

8:00pm-8:30pm

Minutes for Budgetary Committee Meeting 10/31/2016

In Attendance:

Aditi Krishnamurthy (Treasurer)
Pierre-Alexander Low
William Zaubler
Mohamed Ramy
Ben Fiedler
Shannon Wei
Jacob Silverman
Daniel Njoo
Olivia Mastrangelo
Jeremy Paula
Yuko Nakano (Minute Taker)

Not in Attendance:

Jenine Sheperd

Requests

1. **SASA** requesting funding for food
 - specifically \$300 for food for event together with ISA
 - Aditi: this is the time to make a policy decision regarding food funding for joined club events
 - Jacob: but because both clubs would be maxed out on food funds after this, neither would be exploiting budgetary rules or anything
 - motion to fund (7, 0, 0)**

2. **SHE** requesting funding for equipment
 - Aditi: talked to ResLife's Corry Colonna, they'll fund for condoms!
 - all BC: yay!
 - motion to zero (8, 0, 0)**

3. **Drew House** requesting funding for event
 - Aditi: doesn't necessarily sit well with me that we're funding a student's required project for living at Drew House
 - motion to fund (8, 0, 0)**
 - Paul Gallegos: never fund student security, there's a separate procedure
 - motion to amend to eliminate student security amount \$150 (8, 0, 0)**

4. **Women in Computer Science** requesting funding for food
 - specifically \$15 for discussion food, already got \$50 for intro food
 - motion to fund (8, 0, 0)**

Discussion

1. **Return of the Musical** (*con't. from 10/27/2016 Senate meeting*)
 - Aditi: edit request to \$2000 is for lighting only, not stage/sound
 - Aditi: also, it's being held at the Powerhouse, not the gym
 - Aditi: Frank will come in and ask for the full \$2500 for Mark Swanson (a.k.a. Mark, MS) soon
 - Olivia: I have experience in the Amherst theater department, and \$2000 seems reasonable for lighting
 - Aditi: also, I can't find the transaction receipts but we definitely funded more than this last year

- Aditi: found it!
- Paul Gallegos: Frank says that BC funded \$8500 last year
 - Aditi: confirmed on budget sheet
- Olivia: what's Mark's role in the musical?
 - Paul: Mark's running the orchestra
- Ramy: general concern is that MS is an employee of Amherst College, so why is BC paying?
 - Ramy: seems like the event is for the larger Amherst community
- Jacob: honorarium guidelines dictate \$10-\$20 per attendee, and there weren't too many attendees before
 - Aditi: not necessarily a valid point
- Ramy: for example, assistant coaches get paid \$2500 for the rest of the semester, that's ok
- Olivia: musical theater is its own discipline, so it is extracurricular
- Paul Gallegos: MS wasn't paid last year for his work
 - Paul: this is the sort of thing that is paid for in full every year
 - Paul: I want us to get to an aggregate amount, how much are you comfortable spending on this?
- Aditi: to bring up something Pierre mentioned, when a club comes and asks for more money than is allowed by guidelines, we ask what other funding sources they have and BC tries to work with the alternate funding source to make the most events happen under guidelines
- Olivia: I think we should fund this in full because we paid more for it last year and we also have a little more room in the budget this year
- Will: I still have a problem with paying a employee of the college
 - Ramy: but he's not an employee while he's running the orchestra
- Jacob: this is a club theater event, like a club sport event, I think this is fair amount to fund
- Aditi/Olivia: would MS be working his job for AC during interterm?
 - Paul Gallegos: we'd be funding for MS's work which continues until early February
- Daniel: is there any chance Frank will come back asking for more money?
 - Aditi: no, the budget has been entirely fleshed out and spread out over several funding sources, this is final