RESOLUTION 1920-SP-010
A RESOLUTION APPROVING TRAVEL TO SAGE DAY ON THE HILL 2020
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Sponsor: Executive Committee

WHEREAS the purpose of this resolution is to inform and request approval from the Council of Graduate Students (CGS) of CGS group travel that exceeds $4,000, in accordance with CGS Standing Rules.

WHEREAS the CGS Standing Rules state, “Travel approved for graduate students representing CGS at conferences, meetings and at other events shall be fully funded for transportation, lodging, and other approved expenses in accordance with the Travel Policy and Procedures section of The Ohio State University Operating Manual.”

WHEREAS the CGS Standing Rules also state, “The Executive Committee may approve travel requests except in the following instances, which require the approval of the Council: (1) The total cost requested per trip for all individuals exceeds $4,000; 2) The cost for any individual person exceeds $1000; or (3) The request would result in an individual receiving more than $2,000 in total CGS travel expenses during a fiscal year.”

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WHEREAS the Council of Graduate Students approved a total of $8,000 in funding dedicated to “Travel” when CGS passed the 2019-2020 budget via ACT 1920-SU-005 in June 2019,

WHEREAS the Council of Graduate Students has not spent any of the $8,000 budget on national conferences or other travel thus far,

WHEREAS SAGE Day on the Hill gathers graduate students from across the nation in Washington, D.C. for several days of advocacy training. Training is followed by meetings with senators and representatives from all over the US with the goal of improving graduate and professional student welfare for access, affordability, and opportunity at the federal level.

WHEREAS the estimated budget for this travel is $8,000 which exceeds the maximum travel request allowed by the Standing Rules above.

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Council of Graduate Students approves the travel funding request for up to $8,000 for SAGE Day on the Hill 2020.

Approved: Yes/No
Date: 3/6/20
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Stephen J. Post, President