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Dear USG Members,

As you know our online voucher system, ALLOCATE, has been in use for several months. Its release has allowed USG to become significantly more efficient and therefore has been a great step forward for us as an organization. The USG is changing its operations and the way it interacts with clubs and students. ALLOCATE is the fundament element to this transformation. However, as this unfolds, many administrators and students have asked how ALLOCATE will be maintained in the future.

Most of the finical transactions for USG operations and student clubs are conducted on ALLOCATE. Any problems or unexpected interruptions need to be addressed in a timely manner, however students have many obligations that prevent them from providing the routine support that is required. Therefore, I have decided to form a committee to explore ALLOCATE's future. The committee will be charged with assessing the next steps in maintaining and improving ALLOCATE with the ultimate goal of helping USG move forward. In fulfilling their goal, the committee will consider ALLOCATE's code maintenance, updates, changes, and any expansion of features to accommodate our future needs. Finally, the committee will also be asked to administer a Request for Proposals (RFP) process which will solicit bids from third parties to maintain ALLOCATE. The RFP process will ask potential third parties to provide training for our employees and students along with substantial tech support. USG frequently engages in a RFP Process when looking for vendors to provide specific services.

If you wish to participate in the committee, please contact me. This search will be done with utmost gravity and integrity to ensure that the recommended vendor will go above and beyond to address USG's needs for a fair price.

Sincerely yours,

Matt Graham

President of the Undergraduate Student Government