Student Activities Association (SAA)
Board of Directors/Budget Committee Meeting
SAA Budget Committee Minutes- Date: September 5, 2012

Presiding Chairs: V.P. Thomas Stafford – Board of Directors
Mehak Kapoor – Budget Committee

Presiding SAA Secretary: Dean Kenneth Holmes

Recording Secretary: Marlon Daniels and Simone Clemente

Members Present: V.P. Thomas Stafford; Dean Kenneth Holmes; Mehak Kapoor; Jeffrey Aikens; Akuba Chinebua; Emiliya Abramova; Michelle Tsang; Jeanne-Marie Col; Toy-Fung Tung; Tanya Rodriguez

Guests Present: Student Representatives defending their student organization budgets

Order: SAA Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 3:38pm. Quorum was achieved.

Motion #1: Motion to amend the agenda to include the Student Council budget of $96,817 – Jeffrey Aikens.
Second: Toy-Fung Tung
Vote: Favor [5] Opposed [0] Abstained [0]
Action: Motion passed.

Motion #2: Motion to approve the African Student Association budget in the amount of $4,695.42 – Jeffrey Aikens.
Second: Akuba Chinebua
Discussion #1: African Student Association representative defended the budget by explaining the upcoming events planned for fall 2012 semester.
Vote: Favor [5] Opposed [0] Abstained [0]
Action: Motion passed.

Motion #3: Motion to approve the Debate Society budget in the amount of $8,429.85 – Akuba Chinebua.
Second: Toy-Fung Tung
Discussion #2: Debate Society representative defended the budget by explaining the upcoming events planned for fall 2012 semester.
Vote: Favor [5] Opposed [0] Abstained [0]
Action: Motion passed.
Motion #4: Motion to approve the Haitian Students Association budget in the amount of $3,299.38 – Jeffrey Aikens.
Second: Toy-Fung Tung
Discussion #3: Haitian Students Association representative defended the budget by explaining the upcoming events planned for fall 2012 semester
Vote: Favor [5 ] Opposed [0 ] Abstained [0 ]
Action: Motion passed.

Motion #5: Motion to approve the Muslim Students Association budget in the amount of $3,415.24 – Akuba Chinebua.
Second: Jeffrey Aikens.
Discussion #4: Muslim Students Association representative defended the budget by explaining the upcoming events planned for fall 2012 semester.
Vote: Favor [ 5 ] Opposed [0 ] Abstained [0 ]
Action: Motion passed.

Tanya Rodriguez entered at 3:44pm

Michelle Tsang entered at 3:50pm.

Motion #6: Motion to approve the Photography Club budget in the amount of $999.93 – Tanya Rodriguez
Second: V.P. Thomas Stafford
Discussion #5: Photography Club representative defended the budget by explaining the upcoming events planned for fall 2012 semester.
Action: Motion passed.

Jeanne-Marie Col entered at 3:55pm

Motion #7: Motion to approve the Student Council budget in the amount of $96,817. – Akuba Chinebua
Second: Jeffrey Aikens
Discussion #6: Student Council representative defended the budget by explaining the upcoming events planned for Academic Year 2012-2013.
Vote: Favor [ 6 ] Opposed [ 0 ] Abstained [ 0 ]
Action: Motion passed.

Motion #8: Motion to adjourn meeting - Toy-Fung Tung
Second: Akuba Chinebua
Vote: Favor [ 6 ] Opposed [ 0 ] Abstained [ 0 ]
Action: Motion passed.
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Guests Present: Judicial Board candidates

Order: SAA Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 4:12pm. Quorum was achieved.

Motion #1: Motion to accept the Budget Committee report of budgets as a slate - Jeffrey Aikens
Second: Toy-Fung Tung
Vote: Favor [9] Opposed [0] Abstained [0]
Action: Motion passed.

Akuba Chinebua and Toy-Fung Tung left at 4:15pm.

Board of Directors lost Quorum at 4:15pm.

No official voting took place but it was agreed that remaining agenda items would be discussed.

Agenda Item #2: Confirmation of the Student Council Faculty Advisor nominations.

Discussion #1: Student Council executives explained how the faculty advisors were chosen. It was
pointed out that William Allen was advisor last academic year and should be re-appointed. Raul
Rubio was recommended by the Faculty Senate to replace the current vacancy.

Vote: Favor [ ] Opposed [ ] Abstained [ ]
Agenda Item # 3: Confirmation of the Student Council Judicial Board nomination.

Discussion #2: Mehak Kapoor explained the process that Student Council needed to nominate only one additional judicial board candidate to fulfill their requirement of judicial board nominations. There was a discussion of how to conduct the interview questions. It was decided that Ms. Kapoor would ask the interview questions. The following questions were asked:

1. Please introduce yourself and explain your interest on serving on Judicial Board.
2. What is the role of a Judicial Board member?
3. According to the charter, Judicial Board meetings should be conducted following which document?
4. One of the expectations of a Judicial Board member is to be unbiased - are you able to hold that expectation?
5. Where do you see yourself in ten years?

The Student Council's nominee is Shamara Nicholas. The Board of Directors were impressed with her answers to the questions. For your convenience Ms. Nicholas’ application is attached.

Vote: Favor [ ] Opposed [ ] Abstained [ ]

Agenda Item # 4: Interview and nominations for the 3 remaining positions on Judicial Board.

Discussion #3: Irisa Kondi, Fenesghi Ravix and Siddharth Shah interviewed with the Board of Directors to be considered for a position on the Judicial Board. Mehak Kapoor conducted the interviews. The Board of Directors had mixed reactions to the 3 interviewees. It was decided to include along with the minutes the applications of the candidates that were interviewed.

Irisa Kondi – Candidate for Judicial Board
Vote: Favor [ ] Opposed [ ] Abstained [ ]

Fenesghi Ravix – Candidate for Judicial Board
Vote: Favor [ ] Opposed [ ] Abstained [ ]

Siddharth Shah – Candidate for Judicial Board
Vote: Favor [ ] Opposed [ ] Abstained [ ]

Agenda Item #5: Student Activities Association Board of Directors Budget Committee – Next meeting date is Thursday, September 27, 2012 at 1:40pm in room L.65.08NB

Note: After the meeting it was discovered that the next meeting date is in conflict with the Faculty/Staff meeting and we will have to reschedule future BOD meeting dates.