Agenda Points

Introduction of all new guests: candidates for every Council position in the upcoming elections were specifically invited to attend

Budgets:
Gospel Choir $1,520
Lehman Council $187.50
Sister Spit, Wham City, 9/11 Architect from Art Department (all Co-Sponsorship)
Passed unanimously

Winter Carnival Benefit Concert: Higher Ground to support those displaced by Hurricane Irene on Thursday, February 16th from 11pm to 1am
Requested: $900
CC wants to approve through the Benefits Fund, will come back with clarified proposal next week

New club request: Get Baked (baking club in Mission Kitchen, provides weekend entertainment and a space to meet new people; once a month, on the night of First Fridays)
Council can fund food if it is an all-campus event
Passed unanimously

ACE and funding: an issue recently brought to the co-presidents
The social scene and how the concert is a big part of CC’s budget
According to somebody who is on ACE, the Concert Committee needs more people on it—it is currently a two-person committee
Last year, we spent $80,000 on the Homecoming Concert, out of $400,000 for the year
What does that $80,000 mean and how does it affect other student groups?
Currently, money for the concerts comes from the SAT and students pay about $25 for a ticket
What if the money were redirected to an ACE co-sponsorship fund? Council seems to like the idea of smaller concerts
The Towne Field House, the biggest venue on campus, has a capacity of one thousand
The issue of name recognition and popularity: is the act satisfying the student body?
What is the best way to go about getting student input? Does it set up unrealistic expectations for ACE?
This discussion will continue next week and ACE will be invited

Ben Lamb, Interim Assistant Director of Student Involvement from the Office of Student Life
- He was invited by CC to talk about the changes that his office has undergone this year (name changed from Campus Life to Student Life)
This year, they have focused more on student leadership development.
- They also continued and strengthened SophomOrientation and Frosh Leadership Weekend.
- Expanded the initiative to take students to conference off campus.
- Focus on financial literacy and real-life skills.
- He is very accessible and an asset to student leaders.
- Spring Board: once boards for various student organizations are elected, offering a training (Treasurer, leading a productive meeting, etc.).
- The relationship between OSL and CC is moving in a positive direction.
- Looking at the requirements for being a club or organization.

Staff Appreciation Day yesterday in Goodrich went really well and about 200 people came.

Activism Fund (e-mail Krista Pickett or Nick Fogel for a full copy of the proposal for off-campus activism funding)
- All students can apply for this funding, which will not exceed 50% of the cost or $50 per student, from the CC Co-Sponsorship Fund.
- There are laws listed pertaining to what the College can or cannot pay for.
- These need to be open to the whole campus because it is coming from Co-Sponsorship.
- Financial Committee is notoriously picky with what we can fund and what we cannot: will this come across as “choosing” which causes are supported?
- Idea to have a provision that says participants cannot commit a crime while on a CC sponsored trip.
- We should include the anti-discrimination policy, and also there will be no discrimination based on how effective an event may be.
- Should it be used to fund only transportation?

Academic Updates
- Getting students’ their finals back from professors after the semester ends back in their mailboxes: saying that this is the wrap up our education and we learn from the grades we get on our finals.
- Online blue sheets: students can give anonymous feedback to their professors in the middle of the semester; the faculty is not all on board because it may be needless criticism, but CC feels that this provides an outlet for students who need to address an issue with a class that they do not feel comfortable bringing up with their professor.
- WSO and FacTrack: suggesting a numerical rating system and not simply expecting students to write comments; also, one can click the “thumbs up/down” button as many times as one likes.
- Expanding the access that students get to course syllabi beforehand.

David Boyer and Tony Sinico of Security: invited by CC. Their goal is to be reasonable and approachable—they are not around to get students in trouble (in response to a question about drinking).