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35 Representative Council Bill #6

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO

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A BILL

BILL HISTORY

The history of the C.U. Bowling club is known to go back as far as the 50's and 60's. Although they have no records to substantiate that fact, they have spoken to people who were involved in collegiate bowling at C.U. in those days. Their known records only go back to the late 60's and early 70's.

During the early to late 70's the C.U. program was quite strong. The team was then anchored by Dave Long, who later went on to success in the PBA Regional program and had a brief stint on the (Professional Bowler's Association) PBA Tour. This team also claimed a 2nd place finish at the Las Vegas Invitational in 1972.

During the past six years this team has built up a national reputation as an up-and-coming program in the world of collegiate bowling. Our recent successes include:

- 2 Men's Colorado Collegiate Conference Championships
- Women's 5th place finish at the ACU-I National Team Champs
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- 1st and 2nd high averages - Colorado Collegiate Conference
- Men's high singles
- Women's 9th in Doubles
- Women's 6th in all events
- Women's 2nd in all events

The best way to describe the progress they have made during the past 6 years is that we have built this into a solid, competitive program which always improves substantially as the season progresses. They have had teams that struggled early in the year, worked hard and became strong competitive teams by season's end.

Their program, like most, is run through the Student Union bowling center on campus. They have practices twice a week on campus, and the students bowl in a league each semester, sanctioned through the YABA (Young American Bowling Alliance) Campus Program. Our 10 lane center provides an excellent setting for the lectures and practice sessions designed to produce excellent competitive bowlers. Players in this program have gone on to compete successfully in professional events.

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The schedule is left to the players to decide upon, as is everything else about the structure of the bowling club. The players are in total charge of their own affairs regarding the day-to-day operations of the team. This is a full-charge student organization, with the volunteer coaching staff who only control the "on-the-lanes" activities of the team, and only advise the players on the other aspects of the team's operations, along with the Student Union Games Area (The Connection) and the Student Finance Office. This is part of what makes the experience of the team a growth experience for all the players involved.

Their goal is to balance academics with the bowling program and to always put academics first. Their students are accounting majors, electrical engineering major, molecular-cellular biology majors - in short, they are serious students who work hard in their respective areas of study. Many of these students have used bowling as a medium to earn scholarship money to help pay their college tuition. With the increase in scholarship monies available in junior and collegiate bowling (over \$700,000 in 1990-91) they are hoping to provide some of this money to their student through their competitive efforts.

Back in 1988, Brunswick was approached by the coach of the University of Colorado about the idea of hosting an intercollegiate tournament in Denver. It just so happened that Brunswick was interested at the time in getting involved in both Team USA and collegiate bowling. They felt that this was an opportunity for them to make a substantial positive influence on the sport. With the help of the coaches at the University of Colorado, Colorado State and Air Force, a new collegiate tournament was born.

That first tournament had 17 men's teams and 9 women's teams and paid \$3000 in scholarship money. Brunswick was extremely pleased with the relationship - so much so, in fact, that they expanded their commitment to 5 tournaments over the next 2 years, and have committed a total of over \$10,000 in scholarship money to support those tournaments. The original tournament, the Brunswick Collegiate Match Play Open, has grown into a nationally-recognized important tournament on the schedule with 24 men's teams and 16 women's teams from throughout the nation competing for \$5,000 in scholarship money in just the 4th year of the tournament. The caliber of the field has attracted teams from both coasts, and has boasted almost half of collegiate bowling's top 20 in its field.

Other tournaments in the Brunswick series are also gaining national prominence. The Brunswick-Phoenix tournament was very popular in its first year and will be awarding \$3,800 in scholarships this year. This is sure to be a match-up of most of the strong schools on the west coast.

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For the midwestern and eastern powerhouses, the Brunswick-Chicago tournament provides a competitive field of 48 teams which will also showcase a strong field, and which also should provide \$4,000 in scholarship money.

Teams who want to get a good "feel" for teams nationally, in the west, the midwest and east should consider bowling in the Brunswick tournaments in Denver, Chicago and Phoenix as an integral part of their competitive schedule. In addition to the competition, these 3 tournaments alone will award almost \$13,000 in scholarship monies. We are fortunate to have Brunswick as a corporate sponsor in collegiate bowling and we in collegiate bowling should do all we can to support these tournaments.

This program is a positive experience for all the players and coaches that are involved with it. It also provides national exposure to the University of Colorado in a positive light. They are proud of their past accomplishments and feel that this program is well on its way to a place among the top 20 schools in collegiate bowling for many years to come. Even better is the fact that we are producing successful people whose skills have been enhanced by their participation in this program.

BILL SUMMARY

This bill allocates \$947.18 + GAR from the University of Colorado Representative Council account #391121 to cover transportation and lodging expenses at the Brunswick-Chicago Tournament (November 8-10, 1991) for the University of Colorado Student Bowling Club.

BE IT ENACTED by the Legislative Council of the University of Colorado Student Union, **THAT:**

Section 1: An amount not to exceed \$947.18 + GAR be allocated from Representative Council account #391121 to cover transportation and lodging expenses at the Brunswick-Chicago Tournament for the University of Colorado Bowling Club.

Section 2: A written report shall be submitted pursuant to 24ECB#4.

Section 3: This bill takes effect upon passage.

Expense Budget For Tournament

Transportation

Rental of Two Mini-vans
Fuel

\$ 327.18
\$ 100.00

Lodging

Hotel (5 rooms @ \$52 per night for
2 nights)

\$ 520.00

[To be paid by Representative Council

\$ 947.18]

Entry Fee

(\$190 per team - 2 teams (men's
and women's))

\$ 380.00

Other

Extra night hotel for return-approx.
Fuel overrun-approx. (2000 miles of
total travel.)

\$ 100.00
\$ 200.00

Total

\$1627.18

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10/24/91 - Student Fee Guidelines Overridden

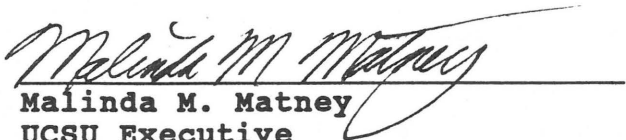
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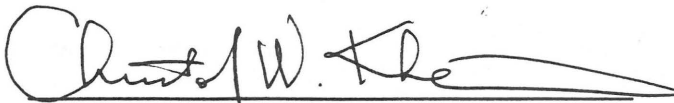
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