

Senate Meeting Minutes

23 January, 2023

Start Time: 8:04 pm

End Time: 8:53 pm

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Approve 12/5/22 Minutes
3. Senate Chair and Officer Updates
4. Elections Committee Senator Appointment
5. Student Activities Fee Presentation
6. Senate Committees Reminder
7. Open Forum

Minutes

1. Call to Order

- a. 8:04 PM

2. Approve 12/5 Minutes

- a. Motion to Approve:
- b. Seconded:
- c. Motion Clearly Passes

3. Brief parli pro intro

- a. Zane: bec of new faces, here's some basic rules of how things run here. List of rules. Only senators have the right to speak xyz. General principles. More formal level of business, more members. How motions work. Resolutions and amendments. Fun stuff. Process of how this works is explained by zane. New constitutional changes, all resolutions must be voted on by the whole student body. How nominations work. Feel free to raise any questions during discussions.

4. Senate Chair Updates

- a. Not given

5. Agenda 4

- a. Person leading: Peyton Ogasawara, *Chief Financial Officer*
- b. Peyton: student fees were decreased in 2020 because of covid, now post covid it's hard to host events based on that budget. Explaining how that works. For context, 2021, fees decreased fees decreased no events no activities. Upwards trends in clubs and activities so we need more money. Avg club expenditure 1195\$. Security costs have increased, EMTs costs. Inflation. Gave the budget overview, broke it down. Explain the deficit. If we don't raise student fees we can't host events or fun clubs. Student fees around \$300 to control this deficit. Adjusting for inflation is one option. This isn't something that we do every year, we won't be raising fees for a while after this. We want to look for your input on what amounts you want or questions and comments
- c. SLC Chair Nicole Jonassen: how does fin aid interact with this

- d. Peyton: your finaid would essentially would cover, essentially it may not cover it and that's a topic we have to discuss with dos
- e. Senator: what events will be affected if we don't increase
- f. Tori Williams, *Vice President of Student Activities*: kinda all of them. Especially large events, fees add up. Safe and effective parties. Short answer, all of them will kind of be affected. Mckenna palooza and pirate party - money is a huge reason why this is happening. Ascmc turnover, mckenna palooza is the week after ascmc changes, new people come in, that puts that event in a vulnerable place. Who ever is on the events team is not the same people who planned it and combining these two parties is best
- g. Senate: did dos ask to combine
- h. Tori: honestly it was made last semester when i wasn't in ascmc, it was more of a discussion that had been going on for a while
- i. Senator Trevor Klein: emt and security cost, have we always paid for those
- j. Tori: yeah. For large events, 5c we hire third party security company to work for security. In the past they didn't think they had a proper accountant to submit contracts in the right way. Not sure how exactly it works.
- k. Trevor: is it true that earlier dos used to pay now students have that burden to pay
- l. Tori: i don't think so
- m. Senator Lucas Mirizzi: have we looked at diff companies
- n. Tori: basic necessities for a lot of parties. I am not the person who facilitates these contracts, dos does these, bryan wear who gets in contact with these facilities. I don't have jurisdiction over these decisions

- o. Senator Carson Bloom: will the fees of other colleges be adjusted for 5c parties, seems like cmc hosts a lot more 5c parties, will other c pay more
- p. Tori: extensive meeting today with dos. That is a topic. Continuing problem. We are contributing more to 5c party scene than other Cs. club claremont cmc + 5c friend. Wedding + pirate will be 5c for now. We will likely need a ticket for a lot of lost money in the budget. Charging cmc students hopefully less.
- q. Rohan: what does that mean ticket for lost events
- r. Peyton: 65k\$ deficit

6. Elections Committee Senator Appointment

- a. Kaitlyn: clarifications about the post
- b. Senator: move to nominate Harry Rinker
- c. Senator: move to second
- d. Zane: further nominations
- e. Senator: i move to close the nomination
- f. Seconded
- g. Motion passes
- h. Harry: i just want to volunteer my time and help out with budgeting and all that
- i. Zane: any discussion on the floor
- j. Senator: i believe in you harry
- k. Zane: all rise, those in favour
- l. Zane: all those who oppose please rise
- m. Motion passes

7. Open Forum

- a. Motion to approve the minutes: nicole
 - i. Megan: seconded
 - ii. Motion passes
- b. Zane: reminders, join committees. Ath advisory committee apps open
- c. Tori: notifs about events team apps, due tonight, if you are interest please join
- d. Sam: spring club fair!
- e. Austin Andersen: propose a resolution
 - i. Seconded
 - ii. Motion to Suspend the Rules
 - iii. Floor is open for debate and discussion
 - iv. Please rise to suspend minutes for open discussion
 - v. All those opposed please rise
 - vi. Motion passes
 - vii. Zane: Senator may read the resolution
- f. Austin Andersen: resolution for the protection of claremont mckenna college social life
 - i. Zane: debate is in order
 - ii. Nicole: given the state of the budget, with what funds do you want to add these events to the schedules
 - iii. Trevor Klein: we have savings we can use those
 - iv. Peyton: we have a 30k\$ fund we can use
- g. Austin Andersen: I move we refer this to a special committee
 - i. Zane: i am going to need it in writing

- ii. Austin Andersen: Motion to refer resolution to a committee
- iii. Reading motion to refer the resolution to a committee
- iv. Kaitlyn: what's the point of a special committee
- v. Trevor Klein: we don't think ascmc is dealing with student wants and wishes. Existing committees are not doing what they should
- vi. Nicole: either way it will go through AAA while they give a recommendation
- vii. Motion passes
- viii. Committee of 10 is appointed by senate
- h. Zane: We will now proceed to appointing the 7 Senators who are members of the special committee
 - i. Nominations:
 - 1. Trevor Klein
 - 2. Austin Andersen
 - 3. Homer Livingston
 - 4. Kendall Chapko
 - 5. Zara Vakath
 - 6. Lucas Mirizzi
 - 7. Shaira Busnawi
 - ii. Zane: Any further nominations from the floor
 - iii. Harry Rinker: Move to close nominations
 - iv. Motion passes with $\frac{2}{3}$ majority vote
 - v. Harry Rinker: Move to approve all the nominees

1. Zane: Any discussion on the nominees
2. Motion to approve the nominees passes

8. Motion to adjourn:

- a. Seconded
- b. Motion clearly passes

9. Meeting adjourned at: 8:53pm