ASUCI JUDICIAL BOARD

"The Judicial Board has final judicial authority for ASUCI, which extends to all cases arising under the governing documents of ASUCI, all official actions of ASUCI officials and staff, and any matters delegated to the Judicial Board by the Senate or Student Advocate General."

JUDICIAL RULING ON B54-19:
Public Health Boothing

ABUNDIS, J., delivered the opinion of the Board, joined by DISNEY, C., LIN, J., GERALD, J..

VICE CHIEF JUSTICE ABUNDIS delivered the opinion of the Board, in response to the passing of Senate legislation B54-19.

In Re B54-19

Opinion of the Board

Senate Legislation B54-19 allocates ASUCI funds to pay for renting a Public Health Booth on Ring Road and the costs associated with handing out goods to students. The failure to provide a breakdown for the expenditures involved force Judicial Board to declare the legislation unconstitutional.

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The Senate Bill in question lists the items to be bought with the allocated funds requested, but does not detail the amount used for each product or the quantity of each product purchased. The ASUCI By-Laws in Article 9 Section I, Subsection 2 clearly outline, that among other criteria, the format for bills making financial allocations must have, "A budget with a breakdown of the expenditures involved. If exact amounts are not known, then an estimate must be given."

B54-19's inclusion of a grand total of $200.00 fails to provide the clarity the ASUCI By-Laws require; it does not satisfy this provision, nor does it match the precedent set by previous senators. Past Senate allocation of funds demonstrate a tradition for including the breakdown of expenditures by including the amount of a good purchased, the total amount spent for the good, and concluding with a grand total. As an example of this standard, B54-02 lists the item purchased as "Computer Chairs," stipulates that there are 4 being purchased, each at the cost of $64.99, for a grand total of $259.96. Because senatorial discretion through its customs has so defined what a budget breakdown is to be, the Judicial Board maintains that as

the standard for this By-Law provision. There is no lack of clarity. B54-19 does not match the standard of its predecessors and makes no attempt to create a "budget breakdown" of any kind as is required by the ASUCI By-Laws. Until this breakdown of expenses can be corrected, the Judicial Board deems B54-19 unconstitutional.

It is so ordered.