*
- Cherisse Johnson, *Faculty/Staff Board Member*

Absent:

- Samantha Thaller, *SORF Finance Secretary (non-voting member)*
- Stephanie Cardoza-Cruz*, Faculty/Staff Board Member*
- Arianna Agramonte Holterman, *Faculty/Staff Board Member*

Old Business:

New Business:

04/02/24 Agenda:

- Missed Application Vote

- Appeals Application Vote
- Board Transition and Internal Elections

Review for Spring Services and Programs Funding Period 1, 03/19/2024-05/31/2024:

App Number:	RSO Name:	Application Type:	Amount Requested:	Amount Allocated:	Vote:
49	LGBTJew	Programs	$4,185.00	$0.00	10-0-0

- App No. 49- **LGBTJew**
  - *Description*: This RSO is requesting funding for their organization's annual drag show. This includes performers, equipment, and rental space. This event is not free for students or on-campus
  - Reviewer's Notes: This event is listed as a charitable event. It is also off campus. 25% non-Illinois attendees
  - *Event Description*: Hillel at the University of Illinois is getting ready to celebrate its 7th annual Purim Drag Show in March 2024. We pride ourselves in not letting anything stop us from celebrating our Jewish and queer identities. Last year, we were thrilled to be back in person at the Canopy Club, and our program brought 400 people together to celebrate Purim and our Jewish and queer identities
  - *Funding type*: Programs
  - *Amount Requested*: $4,185
  - *Amount Allocated*: $0.00
  - *Vote*: David Bein motions to deny application due to the program being off-campus and charging UIUC students. Troy Kowalski seconds. Vote of 10-0-0

Review for Spring Services and Programs Funding Period 1 Appeals, 03/19/2024-05/31/2024:

Appeal App Number:	RSO Name:	OG App Number:	Amount Requested:	Amount Allocated:	Vote:
74, 73	Illini Bhangra	25	$5,000.00	$5,000.00	10-0-0
70	iRobotics	126	$715.42	$412.99	10-0-0
69	Illini Robomaster	66	$4,740.34	$3,940.34	10-0-0
68	Iranian Heritage Foundation	135	$5,000.00	$5,000.00	10-0-0
67	Character Creation Hub	20	$451.52	$451.52	10-0-0
66	DDRIllini	77	$2,805.56	$0.00	10-0-0

- App No. 74 and 73- **Illini Bhangra**
  - *Description*: Application requests for hotel and competition registration funding
  - Reviewer's Notes: All line items violate General Standards & Expectations: Purchase Timing
  - *Connection to Mission*: Illini Bhangra is a competitive dance team that focuses on the energetic and vibrant folk-dance styles of Punjab. Our dance team fuses both modern and traditional elements of Bhangra to create an entertaining and skillful performance. The

requested funds relate to our Student Organization mission because we want to spread the cultural art form and by having these funds, we will be able to showcase our culture and art nationwide

- o *Appeal Rationale*: Illini Bhangra had initially requested $5000 to cover registration and hotel fees and received $0, and we are trying to appeal this decision. There are two competitions, where the payment has been made after the SORF Spring 1 deadline, which is March 6. I have provided a link to the evidence of payment on when and how much was paid at the time. Although the wrong dates were mentioned in the application, the actual date of payment was made after March 6, which is in alignment with the SORF standards and guidelines. Also, the amount of money paid has differed since the initial application, since there were attendance issues on our team due to various circumstances
- o *Funding type*: Services
- o *Amount Requested*: $5,000.00
- o *Amount Allocated*: $5,000.00
- o *Vote*: David Bein motions to fund application at standard due to application covering only competitions in the Funding Cycle. Hayley Hoppock seconds. Vote of 10-0-0

Item Name	Item Description	Cost	Quantity	Total
Nachde Nashville Hotel	Hotel for our team to stay at during our competition	$229.00	4.00	$916.00
Naach di Cleveland Hotel	Hotel for our team to stay at during our competition	$129.00	4	$516.00
Madtown Bhangra Hotel	Hotel for our team to stay at during our competition	$160.00	4	$640.00
Nachde Nashville Roster Fees	Payment for each person on our team to attend this specific competition	$75.00	22	$1,650.00
Naach di Cleveland Roster Fees	Payment for each person on our team to attend this specific competition	$75.00	27	$2,025.00
Madtown Bhangra Roster Fees	Payment for each person on our team to attend this specific competition	$45.00	23	$1,035.00

- App No. 70- **iRobotics**
  - *Description*: iRobotics is asking for parts and tools to complete their robots
  - Reviewer's Notes: Line items 1-5, 7, 10, 20, and 23 should be a Programs application as they are Project materials
  - *Connection to Mission*: These parts and tools will allow us to complete several of our robots across the different teams that comprise iRobotics and allow the students to gain practical experience in constructing the robots that they have designed. Being able to physically construct, test, and operate these robots is one of the best ways to build and reinforce the robotics education our program provides
  - *Appeal Rationale*: Many items on our recent Services application were denied with the reason "should be a Programs application as they are Project materials". However, after speaking with SORF board member Ivy in office hours, she agreed with us both that they should all be Services items and that the distinction was applied extremely inconsistently, and recommended we submit an appeal of the decision. The items that were denied were all:
    - -Reusable across different robots throughout the year
    - -Not for a single event/program
    - -Essential for the purpose of our organization (promoting STEM education through the construction of robots)
  In addition, the standard was applied inconsistently across many of the items requested. For instance, some examples of contradiction include:
    - -6s LiPo battery (denied)
    - -3s LiPo battery (approved)
    - The only difference between 3s and 6s batteries is the voltage they operate at. They are identical in all other ways.
    - -Wheels (denied)
    - -Wheel hubs (approved)
    - Wheels and wheel hubs are used in concert with each other, with a wheel resting around a wheel hub. They are analogous to a tire and a wheel on a car.
    - -Gear stock (denied)
    - -Bevel gears (approved).
   Gear stock is simply an extruded gear, which is then cut to the desired thickness to create a gear. Bevel gears are precut by the factory to a given thickness. Beyond that, they are used in the same way for rotary power transmission. We feel that the incorrect categorization of our requested items and the inconsistency in which the standard was applied are valid grounds for appeal, and we hope that the SORF board will reconsider their decision in the matter
  - *Funding type*: Services
  - *Amount Requested*: $715.42
  - *Amount Allocated*: $412.99
  - *Vote*: David Bein motions to fund line items 5, 7 and 10 to maintain consistency. Troy Kowalski seconds. Vote of 10-0-0

Item Name	Item Description	Cost	Quantity	Total
~~Flight Controller ESC~~	~~SpeedyBee F405 V4~~	~~$71.99~~	~~1~~	~~$71.99~~

Motors	T-Motor VELOX V2812	$25.99	4	$103.96
Counterclockwise Propellors	HQProp MacroQuad 8X4.5X3 Propeller (CCW)	$3.99	2	$7.98
Clockwise Propellors	HQProp MacroQuad 8X4.5X3 Propeller (CW)	$3.99	2	$7.98
6S Battery	**Turnigy Heavy Duty 5200mAh 6S 60C LiPo Battery**	**$64.80**	**1**	**$64.80**
Wheel Hubs	T81 Hub, 1/4in Shaft	$4.50	4	$18.00
Wheels	**BaneBots Wheel, 2" x 0.8", Hub Mount, 60A**	**$3.25**	**4**	**$13.00**
Metal Miter Bevel Gears	PGFUN 2 Pcs 1.5M 20 Teeth	$13.99	1	$13.99
Carbon Fiber Tubes	4pcs Carbon Fiber Tube	$24.95	1	$24.95
Gear Stock	**Spur Gear Stock**	**$30.25**	**1**	**$30.25**
Voltage Regulator	Pololu 3.3V Step-Up/Step-Down Voltage Regulator	$7.95	1	$7.95
Proximity Sensor	Adafruit VCNL4040 Proximity and Lux Sensor	$5.95	5	$29.75
3S Battery	GAONENG 300mAh HV LiPo Battery 3S 80C/160C	$24.59	1	$24.59
Quad Mux	Adafruit PCA9546 4-Channel I2C Multiplexer	$3.95	1	$3.95
Stemma QT Connector	JST SH 4-pin Right Angle Connector	$3.95	1	$3.95
JST SH Connector	6-Pin Female-Female JST SH-Style Cable 16cm	$2.20	8	$17.60
XT30 plug connector	XT30 Plug Male Female Connector	$9.99	1	$9.99

Item Name	Item Description	Cost	Quantity	Total
3S1P Battery Pack	3S1P 75C 11.1V 650mAh Lipo Battery Pack	$26.99	1	$26.99
AA Batteries	Amazon Basics 48-Pack AA Alkaline High-Performance Batteries	$15.25	1	$15.25
~~TPU Filament~~	~~DURAMIC 3D TPU Filament 1.75mm Black~~	~~$21.84~~	~~3~~	~~$65.52~~
Soldering Station	YIHUA 939D+ Digital Soldering Station	$53.99	1	$53.99
ESP32 Board	ProS3 ESP32-S3 with u.FL	$25.00	1	$25.00
~~Retroreflective Tape~~	~~High Gain Reflective Tape (10ft roll)~~	~~$45.00~~	~~1~~	~~$45.00~~
Yellow PLA Filament	Micro Center Inland Tough PLA Filament 1.75mm	$28.99	1	$28.99

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- App No. 69- **Illini Robomaster**
  - o *Description*: Application requests for robotic components and traveling funds
  - o Reviewer's Notes: Line items 1-12 do not qualify as Services as it pertains to Programs. Line item 13 fails to provide supporting documentation
  - o *Connection to Mission*: I am requesting money to purchase necessary robotic components such as motors and lidars. With more funds, we will be able to continue improving our robots for the competition and make more achievements in the future
  - o *Appeal Rationale*: All the items are robotic components that are reusable for the whole year and are essential equipment for the operation of the Illini Robomaster. They are not for single use and should belong to a service application. We have applied many times with service applications for robotic components before are they were all allocated without a problem
  - o *Funding type*: Services
  - o *Amount Requested*: $4,740.34
  - o *Amount Allocated*: $3,940.34
  - o *Vote*: Anika Chakraborti motions to zero-fund line item 14 due to lack of supporting documentation and fund rest of application at standard to maintain consistency with previous funding. Matthew Pruyn seconds. Vote of 10-0-0

Item Name	Item Description	Cost	Quantity	Total
DJI Livox Mid-360	Lidar used to SLAM development	$749.00	1.00	$749.00

RoboMaster Development Board Type C	Development Board on the robot	$69.00	5	$345.00
C620 motor speed controller	C620 Brushless DC Motor Speed Controller	$89.00	4	$356.00
RoboMaster Battery Rack	Battery Rack for battery	$39.00	2	$78.00
DYNAMIXEL XL330-M288-T	motors to be used for the development of 6-axis mini robotics arm	$23.90	7	$167.30
U2D2	converter to be used for the development of 6-axis mini robotics arm	$32.10	1	$32.10
RoboMaster Development Board Type A	Development Board on the robot	$89.00	4	$356.00
3DX-700059 Spacemouse	Spacemouse will be used to control our engineering robot	$153.94	1	$153.94
6020 motors	6020 motors for the robots	$189.00	4	$756.00
2006 motors	2006 motors for the robots	$55.00	4	$220.00
3508 Accessories Kit	Accessories Kit to support motors	$89.00	2	$178.00
Robomaster S1	Template robot for testing and debugging	$549.00	1	$549.00
~~Travel fee~~	~~For participating in summer competitions (RMUL and RMUC)~~	~~$800.00~~	~~1~~	~~$800.00~~

- App No. 68- **Iranian Heritage Foundation**
  - *Description*: This event is requesting funding for a cultural night, including the venue, food, and performer accommodations
  - Reviewer's Notes: All items meet standards. Charging students, so the adjustment to 75% must be made. Indicate 1% of attendees will be non-Illinois students. An additional 1% adjustment will be made. This RSO has also requested $5,000 in Application ID #138

- o *Event Description*: The Celebration is a vibrant cultural event that commemorates the ancient tradition of Nowruz. This festive gathering, which is being celebrated within Iran, Afghanistan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Iraqi Kurdistan, and Azerbaijan, brings together people beyond to experience the rich tapestry of culture through music, art, and traditional rituals. The event planned to be a celebration featuring show case of heritage for this night with are and music performances. Our approximation is about $25,000 for the total cost of the event, which majority of the cost is regarding the plan to invite Iranian performers and rental cost related to the audio system, venue rental, etc
- o *Appeal Rationale*: Our applications were approved by the board but rejected by the SORF advisor, violating the Bylaw. Standard and bylaws do not allow rejection (while approved by the board) based on subjective decisions. This violates the SORF Bylaw and also the Student Code. Additionally, this is inconsistent with the SORF practice
- o *Funding type*: Programs
- o *Amount Requested*: $5,000.00
- o *Amount Allocated*: $3,712.50
- o *Vote*: David Bein motions to approve application at standard since the standards do not require a speaker/performer to be listed unless there asking for a contract to be funded. Troy Kowalski seconds. Vote of 10-0-0

Item Name	Item Description	Cost	Quantity	Total
Venue, Audio and Sound System Package	Rental	$2,853.00	1.00	$2,853.00
Performers Flight (with luggage)	Travel	$738.00	2.00	$1,476.00
Performers Accommodation (two nights at i-hotel)	Hotel	$224.93	4.00	$899.72

- App No. 67- **Character Creation Hub**
  - o *Description*: Application requests programming supplies for the execution of an event
  - o Reviewer's Notes: Incorrect application type
  - o *Connection to Mission*: The requested items fulfill our student organization's purpose of helping students to collaborate, develop, and learn together the ideas and designs of character creation. By achieving the finished products, we will be able to let people know 170 more about our creations and fulfill our mission to inspire and develop one another's endeavors
  - o *Appeal Rationale*: Our funding request is not for an event, closer aligning to a supply run. We are renting the printer to make stickers designed and submitted beforehand instead of purchasing our own machine
  - o *Funding type*: Services
  - o *Amount Requested*: $451.52
  - o *Amount Allocated*: $451.52
  - o *Vote*: David Bein motions to fund application at standard. Matthew Pruyn seconds. Vote of 10-0-0

Item Name	Item Description	Cost	Quantity	Total
CU Community FAB LAB Sticker Cutting | 1 hour	Cost per hour of use, planning 2 rounds of 2 hours	$1.00	4.00	$4.00
Silhouette Printable White Sticker Paper, 8.5"X11", 8 Count	https://www.amazon.com/Silhouette-Printable-White-Sticker-Paper/dp/B008RX1B1Y/ (Original price)	$8.16	10	$81.60
ExWhyZed Booklet Printing	All costs in one quote, conversion from British Pound	$347.62	1	$347.62

- App No. 66- **DDRIllini**
  - *Description*: Hotel and equipment for program
  - Reviewer's Notes: Hotel and equipment for program
  - *Event Description*: The items will guarantee a smoother workflow at the event and provide proper compensation for our hardware providers
  - *Appeal Rationale*: Back then, for the Fall 2 Allocation, we submitted the same application. However, it was a Program application rather than a Service application, and it came back stating we used the wrong application type. I asked SORF Secretary Christina Fraser to review our denied application, and she said the only thing wrong was the application type. Everything else on the application was good, according to her. So, we used the Services application for the Spring 1 application, and it still came back stating we used the wrong application type. Our application should have zero issues, and we need clarification as to why it was rejected twice when we were notified of the one issue wrong with it and fixed it for this allocation. We wish our application to be reviewed again with this information in mind
  - *Funding type*: Services
  - *Amount Requested*: $2,805.56
  - *Amount Allocated*: $0.00
  - *Vote*: Matthew Pruyn motions to zero-fund line item one as it is not fundable by SORF and zero-fund line item 2 for wrong application type. David Bein seconds. Vote of 10-0-0

Item Name	Item Description	Cost	Quantity	Total
~~Illini Union Hotel Rooms~~	~~Renting Hotel Rooms for 3 nights for 4 groups. This is to allow off-campus heavy equipment providers a place to stay on campus.~~	~~$718.68~~	~~3~~	~~$2,156.04~~
~~PIU, ITG, DDRA, & DDRX Acrade Pad Sensors~~	~~Sensors are necessary to operate pads for program.~~	~~$10.15~~	~~64~~	~~$649.52~~

SORF Board 2024-2025 Transition:

- Amani Laliwala dismisses the 2023-2024 SORF Board and excuses any members who have not been reelected
- Amani Laliwala calls 2024-2025 SORF Board to session
- 2024-2025 SORF Board Roll Call:
- Present:
    - Amani Laliwala, Outgoing Chairperson
    - Troy Kowalski, Member Elect
    - Alex Koscielski, Member Elect
    - Michelle Gornicki, Member Elect
    - Hayley Hoppock, Member Elect
    - Colin Crook, Member Elect
    - Ivy Wang, Member Elect
    - Kate Suchodolski, Member Elect
    - Nick Fink, SORF Advisor (non-voting member)
    - Christina Fraser, SORF Secretary (non-voting member)
    - Taylor Mettler, SORF Advisor (non-voting member)
    - Cherisse Johnson, Faculty/Staff Board Member
- Absent:
    - Samantha Thaller, SORF Finance Secretary (non-voting member)
    - Eleanor Allen, Undergraduate Board Member
    - Fatimah Shaikh, Undergraduate Board Member
    - Arianna Agramonte Holterman, *Faculty/Staff Board Member*

SORF Board 2024-2025 Elections:

- *Chair Elections*:
    - Troy Kowalski accepts Hayley Hoppock's nomination for SORF Chair. Hayley Hoppock motions to appoint Troy Kowalski SORF Chair. David Bein seconds. Vote of 7-0-0
- *Vice-Chair Elections*:
    - Alex K accepts Collin nomination for SORF Vice-Chair. Kate Suchodolski motions to appoint Alex K as Vice-Chair. Hayley Hoppock seconds. Vote of 6-0-0
- *Treasurer Elections*:
    - Collin denies Alex K nomination for SORF Treasurer
    - Michelle accepts Ivy Wang's nomination for SORF Treasurer. Hayley Hoppock motions to appoint Michelle as Treasurer. Cherisse Smith seconds. Vote of 6-0-0

For the Good of the Order:

- SORF Advisor led the new board through their initial SORF Training per the SORF Bylaws

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned by Chairperson Kowalski at 8:05pm