CC Meeting
February 27, 2013

Introduction:
• Introduction to the 2013-2014 Council!
• Introductions
  o Name
  o Position
  o Year
• Thanks for Coming
  o Explanation of CC traditions – knocking on table means enthusiasm

Approval of Bylaws and Rules of Order
• Run through of the Council bylaws, Rules of Order, Parliamentary Procedure, and the approval of these documents for this session of Council
  o Adrian: Talks about what CC has done in the past
    ▪ SuperFan
    ▪ Co-sponsorship with ACE
• Questions About Bylaws
  o Brian: Why bylaws and not just constitution?
  o Kate: Bylaws are easier to change and more specific
• Rules of Order
  o Matt presented powerpoint
    ▪ Emily D: Motion to table is important for funding because table request is diff than allocating zero
    ▪ Kate: when motioning to table, must have specific time
    ▪ Gia: What’s difference between friendly and nonfriendly amendment?
      ▪ Adrian: Based on whether the person who created it agrees.
    ▪ David: Not sure about using friendly/nonfriendly
      ▪ Jess: It’s the standard
      ▪ Adrian: Talk about it later
    ▪ Teddy: what is majority?
      ▪ Adrian: Majority is ½ of people in room who can vote
        o 2/3 Majority is 2/3 of people in room who can vote
    ▪ Adrian: Motion to Call a “Vote to Vote”
      ▪ By calling a vote to vote, want council to vote on whether they are ready to vote on the item or not
        o Need a majority vote
    ▪ Adrian: Point of Order vs Point of Procedure
      ▪ Ex. if speaking order not hold by presidents
      ▪ Point of Order for anyone in council except presidents
• Point of Procedure for presidents
  ▪ Adrian:
    • Straw polls used to gauge interest of room but not binding vote

• Voting:
  o Rules of Order
    ▪ Motion to Approve: Emily D
    ▪ Seconded By: April
    ▪ Result: 21 – 1 – 0 (1 absent)
      • Result: Passed
      • Absent: Clyde
      • Yea: All but David Michael
      • Nay: David Michael
      • Abstain: None
  o Bylaws
    ▪ April: Page 20 top – Funds for summer must come from fiscal year in which council is operating
      • June 29th, use fiscal year 13
      • July 1st, use fiscal year 14
      • Max: explains why it would make sense
      • Adrian: Clarified fiscal year
        o We get SAT at start of each fiscal year
    ▪ April: Why can’t projects be active over the summer?
      • Kate: Why would they need to be active? Example?
      • Adrian: Get rid of it because now Great Ideas Committee and also all money should be in the General Fund, so Great Ideas could just come from General Fund in the summer.
    ▪ April and Emily D:
      • What is the limit for funding in the summer from General?
      • Kate: Don’t need to allocate to general fund because all the money is already there.
      • Adrian: No cap on summer GFAC now, but can only fund things that must be funded or they will cease to exist
    ▪ April: CIF normally allocated at the end of the fiscal year and that is what comptroller said we should be doing.
      • Motion to Change: April
        o Friendly from Adrian
    ▪ April: Problem with clause that Executive Committee must approve any expenses by Treasurer from Treasurer’s Discretionary Fund prior to expense. Having to contact everyone on Committee means it will take to long. Defeats purpose.
• Kate: doesn’t think there should ever be situation where there is no oversight over the treasurer. Doesn’t see logistic issue.
  o April: Retracts it but might want to look at it later
  § Emily D: Wants oversight over on Presidential P-Card
  § Kate: Never actually had explanation of actions CC can take against groups, although constitution awards us that right
  • In order for real consequence action of removing group from subgroup allocation, 75% vote of council needed in the past
    o Kate: Motion to Amend bylaw back to ¾
      § David: Seconds the motion
    o Not friendly – brought to council to vote
    o Result: 14 – 8 - 0 (one absent)
      § Result: It passes – now ¾’s
      § Absent: Clyde
      § Yea: All who weren’t nay or absent
      § Nay: Laura, Gia, Ryan, Jess, Abigale, Brandon, Stefan, Brian
      § Abstain:
        o Kate: because we seek to serve groups, want to be sure we’re doing right thing
        o April: Thinks ¾ is too extreme, should be 2/3
          § Difference of 17 vs 19 people
  § Adrian: Explains rest of bylaws
  • David: On certain committees, there won’t be independent student chairs? Will they report?
    o Adrian: They will – we’ll just request the student chair to come to request to council – less formal
  • Ben: What happens in the spring? Does leaving member stay on committee?
    o Kate: logistics will be worked out with faculty chair of each committee based on individual circumstances
  • Motion to Approve Bylaws: Emily D.
    o Seconded By: Kate
    o Result: 21 – 0 – 1 (one absent)
    o Absent: Clyde
    o Yea: All except David and Clyde
    o Nay: None
    o Abstain: David

Funding Overview
• Overview of how Council funding works and the fiscal status of Council
  - Emily D:
    o Treasurer is chair of Fincom
    o Talked about Fincom and what it does
    o Subgroup
      ▪ Fincom meets with all student groups over first few weeks of year
      ▪ Subgroups get chunk of total CC money
      ▪ Subgroups = groups that have been active for at least two years and been approved by CC
      ▪ Get first access to CC funds in Fall
    o General Fund
      ▪ Expenses mandatory for clubs functioning
      ▪ Used for groups that aren’t yet subgroups
    o Co-Sponsorship
      ▪ Party, speakers...
      ▪ All students eligible to attend and must be free
    o CC Projects
      ▪ Great Ideas fund uses
    o Nationals
      ▪ For when group is going to nationals
    o Capital Investment
      ▪ Large purchases that require investment over time
      ▪ Jess: Do you purchase at end or at start and then spread the burden?
        • Emily D: Ideally at the end
    o Benefits Fund
      ▪ For things that will be going to charity
        • Can’t donate directly to charity
    o Rollover
      ▪ Money that groups didn’t spend must be returned to CC at the end of the year
        • Used for CC projects
        • CC doesn’t hoard the money – it goes back to the students
    o Criteria for Funding
      ▪ Number of students who benefit
      ▪ Filing an unrepresented niche
      ▪ Events must be free to attend and open to the whole campus
      ▪ No personal items for groups
      ▪ Funding is objective and reviewed thoroughly by FinCom
      ▪ Groups are welcome to submit appeals
      ▪ Goal is to make funding accessible and approachable
    o SAT
      ▪ Is indexed with inflation
• Fluctuates
• Max: Rainy Day fund – not in existence yet
  o In years for when unexpected requests come up
  o Recommended by Fred Puddester
    ▪ Recommends 5-10% of annual revenue
    ▪ Consider the experience of CC
  o Bylaw change within next few meetings
  o Teddy: Possible to calculate money needed by doing 5% just from groups prone to emergency?
    ▪ Max: Doesn’t know how that would happen

Approval of Student Organizations
• Kate: talking to Council about process for approving student orgs
• Belly Dance Club
  o Teddy: Led by very talented leader, about 20 people attending regularly, a few concerns about having some talented enough to lead it in the future
  o Recommendation: No reservations
• Signing at Williams
    ▪ Rani: someone submitted to Great Ideas
• Baking Alliance of M(agnificent) Feminists (BAMF)
  o Description: Baking and discussion oriented towards feminist conversations
    ▪ 10 people per meeting
    ▪ had meetings
    ▪ Mostly seniors but been ensured there will be underclassmen in the future
    ▪ Jess: Where does baking occur? Are topics publicized beforehand and where?
      • Carrie (BAMF): Gladden or Carter. Have publicized meetings via FB, listserv, and sometimes WSO. Tried to announce topic a couple of days before hand.
      • Stefan: How is distinct from Get Baked? What kind of budget in the future?
        o Kate: approve groups irrespective of their budget needs
        o Kate: GetBaked meets once a month for a specific alternative Friday night activity. BAMF is baking and feminist discussion group. No real overlap.
  o April: Not fair to compare. Doesn’t make sense.
• David M: Why does this need to be permanent? Why is this part of CC and not Women’s Center? Is it too narrow?
  o Carrie: Doesn’t think so. Feminism is very broad. Baking is something they have taken interest in. Looking to establish way to bring together those who identify as feminists and those who identify as bakers... Different purposes
  o Recommendation:
• Biomedical Ethics Club
  o Kate: Discussion oriented group that meets once a month to talk about Biomedical topics. Professor who teaches subject willing to take activist role. Expect 10-20 people. Broadly accessible.
  o Recommendation: Without reservation
• Jazz at Williams
  o Kate: Institutionalize Musicians who want to play at different concerts. Explore jazz culture outside of the Berkshires. Different than music department.
• Quilting Club
  o Teddy: ready to start right away, took a Winter study class on quilting. Challenged to extend benefits. Maybe display quilts or teach? Will be given machinery.
  o Recommendation:
• Motion to Approve as slate (all clubs): Emily D
  o Seconded by: Clyde
  o Absent: None
  o Result: 22 – 0 – 1
    ▪ Yea: All but David M.
    ▪ Nay: None
    ▪ Abstain: David Michael

ACE Concerts Presentation
• Presentation by the ACE Concerts Committee on the way concert planning at Williams works and the current situation with Macklemore
• Quinn, Sam, Gabe came
  o Quinn: Ticket sales
    ▪ Was delay in time sales went online
      • It was error with WilliamsTickets website (not done by someone at Williams)
    ▪ Issues resetting passwords in accounts
      • ACE had mentioned the problem in an email
      • System was flooded with requests – it couldn’t handle all of them
Unavoidable

Sales Timeline
- All tickets claimed within a few minutes

Quinn: Questions raised about moving the concert to Towne
- ACE went back and did a lot of research
  - Many extra costs
- Towne increases capacity by 350
  - The new tickets would have to be sold at $80 if all the other tickets were kept at the same price ($17)
    - Extra costs from Macklemore
  - If all tickets were revoked and resold, new price is $35
  - Now that tickets are being refunded and the fee increase by Macklemore is a non-issue, we have option of having tickets being at $28 at Towne.
  - Emily D: Can’t we just kick people out of Lasell?
    - Quinn: Bad PR. How to resell tickets fairly?
  - Emily D: worried about having it be sold for $28 b/c council isn’t supposed to fund stuff that is going on sale – was an issue even when it was $17
    - Adrian: We are allowed to have treasurer make an exception to rule that we can’t fund stuff that costs money

Quinn: Budget overview - Lasell:
- Artists Fee, Tech, Food and Bathrooms, Rider Items, Hosts and security, Agency Fee
- Sam: Can’t let people in for free if they volunteer because Macklemore stipulates that security people be actual security

Quinn: Budget Overview – Towne
- Same categories but more costs
- Occupancy: 1,150
- Gabe: Building isn’t up to code, so not willing to grant us any leeway
- David: Processing fee is really large – have we looked at different options?
  - Quinn: fee is mandatory with selling things online
    - Have talked about selling on and offline

Quinn: Funding breakdown pre-cancellation
- Debate about how much council funded
  - Emily doesn’t remember the vote
  - Quinn says they talked about it with Jillie and Emily when Macklemore raised a fee

Quinn: Refund plans and going forward
- Planning on full refund
- Really hard to get a good artist this point like – Macklemore
- Looking at alternatives
  - All day campus picnic w/ later dates
- For reselling tickets for possible future tickets
  - Back to square 1
    - Everyone has to go back and get a new ticket
      - New higher price ($28 dollars)
- David: Outdoor options? What have you done?
  - Quinn: Quinn, Adrian, and Brian McGrail are meeting w/ police to talk about current laws pertaining to noise complaints
  - For smaller scale concert, shouldn’t be a problem
  - Gabe: Energy very difficult for outdoor concert. Also incredibly risky because if it rains, no concert and no refund.
- Quinn: If Macklemore was to come, it would be May 1, which is a Wednesday. It would have to be at Towne.
- Kate: Doesn’t think it’s feasible for council to approve something where it costs $28. Are there other funding sources? What is ACE planning to do if Council doesn’t give ACE the money?
  - Sam and Gabe and Quinn: talk to as many funding sources as possible. Not expecting to get enough money to noticeable lower the cost. A lot of money is already wrapped up either neighborhoods or ACE funds.
- Jess: Knows that Macklemore was allowed to cancel but wasn’t sure if they had reached out to Macklemore to see if he would be willing to do anything to help us?
  - Sam: Kind of already did with back up date
  - Quinn: Too late in the process – extremely tough to reenter

- **Motion to Extend to 9:10: David**
  - Result: 19 – 1 - 3
  - Second: Jesus
  - Yea:
  - Nay: Kate
  - Abstain: 3 (Teddy, Laura, Ben)

- **Motion to Table Discussion of Macklemore: Kate**
  - Result: 22 – 0 – 1
  - Second: Clyde
  - Yea: All but David
  - Nay:
  - Abstain: David
Approval of Funding Requests

- Budgets from our one and only, Emily Dzieciatko
- Description of what each group is asking for
- Kate: can you explain more about financial communication with Get Baked?
  - Emily D: Keelia thought that she was being funded for every month so she was in debt. We are going back and funding retroactively.
- David: We said that Women’s Rugby wasn’t going to play with Women’s rugby team but they are. They are also doing a done of community service.
  - Stefan: Point of Information: Why are we giving anything if censured?
    - Adrian: Just effects subgroup
  - April: Can only fund alternative spring break which must go through the Chaplain’s office or Student Org Spring Break. Must be requisite to the functioning of the organization. When women’s rugby presented they had no games.
    - Kate: debates whether the bylaw exists
    - Also they gave different information to Council
      - Kate: We have to go off what they said to council
- Clyde: Why can’t we let them represent later
  - Adrian: We can do that, they need to table

Voting:
- Motion to Table Discussion of Women’s Rugby:
  - Seconded By: David M
  - Result: 12 – 4 - 7
    - Yea:
    - Nay: Emily D, Gia, Stefan, Brian McNamarra
    - Abstain: 7

Voting:
- Motion to Extend Meeting to 9:15: Clyde
  - Seconded By: Rani
  - Result: 14 – 9 – 0
    - Yea:
    - Nay: 9 nays
    - Abstain:

Voting:
- Motion to Approve All as Slate: Rani
  - Seconded By: Kate
  - Result: 18 – 0 - 5
    - Yea: All but abstainers
    - Nay:
    - Abstain: Emily N (QSU), Jesus going on Navajo trip, Rani, Kate (Women's Rugby), David M
• Voting:
  o Motion to Approve Mental Health Committee Tea and Cookies for You’re Not Alone and Helmet Cleaning Great Ideas: Clyde
  o Seconded By: April
  o Result: 22 – 0 – 1
    ▪ Yea: All but Gia
    ▪ Nay:
    ▪ Abstain: Gia abstained

• Voting:
  o David: Talked with Jillie – we only need to revote if they change the amount of money they vote for – otherwise, we have no reason to change their funding
  o Motion to Table Discussion of Macklemore until next week: Kate
  o Seconded By: Stefan
  o Result: 13 – 8 – 2
    ▪ Yea:
    ▪ Nay: 8 opposed
    ▪ Abstain: 2 abstained

CC Commandments – DIDN’T GET TO
  • Brief discussion on what Council expects of itself for the year

CC Committees
  • Adrian: please tell us top 3 committees by end of Saturday night
  • Max: All must serve on one
  • Description of each committee

CC Goals for Spring 2013 – DIDN’T GET TO
  • Discussion surrounding ideas and goals we want to complete as a Council!

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  • Clearing Station at Paresky
  • Bells Ringing too Early