### BC Meeting 11/9/2011

## BEING EDITED WITH CORRECT MONEY AMOUNTS (also, new member's name)

In Attendance:	
Matt A.	
Chris Friend	
Dvij Bajbai	
Jess Sidhu	
Gabi Mateo	
Di Wa (Treasurer)	
New member	
Will Fredo was absent due to sickness	

# Amherst Political Union:

having an event on nov 30th, with a new york times columnist. Going to talk about occupy wall street, etc. Already have co-sponsorship from Program board, so co, and Dean Fatemi. Requesting \$7000 for honorarium, also want \$150 for hotel room, \$9 for publicity, \$200 out of \$200 rule. Need money for the guest's cash.

Diwa: So just a reminder, when you do that, please tell him to save his receipts, or else I can't do anything.

Sid: What was the speaking fee? (\$7,000, it usually goes for \$15,000)

Chris: So \$7000, is that excluding the sponsorship you got?

Diwa: It sounds to me that you are going to get sponsorship for The President's Office, so we'll cover the honorarium. I'd love to not...Also, for the other reason, if we give you 7 right now, and you get 2 from Dean Fatemi, then you only need a small amount. You can come back on Monday toward Senate.

Chris: Did you also ask LJST and Poli Sci yet?

Matt: You should ask them. Poli Sci won't, but Sarat might.

Requester: How do I get cosponsorship?

Matt: You just email the chair.

Diwa: Okay, is there a motion on the table? \*insert funds here\*

Sid: Motion

Chris: Hold on. Motion to fund \$3959

7, 0, 1 (Jess abstained)

Amherst College Entrepeneur Society

Need \$9 for publicity, want food out of \$200 rule. Having a discussion about a webinar.

Diwa: How much is for food?

Sid: They're kind of having food for food's sake.

Chris: It sounds like food for foods sake. But you won't be talking with the people from the webinar.

Diwa: How is this substantially different from a normal meeting? (Requester: This is a big event, we want students who aren't in the club to come)

Jess: Whose speaking at this event? What is a webinar?

Diwa: In order to move forward with this speedily, you have Samson come to the Senate meeting on Monday and we'll give you \$9 of publicity today. IS there a motion on the table for \$9?

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La Causa:

Requesting the rest of the honorarium.

Diwa: Why did So Co and Program Board say it was too early?

Sid: How much is the total amount? So the total is 13,000?

Chris: How much more do you need?

Matt: Whose coming this year?

Diwa: In your budget it says you need \$8000 for this, has that number changed? (Requester: Yes). And so, you're still going to seek So Co and Program Board? And assuming they don't give you everything, you can email me. Yeah, the only thing---I'm looking at your budget for Voices for the Voiceless you got a lot of stuff from us.

Requester: How do we organize checks from different sources?

Diwa: Well, you tell the poet what's going to happen. So is there a motion on the table for half of the honorarium?

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Amherst College Public Health Collaborative

Will be having a meeting soon, want \$9 for publicity and \$50 in food.

Diwa: have you used your intro meeting?

Sid: You're going to have to cut down food...

Diwa: Do you guys have a semester budget? So you want \$50 for this meeting where people share about their internships? So, do you guys want to talk about this? I know that this has never been funded in the past. Charles Drew Alliance asked us for cookies last time and we did not to.

Chris: It's mostly food for foods sake.

Sid: But it's like George's thing.

Chris: But we didn't fund George.

Requester: We do plan on having two alumni in the Pioneer Valley area.

Diwa: That sounds good, much better.

Chris: Motion to fund \$219?

Diwa: Wait; let's talk about food for the other thing. The other food is for the Worlds Aids thing? That's a benefit dinner. So, you're going to be asking for suggested donations. Do you guys feel that is benefit dinner food? Is there a motion?

Jess: Motion to fund all

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Autopsy:

Doing another screening, want money for that, and for food. Also want to request money for publicity.

Diwa: You have already spent \$60 out of your \$200 rule.

Requester: No, we did the intro meeting, \$50.

Diwa: You got money for food and film licensing for your intro meeting. If we allocate this \$100, then you only have \$70 left in your \$200 rule.

Sid: can you reallocate?

Diwa: is there a motion?

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## Comedy Club:

Starting a comedy newspaper, would come out once a week.

Sid: So it would be different from the Circus?

Chris: So for the copy of Adobe, would you want it for....?

Requester: Well, I would be the editor, so I don't know if there would be an issue with it being on my laptop.

Sid: The Amherst Council of Publications has Adobe on their laptops, so once you register as a publication, you can use theirs. I know computers in Smudd have then.

Diwa: You could ask them to let you use the Indicator Office.

#### JESS LEAVES

Diwa: I would suggest asking for use of the Indicator use. is there a motion on the table for \$59.

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CAO:

Need copyright fee, only need \$250 (change in money)

Diwa: have you already paid the company---oh so you can't legally show it? This is Mao's last dancer? So you want \$60 for food? Is anyone coming to talk at your thing, like professors coming?

Requester: It's just a showing.

Jess: This, to us, sounds like foods for foods sake. We don't fund food to get people to come to an event, so I don't think we'll be able to fund the food.

Diwa: But you can ask Dean Fatemi. Or try asking the Asian Languages and Civilizations department. Unfortunately, we can't really fund things like this.

Sid: Did we give them publicity?

Diwa: Yeah, we gave them \$9, Motion to fund \$259.

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Diwa: Is there a motion to emergency fund?

Sid: We can't!

Diwa: We'll email it out, and we'll tell you when it's emergency funded.

EDU:

Event called Splash. The idea is to get middle school and high school students excited about learning to have college students teach them fun topics. Need to feed the volunteers.

Diwa: I think class materials are pretty standard. Student identification is like nametags?

Sid: the only thing is the publicity and the food...

Matt: I think we should give them \$9, and ask them to go scaff.

Amani: So are they (the students) going to be registered before...?

Sid: It's like food through Val (Requester: We decided to do Bruno's, etc.)

Jess: I think it's....Idk.

Sid: I think we've funded stuff like this is in the past.

Amani: How is this foods for foods sake?

Chris: I thought...didn't we?

Matt: have we ever been asked for this?

Diwa: We didn't give money to the other club for this?

Chris: I don't think we fund things like this, sadly.

Sid: I'm comfortable funding it.

Diwa: Unfortunately, this is not something we can fund. But Dean Fatemi's office can. You can also do the CCE.

Amani: Don't you think the food is necessary?

Sid: It's like a safety thing.

Amani: They have to have that lunch.

Chris: The kids can bring a bag lunch. Voting for this sets a dangerous precedent.

Jess: I agree. I would respond with the Newman club argument, who we didn't fund.

Diwa: I think everyone at this table would ideally like to fund this, but we shouldn't fund this.

That's why we have groups like Program Board and So Co, to pay for thing we don't pay for.

Jess: I think the \$800 is the most important part. I think if you're going to get \$400, I don't see why Dean Fatemi would say no to that.

Diwa: So there is a motion on the table for \$189

Requester: There is a \$10 fee for the event, is that a problem?

Sid: What's the fee for?

Matt: Fee for the students?

Diwa: Where is the money going? You can't charge \$10, but you can make it a suggested donation. That's fine. You just can't obligate people.

Sid: I thought it was just a way to make kids submit.

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Meditation Club:

Joint culinary club and meditation event.

Jess: whose requesting the food ingredients? (Requester: The culinary club)

Sid: How is this related to the dharma dinner?

Jess: We funded the dharma dinners before, I have a hesitation with letting the money for the ingredients come from the culinary club, because we already give culinary club, we're saying we will give a group money for food. I'd rather you take it out of the \$200 rule for the Mindfulness and Meditation.

Sid: How much do we usually give for utensils?

Matt: I feel like this is asking for money for food, and general club supplies. So, motion to fund in full?

Diwa: So your cushions will stay within your club? So when you graduate...the person who runs the club after you?

Matt: So motion to fund in full?

Diwa: You guys have not used any of you \$200 rule this semester, so the soup ingredients and the bread is coming out of your \$200 rule. You already have \$50 allocated for your dharma dinner, you just haven't spent it yet.

Sid: So you'd have \$30 left.

Diwa: We didn't fund the dharma dinners out of the \$200 rule. Why do you need more for this dharma dinner?

Requester: Last one wasn't quite as well attended as we hoped.

Matt: Are we funding the food out of religious rule or \$200 rule? Motion to fund in full out of religious rule.8, 0, 0

Culinary Club:

Chris: The first one seems totally legit.

Chris: I thought we already bought you knives. (Requester: Those are oyster knives)

Matt: It seems to me....the guest chef is a standard honorarium. Supplies is the same. Potentially you could ask Val...this seems to me to be basically standard.

Chris: Can we talk about....I know they're not going to have a club budget, but...?

Diwa: Well, they need to petition to George to be a club and need to register online. So that's something we can bring to George's consideration---the semester long existence rule. So, why don't you email George Tepe.

Sid: Before the 28th.

Amani: I thought it was the 18th (no)

Jess: Motion to fund in full

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Amherst Israel Alliance:

Having a week of events.

Diwa: How many speakers are there? So \$20 per person. And the Zumbyes are for what? (Rep: They are entertainment)

Matt: What's our precedent on decorations? We do \$30 for utensils and plates.

Diwa: Decorations are set at \$50

Matt: I think we do fund the Zumbyes.

Diwa: I'm going to take the \$50 out of your \$200 rule, so you have whatever is left from that.

Matt: You can use your whole \$200 rule for food now, if you want. So you want \$30 for plates and utensils, \$50 for decorations, and your whole \$200

Jess: But no, we can do more because it's religious. At our semester meeting, we should have a discussion about food rules. So how much money do you want for your shabbat dinner? It will not come out of your \$200 rule.

Chris: It is....I prefer to spend as little money as possible.

Diwa: Is there a motion on the table?

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Amherst Christian Alliance\*

Holding a dinner after the fast, requesting \$150.

Chris: So, are you going to talk about the event? Is this religious?

Matt: Yeah, pretty much.

Matt: Motion to be fund in full. 8, 0, 0 Emergency funded.