

# Minutes for Budget Committee Discretionary

## Meeting 9/25/23

7:00-8:30 pm

Converse

### **In Attendance:**

Minji Kim- MK (Treasurer)

Hannah Kim- HK

Jackson Lee- JL

Zane Khiry- ZK

Jesus Ramirez- JR

Chloe Yim - CY

Siri Palreddy- SP

### **Late:**

### **Absent:**

Nathan Lee

1 at-large, 2 freshmen yet to be elected.

### **Business**

1. BC does not fund events over fall breaks
2. No food during outside tournaments

### **Requests**

1. Mens Rugby
  - a. Requested \$810 for ACEMS Coverage for Practice (45\$ x 18 practices)
    - i. 3 practices a week, six more weeks of practice scheduled
  - b. Not practicing during the week of fall break
    - a. Recommend, second, call, approved
2. Outing Club
  - a. Typical membership from CRG is \$75, this semester members are paying for their own memberships
    - i. Some club members are unable to pay for themselves
  - b. Requested \$880: Outing club got subsidized climbing memberships (8 memberships \* 55\$ per month \* 2 months)

- c. Minji: how are students selected for the memberships?
    - i. Outing club: they self selected people to get their membership paid for on an honor system
  - d. Requested \$2500 for advisory fee
    - i. Minji: how come we have never paid the semesterly advisory fee before?
      - 1. Outing club: unsure
    - ii. Minji: Skeptical of the advisory fee, it is a gray area and would like to schedule a future meeting on this.
  - e. Requested \$3,180 for Rafting 10/1 (24 people) \$165 per person, \$1,200 transportation
    - i. Outing club says they have already paid the down payment.
  - f. Requested \$2997 for Zip Lining 10/21 (25 people) \$135 per person, \$1,200 transportation
  - g. Recommended with amends
    - i. No advisory fee
3. EJA
- a. Requested \$50 for discussion food
  - b. 20 people in attendance
  - c. Meeting is on 10/1 in the science center c101
  - d. Recommend, second, call, approved
4. Women's Rugby
- a. Requested \$279.92 for 8 balls at 34.99\$ each
  - b. Minji: Do you have storage space
  - c. RSO: yes
  - d. Recommend, second, call, approved
5. Film Society
- a. Requested \$127.5 for amherst cinema matrix screening tickets
  - b. 10/26 at amherst cinema
  - c. Minji: How are people selected?
  - d. RSO: we send out signup forms for anyone who wants to come on the email list. Publicized on different groupmes.
  - e. Recommend, second, call, approved
6. Men's Ultimate Frisbee
- a. \$2100.5 for Hotels for 11/3-11/5, 23 students, two nights, 6 rooms (175 per room per night)
  - b. Minji: Is this a quote from a specific website? Or is it the 175 from the policy website.
  - c. RSO: Yes, we have already bought rooms at this price before

- d. Minji: if you have already bought the rooms, we cannot fund this and do reimbursement in this type of manner.
  - e. RSO: Unsure.
7. Sailing
- a. \$338.4 for Gas (next weekend we are taking two vans to a race in Montreal  $2*564\text{miles}*\$0.30=\$338.4$ )
  - b. \$310 for 8 pinnies, direct quote from manufacturer including shipping
    - i. RSO has to use this when sailing. Current pinnies are not in great condition
  - c. Tournament: September 29th, coming back October 1st
  - d. Minji: Storage?
  - e. RSO: Lasts about 6 years, they have a shed they can store the pinnies in.
  - f. \$132 for 4 life jackets
    - i. Life jackets are essential for practice
  - g. Recommend, second, call, approved
8. AC Figure Skating
- a. \$34.5 for Learn-to-Skate Memberships with USFS (x2)
    - i. Minji: Haven't you already requested for this before
    - ii. RSO: these memberships are for two new members who have shown interest and commitment
    - iii. Minji: Doesn't orr rink open mid october
    - iv. RSO: Orr rink opens October 22nd, so there is three weeks time the RSO needs to practice.
  - b. \$31 for team compliance fee
    - i. RSO: an administrative fee that they have to do to run background checks on team members
  - c. \$180 for New England West Skating Club Ice Tickets (20 tickets)
    - i. RSO: Newly gained interest unanticipated for, so the RSO needs to expand for new tickets
    - ii. Minji: Is this just for the three weeks?
    - iii. RSO: Yes, and the tickets roll over to the next year
  - d. Practice: Sundays 4:45- 5:45
  - e. Recommend, second, call, approved
9. APAAC
- a. October 13th, faculty and staff meet and greet
  - b. \$20 publicity
  - c. \$45 Val catering small cheese platter
  - d. Ford event space
  - e. Recommend, second, call, approved

#### 10. Remnant

- a. \$100 for intro meeting, discussion food \* 2
- b. 10/1 at Chapin
- c. Minji: As long as you are willing to use one of your other discussion foods for this, we can approve
- d. Minji: Are you an RSO?
- e. RSO: we were already an RSO, though we have not reregistered
- f. Minji: Can you try to register with student engagement, and then email me to emergency fund the money. BC only funds RSO's.
- g. Not recommended until organization re-registers as RSO

#### 11. Amherst Student

- a. \$48 for Amherst Cinema Ticket (\$12 x 4)
- b. \$2000 for Printing (\$500 x 4)
- c. \$468 for delivery (\$117 \* 4)
- d. Minji: how many weeks do you left for printing
- e. RSO: digital issue for the week of October break and thanksgiving break, the rest are printed
- f. Minji: I would rather just fund for two weeks
- g. RSO: I can be back in two weeks
- h. Recommended with amendment
  - i. \$1000 for printing for 2 weeks rather than \$2000 for 4.

#### 12. Muslim Students Association

- a. \$300 for Jummah Friday Lunch 35 \* \$7 + soda
- b. Minji: 35 people \* 8 (food policy), the max that BC can give is 280. We would need to tap into discussion money for the soda request
- c. RSO: we got \$300 last time
- d. Minji: That is because you expected 45 people rather than 35. The most amount of money BC can give is \$280 because it is only 35 people.
- e. RSO: We want to increase 35 to 38
- f. Minji: We can change it, but please have your numbers correct next time.
- g. Friedmann Room, 2:30pm
- h. Recommended with amendment
  - i. 38 people \* 8 dollars per person = \$300

#### 13. NISA

- a. Indigenous Peoples day event. Food = \$300. Supplies = 435. Publicity = 20.
  - i. Minji: Is food integral to this event? How many people are we expecting?
  - ii. RSO: 35, yes it is integral
  - iii. Minji: we can give max \$280
- b. Basket Weaving Event. Supples = 250. Snacks = 50. Publicity = 20.

- i. October 14th, Ford A120
- c. Hadley Cinema Movie Night Killers of the Flower Moon. Movie tickets = 320
  - i. October 20th
  - ii. Minji: how is this publicized
  - iii. RSO: we send out official forms to fill out
- d. Recommended with amendments
  - i. Indigenous peoples day had \$280 recommended rather than 300.
  - ii. Movie tickets had \$300 recommended rather than \$320

14. BSU

- a. First year welcome event with food. Pairing people with their “Bigs”.
- b. Requested \$300 for Utensils, plates, juices, food
- c. Saturday September 30th
- d. Greenways
- e. Minji: Please email me when this event space is confirmed
- f. Minji: We need an itemized list of what you are requesting for. How much for food? Utensils? Games?
- g. Hannah: talks with BSU 1:1

15. TSA

- a. Bowling night 10/14 in Northampton
- b. \$517.50 for Open Bowling: \$5.75 per person, per game x 3 games x 30 people
- c. \$157.5 for shoe rental: 5.25 per person for 30 people
- d. \$15 publicity
- e. Minji: How do you choose who gets to go
- f. RSO: Interest form
- g. Recommend, second, call, approved

16. Water Polo

- a. 675 for water polo suits
- b. Minji: Is there storage space for this
- c. RSO: yes at the pool. We are the only team that have water polo suits
- d. Minji: Are these reusable for years to come?
- e. RSO: yes
- f. 700 for gas money reimbursement
  - i. Three tournaments: wesleyan, williams, and bowdoin.
    - 1. Bowdoin: Oct 21-22nd
    - 2. Williams: Oct 14-15th
    - 3. Wesleyan: Oct 7th-8th
  - ii. RSO: The trip to Wesleyan is 57 miles. The trip to Williams is 60 miles, and the trip to Bowdoin is 168 miles. Gas is averaging about \$3.67 a gallon. The Wesleyan and Williams tournaments are two day tournaments,

and we plan to drive back to sleep on campus. Therefore, we will be making the drive, there and back, twice. We will probably take 2-3 cars per tournament, depending on the amount of players who want to attend. My calculation is under the assumption that for the entire semester, each driver will use 4 tanks, and I have done the math for two drivers.

- iii. Minji: We only pay \$0.2 per mile, not the actual gallon
- iv. For Bowdoin, RSO will be staying over but for the two other trips RSO will be driving back and forth twice since they will not be staying over
- v. Minji: My calculation per BC policy is lower than this. Can you come back after doing this calculation?

g. 1200 for 2 nights: Vrbo for Bowdoin Tournament

- i. Minji: The max we can fund for a hotel room is \$175 for four people. Therefore the max we can fund is 1050.

h. 1185 for food for tournaments

- i. Minji: We cannot fund food for tournaments

i. 120 for 4 new water polo balls

- i. RSO: these are travel official that we need for tournaments

j. Recommended with Amendments

- i. Recommended 1050 for Vrbo tournament

ii. Cannot fund food

iii. Cannot fund gas until proper calculations are done

#### 17. Bridge Club

a. 200 for West Hartford tournament

b. October 1, 10 people

c. \$44 for gas: Gas, 2 cars, 110 mile round trip \* \$0.20 per mile

d. Recommend, second, call, approved

#### 18. Board games club

a. 70 for storage boxes \*4

b. RSO bought new board games and there is not enough space to store them, and replacing old ones

c. Minji: Try to store them better in the future

d. Recommend, second, call, approved

#### 19. Skate Club

a. 280.72 for bin for skateboard storage

b. Minji: where are these stored

c. RSO: We have a box in ford on the second floor. It can store 30 boards, it has been useful in the past

d. 696.25 for 9 skateboards

- e. RSO: over the summer, 9 skateboards were stolen, which is why we are requesting for more. These should last
- f. Minji: We already gave skate club 20 skateboards. It is a lot of skateboards.
- g. RSO: General, 12-20 people come consistently, plus new people. RSO is worried about not having enough boards and is asking current members to bring their own boards.
- h. Minji: where do you get skateboards from
- i. RSO: ccs.com. They sell complete boards
- j. Jesus: It makes sense to give them 9 skateboards to fulfill their 20 because 9 were lost last summer.
- k. Chloe: Lets fund 5 with the condition that skate club needs to keep them in good condition
- l. Recommended with amendments
  - i. Recommended  $69.95 * 5 = \$349.75 + \text{tax} = \$386.8$

#### 20. Math Club

- a. 200 for food for weekly meetings
  - i.  $50\$ * 4 \text{ meetings} = 200$ .
- b. Minji: Did you already use intro meeting food? You only have three discussion food left
- c. RSO: but that is not what is reflected in the email
- d. Minji: Checks, confirms RSO is right and needs to change email showing policy
- e. Meetings are on Wednesdays
- f. Recommend, second, call, approved

#### 21. SSL

- a. 34 for Project 1 materials
  - i. Buying eight collection bins for dorms, for battery collection that members pick up at the end of the weeks
- b. Hannah: Are you an RSO?
- c. RSO: yes
- d. Recommend, second, call, approved

#### 22. QB LIC

- a. 50 for welcome event
- b. 60 for trivia prizes (3\*20)
- c. 20 for publicity
- d. Events held at the Ford event space
- e. Recommend, second, call, approved

#### 23. Amherst Men's Club Soccer

- a. 237.37 for fall season league fee
- b. 240 for Gas for Game At Union 10/1, 5 cars, 240 miles round trip\*0.20 per mile

- i. Minji: how many people are on your team?
      - ii. RSO: maybe like 25
      - iii. Hannah: Is this the first time you had the league fee? I do not see it from last fall
      - iv. RSO: unsure
      - v. Minji: Can you email me with confirmation, and then we can emergency fund
    - c. Recommended with amendments
      - i. 0 for fall season league fee until confirmation of why there is a fall season league fee
24. Back to Men's Ultimate
- a. Confirmed that the 175 is a quote from expedia
  - b. Recommended with amendment
    - i. 2100.5 for hotels
25. Back to BSU
- a. Utensils (cups plates etc) = 30
  - b. Food from Yaadz (\$140 + \$75 + \$60)
  - c. Recommended with amendments
    - i. Utensils
26. CSA
- a. 300 for Mid Autumn Mooncake Festival for 200 people
  - b. 30 for utensils
  - c. 20 for publicity
  - d. 50 for decorations
  - e. 75 for giftcards
  - f. Event happens this Saturday, Ford Event Hall, 1:30- 5pm
  - g. Recommend, second, call, approved
27. ACPHC
- a. 103 for Blanket making materials (24x 1 yard fleece fabric sheets) (Fri 9/29, Greenway CD Bridge, expected ~30-40)
  - b. 20 for publicity
  - c. Recommend, second, call, approved
28. Hillel
- a. 300 for Shabat Dinner for 80 people
  - b. On every Friday
  - c. Recommend, second, call, approved
29. Amherst Debate Society
- a. Harvard tournament October 6th-7th
    - i. 1020 team fees, 525 transportation for 2 zipcars, 875 for hotel



- b. US UDC Tournament October 20th weekend
    - i. 420 for team fees, 175 hotel
  - c. Recommended with amendments
    - i. 400 for team fees, max \$200 per team \* 2
- 30. Asian Students Association
  - a. Family Group Teatime
    - i. Friedmann, October 2nd
    - ii. 100 using 2 discussion foods
    - iii. 75 for prizes for trivia (3\*25 amazon giftcards)
  - b. Recommend, second, call, approved
- 31. ACMAPS
  - a. 50 for Intro meeting food
  - b. 25 people, Chapin 9/30
  - c. Recommend, second, call, approved
- 32. La Causa
  - a. 300 for Community Building Event with ASA 10/22
  - b. RSO: We will come back next week with more details, disregard for now.