Minutes for Budgetary Committee Meeting 12/05/2016

In Attendance:

Aditi Krishnamurthy (Treasurer)

Jacob Silverman

William Zaubler

Ben Fiedler

Jenine Sheperd (came late)

Shannon Wei (came late)

Daniel Njoo (came late)

Pierre-Alexander Low (came late)

Jeremy Paula (came late)

Mohamed Ramy (came late)

Yuko Nakano (Minute Taker)

Not in Attendance:

Olivia Mastrangelo

Requests

1. Military Association requesting funding for food

- specifically \$50 for food for Screening for Army vs. Navy football game
- at least 30 people coming
- Aditi: just to let you know there are food guidelines so you can get up to \$50 in discussion food funds
 - Aditi: you can potentially get more food money from CAB, they're less restrictive on food funds
- motion to fund (9, 0, 0)

2. French Club requesting funding for food

- specifically \$50 for food for meeting on 12/7 (Wed.) at 7:00pm
- Aditi: all events need to be open to all Amherst students but since the event is on Wed. no time for publicity, just make sure to put it online somewhere
- motion to fund (9, 0, 0)

3. **BSU** requesting funding for food

- specifically \$50 for discussion food, already received intro meeting food funds
 - o Aditi: just making sure the club is all set under food guidelines
- motion to fund (9, 0, 0)

4. **Outing Club** requesting funding for equipment

- Rep: one of our members bought a lot of climbing credit for next semester but it's over the budget that we have so to what degree can I get that reimbursed this semester, or will that be next semester
 - Aditi: we aren't going to reimburse you for the difference because you weren't allocated that amount, I could technically reallocate if you need to
 - o Aditi: technically next semester's budget hasn't even been approved
 - Aditi: this will be a conversation for next semester and may be an exception to the ex post facto rule
 - o Aditi: how much exactly?

- Rep: \$1100
 - Aditi: we can reallocate from this semester's budget
 - Rep: we have other events still so can't take from this semester's budget
- Rep: I'll talk to the guy who bought the credits and see if he needs the money right now

5. Musical Instruments for All Students requesting feedback

- Rep: the basic idea is that there's no way for any musicians who aren't in the jazz program to borrow instruments/equipment, aside from the Jearns basement items which can't be removed from the room
- Rep: hopefully we'd get funding for musical equipment that can be loaned out so that students can express their musicality more freely
- Aditi: we need to talk numbers, did you say around \$6000?
 - o Rep: yes, all the stuff is comparable to the stuff in the D-vault room
- Rep: purpose is to allow students to host more musical events
- Aditi: since today is the last meeting, probably next semester is feasible, especially with the leeway we have in the budget
 - o Aditi: also, you should figure out where to store these equipment
- Jacob: how will students be held responsible?
 - o Jacob: we are responsible for this equipment but we can't keep monitoring everything
 - o Pierre: something similar to Outing club and their equipment
- Paul Gallegos: I think there's a huge upside to this idea
 - o Paul Gallegos: if we have this equipment on hand, musical events will cost much less
- Ben: will students other than those involved with musical events be interested in renting out this equipment?
 - o Rep: yes, there's demonstrated interest