

Students' Council Weekly Meetings
Minutes from 2/28/16

Members Present: Tristan, Madeline, Dylan, Claire, Deedee, Jason, Mis, Sergio, Alana, Jess, Julia, Ian, Jay

Members Absent: Yan, Hunter

Guests: Kevin Liao '18

1. Moment of Silence
2. President Updates
 - a. Plenary
 - b. Ooh lala meeting this week for final implementation stage
 - i. Name/caption for the app is Havertivities. App name Haverford was already taken by Haverford Alumni group.
 - ii. People are getting together to learn how to use the app.
 - c. Spoke with Kim regarding task force
 - i. We will be meeting with the task force after spring break (need to figure out scheduling).
 - ii. Let Kim know about how we passed the resolutions but we can't officially do anything until he says okay.
 - d. Senior staff dinner Wed March 30
 - i. Members should sign up if they can make it. Middle weekend of finals week. May be the last formal dinner with higher-ups.
3. Appointments Committee Updates
 - a. Need a new Honor Council librarian; conducted an emergency appointment- Chris Hadad (currently is the Honor Council senior rep, will vacate the position and run a new election for it now).
 - b. Still have a handful of appointments left (mostly at end of the year).
4. Budgeting Updates
 - a. Got too many pizzas.
 - b. Plenary resolutions passed.
 - c. List of things to get done is mostly taken care of. Meeting with Steve Watter after break.
 - d. EAT is now up and running but needs a new name. Structure of EAT is still being worked on. Need somebody competent to be Co-Head. DRPs could get involved.
 - e. Affinity group funds are being worked on with Deedee.
 - f. Club sports trainer has been signed.
 - g. Working with Co-Secretaries on Facilities Fund.
 - h. Working on revamping how people submit requests for refunds so that it is less strenuous. All requests will be sent digitally and taken care of by an intern (if everything is straightforward) before being signed off on by Treasurers. Rubric will be created for this process. Meeting with Mike weekly to work on things. This will give more time to get things done during office hours.
 - i. Changing some of the policies regarding how JSAAP is funded (create a sub-bank account within Treasurers' bank account for them- the way they are currently funded is technically unconstitutional).
 - j. Working to change Haverfest committee. Working with Mike during Spring Break. People have had differing opinions on Haverfest last couple of years. The goal is to make it more inclusive. Haverfest needs a restructuring that would require committee of affinity group representatives and other representatives in order to make it more inclusive and collect more opinions. In the future, will require people on the committee to have gone through Rufus M. Jones leadership institute (good in

the long run- Rufus Jones needs to be utilized and Haverfest needs to be better organized/structured).

5. Co-Secretary updates

- a. Met with Don Campbell about Facilities Fund interview process.
- b. Need responses from Facilities Fund committee members; planning to conduct interviews the first week we get back.

6. Officer Updates

- a. Academics
 - i. Not present
- b. Arts
 - i. Still sending out the arts emails (in contact with someone involved in arts at Bryn Mawr so can involve Bi-Co events; hopefully will reach out with someone from Swarthmore as well to make it more Tri-Co)
- c. Athletics
 - i. Finally tracked down health services and met with Catherine and Pat. Talked about the idea of putting together first aid kits.
 - ii. Old Clubs have first aid kits that are not really up to par.
 - iii. There is an unused first aid kit in Safety and Security.
- d. Campus Life
 - i. Not present
- e. Multiculturalism
 - i. Planning things for what would hopefully be Culture Week. Talked to Mike about Culture Week being a good way to introduce Around The World for Haverfest. Meeting with groups to discuss affinity inclusion regarding Haverfest.
 - ii. Ironing out actual Culture Week schedule, still meeting to figure out funding.
 - iii. Could hopefully have SC as a whole participate in at least one of the events and bring in opinions.

7. Class Year Reps

- a. 2016
 - i. Not present
- b. 2017
 - i. Working with Blue Bus Committee. Will be meeting after spring break to figure out when the buses should run in relation to class times. Want to send out a survey about what times bus are needed apart from class times; hoping to get funds to get people to actually answer the survey. Also going to reach out to Bryn Mawr about what works with them.
 - ii. Reached out to people and figuring out who to put in the video.
- c. 2018
 - i. Not present but sent update.
 - ii. Regarding the video project- met with CP Co-heads and QB Co-Heads.
- d. 2019
 - i. First Year's Dean Council has an event planned next week in New York to get together some ED accepted students and members of the First Year's Dean Council, as well as anyone else on SC who may be in NYC next week and can come.
 - ii. Starting a mental and emotional health campaign; doing a cookie delivery to freshman dorms next week 9:30-10:30.
 - iii. Had JSAAP meeting.

8. Non-Officer Updates and Comments

- a. Jay- it could be a good idea to set up some kind of transportation spreadsheet so people can

coordinate with who is driving back home over breaks, driving to the airport, etc.

9. Plenary Discussion

- a. Comments on the resolutions passed
 - i. Should check in with Ethos regarding their resolution
 - ii. Figure out how to implement the International Students' Representative resolution
 1. Kevin Liao has copy of resolution with annotations and amendments; can talk to Co-Secretaries about updating Constitution.
 2. When are we going to run this election? Technically need to implement resolutions as soon as approved by Kim, but we should consider that we'll have very little time left in the semester. Probably can just run election first week of April and have them start up next year with the new SC.
 3. Who gets to vote? Dean of International Students has registry of everyone who is considered an International Student under current definition; however there are some murky areas regarding who else may qualify. Elections Coordinator should keep a registry of who is and isn't allowed to vote for this. First we should send out an email to everyone who is currently defined as an International Student and send a survey asking to identify. If they don't respond, then they don't identify.
 - a. Jay- not sure if that's the best way to do this because that places a lot in the Elections Coordinator, who is just one student and we don't know who they will be in the future.
 - b. Kevin- mostly this is an issue at the beginning to figure out the definition and who qualifies. One-time push to get a registry and then it's up to ISO to maintain the list. Possibly could send an email to hc-all.
 - c. Jason- not everyone reads hc-all; could be a good idea to also table or something. Also, we're planning on having 2 Elections Coordinators in the future with an overlap so that the old one can teach a new one (basically, 1.5 year terms).
 - d. Claire- we can get lists from different affinity groups, etc and can have them reach out to people who have been involved with them. Does the ISO have any idea that this is coming? (Kevin- probably not). We need to reach out to Chris and the ISO, also come up with a game plan by first week of April. Who should the International Student Representative meet with for more formal training?
 - e. Tristan- that's partially covered in the text of the resolution.
 - iii. Resolution 3B (Treasurers and surplus money)
 1. Now we have the ability to roll over surplus funds into next semester.
 2. Haven't had any backlash from anyone (even though resolution was potentially a little rushed at plenary). Treasury has actually received a lot of support from leaders of clubs, etc.
 3. This potentially allows for the entrepreneurship idea (although that's not a part of the resolution).
- b. Thoughts on the process?
 - i. Definitely a lack of athletes present; lots of complaints (to Jess from athletes) that we need to find a way to engage people so that they want to go to plenary.
 - ii. Issue of varsity athletes using their OneCard access to swipe out through back doors (messes with quorum count).
 - iii. A lot of people didn't vote in paper ballot- also an issue.
 - iv. Complaints that Plenary is difficult to follow- but not much we can do having already

started using PowerPoint, etc.

c. Possible improvements for future plenaries

- i. Maybe there is some programming to be done to get more attendance (especially athletes) but there's only so much that SC can do
- ii. Maybe a better system for paper ballot system next time (possibly have the collection baskets higher up on the bleachers instead of just on the floor).
- iii. Possibly a better method of having people give their names to Co-Secretaries to record (a clipboard?)
- iv. Make it clear that the front of the room is for Plenary people and people who are trying to speak (avoid making it look more chaotic than it actually is). Also people in the front should be able to stay up there and not have to deal with counting quorum, etc.
- v. New system for keeping track of quorum so don't have to keep running to the door from the front of the room to communicate.
- vi. Potentially tell people that it's an option to state their preferred gender pronouns before speaking.

10. Moment of Silence