Associated Students of the University of California, Merced

Bill #16 Funding for Merced, Chi Alpha's World Missions Leadership Summit 2017

This Bill will sponsor Chi Alpha at UC Merced to attend the World Missions Leadership Summit.

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<u>Background</u>: The Chi Alpha World Leadership Summit is an every four-year historic gathering that is hosted by National Chi Alpha in Fort Worth, Texas. The conference will be an opportunity for UC Merced students to build and strengthen leadership skills that will increase students' knowledge and awareness of world issues; as well as better methods for world outreach and improvement of current world conditions. Students will be introduced to internship opportunities in specific fields of interest such as engineering, social justice, teaching students English in other countries, media, and charitable organizations that do work in other countries. Students will grow in their academic, social, and spiritual life.

This conference is also to enhance cultural knowledge for students and to bring diversity to our campus. During this conference, which holds, over 6,000 college students from over 300 campuses in the US and 45 nations, students will learn about other cultures, learn from missionaries around the world, the ins and outs of living in another country (i.e., through personal experiences), and learn to reach out to international student community.

Merced Chi Alpha is a student faith organization for every nation and open to all students. Merced Chi Alpha came together to help other students grow in their academic, social, and spiritual life. The club does outreach through various events on campus.

Merced Chi Alpha will be part of a global leadership conference of college students, hosted by National Chi Alpha in Houston, Texas during the weekend of January 4, 2017 to January 7, 2017.

<u>Purpose</u>: This bill is proposed to allocate funds from the ASUCM Senate Bills fund from the ASUCM 2016-2017 budget for the estimated amount of \$6,202.5 in order to assist with the registration and transportation costs of 20 UC Merced students to attend the 2017 world mission summit. This conference will be held in Houston, Texas on Wednesday January 4, 2017 to Saturday January 7, 2017.

- 1 <u>Whereas</u>: ASUCM believes in "an efficient and equal representation for the expression of students' views, clarity of opinions, and interests in recognition of the rights of the students in this university community," as written in the Preamble of the ASUCM Constitution; and
- 2 <u>Whereas</u>: This conference will promote fellowship and cultural diversity to its participants, in which students would bring back to the campus through an event that will discuss humanitarian issues, what they've learned, and finalize actions to how they can better server their campus; and
- 3 <u>Whereas</u>: This conference will promote the University of California, Merced to other colleges and universities across the United States and the nations; thereby creating stronger relationships with those campuses; and

- 4 <u>Whereas</u>: The world missions conference will further be a means to attain essential life skills and exchange ideas and perspectives, and network; and leadership skills, using knowledge learned in classroom, to reach the world; and
- 5 <u>Whereas</u>: This is open to all students at the University of California, Merced; and
- 6 <u>Whereas</u>: The entire cost of the trip for 20 UCM students totals \$14,748.50. However, we are asking for about 42% (\$6,202.5) of the total budget in the form of student sponsorship and transportation. \$6,286 has been fundraised by the Chi Alpha non-profit organization. The remaining amount was from outside contributions; and
- 7 <u>Whereas</u>: The cost of each student is \$737.425. However, Chi Alpha has and is fundraising to subsidize the cost for students to \$427.3; and
- 8 <u>Whereas</u>: ASUCM will sponsor the registration of 20 UC Merced students at the cost of \$169 each and transportation cost of 20 UC Merced students at the cost of \$141.125 each; and
- 9 <u>Whereas</u>: The Conference represents one of the major time during the academic year where students can come together with each other in order to fellowship as a community, learn more about the Lord and how to deepen their relationship with God while in college; develop relationships beneficial to students' academic success; and
- 10 <u>Whereas:</u> The budget breakdown and schedule for the Merced, Chi Alpha's World Missions Leadership Summit is further elaborated upon in Appendix A, B, and C; and

<u>Be it enacted:</u> ASUCM allocate \$6,202.50 from the 2016/2017 Senate Bills budget to fund the Sponsorship of 20 UC Merced students and transportation (Via Trailways) to the Chi Alpha's World Missions Leadership Summit held on January 4, 2017 to Saturday January 7, 2017.

Appendix A: Budget Breakdown

Item	Cost per Item	Total
Registration fees	Sponsor 20 Students at the cost of \$169	\$3,380
Transportation	Via Charter Bus	\$2,822.50

Total Funding Request: \$6,202.50

Appendix B: Bus Invoice

From: UCM OSL Room Reservations Sent: Monday, October 17, 2016 12:31:32 PM To: Alex Ramos Subject: Via Bus Invoice

Hello,

The office of Student Life has received an invoice for Via Buses for a total of \$2,822.50. We are unsure why we have this form as we have no records of a purchase order. Please visit OSL (KI 184) for further details.

Stephen Ruiz OSL Front Desk

Wednesday, January 4		
8am-7:30pm: XA Groups Arrive		
8am-10pm: Registration		
12pm-7pm: Exhibits		
5:30pm-6:30pm: Summit Mobilizers		
7:30pm-10pm: Gathering 1		
10:30pm-11:30pm: Welcome Reception Thursday, January 5		
8am-8pm: Registration		
9am-11am: Gathering 2		
11:30am-1:30pm: Meal with a Missionary		
12pm-7pm: Exhibits		
1:30pm-5:30pm: Windows to the World		
5:30pm-7:30pm: Meal with a Missionary		
7:30pm-10pm: Gathering 3 Friday, January 6		
8am-8pm: Registration		
9am-11am: Gathering 4		
11:30am-1pm: Meal with a Missionary		
12pm-5pm: Exhibits		
1:30pm-5:30pm: Windows to the World		
5:30pm-7:30pm: Meal with a Missionary		
7:30pm-10pm: Gathering 5 Saturday, January 7		
9:30am-11:30am: Staff Celebration Breakfast		

Appendix C: Itinerary

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Date Introduced:	<u>S</u>	Submitted Senate Committee(s):
Date Settled:	[Budget and FinanceStudent Advocacy
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President Action:	Approved	Not Approved
President's Signature:		Ll Date:10/27/2016
	Katelyn Fitzgerald	, President