

Associated Students of Claremont McKenna College
Senate
April 18, 2016



Call to Order: 9:04 pm

Agenda:

1. Sign in
 2. Approval of Senate Minutes (04.11.16)
 3. Board Updates
 4. AAA Funding Request
 - a. 5C Women's Ultimate Frisbee
 5. Review of Senate Operating Procedures - For Discussion & Vote
 6. For Discussion: Room Draw Exit Survey Results
 7. For Discussion: Preliminary ASCMC budget '16-'17
 8. General Announcements
 9. Closing Remarks
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1. Approval of Senate Minutes (04.11.16)

- a. Approved

2. Board Updates

- a. Consortium Affairs
 - i. Mudd – Elliot: in freeze, trying to tidy up loose ends with constitution; currently allowed to oust Exec Board members with voting system; when one of their members of Exec Board is under review they can't act; potential problem if they keep being under review
 - ii. Pitzer – Ellie: talking circle and mural proposition; discussion about honoring Native people; discussion about removing positions on student Senate, discussion went around for 4 hours

3. AAA Funding Request

- a. 5C Women's Ultimate Frisbee
 - i. Claire: requesting funds for travel to NC for national tournament; requesting \$900 for 3 CMC students; they currently have \$480 left in their club funds used for entry fees; in the past they have received funding for another tournament but never funding by CMC
 - ii. Ellery: on Frisbee team, national tournament is end of the road and a big chance for Frisbee; chance to show off team and believes experience is the best opportunity for team to bond; while \$900 seems like a lot they are still paying a large portion out of pocket and their goal is ultimately just to play Frisbee
 - iii. Campbell: other funding? Claire: other schools have funded them
 - iv. Thomas: Recommendation? Claire: recommended initially to fund partially, and to come back a little later to see if wanting to fund in full

- v. Felipe: we have \$908 that have not been allocated, but we have other funds from groups that didn't use all of their funds (around \$600 that we still have); not worried about our fiscal matters
- vi. _____: reason for doing \$650 now and funding all later if no more requests
- vii. Felipe: we have close to \$1000
- viii. Geno/others: we should fund in full
- ix. Michael: did they provide us with a full budget breakdown
- x. Teagan: I think this is one of the more legit funding requests we've gotten, should fund in full
- xi. Sam: seconds what Teagan said, shows they've put in a lot of work and deserve full funding
- xii. Geno: if someone requests \$1500 and they only need \$1000, are there any rules that say "you're not entitled to funding anymore"
- xiii. Felipe: not aware of any such existing rule
- xiv. Geno: might be good to have an expiration date on funding, so we can add funding back into budget if it goes unused
 - 1. Motion to fund in full
- xv. Motion approved

4. Review of Senate Operating Procedures - For Discussion & Vote

- a. Felipe: quick announcement that Senate committee chair applications are out; will work closely with himself and Felipe
- b. Thomas: Multiple changes to Operating Procedures, including Senate committee names and descriptions updated; for appointments of chairs and committee members
- c. Discussion on requirements to be senator (Cambell/Mikey)
- d. Thomas: Wanted to highlight section on recusals; more stringent recusing requirements set
- e. Andrew: reaffirming Geno's idea to put in some sort of expiration date on Senate funds
- f. Thomas: IV.B.4 – could add clause that funds lapse after certain amount of days
- g. Discussion on whether or not Senate funds should have expiration date; including how many days clubs should have to spend their funds
- h. Teagan: motion to approve operating procedures with added clause saying groups will have 60 days following the day of their event to use their funds
- i. Motion
- j. Thomas: Added All funds allocated by Senate must be spent within 60 days
- k. Approved
- l. Thomas: PDF will be posted on ASCMC website

5. For Discussion: Room Draw Exit Survey Results

- a. Felipe: Daniel will talk about survey results; there was a survey at the end of the room draw process
- b. Daniel: overview of survey results, main results: 47% didn't get what they wanted; 78% satisfaction with quad; 82% of people tried to coordinate dorms with their friends; overall satisfaction rates highest for class of '17, lowest was

- with '18]; 17% wanted sub-free housing, about half of that got it; with gender inclusive housing there are a lot more people indifferent with gender inclusive than with sub-free; we want to work with people in charge of housing and we need to have a productive discussion about it
- c. Discussion about housing, in particular: quotas in NQ, Title IX, discontent with misinformation about availability of options, potential for changes in process in the future (including discussion about other systems, such as Mudd's current procedures)
 - d. Daniel: we can go into depth later about what mock-draw and other alternatives would look like; especially sizing of block housing in different quads

6. For Discussion: Preliminary ASCMC budget '16-'17

- a. Felipe: prelim look at budget; some senate members on Exec Board surplus will rollover; estimate = \$361,100
 - i. Created operations fund that takes part of multiple other aspects
 - ii. Eliminated development fund created last semester (could be used more effectively)
 - iii. \$2,000 fund for ASCMC office relocation; money for refurbishing new space
 - iv. Career Services/RDS is moving into Frazee (where gym is by Hub)
- b. Nicky: ASCMC is moving into RDS lounge; will serve purposes alright; Career Services will be dean-related things
- c. Felipe: currently empty is 5C campus org/CMC org funding; will increase as information is added
 - i. Few changes to board of directors
 - ii. President's fund increased back to \$3000
 - iii. VP fund created (for things such as donuts at Senate, etc.)
 - iv. Increase in class president budgets (Jun/Sen \$3→\$4,000, Frosh from 2→3)
 - v. Diversity and Inclusion increased
 - vi. Struck out Mental Health Initiative
- d. Thomas: budget must be introduced fully before it's voted on, will be voting last week of semester
- e. Geno: rainy day fund?
 - i. Felipe: rollover a while ago, now at 10%; common for local governments; no more contributions
- f. Connor: is Mental Health Initiative gone?
 - i. Felipe: yes, nothing happened, because we don't see it as specifically relevant as a line item
- g. Felipe: Frosh/Soph/Jun budgets all increased
- h. Kathryn: clarifications on senior class budget
- i. Geno: why didn't we increase senior class budget
 - i. Felipe: they've been able to effectively use their budget but other classes have felt restricted
 - ii. Geno: seems like other classes don't have anything to do
 - iii. Felipe: incentivizes other classes to act more
 - iv. Kathryn: agrees; past budgets were restrictive

- v. John: priority = help class presidents, but even \$1000 increase is still pretty unfair considering much larger senior budget
- j. Alec: about dorm budgets, most dorms haven't used their funding
 - i. Felipe: taken into consideration that they haven't used all their funding, funding for DAC went down so they'll have to use actual dorm funds more now
 - ii. Alec: would it make sense to reduce amount per resident and then increase DAC fund
 - iii. Thomas: it's constitutional, would need to be proposed change for next year
- k. Zach: Green number?
 - i. Felipe: hasn't been allocated yet, but doesn't include clubs yet; we also increased senate fund to \$20,000
- l. Campbell: can only spend profit on alcohol
 - i. Felipe: working group on trying to; ASCMC will be thinking about poster stuff
 - ii. Nicky: feel free to reach out to ASCMC about profit if you have any ideas
- m. Zach: what'd we use \$30,000 for?
 - i. Felipe: we don't know how much will be left
 - ii. Zach: what do we use it for
 - iii. Mikey: we either budget it or give it to line items predicted to go over
- n. Felipe: if you have any comments or suggestions, talk to any members of budget committee

7. General Announcements

- a. Felipe: Roberts Pavilion will continue to be open this weekend, also able to be used as study space
- b. There is an art show on the 29
 - i. Connor: huge lack of art on campus, showcase is culmination of art in Claremont Courtyard, also hosting open mic night alongside that and still accepting submissions up until the 22; Art Council also has a fund people can utilize
- c. Climate Summit is this weekend, Senate is funding the event, lots of events during the day and can go to any one of them; make use of funds
 - i. Sam: 36 different speakers, really allows people to get broad overview of all kinds of sustainability; all panels are moderated by students

8. Closing Remarks

- a. Felipe: encourages people to apply for Senate committees/chairs
- b. Adjourned 10:13 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Maddie Lee
Secretary of the Senate