WESTERN STUDENT ASSOCIATION
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A resolution to set funding restrictions on cabinet expenditures.

Resolution #: 1920-12

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WHEREAS, as stated in the transparency resolution (R1819-?), Students entrust the WSA to spend their contributions to the Student Assessment Fee (SAF) in a way that represents us as a student body, a representative government should be transparent and accountable to those it represents, and student involvement in WSA could be improved if students become aware of how their money is spent; and

WHEREAS, every semester the legislature is tasked with passing the presented budget for the internal operations of the Western Student Association; and

WHEREAS, senate not only votes to accept the set limits allocated throughout the budget but also is responsible for approving collaborations which can vary from zero to $3,500 in funding towards requesting Registered Student Organizations or University departments; and

WHEREAS, decisions for the betterment of the Western Student Association should be made after discussion between multiple parties if projects call for a substantial amount of funding involved not limited to the presidential cabinet; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that starting immediately, operational expenses within the Western Student Association, dependent on the amount, will undergo a separate process for approval of the purchase; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, operational expenses of an amount less than $750 can be approved at the sole discretion of the Chief of Finance & Operations; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, operational expenses of an amount between $750 to $1,500 can be approved at the sole discretion of the presidential cabinet by a 3/4 majority vote; and finally

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, operational expenses of an amount greater than $1,500 will need to pass the legislative branch of the Western Student Association by a 2/3 majority vote, with the exception of catering.