WHEREAS, the University California San Diego Graduate Student Association (GSAUCSD) reserve fund, at the end of the 2015-2016 school year, will have a reserve fund with an amount greater than the annual GSAUCSD operating budget and will therefore be subjected to taxes;

WHEREAS, the Article 6, Section 3 of the GSAUCSD Financial Bylaws states that “Monies in excess of the minimum balance requirement can be transferred to the GSAUCSD operating account to cover unexpected deficits or expenses, and for expenditures or investments”;

WHEREAS, a campus pub can be a central location for student activities, events, and interaction;

WHEREAS, GSAUCSD recognizes and embraces the unique atmosphere of the Old Student Center with regards to campus installations;

WHEREAS, the University Centers Advisory Board (UCAB) voted in Winter 2015 not to renew the lease of the previous vendor, Porter’s Pub, and opted to select a new vendor for the pub space after Request for Proposal (RFP) [1];

WHEREAS, a lack of student-centered events was one cited cause for this decision;

WHEREAS, in 2015 the GSAUCSD passed a resolution expressing interest in a financial investment in the pub [2];

WHEREAS, entering into a financial agreement with the vendor would require legal counsel for GSAUCSD that would be paid for by GSAUCSD;

BE IT RESOLVED, that GSAUCSD reaffirms its interest in ensuring the timely installment of a pub that will thrive on the UCSD campus;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that GSAUCSD reaffirms its interest in a financial investment in the pub and offers $100,000 from its reserve fund;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this money shall be given to University Centers (UCEN), who shall be stewards of it until the money can be given to the vendor;
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this money is to be used by the new vendor, advised by students, to spend on fixtures, decorations, and anything else the vendor deems;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that GSAUCSD shall receive monies amount to $20,000 per year for 5 years plus an additional 1.88% annual increase based on the past 5 year average of the consumer price index (CPI), which can be used for any expense as approved by Council;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that GSAUCSD requests that UCAB select a vendor whose nature is in sync with the atmosphere of the Old Student Center;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the GSAUCSD stipulates that as a precondition for usage of this money, UCAB authorizes the creation of a committee, called the Pub Advisory Board, whose responsibility will be to advise the new pub vendor and ensure the pub remains student centered;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the GSAUCSD will enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with UCEN regarding the payment and usage of this money, including the stipulations expressed in this resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the UCEN Director, the Student Life Business Officer, and the Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Life sign on behalf of University Centers, and the UCAB Chair shall sign for UCAB;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the GSAUCSD President, Vice President of Financial Affairs, and Vice President of Student and Campus Affairs shall sign this MOU for GSAUCSD.

[1] Official University Centers Advisory Board Statement on Decision to Begin an RFP for the Porter’s Pub Space

Voted and Passed in GSA Council Meeting #10: 3/7/16 (Y/N/A - 33/3/5)
Certified: Lindsay M. Freeman, 3/9/16