

### Chartering Student Organizations

- Pool club chartering: Eric and Seamus
  - Going over their purpose and why they want to have this club
  - Want to create a community, have better equipment
    - Want to hold tournaments
    - Advertise the sport
  - Questions
    - Bobbie: using the tables in the loch? Will you try and expand or be in a different place? What will a normal session look like?
      - Using the tables in the loch bc things are super expensive
        - Maybe try and get new cloth bc its ripped
      - Once a month tournaments, play games on own time and everyone reports their scores
        - One night for the finals
        - Pretty informal
      - Weekly meetings: playing and learning. Email a week in advance to say what will be happening
    - Joel: does SOC have concerns?
      - Eric: nope! We endorse them!
  - Joel: motions to approve
    - Eric seconds
    - Yes: 17
    - No: 0
    - Abstentions: 0

### Additional Allocation Request ~ FAC, 5 minutes

Rebecca

- Because over specific amount must go to LB before approved
- Filipino Association at Macalester (FAM): \$5,304.23 from travel fund
  - See the full request here: [link to PDF in LB Drive](#)

Corgan

- Paying for 12 united tickets to chicago to see filipino dance competition
- Also paying for 3 rooms

Ayana

- How are people chosen to go on the trip?

Corgan

- Only around 12 people want to go from the org
- With four people per room, two people wanted to come after original 10

Rebecca

- Encourages questions about FAC financial side

Ayana

- Motions to approve Filipino Association at Mac request

Mariah

- Vote to approve request
- Yes: 19
- No: 0
- Abstentions: 0
- Passed!

### **Financial Code Primer ~ FAC, 10 minutes**

Rebecca

- Context: going over this bc every year FAC goes over financial code independently and then with LB allowing for revisions that are voted on in addition to FAC revisions
- Going to vote on this in two weeks
- Not going to read entire financial code but encourages people reading over the whole thing
- Relevant terms;
  - MCSG accounts → travel fund, PB fund, capital fund, operating fund, and reserve fund (FAC wants to call attention to that in revision process)
    - Unspent money for PB and capital, roll over
  - Student Activity Fee → 230 per student except for study away semesters
    - Allocate money into MCSG accounts
- FAC looking at tweaking percentages so more rolls over into travel
- FAC tries to keep reserve fund at 20,000 but had to withdraw this year for first time in 10 years
  - Due to Chanter not getting alumni gift
  - Looking at laying out mechanism to replenish the reserve fund
- Travel fund change: hotel accommodations costs to come from travel fund
  - Technically according to old budget workshop materials hotels are event travel fund
  - Similar to transportation in that changes so much so makes sense to get closer to time needed
  - Makes sense to make change
- Block budgeting: when funds have been approved, orgs have discretion to take money and put it towards another capital fund
  - You can't spend capital funding on food
  - Gives orgs flexibility because of certain amount of event operating funds
- Food costs: FAC funds \$10 per person for each person maximum
  - Encourages orgs to come up with more specific numbers with exemption for cultural and religious events
    - That food can be significantly more expensive
    - To pay for religious and cultural requests, have to be more careful with food for other events
  - How to determine if food is integral to an event

- Recommends snacks over full meal when possible
- MCSG prohibits orgs from spending on political candidate's, compensation
  - Student activity can't be used for gift card, prize, or winner with exception of program board
  - Don't fund bottled water
  - FAC encourages compostable dish war
  - Event operating or capital more than 4,000 need to go to LB
  - Travel more than 2,000 also goes to LB

Jordanella

- MCSG requested a lot of money not being used this academic year, where does it go? EX is community chest

Rebecca

- Unspent money rolls back into next year and is allocated into pool (20% goes to PB, etc)
- Careful about projections because can't count on rollover money due to unsure guesses about enrollment and such
  - Have to air on the side of caution

Jordanella

- Is rollover included in budget?

Rebecca

- No

Margaret

- Budget this year includes minimum projection of \$10,000

Jordanella

- MCSG has \$3,000 dollars itself
- After april 18, will FAC update these figures?

Rebecca

- Orgs can still spend money by then they just can't request additional funds
- Can't spend after May 2

Jordanella

- How do we know full amount of rollover?

Margaret

- They do it over the summer with Laurie
- Purchase cards or credit cards come a month after you spend so they have to wait until summer
- In late september, someone from finance gives enrollment info and exact student activity fee pool
  - Right now looking at \$12,000 but could change

### **Budget Bonanza Appeals ~ FAC, 25 minutes**

- See the appeals here: [☰ 2022 Budget Bonanza Appeals/Amendments](#)
  - Martial Arts Club
  - MCSG

Rebecca

- Going to start with Mac Martial Arts with what they requested and what was funded
- Requested money for Brazilian jiu jitsu coach

- Greater than what one coach was last year so approved less

John from Martial Arts

- Next year coach will be more involved with jiu jitsu and MMA
  - Didn't figure it out until later in the year
- Coach recently became a father so also want to pay him more

Austin

- Question about allocating to two vs one coach

John

- Old leader was running classes over zoom from New York
- Because they're in person, there's no reason to run them over zoom

Ayana

- Wanting to pay more for new father, is there a contract drawn up with coach? Just wanting some context

John

- Coach prefers 1200
- Issues with budgeting and paying last semester because helping women's wrestling club

Ayana

- How often does club meet?

John

- Club meets four times a week this year and will be similar next year
- Right now coach comes once a week, next year likely twice a week or more

Eliora

- 36.67 per session based on some quick math
- Request seems pretty reasonable

John

- As someone who's payed to go to sessions, it is a good rate
- Coach also looking to work full time

Rebecca

- FAC didn't come up with a recommendation either way for the appeal
- Appeal is additional \$500 for event operating

Ayana

- Motions to approve \$500 of appeal

Mariah

- Vote to approve appeal for \$500
- Yes: 18
- No: 0
- Abstentions: 0
- Approved!

Appeal from MCSG

Rebecca

- Reminder from last week: hoping to limit total amount of appeals to \$1,000 to keep \$30,000 minimum for additional allocations for next year
- Fall retreat \$4,600
  - FAC declined any funding for this because they wanted detailed breakdown and overnight trip info
  - \$1,980 from budget workshop to fall retreat

- Amount requested leftover
- Additional \$1,180 and \$149 in capital

Bobbie

- Took “let’s do this again” stance with budget and tried to make changes
- Fall retreat: on campus this year bc COVID, hoping to do off-campus next fall
  - Quote for camp courage for the day and do activities
  - Price includes 3 meals for \$60 per person
  - Comes to \$1,980
- Spring retreat: appealing for two meals instead of two retreats
  - Told FAC cannot fund two meals
  - With 33 people, asking for \$330
- Subscription for newsletter
- LB Forum: changed the funding approach
  - In by-laws there is a place about community gathering for school
  - President supposed to offer campus wide event for student concerns
  - Told that budgeting constraints should lead to snacks not meals
  - With one for fall and spring, expecting 80 attendees
  - Decided to go with five dollars per person
  - $80 \times 5 \times 2 = 800$

Rebecca

- Misunderstanding about bylaws community gathering info
- LB Forum is a really good idea, but should be limiting to \$1,000 in appeals
- Found a way to provide snacks for 80 people (3 snacks) for \$200
  - Taking 600 off of request to keep under \$1,000 limit
- FAC recommends \$200 instead of \$800
- Flexibility with block budgeting allows for money to be peeled off of fall or spring retreat, use flexi, or come back with additional allocation request
  - Just need to be careful right now bc unsure of how much money we’ll have next year
- Going over \$1,000 and dipping into additional allocations will affect orgs

Jordanella

- Reason for request: providing pizza instead of snack because meeting happens from 7-9
  - Don’t want students to choose dinner over event
- Up to everyone to vote for what they think is right
- LB meetings are open to everyone and want to make them accessible

Mariah

- Hearing that there was miscommunication that led to FAC declining request
  - As a community we should not be having those miscommunication
- Pre-covid, would we do overnight retreat at a camp so why not this year?

Jordanella

- Started MCSG this year and the only person with details was Andrew Wells
- Recommended not being overnight

Rebecca

- Only happened one year and request was the same as it was when seniors were here before us

Shreya

- Has no idea what happened her first year
- Opposition to using block budgeting from workshops and moving that towards LB forum?
  - Taking advantage of block budgeting and reallocating to avoid going over the budget and optics

Ayana

- Likes Alex's suggestion about using PB to get actual food for over dinner period
- Does retreat fill role of onboarding people to MCSG? Does being at a camp fulfill that?

Jordanella

- Point of retreat to get to know each other better but some felt unsure of positions this year

Shreya

- On;y in person retreat was with long sessions about by-laws

Eliora

- FAC was careful evaluate MCSG like other orgs with unbiased approach
- Wondering about fall retreat
- MCSG not willing to meet in person and COVID rates to be higher in the fall
  - Seems like COVID will be worse in the fall

Jordanella

- Cannot predict future and can only hope for the best
- Only hopes that people would feel comfortable but up to individual members

Bobbie

- Can't go either way
- Would be more of a problem if didn't request it now

Eric

- LB Forum: how would that work with PB?
- Won't be here in fall but for people new to MCSG in Spring how would they get involved?

Bobbie

- Asking for LB Forum now and will do additional allocation, collab with PB, or rework budget to make it work
- Thinking about spring retreat for return to school but a bit unsure right now

Jordanella

- Talking about next spring
- Place for people to come together and get to know each other

Rebecca

- Motion to vote for 200 for LB forum
- Going to vote individually

Joel

- Voting yes means you support 200

Ayana

- Voting on 200, if you disagree don't vote

Rebecca

- About changing amount to vote on

Ayana

- Amendment to allocation

Mariah

- Voting to approve appeal of \$354.88 for fall retreat
- Yes: 18
- No: 0
- Abstentions: 0
- Approved!

Ayana

- Motion to approve \$40 for spring retreat

Mariah

- Vote to approve \$40
- Yes: 17
- No: 0
- Abstentions: 0

Rebecca

- Motion to vote on \$200 and then if someone wants to motion to vote on additional \$600 they can

Mariah

- Vote to approve \$200
- Yes: 16
- No: 0
- Abstentions: 1
- Approved!

Bobbie

- Motion to approve additional 600

Mariah

- Vote to approve \$600
- Yes: 6
- No: 12
- Abstentions: 0
- Not approved!

Mariah

- Voting to approve 149
- Yes: 18
- No: 0
- Abstentions: 0

**Break** ~ 5 minutes

**Potential MCSG Table at APA Night Market** ~ *Ayana*, 15 minutes

Ayana

- Should MCSG table at APA Night Market?
- Looking for opinions and ideas for what to do

Joel

- When and where?

Ayana

- April 15th from 4-9 on bateman plaza
- Form to fill out with time slots

- Signing up for one hour slots

Shreya

- Last time night market was centered around people of asian pacific descent

Ayana

- Form does specific cultural orgs but macdaily does not so will ask

Eric

- Thinks not an appropriate place for MCSG

### **Reflection Activity Notes** ~ Ayana, 5 minutes

- Read the consolidated notes from our last discussion here:  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1-ZQffJz2k0kONJpC7W7LVWLELxD6NajGIXi0FjaARqI/edit?usp=sharing>

Ayana

- Consolidating notes while going through transition docs and onboarding process
- Not a lot of people returning to MCSG from this year
- Wanted to have outline of notes for different goals and group them thematically

Jordanella

- Made a copy and thinks for everyone writing transition docs to do the same

### **Discussion About Media and Outreach Position** ~ Ayana, 10 minutes

Ayana

- Should be expanded to more than one person
- Wanted to talk about expanding how many people are in it
- Used to have more programming with social media ad hoc

Jordanella

- Comments given to MCSG should be taken calmly
- Person saying there's no communication was complaining about things already being done
- Doesn't think new position is needed

Ayana

- Agrees to some extent but thinks marketing info is a different beast altogether
- Newsletter came out without a lot of advertising
- Consistency is key

Eric

- Agrees with Ayana
- Consistency issue for sure
- Can only find updates for one week, missing a few weeks, etc
- Need to expand to be more consistent week by week LB updates

Shreya

- Would have to edit position during by-law time period
- Don't need work study to be in it
- Does come from MCSG money to pay students
- Priya deserves a little more respect than we're giving her
- Has heard complaints about how she's being treated
- We can ensure social media is being properly used by treating people with respect

Ayana



- Respect does go a long way

Jordanella

- Suggests we talk to Priya

## **Committee and Cabinet Updates**

Tom with AAC

- Past two weeks dealing with student educator and educator of the year award
  - Have been elected and will be left as a surprise until announced in mac daily
- AAC's job drawing to a close
  - Reflecting on this year and putting summary in google docs
- One final donuts

Shreya with Election

- Ballots open the 7-10
- Vote and get friends to vote
- Pay attention to posts
- Next week during LB financial advisory council and staff advisory council chair coming to sit in and put names to faces
- AAC meets once a month with financial chair (Beth) decided to have her come to one MCSG meeting a semester
- April 19th is last business heavy meeting of semester
  - New and old LB in same space
  - If you have business, get it in by 19th meeting

Rebecca

- Working on LSU and Quest Bridge
- Working on financial code this week
  - Will vote on 19th
- Welcome all engagement regarding that

Austin with SOC

- Passed hedge charter

Jordanella with SSRC

- Community chest request for indigenous listening sessions
- Feedback on student survey going out april 8th
- Reached out about menstrual health products in all bathrooms but not possible due to budget constraints

Alex with PB

- Would love volunteers for Spring Fest on the 16th
  - You get an exclusive t-shirt

Margaret

- Working on transition org process to be done on 18th
- May 2nd is last day to host programs and use money/get reimbursement

## **Announcements**

Bobbie

- President Rivera sent email about strategic planning
- Sessions happening this and next week

- If you want idea of themes and what they've been doing go to all theme sessions tomorrow and Monday
- One more theme specific one on thursday this week

Tor

- Drafted document regarding admin transparency between committees, board of trustees, and student body
- Asking to open meetings to students except executive sessions
  - No comments or membership
- Might introduce it officially in a meeting coming up
- Mariah gave some feedback, looking for more

Other Announcements

- Ballots are open from April 7 - April 10
- Submit your suggestion for Advisor of the Year: [placeholder]
- Deadline for submitting Additional Allocations is Monday, April 18