Call to Order
Chair Best called the meeting to order at 7:15pm.

Meeting Attendance
The following members of the finance committee were present: Chair Brittany Best, Ben Ahlers, Michael Braxton, Ross Hardeman, Josh Aristy, Daniel Rojas, Austin Root, Shawn Griffin, Derek Murray, Speaker Pro Tempore Connor Brady (ex-officio), Speaker Comparato (ex-officio), and Student Body Treasurer Shrija Ghosh (ex-officio).

Election of the Vice Chair
Brady nominated Hardeman. He accepted.
Ghosh nominated Aristy. He accepted.
Ghosh motioned to close the floor.
Consent was called.
Aristy said that he has experience with finance in high school and other campus organizations. He said that he has maintained inventories in the past. He said that he understands that one of the most important things for finance is understanding how to say no. He said that he will be here over the summer to learn the position.
Hardeman said that he is the only returning committee member other than Chair Best. He thinks that his experience with the finance committee and especially during the weekend of annual budget as prepared him for the position. He said that he also believes that it is important that a member of the finance committee be able to say no to groups requesting fees.
Griffin asked if either candidate has served as a treasurer for a group before.
Hardeman said that he is currently the treasurer of College Republicans.
Aristy said that as an executive board member of GLBTSA he has a close working relationship with their treasurer.
Brady asked if the candidates would be willing to help the chair with her responsibilities.
Hardeman said that he would be willing to have office hours and attend meetings in her stead.
Aristy said that he loves meeting groups and would do so for Best when she cannot.
Root asked what time commitments the candidates have.
Hardeman said that he is committed to College Republicans, but it is not a huge time commitment, and he is only enrolled in 12 hours this semester.
Aristy said that his time commitment in GLBTSA is similar to Hardeman’s.
Brady asked why a voter should NOT vote for each candidate.
Hardeman said that he thinks Aristy is a likeable person, and there is no reason not to elect either.
Aristy agreed.
Ghosh asked if either candidate has ever worked with SAFO.
Hardeman said that he just visited SAFO today to receive funds for College Republicans.
Aristy said he has done the same.
Ghosh asked if either candidate has ever written a funding request bill.
Hardeman said that he has not, but he would be willing to learn because he will be here all summer as well.
Aristy agreed.
Brady moved to close debate.
Consent was called.
By a vote of five to four Ross Hardeman was elected vice-chair.

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Burkey introduced the bill which she is sponsoring to remove the words “The Ehrman Clause” from Title V because the inclusion of Professor Bart Ehrman’s name is inappropriate for the student code.
Griffin asked if the 93rd tried to get rid of this in the past and why they didn’t.
Burkey said that Christy Lambden put forth an amendment in the past, but it was voted down.
Vice-Chair Hardeman said that he originally voted against the amendment to remove it because Ehrman demanded to make $3,001 just so that he made more money than the other speaker for the event at which he was being paid to speak.
Comparato asked if Ehrman ever commented on the inclusion of his name in the code.
Burney said that graduate students in the department were offended, but she does not know if Ehrman knows.

Ghosh said that she does not consider this to be airing personal grievances, so she does not have any problem with the inclusion of this name, “The Ehrman Clause,” in the student code. And she thinks that gives the opportunity to cite an instance in which the clause was necessary.

Root said that his biggest problem is that the bill says it’s “A Bill to Preserve the Purpose of the Student Code,” and he does not think that the inclusion of the title of the bill is hurting the purpose of the code.

Brady said that a lot of the things in the student code are included because of events in the past, but they have not included names of those who inspired the change. Brady moved to report favorably to full congress.

The Parliamentarian, Matt Lehman, said that he thinks that it is important that the members of the committee know the full story. After beginning the story, Brady pointed out that he made a motion to previous question.

Griffin objected.

Brady withdrew his motion.

Griffin asked if any other section of the code was named after a specific person.

Burney said there is not to her knowledge.

Root said that he does not think anyone should be voting on this without complete knowledge of his intentions.

Aristy said that there are examples of this in the US Congress including the Miranda Rights and the Tokyo Rose Statutes. E said that it is a stylistic decision to include the Ehrman Clause.

Burney asked if those are the names of the laws in the books or if those are just known colloquially that way. Aristy said they are in the books that way. Burney responded that Student Congress should not have to act exactly as the US Congress.

Hardeman said his original point was that if Ehrman had originally intended to return the money, he would not have asked for the extra dollar. He said that if the name is included the story might be passed from year to year.

Brady said that he does not think this is establishing a good precedent. He said that this is not being consistent because things in the past have not been named after people in the past.

Brady moved to report favorably to full Congress.
Aristy objected.
Brady did not withdraw the motion.
Consent was called.
The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 2.
The motion failed by a vote of 2 to 8.
Aristy motioned to pass unfavorably to Full Congress.
Consent was called.
The motion passed with a vote of 9 to 1.

**Adjournment**

Aristy motioned to adjourn.
Consent was called.
Best adjourned the meeting at 8:04pm.