I. Call to Order: 7:34 PM

II. Introductions

Proxies
1. Jochebed Bogunjoko (for Jonathan Dely)
2. Sichao Liu (for Frankie Chen)
3. Amanda Walker (for Natalee Dawson)
4. Henry Bergman (for David Gaines)

III. Approval of the Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from last week + 3/18: Funmi
Second: Kate
Result: 23-0-1

IV. Approval of Funding Requests

Budget 1 – $783.80 for the Zilkha Center: expanding dining service returnable bins for Bernhard, 62 Center, and Bryant.

Budget 2 – $955.74 for Parlor Tricks: 200 copies for 1st publication (all year) like the New Yorker.

Budget 3 (Co-Sponsorship) – $1700 for Active Minds event, which might be canceled. Tabled for next meeting.

Motion to approve the above budgets as a slate: Michelle
Second: Funmi
Result: 24-0-0

Budget 4 (Benefits Fund) – $337.92 for Partners in Health to have the police monitor the Strides in Solidarity run
Budget 5 - $210 for the Williams Alternative: $70 for transcribing recordings for 3 issues (open discourse on sensitive topics that people aren’t comfortable talking about) + put on website. Takes a lot of time from the members, so wanted to hire a service.

Caitlin: What is $210 recommended?

Victoria: 1.25 per person per minute (rate). Recommended $70 to use however wanted, 3 sessions

Web: WA has 5 planned currently. FinCom allowed for 3 and wanted them to come back after gauging success/reader traffic.

Alyssa: Was a dissenting vote b/c if they want to do this, it should a group project → should spend time accordingly
Victoria: There’s only 1 more month left, even 3 sessions are excessive for test run.
Miriam: If this will be regular commitment, will be expensive? Is this the cheapest option? (Response: it’s the most local option)
Hudson: Agreed. Susie transcribes by herself for Humans of Williams.
Michelle: Could be a great way to involve campus voices. Let’s fund a trial period → if the student body stands to benefit, good to see how it plays out.
Henry: Seeing how much other groups get money, Williams Alternative is deserving of this money – especially because it gets a lot of readership (one article had 55,000 hits!) + is providing sustained conversation that other people aren’t having on campus. Susie’s transcripts are also only a few paragraphs long.
Funmi: Agree completely with Henry. There’s not much harm in funding a trial period. If it doesn’t work → we stop funding. If it works and there’s a demand → we’ll keep funding.

**Motion to allocate $210 for Williams Alternative budget:** Funmi
  
  *Second:* Michelle
  
  *Result:* 18-5-1 → Does not pass, 75%

**Motion to divide the Council:** Funmi
  
  *Result:* 19-5-0 → Passes 79%

**Motion to pass the Benefits budget:** Alyssa
  
  *Second:* Miriam
  
  *Result:* 23-0-1

Budget 6 – $21.93 for CC Projects: 3 sets of double dutch ropes $7.31 each
Motion to pass the CC Projects budget: Funmi
   Second: Alex  
   Result: 24-0-0

V.  SOC:

Willy Good Works – New woodworking club. Shop in construction at Congo Church. Already gone through administrative hoops. Waiver needed to join group, everyone on board is CPR certified. No one can be in the shop unless someone approved is there. Seems organized and safe. SOC recommended to approve (resounding approval).

Henry: Is there any equipment in art studio they can use?  
Web: Conclusion: they weren’t allowed to use that space.  
Cole: (as a member of WGW) Looked into theatre shop, art spaces, they said we weren’t.

Motion to approve Willy Good Works as a new CC group: Sarah  
   Second: Michelle  
   Result: 23-0-1

VI.  Discussion on Superfan Resolution

Henry: POI: What is SuperFan as a committee?  
Funmi: Exactly. According to the CC Bylaws, Superfan is a CC committee, much like Great Ideas, FinCom, but in function it’s not.  
Henry: So we’re making a resolution to make them what they are - on paper?  
Funmi: Yes, but it also has some addendums as to who will be on it (e.g. members of Frosh Council added, directed by VP of Community and Diversity)  
Alyssa: 2014-2016 should be amended.  
Funmi: Friendly amendment.  
Caitlin: Have you spoke to FroCo, SAC?  
Funmi: Not yet. Good idea to talk to them, but want to discuss what we want the structure of SuperFan to be even if we don’t end up approving this resolution tonight.  
Henry: Want to amend – “Resolution to Further Establish Superfan as a College Council Committee and Clarify its Functions Within the Student Community”  
Funmi: Friendly amendment.  
Annie: Isn’t Superfan currently not a committee?  
Funmi: They are, but are not functioning as one.
Sarah: I think we owe it to the members of Superfan to have this discussion (RA)
Meghana: Before we discuss, we’d like to hear Superfan’s voices first
Ryan: Discussion might be a massive understanding. We admit that Superfan has not hit its fullest potential but it’s in the works, we’ve learned a lot through this 3-year process, still excited moving forward. Superfan wants to work together with CC and not make this a divisive issue.
Funmi: Clarify: we’re not trying to punish Superfan for not doing a good job with this resolution. We just think there’s not enough manpower to function to the best of its ability.
Ryan: It may be divisive because we haven’t been in contact. Took us 3 weeks for us to get to this point, couldn’t discuss with CC together. As SF stands right now under Section 2 Article 3 under purview of Appointments Committee, CC should be appointing people from CC and student body to the SF committee. From bylaws, CC should be doing this now. Seems like a redundant and unnecessary process to have a resolution.
Andre: In regards to the future, it’s been an inconsistent committee since its inception. There hasn’t been continuity. 2 of 4 members are super-pumped ready and have ideas. It’s only fair of them and the interest of everyone to have core executive members. Welcoming of FroCo and CC for different perspectives. We had more events planned this year more than ever had before. e.g. Superfan carnival planned but canceled last minute due to administrative hurdles. Peerhealth, SOCA, other groups were on board. Seems like it’s in better shape than ever before.
Michelle: In my time here there hasn’t been a CC committee to work with Superfan (this seems to be a problem in CC operations). We as CC need to fix if it’s in our bylaws. P.S. FroCo expressed interest and may even have designated positions. If we reinforce what’s already in bylaws what is the # of CC reps needed to serve on Superfan?
Ryan: I don’t think that’s clear, looking back on past resolutions. We’d be in favor of having an executive committee appointed by CC.
Michelle: Also want to point that it’s a good idea to include the VP for Community and Diversity, but not exactly be the head (to dissuade future candidates from running).
Funmi: Clarification: VPCD would be advisor, head would be appointed.
Alex: What would Superfan be interested from this resolution. Problem seems like best-functioning body would be people involved in athletics. More CC representation/other student groups wanted?
Andre: 2-3 from council since our relationship with CC isn’t clear. We’re also being reaching out to freshmen.
Web: What are we hoping to do with the resolution?
Jesus: Clarifying the details of Superfan even though it’s a CC group.
Jochebed: This isn’t an indictment on Superfan. Something to hold CC accountable to. If CC fails, we have something to look back to ➔ here’s how we’re not doing our job. Reevaluation from there.
Meghana: Would Superfan want 6 additional members (at large). Resolve to increase manpower of Superfan?
Eric: My concern is 5-6 members appointed, making it insular. We want Superfan to be an open committee. Formal is good but we also want it to be informal.

Jochebed: Shows that you weren’t in conversation with resolution. Making it an ad-hoc committee, like Great Ideas. Not just CC members. One of concerns: broadening appeal of Superfan. Reminder that we’re not voting, we’re just conversing to see what Council wants → then will go back to drawing board.

Ryan: Liking clarification of CC role in Superfan. Informal nature of Superfan needed as there are other regulations (e.g. funding) that slows us down. Main thing: we’d love to have more manpower. If it comes down to getting more manpower, (by appointing and being open) great, we’re just being misunderstood.

Annie: You want more manpower as a CC committee. What exactly is your disagreement? It’s too binding because you want other members to join by interest? Core point seems to appoint members which is want you want. Why is this so resistant if you think these are things that should be done? Shouldn’t matter if we go through resolution or not.

Ryan: Can we have a chance to be included in resolution writing discussion?

Victoria: Seems like a communication issue since people are not fully understanding the working.

**Motion to table until after all affiliate parties have spoken together:** Victoria

Meghana: Can we start making amendments?

Jesus: Shouldn’t continue without Funmi.

Henry: Would like to amend motion: Can we have a timetable for this?

Victoria: Friendly change.

**Motion to table until next week after Froco, CC, Funmi, and SAC have all met:** Henry

*Second:* Alyssa

*Result:* 22-0-0

**VII. CC Procedures + Review of Handbook**

Amanda: Mental Health Committee isn’t a CC committee

Meghana: Williams is no longer affiliated with CDC as a subcommittee. Also, chair of CDC is not Mike Reed. Chairs: Shelley Williams and Christian Thorne.

Michelle: Where is Great Ideas?

Victoria: Would Superfan now be listed as a committee? (Yes)

Caitlin: Meeting times 7:30-9:30 not 7:00-9:00

Elizabeth: Community Matters? (not appointed by student body at large)

Ana: Is there a link to this for the student body? (we’ll make it available)
VIII. Project Updates

Group 1: Alex, Jonathan, Natalee
-improving social media on campus, need to talk to CCCT
-issues: weekly updates

Group 2: Caitlin, Jonathan, Victoria
-rules of order
-website and traditions: e.g. getting real cow esp. for bigger games like homecoming, cow statue
-need to talk with Facilities regarding all of the above

Alyssa: Try talking to WCMA about statues
Henry: What is the long-term plan for 300 cows coming in? (passed onto groups who painted them) Work w/WCMA or new library to create a semi-permanent display of these cows, getting more institutional support for this cow propagation. Also, cows on Stone Hill?
Meghana: Consult people/groups concerned with animal-rights.
Victoria: Would vegans be upset?
Ana: Alternative to painting cow, wearing Williams apparel?
Jonathon: (clarification: real cow) Something to keep or just for certain events? (the latter)
Michelle: Could be cool to use the Log for some Williams tradition(s).

Group 3: Michelle, Chris, Hudson
-working with Froco, who’s redoing its constitution
-having FroCo members encouraged to go to one big meeting on campus (e.g. Superfan, ACE, CC, Men for Consent, Feminist Collective) then bring back

Alex: what’s Froco’s relationship with CC?
Michelle: 1st year as CC subgroup and getting funding so we’re interested in seeing how they’re doing.
Amanda: By selecting 26 groups to hit, would caution against doing that so you don’t exclude other groups. Best to have one person regularly involved with one group → bridging gaps.

Group 4: Ana, Frankie, Lia
-Dining services, working on issues brought up during last meeting
-working with social media group to promote these things

Jesus: Next week heads up Dining Services is coming up
Alyssa: Grab and Go option suggested by Meg and Joc
Jochebed: Also reminder some people might not be able to afford swiping at Lee (RA)

Group 5: Funmi, Annie, Cole
-Social media/communications
-getting rid of feminine hygiene waste (suggestion, talk to Rani)
-events being integrated in Google Calendar such that all Williams events automatically linked to accounts

Amanda: Is there a choice to opt-in or out? (will consider this in the process)
Jochebed: Able to filter certain events? (will look into logistics to better categorize)
Annie: Want to use color-coding schemes given by Social Calendar

Group 6: Allegra, Web, Kate
-fraternity composite photos (quote of $12/person)
-asked HC and photo club for funding. HC on board but low on $.
-hands-on WS courses: will send out link to gauge interest + people available to teach
Henry: talk to the woodworking group for carpentry skills
Jonathon: There’s also Free University (taught by students, not faculty)
Cole: Maybe talk to Yearbook about this?
Alex: Currently seeking professionals outside of the school.

Group 7: Mariah, Sarah, Alyssa
-off semester seniors, things to do on campus
-OSS have full participation in senior week, but walking at graduation need to talk to deans + Adam Falk, will be more complicated
-Capture the flag with students and faculty! Ben lamb says to send out a DM to faculty and gauge interest → will send out later this week
Henry: Possible to have faculty and staff? (Yes)
Funmi: Why don’t off-semester seniors walk?
Sarah: Ben says they’re not entirely sure if they will graduate.
Alyssa: Holding back on game nights, other events until Log opens.

Group 8: David, Miriam, Elizabeth
-slip n’ slide (race in Science Quad across big hill). Facilities has safety concerns (shocker) → will talk to more people
-reaching out to peer instutions’ CCs, emailed presidents (what are they good at in terms of keeping in touch with student body, interest in forming a network)
IX. Co-Presidential Address

Jesus: Gave updates on cultural appropriation dinner.
Marcus: We should collaborate with groups like MinCo to reach out to people that may feel uncomfortable/attacked by certain discussions ➔ reframe to better serve the overall community.
Funmi: During discussion did they talk about suppressing minority opinions?
Marcus: 3 professors spoke ➔ table discussions. At my table, no - we talked about entry system.
Jonathon: Our table talked about that – cultivating environment that is empathetic enough to have space for these discussions. So why was it hostile in first place?
Meghana: Valuable resource = Meg Bossong. Brilliant in understanding the dynamics of a room.
Jesus: This Saturday, we have our own Williams brunch with the class of 1960s. Collaborating with alumni in enhancing Williams ➔ will update at next meeting. Reached out to environmental groups to see how the new position will work out. Gender neutral bathrooms at Paresky.
Talked with Emily about Willipedia, will discuss at exec board this Sunday. Tyler Sparks and Bob Volpi will come in next week.
Marcus: In future, council wide discussion of our roles in CC. Topic of availability and accountability. Office hours being instituted next week for several members.
Funmi: Office hours should be for everyone! (will be addressed on Sunday)
Miriam: Should better use the SARC for office hours
Alex: Disagree, should put office hours in more prominent location
Meghana: office hours doesn’t really make sense bc it’s our job as officers to reach out
Joc: Onus should not be on students to come to you.
Marcus: Office hours is an addition to what we do currently.
Joc: In addition to office hours, should have officers accountable to a standard.

X. Social Media on Campus

Elizabeth: 1st Community Matters conversation
Henry: By social media do you mean YikYak (no, general social media)
Funmi: Any guiding questions?
Jonathon: e.g. Is this space for productive conversation? What does productivity mean?
Victoria: People usually think that emotion should not be placed into conversations on social media, should talk to people if you have a problem.
Annie: People’s presence on social media or talking online vs. face-to-face interactions?
Funmi: Good topic: Social media and activism
Michelle: Should reach out to professors that might have good input/different perspectives. Also would be good to have an accountability wall/space.
Henry: Lines b/w social media and administration (e.g. where can free speech get impinged upon by administration) Encouraging people to talk to others about concerning issues instead of deans + clarifying violations of social media
Sarah: Reaching out to voices unheard (not willing to speak)
Victoria: We’re distancing ourselves from normal communications, reflects on the fact that we can’t talk to people
Alyssa: Last semester, we talked about student code of conduct w/a lot of backlash. At discussion should talk about how interactions should be → bring back to Meghana to work with on code of conduct
Jochebed: What are peoples’ ideas about open communication and conversation? Understanding/accepting the fact that other people will not agree with your ideas.
Michelle: Role of empathy within social media.
Jonathon: Will introduce all of these things discussed, then choose one or two main things to talk about.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:30 PM