Date: February 24th, 2020

Attendance: Simon Bohn, Raya Petrova, Ruchi Raval, Brian Huang, Carlos Piedad, Nimra Shabbir, Lauren Smith, Madison Holley, Matthew Toy, Sarah Vanasse, Nathan Oommen, Carlos Gregory, Stephan Akichy, Sandeep Alampalli, and Matthew Giarratana

Non-voting: Matt Guinee, Cate Llewellyn, Jana Davis, Lauren Dougherty, Madeline Goldberg, and Meghan McVeigh

Excused: Thomas Walker, Julia Nicolescu, Marina Angelopoulos, Sophia Anderson

(MM): motion to close the meeting
(RP): Seconded
Approved: 14
Abstaining: 0
Opposed: 0
(SB): MOTION PASSES

(CL): Motion to reopen the meeting
(CP0: seconded
Approved: 13
Abstaining: 0
Opposed: 0
MOTION PASSES.

President (Bohn):
- Next terms meeting time
- Please let us know immediately, by tomorrow at the latest
- Starbucks this weekend
- Who knows about the Wednesday & Saturday shuttles to Crossgates and the right times?
  - Most people know what is is but not the time that is at

Secretary (Meghan):
Nothing to Report.

VP Administration (Petrova):
Nothing to Report.

VP Finance (Nichols):
Women’s Rugby

- disclaimer that I am a member of this team, will not be voting and just a reminder that if you are a member of a club we discuss, you should also refrain from giving your opinion

- given $11,779 for the year
  - spent $8,142.68 in fall - dues to league, USA rugby, transportation costs, coaches
  - have $3,636.50 for spring
  - spring tournaments can be expensive but participating in a few each year is important, only way to compete at an appropriate level during spring
    - also helps build sense of community among team, get to see Rugby played on a large scale

- Requesting $8,819.50 ($13,455 - $3,636.50 - $1,000) - cost of spring minus money they have minus fundraising
  - one day tournament in Rochester (Ruck Rochester) - $1,620
    - requires hotel because games start at 8am Saturday
  - Ruggerfest in Washington DC ($6,535) or Beast of the East ($4,900)
    - both weekend tournaments
    - would be one or the other, finance committee thinks the Beast of the East tournament is more appropriate
  - $1,200 for local games
    - have previously had informal games with schools like Albany, RPI, Williams, and Oneonta in spring, more casual than tournaments but good practice for tournaments and good to build local connections
  - $600 for alumni game - told them to go to alumni relations, want to hold a small reception with food and speeches
  - $3,500 on coaches ($2,000 for head, $1,500 for assistant)
  - also plan to fundraise
    - do not think it is realistic to reach $1,000
  - requests for tournaments include budget for food for meals for players but we don’t currently allow that, only allow snacks

- outline of what we should give them
  - Ruck Rochester - $250 (registration) + $500 (hotel) + $370 (vans) + $50 (snacks) = $1,170
  - Beast of the East - $600 (registration) + $2,700 (hotel) + $800 (vans) + $100 (snacks) = $4,200
  - Local games - $850 (bus) + $350 (registration/refs) = $1,200
  - Coaching - $2,000 (head) + $1,500 (assistant) = $3,500
  - tell them they don’t have to fundraise for anything unless they want to fundraise for full meals
Totals $10,072 minus $3,636.5 of money they still have in account

- TOTAL - $6,435
- (MW): wasn’t there something in fall about rugby requesting more money for coaching?
- (RP): That was men's rugby.
- (CG): Motion to approve Finance Committee's Recommendation of 6435 dollars for Women’s Rugby
  - (RP): seconded
  - Approved: 13
  - Opposed: 0
  - Abstaining: 0
  - MOTION PASSES

Club Baseball

- requesting $6,965
- had $13,920.90 last year but did not submit a budget for this year, did not play in fall
- under new leadership now
- field usage - $1650
  - 3 weekends of home games (6 games total, $75 per game, $450 total)
  - 8 weeks of practices (16 practices, $75 per practice, $1200 total)
- umpires - $1080
  - two umpires per game, 6 total home games, $90 per umpire
- Transportation - $3185
  - away games - 3 away games, $1095 or about $365 per game
  - home games - 3 trips at $110 per trip so $330 total
  - practices - 16 practices, $110 per practice so $1760 total
- Also have $1050 balance from field from last spring
- TOTAL - $6,965
- games will be scrimmages against six teams, several of which are in the league that they have been a part of in the past, the league only runs in the fall so they won’t be in the league this past spring but hopefully will be next fall
- there are at least 20 students from past years and current club expo sign ups that have a passion for baseball but don’t want to play at Varsity level, many were disappointed there was no baseball this past fall
- have already contacted field about reserving space and the six games would be scrimmages, but some against teams that are in the league they used to be in, league does not operate in spring, only in fall
• this is about half of what they had last year, for about half of the amount they played last year so seems reasonable
• (RP): motion to approve finance committee's recommendation of 6965 dollars granted to club baseball
  ○ (NO): seconded
  ○ Approved: 13
  ○ Opposed: 0
  ○ Abstaining: 0
  ○ MOTION PASSES

Speaker’s Forum

• requesting $3,500
  ○ have spent all their budget on bringing Gabby Douglass to campus and everything that went into that event
  ○ $2,400 to the middle agent that connected them with Gabby and coordinated the Q and A questions
  ○ $1,000 towards a LIM event that they are co-sponsoring in the spring, helping pay for speaker
  ○ $100 towards the Love Mom & Dad event put on for Greek Life and Athletics that occurred earlier in term (bracelets)
• have been communicative about the fact that they were going to go over their budget for Gabby Douglass
  ○ due to the nature of production, it is hard to know exactly how much they were going to go over, didn’t know until after the event
• (RR): motion to approve finance committee's recommendation to grant speakers forum 3500 dollars
• (MW): seconded
• Approved: 13
• Abstaining: 0
• Opposed: 0
• MOTION PASSES

Yearbook

• requesting $10,000
• have $27,000 for year
• money would go towards reprinting the 2019 yearbooks that were distributed
- There were a lot of errors in book and some complaints and people unhappy about the quality and lack of student life representation in yearbook
- Only one person worked to make yearbook last year, now have three additional members
  - Starting in 2021, they will start using a different publisher who is a lot less expensive, cost will decrease from $30,000 to $3,000
  - Looking at other platforms so mistake do not happen again - digital yearbook?
  - Huge error - individual is owning that but want to rectify for those who bought it forced them to think creatively about future, budget will go from $27,000 to $3,000
  - (RR): I feel like reprinting all of those yearbooks is such a waste of resources. This is not what I want out of school to support. Is there a way they could work around this? Potentially making a digital copy and offering for people to request it
  - (RN): I think individuals that purchased this thought they knew what they were getting and it is up to us to fix this.
  - (MW): Was the grammar errors significant?
  - (RN): Yes
  - (RR): How many copies would be reprinted for 10,000
  - (RN): I do not know the number off the top of my head but they did spend 25,000 dollars last year to print these so they would be saving a lot of money
  - (MW): Would the cost be less if they did not switch out photos?
  - (RN): I think most of the cost is just printed and stopping this will not change the cost
  - (Lauren): I would also like to say that we will be saving a lot of money each year after the fact because of the changes they plan on making.
  - (RR): I feel like 10,000 is a very expensive mistake, since we represent all clubs, we need to think about whether or not this is right for everyone. We should not feel like we have to approve this.
  - (RN): The way I see this, if this were a business and if a business made this type of mistake, correcting this mistake is something they would have to approve
  - (MH): Motion to approve finance committee's recommendation of 10,000 to reprint 2019 yearbooks
    - (NO): Seconded
    - Approved: 9
    - Opposed: 3
    - Abstaining 1

  ■ Motion passes
in long run, will save money
$10,000 not going to person who made mistake, going to people who bought yearbook
got significant deal from printing company - usually $25,000
grammatical errors

Trustees (Raval, Huang):
- Stillman Prize Committee
  - The highest honor a professor can receive
  - Students fill out a form and a committee decided which ones to forward to a faculty committee
  - One of primar ways we get this info is through tabling.
    - I need a couple volunteers to help with this
    - We will need people for this and next term at reamer table 1
    - The first is for this wednesday
    - Emily Tong is going to meet someone there with papers and there will be a banner upstairs in student activities
    - Timing is 12:30-1:50
    - I will send a poll
- The student selection committee is made up of students from forum
  - We will meet thursday April 16th for 12-4
  - Keep in mind you cannot submit a recommendation if you wish to sit on this committee
  - (RO): does the selection committee meet only once?
  - (RR): yes. We will get a packet of all of the forms and we will decide who will move on to be reviewed further

VP of Campus Life (Shabbir):
- Training sessions went very well (total: 25 people)
- Think we should have 1 or 2 session this week to expand this
- We could also do it at the start of spring term
- (RR): I think we should have clubs check off on their budget packet that they attended a session or that we have acknowledged and read instructions
- (NS): I think that's a great idea
- (RN): it is too late to alter budget packets but we can do a verbal confirmation or just them signing off on it when they go to drop it of in Stu Ac
- (NS): if you guys feel like there are concerns be sure to reach out separately because these are training project

VP Academics (Smith):

VP Sustainability (Piedad):
- We have decided on the CPH Parking Lot project for the Green Fee
  - Recall: this is rebuilding the island in the parking lot
  - They asked for 22,000 dollars so we recommend 25,000 for wiggle room
○ (CL) they are planting bushes where?
○ (CP): this will be in and around the parking lot
○ (MW): Motion to approve Green Fee Committee's Recommendation to Fund Ethan Oswald and Thomas Lawrence’s Green Fee project
  ■ (MM): seconded
  ■ Approved: 12
  ■ Abstaining: 0
  ■ Opposed: 0
  ■ MOTION PASSES

VP Multicultural Affairs (Holley):
  ● Identity dialogues on April 2nd (next term) working with Women’s Union

IFC (Guinee):

Panhel: (Llewellyn):
  ● Many of our fundraising events were cancelled
  ● We had the leadership retreat this passed saturday and it was very productive

MGC (N/A):

Minerva (Angelopoulos):

Theme House (Goldberg):
  ● Still working on the proposal for Theme House Manager compensation
  ● Proposal goes into detail about how this conversation takes place
  ● I can send it out over break
  ● Should have that by next week

Class of 2020 (Wiener):
  ● I will be sending out an RSVP for seniors at president's dinner soon

Class of 2021 (Toy):
Nothing to report

Class of 2022 (Anderson):
Nothing to report

Class of 2023 ():
Nothing to report

Committee Report (SAC):

Advisor’s Report (Dougherty):
  ● I was asked last week about the new soda station
  ● The new soda station has artificial sweeteners and it is zero calories
  ● Keep in mind that we need to be helping to contain rumors on campus about the coronavirus--please help their transparency from translating into fear
  ● (RR): I think the best thing for us to do is encourage people to go on the website and read their emails for updates.
  ● (RO) I put it on my story if other people want to do that as well

Old Business:
New Business:

Announcements:

(MH): Motion to Adjourn
(CP): seconded
Approved: everyone