

B-015
SAAG BUDGET APPROVAL PROCESS

University of Pittsburgh
Student Government Board

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Whereas the Allocations Manual provides policies and procedures guiding the Allocations process,

Whereas SAAGs currently receive approximately \$290,000 from the Student Activities Fund each year,

Whereas greater collaboration between Student Government Board and the Allocations Committee can lead to more efficient, fair, and consistent decisions on budgets for some of the largest student organizations on campus,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, On this 25th day of March in the year of 2014, the Student Government Board partners with the Allocations Committee to enact the following revisions to Title II in the SGB Governing Code, commonly known as “The Allocations Manual.” This will require that all budgets from Student Affairs Affiliated Groups be submitted for final review by the Board. Section 2.09, “SGB Budget Appeal Requirements,” rewritten as follows:

The procedural guidelines for conducting the SGB budget appeal hearings are as follows:

Section 2.09. SGB Budget Appeal Requirements

For Non-SAAGs,

1. Organizations may file an appeal of the decision of the Allocations Committee with SGB in the Fall and the Spring, only after reviewing the budget decision of the Allocations Committee.
2. If an organization chooses to submit a budget appeal, an authorized organization leader **MUST**:
 - a. Submit a properly completed Budget Appeal Form attached to a copy of the original budget, with the Allocations Decision. This Appeal Form should include only the line items being appealed.
 - b. Sign up for a time-slot for appeals’ hearings
 - c. Attend the appeal to speak on behalf of the budget

For SAAGs,

1. The Allocations Committee will make a recommendation to the board on the entire budget. As a result, all SAAG budgets will be sent to the Board for final review.

The bill shall be effective immediately upon adoption.