

8:00pm-8:30pm

Minutes for Senate Meeting 03/20/2017

In Attendance:

Aditi Krishnamurthy (Treasurer)
Jacob Silverman
Jenine Shepherd
Natalia Khoudian
Ben Fiedler
Shannon Wei
Yuko Nakano (Minute Taker)

Late:

Jordan Edwards
Will Zaubler
Olivia Mastrangelo
Pierre-Alexander Low

Requests

1. **La Causa** requesting funding for event

- Rep: we're having an event called Palante
 - Rep: we would like to amending the request
 - Aditi: You already have \$750 for food for this event, but if you wanted to reallocate from a different event you could do that, at this point though I don't think we can give you more money for food and stay within our guidelines
- Rep: the "stage" request is for performance, including stage, lights, and sound
 - Rep: will be held in the alumni gym
- **motion to fund 5a (8, 0, 0), approved**
- **motion to zero 5b (8, 0, 0), approved**

2. **Josh Harmon/Dan Langa** requesting funding for event

- Rep: submitted \$600 request for honorarium for band for event in Greenway A courtyard
 - Rep: will feature food, arts festival, would be a five-college event as well
- Rep: most likely 4/21 (Fri.)
 - Rep: we also need production funds
- Ben: how many expected attendees?
 - Rep: maybe 100
- **motion to fund 8a,b (8, 0, 0), approved**

3. **Christine/Christin** requesting funding for event

- specifically \$1000 for regional DJ from New York
 - 4/7 (Fri.), Powerhouse, five-college event
 - Rep: the appeal is that for the first time ever, we're capping the entrance fee at \$1, and obviously it will be free for AC students, so we're expecting a lot of attendees
- Paul Gallegos attests the DJ is good!
- Rep: hotel for the performer is already booked, we just need the honorarium
- Aditi: under guidelines, \$500 is max for an external DJ
 - Olivia: however, I kind of think the DJ is the performer, and wouldn't fall strictly under the DJ category
- Aditi: you should try going through a co-sponsoring process
- Aditi: I can get the check to you right on time if he really needs it by 4/7 (Fri.)

- **motion to fund \$500 for 9a (8, 1, 0), approved**

4. **BSU** requesting funding for event

- Rep: we're reallocating money from Seoul Food and CaribFest for a barbecue
- Rep: requesting funding for DJ for event this Sunday
 - specifically \$500 for a local, non-student DJ
 - will be at the Powerhouse
 - Rep: we have already started publicizing
- **motion to fund 10a (9, 0, 0), approved**

5. **Middle Eastern Students and Studies Association** requesting funding for event

- specifically \$800 honorarium for Areen Shahbari, lodging, and publicity
 - 4/8 (Sat.)
- Rep: total honorarium sum is \$1200
- Rep: for lodging, she will be staying at the Lord Jeff for one night, \$160
- Rep: we would need \$20 for publicity because it's five-college, with heavy Mt. Holyoke audience
- Rep: a bit about the speaker, she started an organization called Cactus and now teaches entrepreneurship to Palestinian women who are in low-income situations
 - 60 different projects and 6 TV shows made by her
 - she lives in Boston, teaches at Harvard University
- Natalia: how many expected attendees?
 - Rep: definitely above 20
 - Pierre: how many Mt. Holyoke students?
 - Rep: 50, but they can't pay for the event at all, which is non-negotiable
 - Rep: I think we can get at least part of the 50 Arab-language students at AC
 - Aditi: if you can get the professors to force their students to go, I agree
- **motion to fund 11a,b,c**
 - Olivia objects: we can't fund \$800 for honorarium based on number of potential students
- **motion to fund \$400 for 11a, and full 11b,c**
 - Natalia: objects: can we make it \$500
- Jordan: so what's the total potential attendees again?
 - 46 AC students including Arab-language students
- **motion fund \$500 for 11a, and full 11b,c (9, 0, 0), approved**

6. **TSA** requesting funding for event

- specifically for bringing students to laser tag
 - 15 transfer students and 15 non-transfer students, which would help bridge the gap between these two communities
- **motion to fund 7a (9, 0, 0), approved**

7. **Paint Party** requesting funding for event

- specifically for paint supplies and production for a campus wide "Paint Party"
 - more specifically \$6,180 for supplies, \$830 for production
- Rep: this would be a collaboration with Branches
- Rep: potential attendees, would be 600, 700 people
- Rep: in regards to relevance of this, I think there is lack of programming not based on drinking culture, particular in response to the town hall meeting that we had before
- Adit: few financial comments, it is very expensive
 - Rep: total cost was estimated \$9,000-\$10,000

- Natalia: can this be a discussion with the Senate
 - Jacob: yeah, you'll have to explain this to the Senate
- continued in the following senate meeting

8. **Sports Management Club** requesting funding for intro meeting

- specifically for publicity and food
- **motion to fund 13a,b (9,0, 0), approved**