

College Association Meeting Minutes
May 23rd, 2024, at 12 noon
Location: Presidents Conference Room

Attendance: Karen Williams, James Salnave, Nelsy Moody Pierre, Tim Paglione, Gurpreet Singh (Alt), Kenzai Sinclair, Valerie Kubanick, Ajisa Dervisevic, Anaya Greene, Rayon Chan, Vivian.
Guest: Sheila Skinner, Alejandro Lopez, Sandra Delacruz, Vivian Febus

- I. **Call to Order**
 - Chair VP Williams called the meeting to order at 12:05 pm.
- II. **Roll Call**
 - Roll call conducted. A quorum was met.
- III. **Review/Adoption of the Agenda**
 - The agenda was adopted unanimously.
- IV. **Review/Adoption of the Minutes from 11/14/23**
 - Minutes were approved unanimously
- V. **Treasures Report**
 - AVP Dervisevic- states Revenue adjusted budgets of 1.29 million dollars for FY24, with 703k available. The budget committee's total expenditure is 531,000 as of April 30th Athletic department is 338 so the total expenditure becomes 587,000,
 - Sandra states that the enrollment Numbers review decreased compared to the previous year. Without changes, the budget will be 80% of the FY24 budget.
 - Chair VP Williams - Fall activities were not executed so money has been left over. Allocated parties need to spend early and not wait until the last minute. There were unspent allocations from student clubs, there must be a plan set to support with planning and the use of money allocated.
 - Gurpreet asks about the money from the game room.
 - Sandra-The administrative fee is the only fee for the game room
 - Tim -asks what happens with unspent funds
 - Vivian-The money goes into the general fund.
- VI. **Chairs Remark**
 - Chair VP Williams says thank you for the work we have done.
- VII. **Old Business**
 - No old business
- VIII. **New Business**
 - Athletics budget

- i. Chair VP Williams asks to use a percentage of whole for respective groups over the summer.
 1. Sandra says 30% of earmarking.
 - a. AVP Salnave-Motioned to approve 30% of the earmark for athletics
 - i. Tim seconded the motion.

Discussion

- Gurpreet asks why they need new supplies, like balls
 - Chair VP Williams states it depends on the condition of the supplies needed.
 - Anaya adds that Students keep their uniforms if they aren't returned.
- Vivian says Before we consider the Athletics budget. We need to consider what we are voting on budget-wise for FY25 at the 80% we are looking to approve.
 - Sandra says 90-95% if enrollment is up and 80% if enrollment is down. Earmark depending on enrollment that FY.
- Vivian suggested it should be a number, not a percentage so that we give them an exact number. \$55662.30 is 30% of \$183229
 - AVP Salnave motioned to approve %55,662.30
 - Valerie 2nd the motion
- Chair VP Williams asks for all in favor of approving \$55,662.30
 - 9 votes Yes, Motion passes
- Chair VP Williams asks Why can't we approve the budget now? Vote on it by the same board that's here. The budget is the associations even if the members change.
 - Sandra says according to the fiscal accountability handbook it's not noted to be approved the year prior
 - Chair VP Williams asks if it is prohibited
 - Sandra says auditors do look at the new budget and approval process.
 - Chair VP Williams states if the board on-campus wants to approve the budget on July 1st they can.
- **FYE/Mentoring/Orientation budget**
 - i. Chair VP Williams explains it's a similar vote to athletics
 1. AVP Salnave makes a motion to approve 30% of the proposed budget amount - \$ 30,294.00

2. Kenzai seconds the motion
- ii. AVP Salnave amended his motion to approve the budget for FYE orientation of \$100,982 and approve 30% of that for summer spending
 1. Kenzai seconds the amended motion

Discussion

- SGA President Chan asks Why are we giving summer allocations 30%?
 - i. AVP Salnave explains that areas are requesting funds to move things forward during the summer.
- Chair VP Williams moved to vote
 - i. Approved unanimously with 9 votes, Motion passes
- **Student Activities Budget**
 - i. AVP Salnave makes a motion to allocate 30% of their total earmark which is \$ 12,200.00
 1. Gurpreet seconds the motion

Discussions

- Tim asks about the breakdowns for SGA and SA being similar. Asking if there are two welcome-back parties.
 - Sheila explains SA does the morning and SGA does the evening
 - Gurpreet asks why giveaways are more expensive than food.
 - Sheila explains that it depends on what we order price range wise. Especially with personalization. T-shirts clothes etc.
- Chair VP Williams moved to vote
 - Approved unanimously with 9 votes, Motion passes
- **SGA Budget**
 - i. AVP Salnave makes a motion to allocate 30% of their earmark which is 12k and approve the 35k for the leadership retreat.
 1. Gurpreet Seconds the motion
 - ii. Chair VP Williams moved to vote
 1. Approved unanimously with 9 votes, Motion passes 35k leadership and 12k for SGA budget.
- **Club Council**
 - i. Nelsy would like to know how much clubs will have and how to set up the council meetings for next year.

- AVP Salnave explains that Student Clubs are to reinstate the club council and have monthly meetings where clubs' proposals will be brought there with members of that organization. As a board, we approve the Club Council budget, and they earmark money for clubs, and this frees up the need for the Association to meet frequently.
 - Vivian states the Association is responsible for the expenses of the committee. Each club can start with an initial budget.
 - AVP Salnave moves that we allocate \$500 to all active student clubs so that they have access at the beginning of the year to Club fair and recruitment activities.
 - Gurpreet seconds motion.

Discussion

- Chair VP Williams asks that we make it clear to the clubs that this is just an initial budget they can still propose for me. The Club Council needs to meet early in FY25 to inform the clubs and students.
 - Sandra brings up the idea that at the beginning year, we should start thinking about increasing the club budget. A referendum would assist us with this. At the end have one motion that everything above earmarking be taken from the general fund. Or we can just allocate the %30.
 - Chair VP Williams moved to vote
 - Approved with 8 votes.
- Anaya states her position is to lead the performing arts committee. She wants to know what her role is in it and what It Is.
 - Chair VP Williams explains the PAC is closed, and the committee should be in the bylaws.
 - Sheila states that it is in the bylaws
 - Sandra states that APAF should be combined into the clubs' budget
 - AVP Salnave asks if it could be combined
 - Sandra says we can't with an earmark
 - Vivian says CUNY is amending that cause earmarks are not getting used. If so, we can vote amongst the board but if not, it needs a referendum.
 - Chair VP Williams explains the APAF committee is still active and that it's about whether that committee calls the meetings. They just didn't meet. I'll remind all committees under the Association should be meeting. Board meetings shouldn't take this long,

committees should be meeting to assist the Board in moving things along faster. Which means fewer Board meetings. This board should be focused on referendum and bigger ticket items.

- Chair VP Williams asks Alejandro to remind the various committees of a schedule of meetings for FY25.
 - Gurpreet asks if we could mandate committees to meet.
 - Chair VP Williams states that is something she wishes we could. The board will be communicating with subcommittees to confirm the dates of their meetings.
- Anaya asks if we can motion to have 30% of APAF swell.
- AVP Salnave moves for 30% summer allocation for all earmarks
 - Gurpreet seconds the motion.
 - Chair VP Williams -Budget earmarks are as follows: Athletics, child and family center, study away study abroad, game room, radio station, APAF, SGA, and Clubs.
- Chair VP Williams moved to vote
 - Approved with 8 votes. Motion carried all earmark allocations will have 30% access to their earmark for the summer.
- Chair VP Williams and Nelsy bring up a proposal for club budgets to increase. Planning to meet in July to approve.
- Chair VP Williams moves forward on agendas taking out 'Open forum' only place Announcements.

IX. Announcements

- Anaya asks if you should do a concert next FY
 - Chair VP Williams asks where it would be if the PAC is closed still. This should come as a proposal from whoever is interested in doing the event.

X. Adjournment

- The meeting Adjourned 1:30 pm

Respectfully Signed by *Kenzai Sinclair*