

Minutes for Spring 2018 Club Budgets Budgetary Committee Meetings

11/30/2017 (Thurs.) 7:50pm-8:30pm

In Attendance:

Jacob Silverman (Treasurer)- J
Cornell Brooks- C
Nehemiah McGowan (left early)- NM
Isiaha Price- IP
Natalia Khoudian- N
Ioannis Kalogiannis (late)- I
William Zaubler (late)- W
Yuko Nakano (Minute Taker)

Apologies:

Olivia Mastrangelo
Sade Green
Jordan Edwards

Requests

1. **Badminton Club** represented by William

- non-contentious requests
- N: **motion to recommend as requested (5, 0, 0), approved**

2. **Random Acts of Kindness** represented by William

- non-contentious requests
- N: **motion to recommend as requested (5, 0, 0), approved**

3. **Splash** represented by Nehemiah

- J: what's in the materials for Splash Day (1a)?
 - Rep: not sure exactly but brings up that we have funded this stuff in the past
 - J: right, I think the materials are mainly posters and things to make educational materials for the children
- N: **motion to recommend as requested (5, 0, 0), approved**

4. **Gospel Choir** represented by Nehemiah

- Rep: I was told that most of the stuff has been funded before
- N: Gospel Choir can't get transportation because they don't travel regularly, check policy online (Home>Life at Amherst>Student Government>AAS Budgetary Committee>The Funding Process>Policies>Transportation)
- Rep: I don't have info about the artist for the Winter Concert (3a)
 - J: can't fund this because we need more information, come back to tell us more about it at tomorrow's club budget meeting
- *budget tabled until next day for more information, refer to minutes further down in this document*

5. **Hip Hop Club** represented by Nehemiah

- Rep: the club said that everything was funded in the past
 - N: I don't think that's true
- N: does anyone know these artists (1)?

- consensus is that not many BC members know these artists
- J: we don't have any info about this so can't vote
- *budget tabled until next day for more information, refer to minutes further down in this document*

6. **Women's Rugby** represented by Cornell

- Rep: budget is pretty much the same as last year
 - Rep: the club stressed that the Beast of the East tournament is crucial
 - Rep: the club hasn't registered yet but the tournament is 4/14 (Sat.)-4/15 (Sun.), won't register until January
 - I: whole team is being lodged?
 - Rep: a majority of the team goes to this tournament
 - N: I think we could cut the lodging for now, or wait until we have more information
- J confirms that the rest of the budget looks pretty standard
- J: get info about lodging and tournament logistics
- *budget tabled until next day for more information, refer to minutes further down in this document*

7. **Remnant** represented by Cornell

- J: runs through line item requests that are obviously ok, intro food, discussion food, publicity mainly
- J pulls up Spring 2017 budget to compare
 - confusion with whether there are set speakers for the event, Rep clarifies that there are set speakers for all the events
- *budget tabled until next day for more information, refer to minutes further down in this document*

8. **Mock Trial** represented by Natalia

- Rep: drama coach is our only hourly paid coach, this structure works for them because coach doesn't have set number of hours
 - Rep: drama coach is important because the club wants to make sure that it stays competitive
- J looks at Spring 2017 budget to compares
- Rep: there may be a problem with transportation, and the budget has doubled since last year
 - J: we can't fund tolls, that would go under transportation costs
- **I: motion to zero 2c, 3b, 4c (5, 0, 0), approved**
- **I: motion to recommend as amended (5, 0, 0), approved**

12/01/2017 (Fri.) 5:00pm-7:55pm

In Attendance:

Jacob Silverman '19 (Treasurer)- J
Nehemiah McGowan '21 (left early)- NM
Isiaha Price '21- IP
Natalia Khoudian '20- N
William Zaubler- W
Sade Green '20- S
Jordan Edwards '20-JE
Olivia Mastrangelo '18- O (late)
Ioannis Kalogiannis '19- I (late)
Yuko Nakano '20 (Minute Taker) (late)

Apologies:

Cornell Brooks '20

Requests

Jacob, Treasurer, takes minutes in place of Yuko from 5:00pm to 6:30pm, thank you!

9. Muslim Students Association (MSA) represented by Olivia

- non-contentious requests
- **unanimous vote in favor of recommending as requested**

10 Asian Students Association (ASA) represented by Olivia

- Rep: Helen Zia (journalist) was supposed to be in the fall, now planning for spring → honorarium figure at \$4500 (3a)
 - Rep: unclear about total attendance, but request is in line with their previous successful events
- N: could be a cross-sectional event → co-sponsored by other sources?
- Rep: resource centers are under serious constraints – we already fund a lot of these events
- J: it is unclear if they will bring 225–450 students at this event, which would be the necessary number of people to justify honorarium amount of \$4500
- **motion to amend 3a to \$2000- unanimously in favor**
- **unanimous vote in favor of recommending as amended**

11. Electronics Club represented by Olivia

- J: cut tools (2d) by \$100 because they haven't demonstrated need for that much money in the past
- **motion to amend 2d to \$100- unanimously in favor**
- **unanimous vote in favor of recommending as amended**

12. Historical European Martial Arts Club (HEMAC) represented by Olivia

- \$4,500 seems steep, given Jeff Lord's other involvements with the college, resolved discussion
- **unanimous vote in favor of recommending as requested**

13. Gospel Choir represented by Nehemiah

- J: zeroed transportation (4) b/c they don't travel enough under transportation funding policy
- **motion to zero 4- unanimously in favor**
- **unanimous vote in favor of recommending as amended**

14. **Korean Students Association (KSA)** represented by Nehemiah

- J: zeroed a few food requests (4a, 6a, 8a) that violated food policies
- J: zeroed line item 8 because they have no information about speakers
- **motion to zero 4, 5d, 6, 7c, 8- unanimously in favor**
- **motion to amend 7b to \$900- unanimously in favor**
- **unanimous vote in favor of recommending as amended**

15. **African Caribbean Students Union (ACSU)** represented by Nehemiah

- J: talked about Wave Your Flag as hallmark event, to get hallmark status food for that
- can only fund \$100 each for conference tickets as per policy and \$150 per hotel room, one per four students
- **motion to amend 3a to \$2000 and 3b to \$1500-unanimously in favor**
- **unanimous vote in favor of recommend as amended**

16. **Fencing Club** represented by Jacob

- J: talked about durability of equipment, needs new stuff but cannot keep funding more things
- **motion to zero 4b- unanimously in favor**
- **unanimous vote in favor of recommending as amended**

17. **GlobeMed** represented by Ioannis

- Rep: preferred to cut food for the date auction and dodgeball tournament
- **motion to zero 3a,b, 4a,c, 5e- unanimously in favor**
- **unanimous vote in favor of recommending as amended**

Yuko, Minute Taker, arrives at 6:30pm and takes the rest of the minutes until 7:55pm

18. **Amherst Christian Fellowship (ACF)** represented by Ioannis (*prolonged discussion about BC's spring break trip policy, not necessarily all relevant to ACF's requests*)

- J: Good Friday service (7) zeroed because there's no information about the event
- **motion to zero 7 (7, 0, 0), approved**
- N: problem with Spring Break Service Trip (5)
 - Rep: this trip is to form lasting relationships with other people
 - Rep doesn't think spring break trips should be funded generally but says that this seems like an important thing
 - other BC members mention that we shouldn't be making judgment calls on value of event or conference or trip
 - O: fundamentally we need to be using our funding to reach as many people as possible, which is why spring break trips shouldn't be funded, I think we have set a precedent though by funding ACF for over thanksgiving break and the Frisbee team
 - N: argues that although there's already precedent for spring break trips, the more we do it the more clubs will ask for funding
 - Rep: we should make another policy
 - N: should we write some sort of policy before deciding on spring break trips for this round of club budgets?
 - IP: I think if it's critical that they do this trip during spring break this is ok
 - N: for the policy, maybe make it so that the number of days for any spring break trip has to be more than just a weekend trip to justify having to do it during a week-long break, also distinguish between club sports and other clubs
 - discussion about frisbee's spring break trip, refer to past fall budgets for funding
 - N: I think frisbee's been going always on our dime

- N: like what if the Entrepreneurs Club finds a big five day spring break conference, then there would be trouble finding funding
- IP: the Frisbee team could easily practice at Amherst so I don't understand why they need to spend a week off campus for that
 - J mentions the argument that the spring break trip is valuable to team bonding
- general talk again about frisbee and club sports funding over spring break, how it's a large chunk of change and whether we should keep funding it or not and how that relates to other clubs with spring break requests
 - N: we funded in half in club budgets for frisbee last year and then they just got the rest of the funding through discretionary
 - N: maybe policy could be based off of having expressed interest in the event in the past
 - N: or what if the event had precedent before even at other schools
 - J: maybe make it clear that they have to meet with treasurer for a case-by-case decision for spring break trips not during club budgets
- W mentions Judicial Committee making policy but not confident that they will
- JE: could we make a rule about judging things over break
 - N: maybe we say we can fund on campus events but if you leave it's up to you, also keep frisbee
 - J likes that
- N: motion to table 7 until we make policy and recommend as amended
 - S: objection, I think this should be funded this year and then we can look at the policy later
 - IP: I think we're backing ourselves in a corner, whoever the next treasurer is will have to deal with a pretty shitty situation too
 - N: potentially the next treasurer will get a lot of shit
- S: if we don't fund ACF we can't fund frisbee, it's unethical!
 - N: the problem is that we don't know what the next Senate will recommend on these things
 - N: also, Senate will never reject frisbee's trip
 - IP: I think this is a problem with Senate
- J has a problem with Senate, they continue to fund things until they get shit for it
 - W is in agreement, says that the Senate is extremely malleable (BC>Senate!!)
- I argues that spring break trips are important, for example 30 discussion food meetings are not as valuable as one trip
- J finds out that there's a number of spring break trip requests in other club budgets, may have to create distinct policy
- IP curious as to what the AAS President does exactly
 - N: a lot of people trust Aditi
 - W: I don't trust Aditi! (he's kidding he loves you!)
 - IP: maybe it'll be easier to get Aditi to say something about this policy instead of deciding on our own
- I is for the spring break trip
 - O describes reasons why it's bad to fund spring break trips
- IP makes point that over Thanksgiving break there's a lot of people who remain on campus and we should be able to fund things for those people
- **S: motion to recommend as amended (3, 4, 0), rejected**
 - *only line item 7 has been zeroed*
- lots of commotion about frisbee and spring break policy
- I: I think we should fund everything, think about what they'd be missing without the trip
 - JE: I think it's going to end up being tens of thousands of dollars if we fund this trip and then continue to have to fund other club's spring break trips

- W: regardless of policy, we have been funding Frisbee's trip for 14 years, that shouldn't be solely disregarded, if we do fund ACF we'll need to fund every other club though
 - W: precedent is important
 - N: is precedent more important than policy is the question
 - O: if we don't change Frisbee despite precedent than it's not really a change in policy
- someone: where are we moving from here?
 - N: we tried to cut Frisbee's funding for spring break trip slowly and it didn't work
- S: I think it's unethical to fund Frisbee's trip without anything else
 - S: it may not make sense if you compared it to real life, also students don't trust senate already, this is just another reason students would distrust senate
 - W: I don't think people think about this stuff as much as we do
- **JE: motion to table 5 until we craft spring break policy (7, 0, 0), approved**
 - *refer to minutes further down in this document for spring break policy and motion on line item 5*
- **JE: motion to recommend as amended (7, 0, 0), approved**
- I: if something has the potential to be valuable we shouldn't stop it
 - IP: we shouldn't
 - O: ok but right now it's about policy
 - IP: right, so I think we should fund all spring tbreak trips
- W: with all due respect there's no point in continuing this conversation
 - J agrees
- IP: are we tabling all spring break trips?
 - O: we should table the rest of the trips
 - W: agreed
- W: we could also have 1 trip every four years or two every four years so that each student has the chance to go on one of these trips
 - I likes this a lot
- O thinks we should have this discussion with senate

19. **Amherst College Republicans** represented by Ioannis

- non-contentious requests
- N: **motion to recommend as requested (7, 0, 0), approved**

20. **Swing, Salsa, and Ballroom** represented by William

- N: I've never heard of them
- N: have we funded this in the past, is this a lot of five-college people?
 - Rep: 10-15 students in total, not sure exactly how many AC students
- **JE: motion to recommend as requested (6, 0, 1), approved**

21. **Yoga Club** represented by William

- Rep goes through the supplies
 - N: didn't we replace mats last semester
 - Rep: yeah they need new mats, they're quite expensive so this would only cover 4 mats
- Rep: the retreat isn't over spring break, it's more than 10 people
- N: why are instructor fees (4a) more than \$4500 (cap for instructor salaries)?
 - O: so they have 5 different instructors once a week, not sure if the one Amherst student gets paid but she's one of the five
- IP: **motion to recommend as requested (7, 0, 0), approved**

22. **Debate Club** represented by Isiaha

- Rep: this is one set of tournaments, 8 events in total
 - Rep: other set of tournaments not figured out yet, will probably come through discretionary
- Rep: 3-4 people on the team
- N: **motion to recommend as requested (7, 0, 0), approved**

23. **Black Students Union (BSU)** represented by Isiaha

- N: Coldwine is not that famous, for one of the events
- J: let's make sure that the food policies is ok
 - J goes through all the events, seems ok except for Lock-in event (7a)
- J: need more information about BSU BBQ (6)
- *budget tabled until next day for more information, refer to minutes further down in this document*

24. **Circus** represented by Isiaha

- N: aren't we trying to cut down on printing costs (3a)
 - J: yes, also Indicator is asking for printing costs
 - N has problems with the whole print thing
 - J: Indicator had thoughts to go digital
- I: **motion to recommend as requested (6, 0, 0), approved**
 - *budget is amended the next day, refer to minutes further down in this document*

25. **WAMH** represented by Isiaha

- Rep: talks about certain items they didn't end up spending, including engineering fees, new music fee, Spotify, Mixr
 - Rep: specifically, only used \$900 for engineering fees
- N: I think we could make a motion now cutting some of these things, but they could come back for discretionary
- Rep: mainly, stationary supplies (2b) seems unnecessary, as well as engineering fees (3c) and new music (2c) seems too steep
- Rep: **motion to zero 2b and amend 2c to \$200 and 3c to \$1000 (6, 0, 0), approved**
- N: **motion to recommend as amended (6, 0, 0), approved**
 - *budget is amended the next day, refer to minutes further down in this document*

26. **Partners for Animal Welfare** represented by Isiaha

- N is confused about table cloths (2b)
 - J: probably disposable table cloths
- N: for the benefit dinner why don't have a speaker or a cause to donate for? Need more information
- Rep: **motion to table 3a (6, 0, 0), approved**
 - *line item 3a is voted on the next day, refer to minutes further down in this document*
- Rep: **motion to recommend as amended (6, 0, 0), approved**

12/02/2017 (Sat.) 12:00pm-5:25pm

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Natalia Khoudian '20- N
Jordan Edwards '20- JE
Isiaha Price '21- IP (late)
Cornell Brooks '20- C (late)
Sade Green '20- S (late)
Yuko Nakano (Minute Taker)

Apologies:

William Zaubler
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27. **Quest Scholars** represented by Isiaha

- J: have to zero food for conference (4a)
- J: also zero 5a because they already used discussion food policy and food is not integral to this event
- discussion about End of Year Dinner, J thinks the club could get integral food for that
- N: **motion to zero 4a and 5a, and amend 6a to \$200 (4, 0, 1), approved**
- N: **motion to recommend as amended (4, 0, 1), approved**

28. **Quiz Bowl** represented by Isiaha

- confusion with how many people on teams for quiz bowl, assume 2-5, but can't get exact numbers for lodging/registration for tournaments
- J: I think we could approve everything if we ended up funding last year through discretionary
- N: **motion to recommend as requested (4, 0, 1), approved**
 - *budget is amended the next day, refer to minutes further down in this document*

23. **Black Students Union (BSU)** represented by Isiaha (*initially discussed on 12/1 [Fri.]*)

- discussion about BSU, same as yesterday, still unsure who the spraypaint artist is (6a) for the bbq
- N: supplies (7b) can be found on campus through Outing Club and whatnot
- N: requesting less than usual, but that's ok
- N: **motion to zero 6a and 7 (4, 0, 1), approved**
- N: **motion to recommend as amended (4, 0, 1), approved**

29. **Women's Club Soccer** represented by Natalia

- Rep: club is still pretty small
 - J: budget is pretty small
- N: didn't have enough socks (1a) this season
 - IP: socks are not integral to uniform
 - N: but I think socks are integral to uniform, also they have to be long socks
- I: **motion to recommend as requested (4, 0, 1), approved**

30. **Pride Alliance** represented by Natalia

- Rep: we usually don't fund facility charge for any powerhouse events, at least not the security charge
- J: Lavender Graduation? What is that?

- cleared up, funded last spring
- Rep: for the Chase Ross honorarium (3a), quote is set
- Rep: travel from the northeast shouldn't be \$500, should be halved
- Rep: both trans youtubers, Kat Blaque and Chase Ross, could potentially bring down the Blaque honorarium because they haven't gotten a direct quote
 - Rep: if Paul G. can bring the number down, these honorarium events are usually huge
 - J confirms that Pride did end up coming back for Janaya Khan event this semester, could probably come back in discretionary too
- Rep: so cut Kat Blaque until they get a direct quote
- Rep: for the Drag Show (5a) the problem is that it's at the end of the semester so Paul usually runs out of funding by then
 - J: has problem with food as well, lots of people will need to come to justify the amount
 - J: ok, half the amount
- N: I spoke with treasurer and said it was fine to zero Kat Blaque
- N: **motion to zero 2 and 4d, and amend 3a to \$3000, 3d to \$250, 5a to \$2500, 5b to \$161, 5d to \$250, and 6a to \$50 (5, 0, 0), approved**
- N: **motion to recommend as amended**

31. **AC Democrats** represented by Natalia

- J: integral food (6a) is max \$200, everything else is good
- JE: **motion to amend 6a to \$200 (5, 0, 0), approved**
- JE: **motion to recommend as amended (5, 0, 0), approved**

32. **Amherst College Rowing Association** represented by Natalia

- discussion about where the rest of the lease fee comes from if we're funding only part of it
 - Yuko believes most of it comes from dues and donations
- also discussion about how many members, why van request increased from last spring
 - Rep: more people, but could they make do with less vans?
 - Yuko believes they potentially could, or pay for vans with other sources of funding
- N: **motion to amend 3a to \$8000 (5, 0, 1), approved**
- N: **motion to recommend as amended (5, 0, 1), approved**

33. **Newman Club** represented by Natalia

- Rep: zeroed the spring break trips (10) because they didn't give me enough information, but still we need to come up with a break policy
 - Rep: the 1 registration will be for 15 people for 10b
- J: everything else looks good
- Rep: guest speaker (6a) may need to be cut because the total number of people expected is 25, which is the size of their club
- Rep: the happy birthday materials (8) are giveaways essentially
- Rep: the cards (9a) are for other people, make for other religious holidays
- Rep: the Umass Spring Break trip (10a) will be \$2300 per person which is not feasible, same with the Jamaica trip that the trip isn't feasible (10b)
- JE: **motion to zero 8 and 10, and amend 6a to \$500 (6, 0, 0), approved**
- JE: **motion to recommend as amended (6, 0, 0), approved**

34. **Amherst Dance** represented by Natalia

- Rep: the costumes they'll need \$1000 cost already accounts for looking through past years' inventory, choreographer will use the same bottoms and get new tops, I don't have an issue with them because they're a consistent club with consistent event

- J: they change the theme every year, which is why they can't reuse most things too
- IP: I know we fund a bunch of costumes though
 - J and Rep go over the difference in costumes for dance and theater
 - J: they do try to find the cheapest costumes so we could ask for more durable goods
 - Rep: but if we get more durable goods it'll be way more than \$1000
- J: keeping track of durable goods is important
 - J: problem with keeping inventory, no one does it
- S brings up having dues for the club to pay for their own costumes because there's 100 members, it's essentially \$10 per member
 - Rep: then how much will we have for financial aid like the equestrian club
 - Rep: aside from that though if we do this due thing we need to do it for other clubs
- JE: we do pay for a lot of inexpensive things for other clubs, and I don't want to start not funding things that are non-cost-prohibitive
- Rep: like for Green Room's Game of Thrones they're not reusing the costumes
 - Rep: we need to make sure other club s that get more expensive costumes are reusing them
- J: we want to emphasize the durable goods contract
 - other BC members agree with that
- N: we need to make sure the costumes for theater are being reused
 - JE: I want to bring back the thing about making these small things cost-prohibitive
 - J: yeah, the reason we do financial aid for equestrian is because it's so cost-prohibitive, maybe not a good model for smaller clubs
- IP: I think halving it is reasonable
 - N: would that be reasonable?
- J: I think it's fair to think of JE's point for freedom access
- JE: **motion to recommend as requested (3, 2, 1), approved**

35. **La Causa** represented by Natalia

- J: most things look fine
- I has issue with ingredients 2b
 - Rep: that's standard
 - J: yeah ingredients are food
- Rep: for big clubs like this what's the rule for food?
 - Rep: they did run out of food at one of the events
 - Rep: BC stopped funding the speaker because they got funding elsewhere, but they want hallmark funding because it's such a big event
 - J: fair enough
- Rep amends hotels (4a) for two rooms one night
- Rep: Poets Cafe, 14 people going, one night
 - 4 rooms, \$600 total
- Rep: they also ran out of food at Cinco de Mayo (8b) and they couldn't get money from Paul so we could give them more funding
 - J: could hallmark for this \$500
- Rep: for the political display (9)- miscommunication about funding this in the past
 - J: we ended up funding this though in discretionary
 - Rep: oh ok
- JE: **motion to amend 4a to \$300 (6, 0, 0), approved**
- JE: **motion to recommend as amended (6, 0, 0), approved**

36. **Anime Club** represented by Jordan

- Rep: funded Anime Boston past, all works out

- Rep: bento boxes (3)- integral food, other stuff is supplies
- N: I know the prepared food thing (5b) is always cultural
 - J may have problem with this, cultural food policy mandates an educational component
 - Rep reads Anime Club's justification for cultural food for Japanese Cooking Night, justification is very well-phrased and references other clubs, receiving funding in the past, and including a teaching aspect all covered
- N: **motion to recommend as requested (6, 0, 0), approved**

37. **Chinese Students Association** represented by Jordan

- Rep: Harvard China Forum is big deal
 - J: amend the hotel to fit the number of people (3b)
- N: **motion to amend 3b to \$900 (6, 0, 0), approved**
- N: **motion to recommend as amended (6, 0, 0), approved**

38. **International Students Association (ISA)** represented by Jordan

- J: multi-cultural cooking night food (2a) needs to be amended by \$100 to fit cultural food policy
- Rep: Pangaea is their big party thing
 - J: also need to amend food (3a) to \$200 to fit integral food policy
- Rep: ice-skating trip is self-explanatory
- Rep: picnic to the Bookmill (5)- they can reallocate from other food events but they're out of food
- Rep: the faculty is coming to talk for the Faculty Panel
 - J: have to zero food (6b) but everything else is ok
- N: **motion to amend 2a to \$500, 2b to \$30, 2c to \$5, 3a to \$200, 3c to \$15 and zero 5 and 6b (6, 0, 0), approved**
- N: **motion to recommend as amended (6, 0, 0), approved**

39. **Film Society** represented by Jordan

- Rep: lots of food stuff
- N: we could halve food
 - IP: should probably just cut one event
- N: **motion to zero 3a,c (6, 0, 0), approved**
- N: **motion to recommend as amended (6, 0, 0), approved**

40. **Association of Computing Machinery (ACM)** represented by Jordan

- Rep: three workshops, open to the entire campus
- N: **motion to recommend as requested (6, 0, 0), approved**

41. **Bisemester** represented by Jordan

- Rep: three services, what they're doing is having services in traditional African American style,
- N: flowers are for decorating?
 - Rep: yes
- Rep: \$1000 for food for each event
- Rep says they'll get the money from someone else if we cut funding for any of the three events
- Rep: added together is \$3000
- J: \$3000 is hallmark cap
 - Rep: but they'll just get money from Paul so we could just fund it
- N: ok then we should do it
- discussion about the Wisdom of the Elders event graduation dinner
- C: why isn't the worship a hallmark event?
 - J: I think clubs are only supposed to have one event for hallmark

- Rep: they do get funding from other places if we don't fund, also all the events are very well attended
 - S: and the two events are basically part of one worship event
- IP: also brings up the books (2f) as giveaways
- N: **motion to amend 1d to \$500, 2d to \$300 (all under different food rules) (3, 3, 0), tie**
 - J: votes nay to tiebreak
- N: the rule for hallmark is one event up to \$3000
- S: **motion to recommend as requested (3, 3, 0), tie**
 - J: **votes yea to tie break**
 - *budget is amended the next day, refer to minutes further down in this document*

42. **Amherst Mixed Martial Arts (AMMO)** represented by Jordan

- Rep: instructors fee (1) already funded before
- Rep: promotion fees is to get their belts at the end of training
 - all-day thing
 - J: is food integral to that though?
 - JE: want to be able to celebrate and eat food because they spent the whole day working out basically
 - J doesn't think food is integral
 - J is happy to reallocate but they don't need food at this specific event
- I: **motion to 2b and 6b (6, 0, 0), approved**
- I: **motion to recommend as amended (6, 0, 0), approved**

43. **Amherst Political Union (APU)** represented by Cornell

- Rep: the big honorarium, normally 60+ come, for both things
- N: we can leave honorarium as is, 60+ or drop down to \$1200 each for 60
 - JE: I think we should drop down to \$1200
- I: Antonis Samaras is former prime minister of Greece
 - J: we don't do international travel, zeroed
- J: I think we should cut one speaker because they didn't spend some of it last year, we should cut the last one
- N: \$1200 for the first two and full for the third
- JE: **motion to zero 5b and 6 (6, 0, 0), approved**
- JE: **motion to recommend as amended (6, 0, 0), approved**

44. **Active Minds** represented by Cornell

- Rep: interviewing people and posting posters for 2
 - Rep: potraits include photographer fee
- N: how much is photographer actually
 - C: it's a professional
 - C: sorry never mind, photographer is free
- I: **motion to recommend as requested (6, 0, 0), approved**

45. **Team Mead** represented by Cornell

- Rep: club is students in charge of promoting the Mead
- Rep: they have three different workshops, I know the artist for each of them, 30 attendees for each one probably
- Rep: Museum of Contemporary Art trip (6)
 - Rep: curator fee is precautionary but they need it in case, no food
- N: **motion to zero 3b,c, 4b,c, 5a,b, and 6c (5, 0, 1), approved**
- N: **motion to recommend as amended (5, 0, 0), approved**

46. **Transfer Students Association (TSA)** represented by Cornell
- Rep: so they need to come back to discretionary for excursions because they didn't give me enough information
 - J: we need to figure out spring break policy
 - N: can figure it out after the rest of clubs
 - N: **motion to zero 4 and 5 (5, 0, 1), approved**
 - N: **motion to recommend (5, 0, 1), approved**
47. **Outing Club** represented by Cornell
- Rep: most popular is zip lining, ski, rafting, kayaking
 - J: zero the spring break
 - J: zeroing some things, keeping others, giving them around \$15,000 and they can reallocate as needed
 - C: **motion to amend 5a to \$1500 and zero 7, 9a,b,d,e, h, i, j, k, 14, and 15 (5, 0, 1), approved**
 - C: **motion to recommend as amended (5, 0, 1), approved**
 - *budget is amended the next day, refer to minutes further down in this document*
48. **Computer Science** requesting funding through discretionary
- N: **motion to emergency fund (5, 0, 1), approved**
7. **Remnant** represented by Cornell (*initially discussed on 11/30 [Thurs.]*)
- Rep: Worship Night is held in JChap, funded before
 - Rep: speaker is from Florida, travel makes sense
 - J talks about sound no caps because new company, case-by-case basis
 - N: what are the qualifications for increasing sound for other groups
 - J: sound needs to be of x y z quality
 - J: other groups is bare minimum
 - JE: I guess we gotta fund this
 - J: 3 and 4 is fine, too many events though
 - Rep: maybe we fund 3 artists or zero the travel and have Paul cover the rest
 - J; we could zero some events b/c they didn't seem to have spent all of their budget in the past
 - J: lets zero the Remnant concert and everything else after April
 - N: **motion to zero 5, 6, and 7 (6, 0, 0), approved**
 - N: **motion to recommend as amended (6, 0, 0), approved**
6. **Women's Rugby** represented by Cornell (*initially discussed on 11/30 [Thurs.]*)
- Rep: more people are going to tournament this year so I think lodging is totally necessary
 - J: 16 players plus the coach, how many nights, 2 nights
 - N: that's 1200
 - Rep: transport is to Rhode Island there and back
 - N: so they can't get transport
 - Rep: not sure where they go
 - turns out they travel enough for policy
 - N: **motion to amend 2b to \$1200, 5c to \$250, 7b to \$50 (6, 0, 0), approved**
 - N: **motion to recommend as amended (6, 0, 0), approved**
49. **Men's Rugby** represented by Cornell
- because BC funded the same equipment in the past they're zeroing shorts and balls
 - J: medical expenses seem good
 - N: motion to zero 4 and 6a (6, 0, 0), approved

- N: motion to recommend as amended (6, 0, 0), approved
26. **Partners for Animal Welfare (PAW)** represented by Isiaha (*initially discussed on 12/01 [Fri.]*)
- Rep: club got back to me, benefit dinner is for the Second Chance Animal Shelter and speaker is someone from that shelter, not sure exactly who
 - Rep: she did mention lots of people will attend
 - N: **motion to recommend 3a as requested (6, 0, 0), approved**
25. **WAMH** represented by Isiaha (*initially discussed on 12/01 [Fri.]*)
- Rep: stationary is like notebooks and pens, necessary apparently
 - BC decides it's not necessary
 - N: thinks engineering should be lowered to \$500 if it's on the contingency that the money is going to be used only if things break
 - N: what is new music?
 - Rep: rights to play music, \$200 for new music still good I think
 - N: **motion to zero 3c (6, 0, 0), approved**
50. **South Asian Student Association (SASA)** represented by Sade
- JE: how are they getting food for all these things
 - N: we should lower Holi food to \$500 for cultural
 - Rep: for speaker (7d), comedian, negotiating right now
 - N: I think 500 is good, not hallmark for Holi
 - JE brings up the fact that we don't know how big it is, also gave them \$300 last year
 - N: cooking night should be zero
 - S zeroing food and speaker but can still give them publicity
 - N: **motion to amend 2b to \$50, 3a to \$15, 4b to \$200, 5a to \$500, 5c to \$50, and 7a to \$15, and zero 3b, 6, and 7b,c (5, 1, 0), approved**
 - N: **motion to recommend as amended (5, 1, 0), approved**
51. **Roosevelt Institute** represented by Jacob
- non-contentious requests
 - JE: **motion to recommend as requested (5, 0, 1), approved**
52. **Public Health Collaborative** represented by Jacob
- Rep: everything ok, soap supplies are fine
 - Rep: Description of benefit dinner with speaker, didn't know the amount of people coming but usually well attended
 - JE: **motion to recommend as requested (5, 0, 1), approved**
53. **Culinary Club** represented by Jacob
- Rep: Masterclasses- someone comes in, three per semester, once per month, lots of hallmark food because these are big events consistently
 - Rep: for the Culinary Events, very similar in structure but for community building, not educational, 4 in total
 - Rep: Cultural food evening: food cultural eligible, also going to cosponsor hopefully
 - IP: **motion to recommend as requested (5, 0, 1), approved**
5. **Hip Hop Club** represented by Nehemiah (*initially discussed on 11/030 [Thursi.]*)
- J: trying to vote from what we discussed at Thursday discretionary, no new information
 - N: **motion to zero 1 and amend 2a to \$50 (6, 0, 0), approved**
 - N: **motion to recommend as amended (6, 0, 0), approved**

54. **Green Room** represented by Jacob

- Rep: two separate shows, first show is bigger than the second, rights costumes props sets advertising programs
- Rep: set is a bit complicated b/c not durable items, supplies for production, won't buy things to reuse in future plays
- Rep: costumes and props are supposed to be durable
- C: difference between this group's costumes and other groups
 - Rep: they're more durable
 - N: it is kind of a blank check for costumes if they don't know exactly what they need yet
- IP: could we request itemized lists of what they have
 - Rep: I could restart that and make sure people are looking at our whole inventory before they get more costumes
- C: **motion to zero 1b and 2b (6, 0, 0), approved**
- C: **motion to recommend as amended (6, 0, 0), approved**

55. **Archery Club** represented by Jacob

- Rep: coaching is by lesson
 - Rep: yes
- Rep: there is a competitive side and social side, learning how to shoot
- Rep: they go once a week so eligible for transportation
- Rep: course fee they have to pay this semester
- N: **motion to recommend as requested (6, 0, 0), approved**

56. **Men's Club Soccer** represented by Jacob

- Rep: coach is functioning as a full time coach, going to all games, all the practices if they don't conflict with games
- Rep: coach will be prioritizing A team and helping them specifically
- N: how long is he staying long-term?
 - J: not sure
- N: if there's a turnover we're not obligated to give the same amount?
 - J: no we're not
- N: just so you all know he didn't end up going to anything including games and practices
 - N: he's starting halfway through the year he doesn't know the players besides the seniors, I would love to just zero this and have them come to appeals
- Rep: do you have any objection to the case he presented though, with concrete evidence that he hasn't shown up to meetings?
 - N: I can get witness testimonies, I have so many problems with this guy
 - C: he's just finessing us right now
- IP: I think this was a problem with him also he was focusing on certain people unfairly I believe
 - J: I think that's ok but you need to come up with evidence to cut his funding
 - N: he didn't end up coming this semester at all
- I: I think between what we already gave him, \$3000, and max, \$4500, is reasonable
 - N does not agree
- S: I think we need to get feedback about coaches in general
- N: I don't think we need to zero the coach necessarily just this coach in particular
- I: I think we do need to know more about coaches as well
- N and S talks about getting a new coach
- IP doesn't want to zero
- IP: **motion to zero 2a (5, 1, 0), approved**
- IP: **motion to recommend as amended, (5, 1, 0), approved**

- N brings up hourly pay structure as well, not fully addressed but J seems to oppose
57. **Women's Ultimate Frisbee** represented by Jacob
- Rep: more people in the club so more fees
 - Rep: pretty much the same, \$500 more for fees for more people
 - note that they get \$9000 in funding for two coaches
 - I: **motion to recommend as requested (5, 0, 1), approved**
58. **Men's Ultimate Frisbee** represented by Jacob
- Re: they have different competitions, requesting hotels ahead of time for rate security, 55 people on the club but less regular members
 - Rep: also field constraint issue, so they can't practice every day, pretty standard equipment is discs and cones
 - California trip brings about some issues, but deemed ok
 - note that men's team also gets \$9000 in funding for two coaches
 - I: **motion to recommend as requested (3, 1, 2), approved**
59. **Riding Club** represented by Jacob
- Rep: financial aid model is pretty legit
 - Rep: they go on an almost daily basis, we should fund transportation
 - Rep: standard request, it is a lot of money though
 - N: **motion to recommend as requested (6, 0, 0), approved**
60. **The Indicator** represented by Jacob
- Rep: tried to get them to go online but did half the budget this semester (Fall 2017)
 - Rep: I was pulling up budget for Fall 2017, could fund half again
 - N: **motion to amend 2b to \$1500 (5, 0, 1), approved**
 - N: **motion to recommend as amended (5, 0, 1), approved**
61. **Habitat for Humanity** represented by Jacob
- Rep: team builds are five builds at \$150 per
 - I: **motion to recommend as requested (6, 0, 0), approved**
62. **Charles Drew Health Professionals Society** represented by Sade
- Rep: follow up meeting is after their intro meeting, they don't meet regularly so this is to meet informally after the informational meeting
 - Rep: Dr. Ira Health Talk- Dr. Ira is in Northampton, talking about what it means to be a health professional
 - Rep: 30-40 expected
 - Rep: originally they put food for the internship Panel
 - Rep: will put the food request back up but can zero
 - Rep: could we argue that the food for mixer is integral
 - Rep: it's a get together with the members of the club to talk about stuff
 - other BC members disagree
 - N: **motion to zero 4b, 6b, and 7a (5, 0, 1), approved**
 - N: **motion to recommend as amended (5, 0, 1), approved**
63. **Theatrical Choreography Club** represented by Sade
- S: **motion to recommend as requested (5, 0, 1), approved**
64. **Traditional Board Games Club** represented by Sade
- Rep: expansion is more pieces for games

- **JE: motion to recommend as requested (5, 0, 1), approved**

~brief break: *Is Water Wet— BC's Take*~

18. **ACF** represented by Ioannis (*initially discussed on 12/01 [Fri.]*)

- J: I would say to slash the spring break trip for ACF based on what we discussed about policy
- *motion after discussion on spring break policy*

Discussion

1. Spring Break Policy

- I: I think we need to come up with policy
- N: so 3 different routes we could take
 - 1: can fund trips depending on location, so we could say the event must be on campus with x number of attendees
 - Ex: ACF's thanksgiving dinner
 - 2: club must budget it into club budgets, can't get funding during discretionary
 - 3: we will only fund a registration fee or supplies to make event happen, not transportation or accommodation
- I: so whatever we decide are we going to have frisbee an exception?
 - JE: I think we should fund half of it
 - I: so partially fund trips?
 - JE: no just for frisbee
 - N: they need to get donations!
- JE: could potentially combine N's options
- I: I liked Will's suggestion to fund things every 4 years so every student has a chance to go to the event
 - S: brings up issue with implementing that policy
- N: thinks that we need the events to be equitable so no matter where the event is all students have equal access
- JE thinks we need to have it in budgets and not fund accommodation, combing N's 2 and 3
- N: if we write it into the policy we can change that
- Final options:
 - 1. once every two or four years to spread out funding for spring break
 - 2. have off-campus spring break trips proposed in club budget without funding for accommodations/transportation/food/anything out of policy, but if event is on campus, club can request through discretionary
 - Ex: Frisbee would get fees not accommodations
 - 3. case-by-case basis, no policy
- IP worried about club eligibility for spring break trips
 - international students stayed on campus and hosted on an event over Thanksgiving that they had to fund out of pocket because they aren't an RSO with three semester status
 - N: that's the case for all clubs, but if on campus they can come through discretionary and don't need three semester status
- I brings up problem of exclusivity of spring break trips on campus if we didn't fund accommodations it would be harder to pay for it
 - S is worried about this as well
 - N: will find funding if they want to go enough
- **straw poll: majority votes for option 2, policy is made!**
- **motion to zero 5b,c and recommend 5a (6, 0, 0), approved**

2. Trimming

- J: we need to trim \$6000 to get down 2%

24. **Circus** represented by Isiaha (*initially discussed on 12/01 [Fri.]*)

- J: funded Indicator the same as Fall so we should do the same for Circus
- N: **motion to amend 3a to \$1500 (6, 0, 0), approved**

28. **Quiz Bowl** represented by Isiaha (*initially discussed on 12/01 [Fri.]*)

- N: could also trim down Quiz Bowl's nationals stuff because we don't know if they'll make it
- N: **motion to zero 2k,l (6, 0, 0), approved**

47. **Outing Club** represented by Cornell (*initially discussed earlier on 12/02 [Sat.]*)

- J takes out certain things, Yuko did not catch exactly what so all motions to zero or amend requests are lumped in original discussion
- N: **motion to recommend as amended (6, 0, 0), approved**

41. **Bisemester** represented by Jordan (*initially discussed earlier on 12/02 [Sat.]*)

- S: do we want to rehash this whole hallmark thing again?
- rehashed, hallmark status kept but food amount lowered for each worship
- C: **motion to amend 1d to \$500 and 2d to \$500 (6, 0, 0), approved**
- C: **motion to recommend as amended (6, 0, 0), approved**