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SUPPORTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE STUDENT ORGANIZATION RESOURCE CENTER’S ADVISORY BOARD ENDORSING THE FUTURE USAGE AND IMPLEMENTATION OF VENMO FOR STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT BOARD
UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH

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2 MARCH 2019
Board Member Tanjaya introduced the following resolution; which was read for the first time.

TBD DATE
Read the second time and voted on.

A RESOLUTION
SUPPORTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE STUDENT ORGANIZATION RESOURCE CENTER’S ADVISORY BOARD ENDORSING THE FUTURE USAGE AND IMPLEMENTATION OF VENMO FOR STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

1 WHEREAS, the SORC’s advisory board has been tasked with a mission to provide advice on the needs of student organizations and on the topics important to the growth and sustainability of Oakland campus student organizations;

6 WHEREAS, the advisory board’s members come from various undergraduate and graduate student organizations including the Student Government Board and will use their own experiences, feedback from other students and benchmarking information to provide counsel to the SORC;
WHEREAS, on March 21st, 2019, the advisory board convened to discuss the benchmarking done relevant to Venmo usage on campuses similar to Pitt in terms of size and student organization count;

WHEREAS, the recommendation agreed upon by the advisory board’s members is for the SORC to look further into the model policy used by Northwestern University and apply it to Pitt;

WHEREAS, the Student Government Board and the SORC advisory board acknowledges that the Northwestern model would allow the SORC to monitor Venmo transactions by the creation of a University Venmo account and addresses the main concern of accountability by the University;

WHEREAS, the University of Pittsburgh should adapt to increasing advancements in technology to streamline efficiency for students and student organizations within the SORC; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, on this 2nd day of April in the year 2019, the University of Pittsburgh Student Government Board supports the advisory board in recommending the University of Pittsburgh and the Student Organization Resource Center to further examine and adopt the Northwestern model for Pitt; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this supports the University’s commitment “exploring next generation of technology, innovative computing, and telecommunication solutions” and be it further

RESOLVED, that this supports the mission of the SORC to “ensure that 600+ student organizations have the support they need to operate at the highest level”; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this supports the mission of SGB to “promote the general welfare; to advocate for the needs of students”; and be it finally
RESOLVED, this resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption and shall reflect the official position of the University of Pittsburgh Student Government Board.

ADOPTED: this 9th day of April 2019 by a vote of 8 for, 0 against, and 0 abstentions.

Marguerite Kennedy, President
University of Pittsburgh Student Government Board