

## Minutes for BC Monday Meeting 11/6

### In Attendance:

Hao Liu (Treasurer)  
Fawzi Itani  
Katarina Cruz  
Karen Blake  
Manny Morales (absent)  
Marie Lambert  
Richard Park  
RJ Kermes  
Tierney Werner (absent)  
Will Jackson  
Vivian Yee (minutetaker)

### **1. ACSU (rep by Dac)**

- Requested money for catering last week, this time is higher than the initial because doubled the order
- RJ – has the nature of the event changed?
  - Still at the powerhouse called explosion
  - A show w a performance, fashion show, speaker, food
  - RJ – doesn't fit under food precedence that we have – can fund 200 for food that's integral to an event, could do 1500 for benefit dinners or culinary event
- Where do dinners fall under then?
  - Karen – have certain guidelines for food
  - RJ – don't see it falling under any other category besides 200 food rule
- Staging has increased to 2500 because the size of the stage has changed for the event
  - Have dancers, so stage has increased in size (similar to runway)
  - RJ – globemed has date auction every year w a runway, never remembering it being this high
  - Pricing from art steel
  - This is for the whole production – includes runway, microphones, curtain
  - Fawzi – does the powerhouse own a stage?
    - Yes, but it is too low and not big enough for 8 dancers
  - Kat – seems like more than just a runway, more quality reflecting for the dancing aspect
  - Event will be next week
  - RJ – would be a sig part of the budget for the week
  - Fawzi – possible to go back to get a lower price?
    - RJ – have a relationship w art steel and usually don't negotiate
- Motion to zero food and fund stage and setup in full – 5,0,1

## 2. CSA (rep by Jack)

- Funding for tickets and hotel room for conference they're having at MIT between prominent Chinese speakers and students
- Nov 15-16, so need 3 hotel rooms for 8 people (6 males, 2 females) in 1 night
- Tickets \$40 each, \$150 per hotel room
- RJ – have transportation? Yes
- RJ – also require that you advertise and create a lottery if there is additional interest
  - Already advertised to people who signed up at club fair, at least 15 showed interest, but only able to facilitate 8 with the transportation
  - Will advertise again and run some sort of lottery again
- Motion to fund – 6,0,0

## 3. La Causa (rep by Lilia)

- 50 for event on Wed from 11 to 2 for the 43 students missing in Mexico
- Will make posters, decorations, candles for the event, will happen on the quad
- Karen – are these posters for advertising or for each event
  - Will make one for each missing student
  - RJ – more like educational posters
- Motion to fund – 6,0,0

## 4. Hip Hop Club (rep by Sam)

- Event happening this sat. for homecoming weekend
- Event at the powerhouse, approved a month ago
- Art steel will do everything for 1k (speakers, etc) , also want pizza
- Karen – is over 500 so would need to go to senate if emergency fund, also have rule that cannot fund event only 2 days from the event
- Richard – only fund food for clubs if it is essential for discussion, cultural, etc. In this case, it is more of a giveaway
- Richard – doesn't the powerhouse already have integrated sound systems anyways?
  - Much better to have speakers on the ground, gives better experience
  - Also have security, etc
- RJ – are there any other options? May not be able to get it funded
  - Tried w CAB but they don't have enough money, Dean Brill said if can't get money from BC can go to her
  - Have ability to emergency fund up to \$500
- Richard – even if you get 500, how will you get the other 500?
  - Email dean brill to try to get the rest
- Fawzi – is there anything else going on Saturday
  - Not in particular
- Karen – would be negating policy of not funding events that come to us within 6 days even though this is valuable
- Richard – this is also only for extra speakers, how much is 1k covering for?

- Could probably scale it down to 500
- Will – can you definitely get 500 from lekyia though?
  - Should be possible
- Kat – event won't necessarily not go on if they don't have the speakers
- Motion to emergency fund 500 – 6,0,0

### **5. Outing Club (rep by Valerie)**

- Clarification for amount for outdoor coordinator
  - Lead weekly trips, go to meetings, go to person
- Want to hire someone else, a prof of the astronomy dept, and use these funds from the club budgets for this
- Hao had said that it might not be alright to hire Amherst faculty
- This would be an added job, not only a go to person
- Could also go to another source, but the prices would be higher and would be able to spend less time with the group, would also be nicer to have someone who has an inside view of Amherst
- RJ – diff btw funding this in the future and reallocating the money. He hasn't been working for the entire semester, so wouldn't make sense to pay him for this semester if he hasn't realistically started until now
  - Next sem he would do the majority of advising, but would also get outside sources for advising (he would get the majority of 4.5k and other portions would go to outside sources)
- RJ – water polo teams coach is a prof, does he get funded?
  - Not in club budgets and doesn't seem to come from discretionary either
- RJ – wouldn't we want staff members to interact with students more, etc. Prof don't ask for money for talks, but is there a distinction we can make between this an performing other tasks
- Karen – just funded mock trial, so would it be more ideal to have a polisci prof be a coach? Might be uncomfortable also
  - RJ – view that it would be

### **6. Green Amherst Project (rep by RJ)**

- Have several separate events, but should we fund publicity for each separate event
- A week of action with individual campaigns per day
- Karen and Kat – seem to have done something similar to this before
- Richard, Will, Kat – may be a bit excessive
- Will – could have a poster with several events on one
- RJ – we did this for green games, funded educational posters for each iteration
  - Kat – was also done through senate event
- Richard – this isn't a postering event though
- RJ – may not be fair to force them to put everything on one poster considering current rule

- Richard – can halve the amount, would be an excessive amount of posters
  - RJ – publicity can go beyond posters
- Will – do we know how it is going to be publicized
  - Fawzi – will do banners for one day at least
- Kat – can fund 7 so that it's one per day, and if they go through OAS, we won't be able to distinguish if each individual event was publicized with 15 instead of lumping the amount together
- RJ – wouldn't this is the type of publicity funding we want to get messages out, haven't seen other groups doing things like this so wouldn't necessarily be unfair to them
- Can zero t-shirt stenciling (would be outside val so would attract attention) and banner drop (if dropping banner, wouldn't necessarily need publicity for that)
  - RJ and Kat – pub money for banner drop may be for the banner
  - Richard and Karen – think it's a waste of money. Can see this being broken into 2 waves of posters ( $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$ ) . Would also be bombarding the students with posters, may not be affective
  - Will – if we fund  $\frac{1}{2}$  of this, they could probably come back to senate to request rest
  - Fawzi – would make sense to have a poster with everything on it, but will need a lot of people for the You've Got Mail event, so would need more publicity
- Motion to fund  $\frac{1}{2}$  - 6,0,0

### **7. Colleges Against Cancer (CAC) (rep by Karen)**

- Need educational posters and publicity for month long event (movember – males hockey team will do the event, promoting men's health)
- Motion to fund – 6,0,0

### **8. Partners of Animal Welfare (PAW) (rep by Karen)**

- Need 25 for a talk they're having discussing animal rights concerns
- Want vegan and animal friendly food to show members that the food is just as good as non-vegan, etc
- Will come out of 200 food rule
- Motion to fund – 6,0,0