Organization	ALANA: Intercultural Board
2016-2018 Allocation	\$8.05
2018-2020 Request	\$8.10
Appropriations Recommendation	\$7.50*

## Rationale of the Committee

The Appropriations Committee recommended funding ALANA: Intercultural Board (ALANA) \$7.50 for the 2018-2020 By-Line Funding Cycle. The Committee strongly affirms and supports ALANA's mission to be the locus for racial/ethnic diversity on campus. ALANA is an essential organization to the community and the Committee is proud to support it.

The Committee recommended funding ALANA at \$7.50, a \$0.55 decrease, because ALANA reported a "rollover from end of FY" for FY 2018 of \$59,233.31 on page 30 of their byline packet. The Committee interpreted this data to mean that ALANA projected to have a budget surplus at the end of the current fiscal year totaling to \$59,233.31, which would amount to approximately 50% of their annual SAF disbursement. Traditionally, the Committee has strongly urged organizations to spend down budget surpluses in place of collecting money from the activity fee. Thus, it recommended a \$0.55 decrease to begin the process of reducing the surplus. The supposed budget surplus was the Committee's only object of concern.

\*However, it is not true that ALANA is projected to have a budget surplus at the end of FY 2018. Instead, ALANA intends to spend their current allocation of \$8.05 per student with the \$59,233.31 surplus for a total expenditure for FY 2018 of \$179,738.84 which will result in ALANA having no surplus by the end of the current By-Line Cycle. In light of this, the sole concern of the Appropriations Committee has been resolved and we hope that the Assembly funds ALANA assuming no budget surplus for the 2018-2020 By-Line Cycle.

## Vote Totals

The Committee votes down, from the highest number proposed to the lowest, to give the group the advantage. The vote totals from the Committee were as follows:

Amount	Vote
\$8.10	1-9-2
\$8.05	2-8-2
\$7.50	5-4-1

Respectfully submitted,

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