



Associated Students of Claremont McKenna College

Executive Board

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1. Proposed actions to Improve CMC's Racial and Ethnic Climate
2. Fellows Program 2015-16
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Members Present: Will Su, Iris Liu, Christine Horne, Nicky Blumm, Abby Michaelson, Kathryn Chakmak, Kris Brackmann, Michael Irvine, Becca Zimmerman, Caroline Peck, Cole Mora, Cristina Lee, Melissa Muller, Mica Laber, Makari Krause, Tyler Finn, Ben Turner

Members Absent: Russell Salazar, Sharan Seth, Tooba Karim

Call to Order:

1. Guests
 - A. Eric, forum
 - B. Dylan freshman
 - C. Carlos first-gen student group
 - D. Maddy (former VP – on behalf of the alumni, great job and thank you. You guys are so lucky, what ASCMC gets to do is so unlike from what any other school can do. Being on ASCMC taught me a lot. What you do for the students is so important to ASCMC's culture. You are the people that creates the community and inclusivity at CMC.)
 - E. Jeremy – senior
 - F. Lisette – senior
 - G. Kevin – freshman
 - H. Ginsy – junior
 - I. Denise – junior
 - J. Carlos – junior
2. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Approved
3. Board Updates
4. Board Updates
 - A. Kris – no update
 - B. Makari – no update
 - C. Mica – no update
 - D. Caroline – no update
 - E. Nicky – lifted a lot of stuff yesterday. Super sore.
 - F. Christine – we're basically done with events for now, just some stuff for finals week
 - G. Kathryn – no update
 - H. Abby – last meeting ever for me! Apologize for my un-helpful behavior yesterday. Fountain party went great, senior dinner was good, thinking of making video of people's superlatives. San Diego is next weekend. I won two superlatives!
 - I. Tyler – no update
 - J. Melissa – no update
 - K. Becca – no update
 - L. Iris – just reached out to Diversity Chairs at Scripps and Pomona, and the diversity committee at

- Pitzer, and the president of HMC (they don't have one) to learn about the historical chairs why they have these positions and if they've been helpful. Working to schedule a meeting this week.
- M. Will – met with Dean Weyman this week about orientation. Meeting with Chodosh this week to discuss policy changes over the summer. We do need a way to communicate during the summer.
5. Nyree Gray Guest Speaker
- A. A concern about issues of inclusion – when communications go poorly, how do we address it more in a global way? Here more to get information about the process of what happens when things don't go well. I hear from students when they are hurt or frustrated with certain actions.
 - B. Announcement of junior class president and Pirate Party image.
 - C. Is there a public consensus? What's the response?
 - D. Will – one of the line items for later in the evening is discussing the proposal to add a diversity chair and what we are doing.
 - E. Nyree – since you're meeting with Chodosh this week, this is also a concern for him.
6. **Proposed actions to Improve CMC's Racial and Ethnic Climate**
- A. Ginsky & Denise organized students of color to discuss what the climate is at CMC. We had 3 at-large meetings and then had a few others for people who were active. Came up with a list of proposals we sent to ASCMC and Chodosh. They align with the requests from the 2012 Campus Climate report. Our biggest recommendation is having a chair and committee to better serve the needs of these students on this campus. Why we want it: from my personal experience, I haven't seen a lot of events from ASCMC catering to my identity as a person of color, and having a diversity chair that focuses on those events and makes sure there is inclusivity. Shouldn't just focus on the ethos. Important to have permanent position that is constantly thinking about these issues especially with the fast turnover of leaders. As a first generation student, I feel comfortable talking to Will but if there was a white president I'm not sure I'd be as comfortable.
 - B. Ginsky – CMC, besides HMC, is the only college without any diversity chair/committee/institution. It's a way of realizing that not everyone at CMC is white or upper class.
 - C. It's also important from stopping ASCMC from doing anything stupid. Not that long ago we had the Navajo party and a diversity chair probably could have stopped it.
 - D. Iris – I disagree that a diversity chair would have stopped the event. I was on board at the time, and the rest of board didn't actually see the event before it came out, so no one got the chance to see and stop it. The Pirate Party image was also a mistake, and mistakes happen. No member of ASCMC should ever do anything like that, but it's not something that one diversity chair would be able to check.
 - E. Denise – on the Pirate Party post, a diversity chair would have pushed a public apology.
 - i. Iris – there was
 - F. Denise – on the facebook event. A public email apology to the black student body should have happened.
 - G. Iris – Will and myself sat down with some representatives from this group a while back. A diversity chair could cheapen the idea that the whole ASCMC board to be aware of these issues. When it's one person's job to make sure that the rest of board is not racist or offensive. I just didn't think that the reasons would actually be solved by the diversity chairs.
 - H. Ginsky – That's not the only reason why we want a diversity chair.
 - I. Jeremy – if we look around the table, there are not a lot of students of color on ASCMC. We don't see ASCMC as an entity that takes our best interest at heart. I know you have a lot of work to do, but adding a diversity chair would help us SEE that there's someone there to help out, just like when there's a professor of color it also has a good email. If we can't go to DOS or ASCMC, a diversity chair would be a step in the right direction.
 - J. Carlos – I don't think anyone on ASCMC is racist, it's about being stupid. It can be involuntary and on accident, but upper-class white students are not in the same position as the rest of us.
 - K. Will – it's wrong to assume any socio-economic status of the board members.

- L. Carlos – I think there's a pretty big gap and class distinction here at CMC. Bigger than other schools. Only 11% of our campus is Pell Grant eligible when Pomona's is 25%. There is a gap. While ASCMC does not perfectly embody it, it still represents it. Your experiences are not the same as ours. Having someone whose experiences are more similar as ours, could provide those experiences to the rest of you.
- M. Jeremy – We need someone to check if things are offensive and coming up with ideas that are inclusive to the student body. Students think their wants and needs are not taken into consideration. I know a lot of you and I know you put a lot of work into what you do, but the students of color and ASCMC do not align
- N. Abby – suggestions of events?
- O. Jeremy – Black History month, culture festival (like I-festival), have events that everyone feels welcome.
- P. Nyree – I feel a sense of tension and a pressure. Is there a concern about having this chair? The students of color are making a case for having one. Is there a concern about having one?
- Q. Tyler – I'm curious for all of your thoughts on this. I like the idea of a committee because you get a wide variety of opinions and backgrounds. I wonder if one person can embody all of those experiences. Do you think having a diversity chair on board would make it so that students of color wouldn't run for the other positions? I'd like to see diversity amongst all the positions, not just one.
- R. Jeremy – It would be a stepping stone. We have committees all the time. I think one person with an advisory council could support a wide variety of students. It's our foot in the door.
- S. Cristine – One of my goals coming in was to make more diverse events. For example, the Hookah TNC is great. The way of bringing in those events is different. What would the logistics and process of bringing in a chair be? It has to be elected or appointed.
- T. Denise – I was thinking that ASCMC could look at Pomona's model.
- U. Iris – do you know that process?
- V. Denise – I'm not familiar but recommending it. I appreciate that you're taking the initiative to make events around diversity, but it's not permanent or sustainable in any way. When you graduate we don't have a way of making sure that this continues.
- W. Kathryn – by events you mean
- X. Jeremy – For example bringing in different kinds of music with DJ's, we want a say in our idea of turning up.
- Y. Iris – Tiger DJ'd yesterday
- Z. Jeremy – when another DJ was here, no one showed up. There are different kinds of students of color who like different things. The students DJing are not about the cause as much as we are.
- AA. Nyree – It's not like the college on a bigger level isn't doing the same thing. I'm sensitive to Iris's concern about there only being one person for all the students of color. I think it's also ASCMC making the same initiative, so as a group the leadership think this is important. I don't think it every makes a substitute for everyone caring about it, but it shows that someone does.
- BB. Jeremy – I want to understand your stance.
- CC. Will – we never took a stance on this position. We want to discuss it, pinpoint the parts of the proposal and see what exists already and what can be effective. The next step is meeting with the diversity chairs at the other 4Cs. Trying to see how it came to be – did students request it or was it part of the constitution initially? How can we go in and make sure that if we do this, we do it right and it isn't commoditized. Want to go about it in a systematic way that's going to work. We have taken these steps and are trying to meet with these members of the other colleges. We haven't taken a stance, but when we take a stance we want to make sure it's well thought-out.
- DD. Nicky – Certainly don't have an objection, but am worried that a diversity chair will make it so the rest of us are unapproachable. Are there strategies for us to be more approachable. I've been working with some marginalized groups on campus, and I understand the difficulties.
- EE. Kathryn – We class presidents want to bet here for you and be your voice. Any input that you have

to help us do our job better would be fantastic.

- FF. Dylan – I understand what you're saying, and that's the reason why we need a diversity chair. For me, there are very few out faculty on this campus, and even if I'm super close to a professor I'm not going to talk to them about my sexuality. It's nothing personal against these people, but it's easier to speak to someone who has had the same experiences. As hard as you can try to be nice and be great, I'm still not going to talk to those professors about my sexuality.
- GG. Jeremy – When I first walked in, I felt tension. It felt like I had taken a stance. What you're asking is we don't know where we stand but we want help in being effective.
- HH. Becca – A good part of having this position would be partnering with fellow board members on how to be better allies. A lot of us were at the event on Wednesday, but that's the kind of thing we need. A person could help create a flow between the flow instead of just having communication on one person.
- II. Dylan – having one person is not putting responsibility on one person, it's having a person to help put the responsibility on every way.
- JJ. Carlos – it's not a point of embarrassment that ASCMC has been lacking in this area. It's a fact, and it's okay that you're lacking and it's a growth progress. The point is that ASCMC is lacking and we're helping you be better.
- KK. Iris – I have felt very tense in this conversation. I'm a student of color, my parents are immigrants, I'm Pell- Grant eligible. This needs to stay respectful. It hurts when you paint ASCMC with a brush that we are this way. This was my platform, I ran to represent these people. If you're helping us grow that's great. I don't think that these groups represent “all students of color” because I'm also low-income first generation and I try my best in my leadership to make that known. I am a strong ally of the LGBT community and I make that known. I feel personally attacked in my role because I believe in what ASCMC can do, and what I've been presented with here is that we've failed. And the things we have been doing- we've actively tried to address issues like partnering with clubs. How do we move forward when you're making me feel like everything I've done has been a failure. It makes it hard to smile and nod when I feel this way, and we do have students of color and other international students. Saying everyone on ascmc is white de-values those of us who are of color and are working for improvement.
- LL. Nicky – it's about re-tooling. There's lots of different things we're all trying to contribute to, and I think this makes the process easier. It's not that what's been done is failure, it's that we want to improve what's been done.
- MM. Carlos – I apologize, never meant to cause personal offense. There's brass-ness in my voice. The change over the past 3 years has been good and definitely people in this room have contributed. When I was a freshman, it was shitty. When I paint with a large brush, I don't want to lose site of those victories. I know a diversity chair won't fix everything. When I said what I said, it's because even if we succeed and have a diversity chair things won't get better tomorrow, but it could get better in a year or two because it's a long process. I don't see a diversity chair fixing that much immediately. If you ask any current freshman how they feel now vs how upperclassmen felt as freshmen it's much better.
- NN. Denise – as a queer person of color, you, Iris, were the first one to make me feel comfortable. Me sending that letter to you and you meeting with us shows that ASCMC has grown. We don't want you to feel like you're undervalued. Let's be real, we would not have sent that letter to Ben. ASCMC is moving forward and the diversity chair makes the progress more visible to people.
- OO. Brian – Iris thank you for sharing. The reason a lot of us are here today is that while you do hold a commitment to expanding diversity in ASCMC, you also have other roles, whether senate or clubs or events. As an incoming student who doesn't know you, it makes it hard to know who to go to. This position creates a person that students know they can go to and they can serve the diverse community.
- PP. Ginsy – echo everything that was said. Will and iris, the fact that we're having this conversation is a

testament to how great you're being and ASCMC growing. You aren't going to be here in 2 years, and we don't know what's going to happen. This letter was signed by 70 students and 45 alumni. These voices have spoken and it's your chance to listen to these voices.

QQ. Jeremy – We don't see you as bad people. But the students of color who don't know you, they see people who may not have their best interest at heart. A step for bettering CMC for all students to have the liberal arts experience.

RR. Will – thank you for coming to voice your opinions. The board will discuss further.

SS. Iris – the next question is “how?”

TT. Nyree – thank you so much for letting me be a part of the discussion. The strength to have this discussion is more impactful than you believe. At least you've given people the opportunity to be heard. If you do decide to move forward with this, you should email everyone and invite people to share with you what they would do with the concept. Tell the community that you're thinking of this position, and hear what they think about it. Hear the other colleges, but realize that CMC is unique and the leadership here would be different. The email gives others a shot to see what they'd like to see in this role. I appreciate the time and that you're collectively thinking about it.

UU. Will – ever since we got the email, we've been thinking and researching and contacting even colleges not at Claremont.

7. Event Debrief

A. Mr. Stag

- i Christine – went decent, better than last year, meeting with Devon tomorrow to discuss future, possible we won't have it again. More info about that next week.
- ii Nicky – are you going to advocate for having it next year?
- iii Christine – I'm not sure. Devon and I were talking about retiring the event – so we can get it to a point where it's more manageable and better.
- iv Abby – will you email us what happens since we don't have more meetings?
- v Christine – last year we had a lot more derogatory comments in general, especially with women. Took out pick up lines and communicated with the contestants this year the issues. This year we had a better handle on things. The event is supposed to be dry and it's hard to enforce, and the destruction and things that come along with that cause issues.
- vi Tyler – it might be helpful for the rest of board to have a line up before the event of who's doing what.
- vii Christine – Cole did a great job with that. This event got a little jumbled. Planning in the future for all events having a straight timeline with roles.
- viii Cole – definitely agree that it's not always as specific as it could be.
- ix Abby – Ashraf and I didn't know that we had to make questions.

B. Pirate Party

- i Christine – went very well – thank you all for your help. Thanks for the mid-party keg run Kathryn! Devon was very pleased. Going to have a lot of damages on the field. Generators – the alumni at monte carlo stole one. Seeing if they'll pay for part of it. Need to take them back. Story House let the alumni into our offices. All the pregames in midquad went well, nothing in NQ
- ii Nicky – technically brunches. A lot of dorm damages for furniture movement. Mostly okay. Need to stress better how glass is unacceptable anyway. Spread out pretty nicely, there's a lot to be said about using midquad – bigger space and we should continue moving things south.
- iii Will – with renovations we're going to have a lot of potential in midquad. Open space has a lot of perks.
- iv Christine – working with Devon about changing fencing layouts. Bike barricades went really well, going to use them in the future. No issues with people jumping over. A lot of the issues we'll hear more from Devon tomorrow. He was very pleased. All the deans were pleased
- v Will – Chodosh was happy.

- vi Iris – Those plastic cups splinter so much.
- vii Kathryn – It was the little ones that were at the class tables that splinter, and they were so small that people were taking “shots” of champagne and had to keep refilling.
- viii Will – need way more trashcans.
- ix Christine – story house didn't bring us enough.
- x Becca – needed trashcans by the beer pong area.
- xi Christine – we've never thrown an event like that before so it's a learning curve.
- xii Kathryn – class tents went great. Good to have other alcohol options besides beer. Maybe instead of classes have it general.
- xiii Mikey – guests, any thoughts on pirate party?
- xiv Kevin – I thought it was pretty cool, not really any complaints.
- xv Eric – really impressed with how the space was used and the fencing because it didn't feel as closed in.
- xvi Brian – was the speakers being in the one corner intentional?
- xvii Christine – yes, we wanted a central dance area.
- xviii Brian – slip n slide?
- xix Christine – we normally use these white tarps with hooks, and we found these other tarps to use instead at last minutes. Going to have damages.
- xx Becca – there used to be an inflatable with a slide in past, a lot of people want to see that.
- xxi Makari – how did the alumni swing hard alcohol at Monte Carlo and we can't?
- xxii Christine – it's a 21+ event.
- xxiii Will – outsource bar tenders with liquor licenses.
- xxiv CJ – why did we need to have wristbands along with ID's, and why was that mentioned 1 day before?
- xxv Christine – it was publicized the whole time. Sent many emails. We did wristbands so that we could have entry and exit on both sides. It allowed people to enter from the apartments and get to the bathroom. We've never wristbanded at an event this scale. It's learning for future events, and we can't give wristbands on other days because they have to be wearing it.
- xxvi Cristina – when I was serving beer, people took their wristbands off and gave it to someone else, and then they would claim it broke and I would ask for ID and they said they didn't have one.
- xxvii Iris – you're always going to need an ID at a party for security reasons.
- xxviii Ben – had issues of people not getting wristbands on time.
- xxix Christine – certain groups told us beforehand. Tried to make as many accommodations as possible. Certain sports teams, for example.
- xxx Tyler – I thought that was the best event that ASCMC has thrown since I've been here, and I've heard tons of seniors agree.
- xxxi Kathryn – I was serving alcohol for at least 3 hours and people were super appreciative.
- xxxii Christine – because of how great this went, he's trying to create a line item about partnering more and authorizing a lot more initial alcohol purchase because people actually came to the event and stayed there.
- xxxiii Becca – also helps stay away from the culture of taking shots
- xxxiv Caroline – it was good that we ran out of beer for 45 minutes because they drank water!
- xxxv Nicky – running out of water is completely not acceptable. We need to have a standard for all events that when we're down to 2 cases of water we should have a bunch in the offices. The number of Pitzer students and alum was insane in comparison to other schools.
- xxxvi Christine – in future food trucks CMC only with different wristbands that are rip-off, for like 3 meals each.
- xxxvii Brian – I thought it was a good idea to start kicking people out of mid quad right at 11.

In future encouraging people to go to event is good.

- xxxviii Ben – important to set a precedent. Met with DOS 3 times during the day. We were much more aware of the fact that there are alumni and families walking through. Having north quad empty got the alumni and development office super happy. It's helpful for the RA's as well. Better organized pregames/brunches were really important and helped our job. And thank you Nicky for the email.
- xxxix Iris – the wristbands were actually super helpful in telling people that we could cut their wristbands and wouldn't be able to get back in the party. There were students leaning over the fence drinking hard alcohol and private security was doing nothing. But when I told them I'd cut their wristband they were grumpily okay with it.
- xl Caroline – next year!!!!!!

C. **Fellows Program 2015-16**

- i Iris – pipeline. Screen applicants and chose them, inequitable access to ASCMC that only a few students get. And only one person oversees it. If we do it it should be a committee or graduating committee.
- ii Cole – a lot of things that definitely need to be clarified. If you have questions let's meet and we'll answer it.
- iii Caroline – the vision is more about giving an opportunity for freshman to understand how the school works. On board we learn the behind the scenes and working with admin, and this better helps them understand the system. We know who to talk to. That's why I think the fellows program is important.
- iv Cole – multiple people ran the program, there were 5 of us interviewing, a DL was sent out.
- v Christine – what do they do
- vi Caroline – had a curriculum that Cole/Aviv/Will/Mikey developed, assigned reading of “How College Works”, first meetings were about discussion of what they were experiencing, learning about ASCMC, funding pools, resources. Long discussions of how people were doing that better helped understand the freshman experience and assigned mentors on board. I had 3 fellows come to my SoCo meeting on a regular process and they were helping with projects, helped plan events, threw their own events. Allowed more than just the freshman class president to learn about ASCMC and be involved
- vii Becca – I agree that it does seem confusing, but I felt like as a freshman it was nice to meet older people and talk about your experience and get questions answered. That was the biggest role it played for me.
- viii Iris – Any mentor program can do that. I'm worried more about what the program represents. I'm guessing that those who were fellows had a huge advantage in the appointment process, and a lot of the elections committee are people who had a lot of involvement with this.
- ix Becca – even if it did have weight, it is helpful that they know what they're signing up for and know how it works.
- x Ben – there's a lot of self-selection in the application process, because when you understand it and are interested. It's beneficial for freshmen to clarify a lot of myths about what exec board does, and created better understanding of exec board in freshman class.
- xi Kevin – How was this publicized?
- xii Melissa – there was a DL email sent out to all freshmen
- xiii Mikey – no written out criteria. Wanted a diverse group of people that can contribute to the school and student body in different ways and showed potential and desire to be involved.
- xiv Nicky – was senate involved in any way? Whoever they end up being, they're way more involved in a way that others don't.
- xv Will – this was a pilot test, meant to be educational in nature.
- xvi Cristina – a couple of my friends asked me if fellows have a special way of getting into ASCMC. They had that thought even though it's not supposed to. Realize that those thoughts do exist

- on campus. Even if that's not the purpose, it can come off that way.
- xvii Melissa – there's a huge value in allowing freshmen to get their feet wet with ASCMC and know what they're getting themselves into or be involved without a huge commitment. I doubt I would have applied for exec board if I hadn't been a fellow.
- xviii Tyler – there isn't necessarily something wrong with having a feeder group. Cole was in freshman class council before running for class president, I had an appointed position before hand. The people who are interested early on could stay interested in the future.
- xix Kathryn – why don't we just let everyone who applies participate if its educational?
- xx Will – limited resources and time for whoever is running it. If we have more resources happy to expand it.
- xxi Nicky – some people could take on more fellows
- xxii Eric – is there a person who's designated job it is to organize the fellows program? If it's one persons responsibility then they can make sure that resources are distributed.
- xxiii Will – it's for board members who want to take on a bigger role past their position.
- xxiv CJ – worried that instead of a feeder program, it becomes a barrier for those who don't get that early step into ASCMC.
- xxv Will – there's multiple paths to getting involved in ASCMC. There's dorm presidents, class councils, senate and its committees. If you excel and self select into any of those you naturally have an advantage over the rest of the student body.
- xxvi Caroline – the barriers are the same for other things as well, like senate committees or even Source and Rose.
- xxvii Iris – my bigger issue is ensuring that there are enough checks on all of these processes. If the people who choose these positions have an unfair exposure to these people. People are chosen 2 months into school. On the elections committee I was hearing all these people saying how great people are, when we should just be looking at the applications. The fellows made it on board. You could be great, but what about the people who could have been great and didn't have a shot?
- xxviii Christine – I'm not for or against it but there are fellows that applied that didn't get the positions. Definitely should make it not an exclusive club.
- xxix Cole – Should be only about the applications and not just the experiences. I have never been on elections committees and you (Iris) were not here for the program. I don't think that personal interactions are a bad thing to consider, and with or without the fellows elections committee members would still know people personally.
- xxx Christine – there are board positions that don't have mentorship capabilities. As secretary I took minutes.
- xxxi Mikey – need a formalized proposal.
- D. **Budget Debate & Vote**
- i Mikey – discussed a new budget. The changes were basically to unfreeze CMC clubs, to unfreeze dorms, and unfreeze 5C clubs part-way. The 10k for a potential investment fund was taken out. If that's something we want then we have to discuss it longer term for next year.
- ii Tyler – I really don't like the precedent set by unfreezing funds. Don't see any way that these funds can be used with so little time left.
- iii Mikey – The reason for that change is because senate did not like it. This is money that CMC students paid into their students fees and they should be able to access that even if in the form of pizza parties to de-stress. Maybe we don't like the way it will be used but it is Nicky's discretionary fund.
- iv Nicky – In the discretionary fund so that Melissa and I have a check on that.
- v Tyler – what happens if we vote down this budget?
- vi Mikey – we continue with the current budget, but have to unfreeze clubs and dorms because the idea of freezing it is to find out how much money is available for budgeting.

- vii Mikey – basically, this is very similar to the way things are currently in the present budget, with a bit of a freeze in 5C campus orgs. Revenues added to general fund.
- viii Kathryn – would we come back to the idea of investment fund?
- ix Will – we can discuss what we want next year.
- x Tyler – if we approve this we're approving precedent of unfreezing budget, but if we don't then precedent of not approving a budget.
- xi Mikey – not constitutional to freeze clubs/dorms if not budgeting
- xii Iris – the effect of freezing is for budgeting and indirectly to prevent frivolous spending.
- xiii Kathryn – I think we need to really explain to senate that there's a week and a half left. What is this money actually going to be spent on? If you haven't spent it by now, what are the chances you'll spend it?
- xiv Nicky – It's about the availability.
- xv Will – clubs can request an exemption.
- xvi Melissa – They know this, it went out in the email.
- xvii Will – we need to clarify the 15% freezing and put it in the constitution.
- xviii Nicky – don't necessarily see any benefit in not approving it. As a respect for the students and individual students having access to the funds, move to approve. Unused money gets re-budgeted for next year anyway.
- xix Will – normally we are not in budget, normally we're 20k deep by now, and we move that money out of dorms/clubs, and we pay off debts. Precedent is concerning to me. This is an anomaly of a surplus. We should consider how we interpret this 15%
- xx Iris – the precedent up to this point was in a different situation. We can make it very clear that we're only doing this because of the situation we're in – NOT a precedent of not setting a budget. Because of the restructuring, the DAC will encourage more dorm spending and such.
- xxi Abby – not doing the freeze says it's okay that presidents didn't do anything with their money.
- xxii Tyler – don't like that this ran so close that Senate was able to say their desires and that exec board's concerns were not heard as loudly as the students in Senate. It's an issue to pass a budget that we as a board do not endorse.
- xxiii Mikey – it's the nature of compromise.
- xxiv Nicky – good idea for budget committee to chat with other board members who use the budget (i.e. the one who supports dorm spending). I don't think people are going to be frivolous in one week. I process all the requests – they don't have time right now to do that.
- xxv Mikey – if they do spend then Nicky and Melissa still have the final say in what is and isn't approved. It's a check at least.
- xxvi Melissa – it takes more to organize for clubs.
- xxvii Nicky – I don't think announcing the unfreezing will change anything. I will tell the dorm presidents but they still won't spend it. This is not going to be an issue next year because of the change in how to work with dorm president.

E. Open Forum

- i Christine – a good investment (if Devon is ok) is to get a kegerator so we don't spend as much with unused kegs. I'll email about it.
- ii Eric – status of ASCMC office renovations proposal?
- iii Will – not talking about it for the rest of this year
- iv Kathryn – how did student security go at pirate party?
- v Christine – a few helped with set up and wristbands. Very helpful.
- vi Tyler – we were done setting up early and one of them said they were still on until 12 and asked if we needed any more help, which is a very different mindset from the past.
- vii Kathryn – there's a golfcart on sale on Foothill!
- viii Will – need DOS approval
- ix Kathryn – when are DOS and when are we as a whole doing things for finals week? To make

sure that class presidents don't overlap with the other events.

Adjourn: 9:03pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Mica Laber

Executive Secretary