STUDENT SENATE AUTHORIZATION 2015-108

TITLE: Funding for Arab Students' Association

AUTHOR: Senate Allocations Committee

AMOUNT: $660.00

Special Request for:

1. Programming (screening rights, calligraphy pens, craft supplies, etc.) $390.00
2. Food $270.00

Grand Total: $660.00

President: Sameer Sabouni

Active Members: 90

Purpose: The Arab Students’ Association (ASA) seeks to build, unite, and
empower the Arab community on campus through various cultural,
social and educational events. They strive to provide an inclusive,
welcoming and friendly “home away from home” for all members.
Furthermore, ASA strives to promote, celebrate, and raise awareness
about Arab culture at the University of Florida, eradicate stereotypes,
and provide a “cultural education” of the rich heritage of the Middle
East and North Africa to all interested students.
Activities: ASA strives to organize relevant and interesting events through a balance of cultural, social, and educational events. Their Mediterranean Spring BBQ is a chance for students to learn about the Shem el Nessim festival and enjoy the company of friends at Lake Wauburg while eating Mediterranean food. Their calligraphy workshop also aims to instill an appreciation of a time-old tradition and art, and disseminate the knowledge to UF students. Their North African cultural and cooking workshop also helps ASA diversify its cultural focus and allows students to enjoy a piece of North African culture. Their cultural events celebrate and promote the Arab culture through numerous ways: arts, music, food, etc.

Proviso: This allocation will exhaust at the end of the fiscal year on June 30, 2015

Joseph Michaels  Date
Senate President

Elliot Grasso  Date
Student Body Treasurer

David Kratzer  Date
Vice President for Student Affairs

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