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AVP Finance

TO: Student Representative Assembly
FROM: Craig Dawdy, AVP Finance
SUBJECT: Bylaw 9; Non-MSU Groups – McMaster Marching Band
DATE: October 26, 2022

Dear SRA,

After viewing and discussing Marching Band's budget and answers to our questions, the Finance Committee feels comfortable in recommending approval of Marching Band's budget for the 2022-2023 school year. However, there are some recommendations that were made regarding their finances, which alternatives should be investigated in the coming year.

Specifically, we have the following concerns:

- 1) Google Suite spending of \$748.80, we did receive a very in-depth explanation as to why this was (see Q&A document). That being said, committee members were still skeptical of such a large expense, while similarly sized operations successfully use free services.
- 2) Forge FC ticket purchasing and subsequent flipping. While ticket scalping is not illegal in Ontario and we appreciate the creative revenue stream, it could be potentially seen as a questionable activity for the reputation of McMaster and the MSU.

The Finance Committee has done its preliminary questioning and the answers to our questions are in the email.

Thank you,
Craig Dawdy

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