Senate

of the

Student Government Association

of

The Johns Hopkins University

{ S. Bill. 18-19, 09 }

An Act to Fund JHU POLICY MARATHON

Introduced By: President **Dean Chien** of the **Junior Class Council** and considered this **2nd** day of **April** in the Year **2019**

Sponsored By:

Referred to the senate by the **Committee on Finance** which recommends its **Passage** by a vote of **X** to **X** with **X** abstentions.

Be it enacted by the Senate of the Student Government Association of The Johns Hopkins University assembled that:

SECTION 1. TITLE.

This Act may be referred to as the "JHU POLICY MARATHON 2019 Funding Bill."

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS.

a. SGA — The term "SGA" shall refer to the Student Government Association of The Johns Hopkins University.

b. JHU, Hopkins — The terms "JHU" and "Hopkins" shall refer to the Johns Hopkins University.

c. PCT at JHU— This term refers to the Policy Competition Team at Johns Hopkins University

SECTION 3. FINDINGS AND PURPOSES.

1. FINDINGS
    a. The Policy Competition Team (PCT) at JHU seeks to provide interested students with the opportunity to get involved in understanding, writing and presenting public policy.
    b. The mission of PCT at JHU aligns perfectly with the SGA goal of raising awareness around civic engagement on our campus. SGA's newest committee, the Committee on Civic Engagement, is a reflection of this.
    c. This project, the JHU POLICY MARATHON, will bring together students from JHU and other local Baltimore schools, such as Towson University encouraging inter-school communication in bettering the city we live in. It will serve as a venue for these students to discuss civic issues affecting Baltimore and our global environment and allow them to create and pitch policy solutions to key stakeholders.
    d. SGA funding will be used to cover the cost of marketing materials such as a banner for the event that will include SGA as a sponsor. SGA funding will also be used to purchase thank you cards and JHU mugs from the Barnes and Noble gift store for the judges, since the judges are not paid to attend the event. SGA funding will not be used to pay for food off-campus.
    e. PCT at JHU also requests the help of the SGA in marketing the JHU Policy Marathon through their social media channels and email list servs.
    f. The current sources of funding, include grants from the International Studies Department and from the Dean of Student Affairs Office and cover a majority of their costs. However, the budget has been exhausted for food and other marketing supplies, therefore, it is critical that SGA funding be used to support the program during this period.

g. SGA will be included as an equal community partner in all JHU POLICY MARATHON promotion materials.
h. PCT is a department-recognized student group, and has no other viable means of accessing funding through SAC grants or an annual SAC budget.

2. PURPOSES

a. Costs for SGA's commitment for the duration of the program are estimated to be $500. These costs consist of:
I. Banner
II. Transportation reimbursements for judges.
III. Parking reimbursements for judges.
IV. Thank you cards for judges.
V. Thank you gift of a mug for judges.
Please note there will be approximately 7 judges at the event.

b. This funding bill is in the form of a block grant. PCT at JHU, the student group benefited, will use the funds granted at their discretion towards the above costs and for no other purposes.

SECTION 4. JHU POLICY MARATHON

1. The SGA shall approve the following purchasing budget costs for the program, adding up to a total of **$500.00.** Whatever combination of these items will not exceed this amount.
    a. Banner
    b. Transportation and parking reimbursements
    c. Judge thank you cards and gifts
2. Marketing
    a. All publicity materials that is used to create exposure (social media, print, etc.) will note SGA co-sponsorship of the event.

SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY.

Should any provision of this Act, an amendment made by this Act, or the application of such provision or amendment to any person or circumstance be held to be unconstitutional, the remainder of this Act, the amendments made by this Act, and the application of such provision or amendment to any person or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

Any money granted not used for any of the above purposes in supporting JHU POLICY MARATHON will be returned to the SGA Operations budget.

THE BILL HEREBY **PASSES** BY A VOTE OF **X** TO **X** WITH **X** ABSTENTIONS.

UPON PASSAGE, WE HAVE HEREUNTO SET OUR HANDS AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE SENATE TO BE AFFIXED TO THIS BILL INDICATING THE SENATE'S ASSENT AND THUS OFFICIALLY DESIGNATED THE BILL'S ADOPTION AS LAW.

Signatures of Enactment:

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Miranda Bannister
President of the Senate
Executive Vice President of the Johns Hopkins SGA

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AJ Tsang
Executive President of the Johns Hopkins SGA

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Aspen Williams
Executive Secretary of the Johns Hopkins SGA

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Executive Treasurer of the Johns Hopkins SGA

Signatures of Ceremony:

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Dean Chien
Junior Class President

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