IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY
Graduate & Professional Student Senate

SENATE BILL F12-07
SENATE MEETING October 29, 2012

TITLE: Special allocation for the Graduate Committee of Society of Women Engineers

WHEREAS: Society of Women Engineers (SWE) is an internal organization that is focused on the education and service to empower women to succeed and advance in the engineering profession, and

WHEREAS: To meet the needs of women graduate students within the college of Engineering a GRAD-SWE Committee, which is solely focused on developing a program that caters to graduate student priorities, and

WHEREAS: GRAD-SWE cannot apply for funding through the Graduate and Professional Student Senate (GPSS) regular allocations, be it therefore

ENACTED: That the GPSS allocates $506 to GRAD-SWE pursuant to the following:

**Having a family... and a career**
*Date: November 2nd from 3-4pm*
*Location: On Campus*

Work-Life balance is an ever-present challenge for women in all disciplines. We will host a panel discussion with women that have overcome the challenges associated with having a family while still maintaining a career from both academia and industry. Lunch will be provided.

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**Graduate Student Panel for Undergraduates**
*Date: November 13*
*Location: On Campus*

There are many questions to be asked when considering whether or not to attend graduate school. Additionally once the decision is made, a whole new series of questions is unleashed. We will host a panel of 5 graduate students to give insights and lessons learned over the course of applying and attending graduate school.

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**Family Welcome Back**
*Date: January 26th*
*Location: On Campus*

To continue building networks and relationships between graduate families, we will host an event to provide opportunities for families to reconnect after the holiday season. This will be a networking opportunity for all engineering graduate students to establish connections with others who are in similar circumstances.

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Technical Tour
Date: March 29th
Location: Within a 45-minute drive of Ames
As more graduate students pursue careers in industry developing a strong understanding of the applicability of research innovation to industrial technologies are key to success. By exploring and learning about a variety of industries we can expand our knowledge to become well-rounded engineers. We plan to take a technical tour of a local company and travel via university transportation. (About ($41 + (50 \times 0.58 \times 2))

Transportation $100
Total Request = $100

Where are the women?
Date: February 20th
Location: On Campus
We will host two women in academia and industry that have overcome the challenges that arise as women in engineering. They will speak about some of the unique challenges they have faced and how they overcame them. Following the presentation we will have a group discussion about how we as women can work to become each other's allies in this struggle and help fellow women succeed as underrepresented minorities.

Speaker Gift (2 speakers) $30
Advertising Costs $0.50 (x50) = $25
Welcome Packet Labels $14
Food Supplies $25
Total Request = $144

Cultivating Support for Graduate Families
Date: April 20th
Location: Moore Park
Cultivating support for graduate families amongst one another is a continuing process. GradSWE will host a networking event to graduate students and their families to allow them to connect once more before the end of the semester. This will provide them with the opportunity to reconnect with other graduate students before they are overtaken with the busyness of the end of the semester.

Note: We understand that hosting this event off campus is not an ideal circumstance, but we feel having a playground and other amenities are key to engage this unique subgroup of ISU.

Children's Activity Supplies $20
Advertising Costs $0.50 (x30) = $15
Total Request = $35

Total amount requested: $590 less $84 for unspent funds from previous special allocation request.

GRAND TOTAL REQUESTED OF $506

Sponsors:
PETERS, A.
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Cory Kleinheksel, President
Eliseo de León, Chair of the Senate