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University of Central Florida
Fifty-Third Student Body Senate
Fiscal Bill 53-13

[Funding for Knight Hacks to host Knight Hacks at UCF on November 12, 2021]


WHEREAS, Knight Hacks has been a Registered Student Organization (RSO) since 2015;
WHEREAS, The mission of Knight Hacks is to promote creativity within the Computer Science and Engineering community by planning and executing “hackathons,” which are defined as an event in which teams of developers, designers and project managers collaborate to produce a software or hardware product in a set amount of time;
WHEREAS, Knight Hacks currently has 127 active members;
WHEREAS, The purpose of the Knight Hacks hackathon is to develop technology skills and promote innovation among students by building practical engineering and computer science projects in just 36 hours;
WHEREAS, Knight Hacks aims to create a diverse, welcoming, and inclusive tech community, and to help students learn to work in teams with new technologies and hardware;
WHEREAS, Knight Hacks also has a dual purpose of professional development, as students will have opportunities to network with each other and recruiters from local and international companies alike;
WHEREAS, Many students are exposed to internship and job opportunities at the hackathon, which plays a tremendous role in post-graduate success;
WHEREAS, Knight Hacks host several technical and nontechnical workshops during the event to educate students;
WHEREAS, Knight Hacks workshops include everything from workshops for students new to programming to workshops that apply AI and machine learning models to common problems;
WHEREAS, Students have the opportunity to network with company recruiters and professional software engineers through Knight Hacks’s career fair, which helps students learn about internship and job opportunities as well as what companies are looking for in candidates;
WHEREAS, UCF students “learn by doing” while they create their projects for the hackathon;
WHEREAS, Knight Hacks has an expected attendance of 350 students; and
WHEREAS, Knight Hacks has received \$0.00 in Activity and Service Fee Funds in the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year.

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED by the Fifty-Third Student Body Senate of the University of Central Florida that \$6,500.00 be allocated to Knight Hacks from the Senate Working Fund according to the following breakdown:

Item	Description	Cost
Food	6 meals, snacks, coffee	\$9,278.32
Stickers	200 laptop stickers to give away to hackers	\$128.00
Miscellaneous Items	Nametags, gorilla tape, social media promotion	\$1,638.33
Facility and Service Costs	Rental fees for chairs, tables, and parking garage	\$1,995.00
Total Cost		\$13,039.65
Total Knight Hacks Contribution		\$6,539.65
Total Senate Contribution		\$6,500.00

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That all unspent funds revert to their originating account by December 13, 2021;
BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Knight Hacks may complete a Post-Funding Form and return it to the Operations Review and Sanctions (ORS) Committee; and
BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Knight Hacks completes a Verification of RSO Purchases Form and returns it to ORS by December 20, 2021 as a condition of receiving funding.

AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES


Meg Hall
Student Body President

9/20/21
Date

Dr. Adrienne Frame
Vice President, SDES

Date