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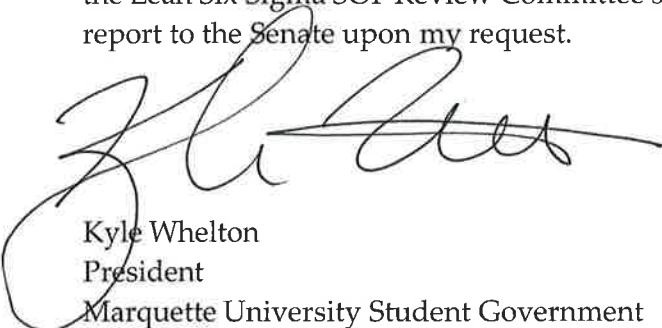
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Each year, Marquette University Student Government (MUSG) dedicates at least 30% of the Student Activity Fee (SAF) revenue to Student Organization Funding (SOF) as is required by the MUSG Financial Policies. The SOF Process is vital to organizations all over campus, allowing them to put on programs that they normally could not afford. Unfortunately, efficiently operating SOF has been one of the biggest challenges for MUSG over the last five years.

SOF is a system contingent upon reimbursement by recognized student organizations granted funding. As recent history shows, the reimbursement rate for both Club Sports and Non-Club Sports Organizations is nowhere near 100%. In an effort to address this, MUSG continually allocates more money than we have available to give in hopes of compensating for the lack of reimbursement by student organizations. Our past two fiscal years demonstrate the challenges of this system. In Fiscal Year 2013, MUSG had a total of \$7,000 dollars unreimbursed and sent directly to the Reserve Fund. This past fiscal year MUSG reimbursed \$25,000 over budget requires us to spend reserve funds to cover the cost. Such fluctuations are not fiscally sustainable or in line with our responsibility to be wise stewards of the SAF.

Given the problems stated above and further issues facing the committee, I am enlisting a group of Students from the Lean Six Sigma Process Improvement class offered by the College of Business to examine SOF. Therefore, I am charging this group to thoroughly examine the SOF Process including decision practices of the committee, internal practices of the finance office, and the portions of the MUSG Governing Documents that pertain to SOF.

In accordance with the authority granted to me by the MUSG By-Laws, Article VII, Section 1, Subsection I, I hereby deem the Lean Six Sigma Group an ad-hoc committee of MUSG with access to all information this committee deems necessary to assess properly the SOF process. Further, the Lean Six Sigma SOF Review Committee shall report directly to me and EVP Pinkney and will report to the Senate upon my request.



Kyle Whelton
President
Marquette University Student Government