

THE OHIO UNION COUNCIL UPDATE

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PURPOSE, RESPONSIBILITIES AND STRUCTURE

Purpose: “The Ohio Union Council serves as an advisory body to the Directors of the Ohio Union and Student Activities and provides the vision, voice and direction of the Ohio Union and Student Activities”(per Council Operating Procedures).

Duties: “Establish general policy on such matters as, but not limited to, financial planning, facility use, student development, public and campus relations”

Membership: Two graduate, two professional, four USG, one student employee, one graduate assistant, two faculty, one staff, one alumni, four at-large, 7 ex-officio

Council meetings are Thursdays once a month 5:30pm in the Ohio Staters Traditions Room



EVENTS COMMITTEE

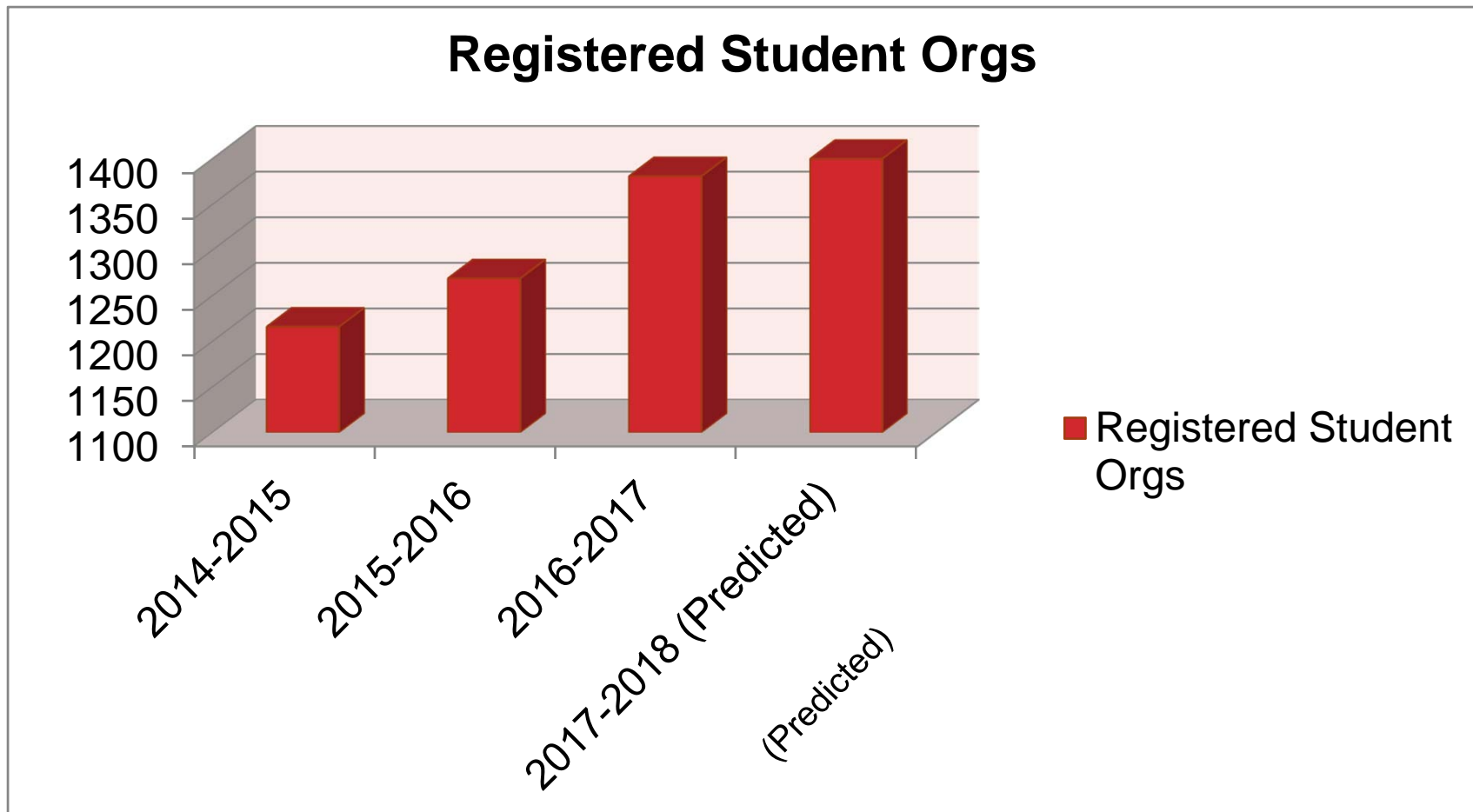
Membership

- Director of Student Activities, ex-officio, non-voting
- One faculty
- Three students (at least one student from each government)
- Others as assigned to ensure a minimum voting membership of seven.

Duties

- To review the budget and operations of Ohio Union Activities Board
- To review Signature Events
- Determine the allocation of student organization office space in the Ohio Union
- Monitor Signature Events funded through the Student Activity Fee

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Signature Events

Fall Semester	Spring Semester
Welcome Week	Asian Pacific American Heritage Month
Student Involvement Fair	Student Involvement Fair
International Student Welcome Party	Taste OSU
Block "O" Watch Parties	Off the Lake Spring Show
Bellwether	RUOK Day
Homecoming Parade	African American Heritage Festival
Hack OH/O	TEDxOhioStateUniversity Annual Event
Thanksgiving Dinner	Relay For Life
African Night	Alleviating Poverty Through Entrepreneurship Summit
Light Up the North Area	Commencement Week
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POLICY COMMITTEE

Membership

- Director of the Ohio Union, ex-officio, non-voting
- Three students (at least one student from each government)
- Others as assigned to ensure a minimum voting membership of seven.

Duties

- To review policy proposals
- To provide input for revision or creation of policy

POLICY CHANGES

Section D Cancellations – adds language to reflect service charges in cancellation timeline (accidentally omitted last year), remove section D.4 (redundant), expand ‘event space’ definition to include Great Hall and Cartoon meeting rooms, where large catered events can and do occur.

Section F Co-sponsorships – adds language to outline what is included in reduced pricing for co-sponsorship, and the impact of a student organization going inactive as it relates to event cost

Section G Credenzas & West Plaza tabling – adds cancellation timelines and information on rescheduling

Section K Deposits and Payments – rename to include Refunds, add deposit language (already in practice, not added to policy), add section K.8 refunds from old section Z.

POLICY CHANGES (CONT'D)

Section N Food-Related Policies – introduces 15% service charge for student organizations in lieu of labor charge calculations (This eliminates a common source of error in billing, and is a lower rate than the standard 20% that all other clients pay), clarified no cooking allowed in meeting and event spaces, moved section on Student Organization Discounts up to N.3

Section U Parking – clarifies process for clients to return parking vouchers (Note this may change pending the operation of the garages with new equipment in August)

Section Z Refunds – moved to section K Deposit and Payments

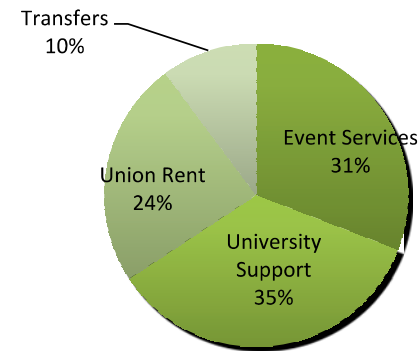
Section BB Sales and Solicitation – clarifies what constitutes solicitation

FINANCES

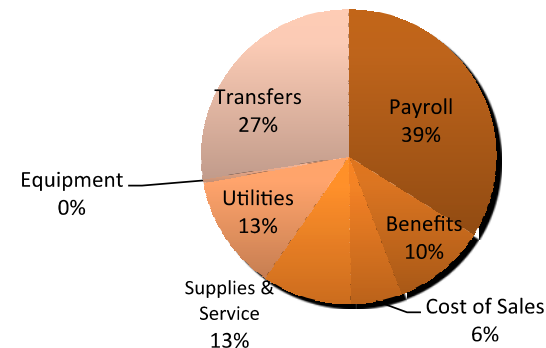
YTD Comparison			
Revenue			
Category	FY16	FY17	Difference
Other	\$4,319	\$6,712	\$2,393
Event Services	\$2,617,078	\$2,690,902	\$73,823
Univ. Support	\$2,660,614	\$2,682,134	\$21,520
Union Rent	\$1,701,670	\$1,846,236	\$144,566
Transfers	\$121,035	\$72,185	-\$48,850
Total	\$7,104,717	\$7,298,169	\$193,452
Expense			
Category	FY16	FY17	Difference
Payroll	\$2,528,814	\$2,417,597	-\$111,217
Benefits	\$766,231	\$729,696	-\$36,535
Cost of Sales	\$506,451	\$484,080	-\$22,371
Supply & Service	\$747,468	\$881,248	\$133,780
Utilities	\$956,192	\$930,171	-\$26,020
Equipment	\$54,208	\$31,224	-\$22,984
Transfers	\$711,765	\$724,406	\$12,640
Reserve Contribution	\$833,587	\$1,099,747	\$266,160
Total	\$7,104,716	\$7,298,169	\$193,452

Summary	Budget	Actual	% of Budget
Total Revenue	\$7,632,885	\$7,298,169	95.61%
Total Expense	\$7,632,885	\$7,298,169	95.61%
Net Income	\$0	\$0	

FY 2017 Budgeted Revenue



FY 2017 Budgeted Expenses



FINANCES

Category	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
Student Group	28.49%	48.45%	60.28%	55.25%	58.23%	39.98%	64.07%	62.37%	57.12%	55.25%	21.94%	14.30%
University Group	61.72%	44.42%	35.18%	36.75%	37.43%	52.90%	32.69%	32.84%	38.02%	39.35%	57.55%	42.20%
Non-University Group	9.78%	7.11%	4.53%	7.99%	4.32%	7.11%	3.22%	4.77%	4.85%	5.37%	20.49%	43.48%
Events	930	1391	2383	2653	2452	1223	1893	2868	2556	2510	761	706
Student org	42	319	438	446	432	336	353	404	413	429	54	24

Student Events: 11,875 (53.21%) (751 Unique Student Organizations)

University Events: 8,814 (39.49%)

Non-University Events: 1,625 (7.28%)

Total: 22,314

VISION MOVING FORWARD

**Goal: Connect the Ohio Union Council and its membership
with the patrons of the Ohio Union.**

Actions:

**Invite student organizations and Union departments to share
policy ideas, facility usage, and best-practices for events at
full body Council meetings.**

**Keep members informed of their responsibility to provide
transparency between their departments and the Ohio Union
Council.**

**Maintain relationships between the Council and Union
patrons (ie University Catering, office space reservations,
OUAB)**

HANKS FOR ALL
OUR SUPPORT

