

Student Senate Minutes

5-2-11 by Nick Prince

I. Call to order by Co-President Thayer at 7:00

II. Attendance by Nick Prince

III. Community Comment

- a. Eric Huemiller: Good luck in the Finance process!

IV. Approval of Minutes

- a. Approved.

V. Appointments

- a. No positions filled.

VI. Old Business

a. By-Laws: GACspot

- i. Bryz-Gornia: Senate doesn't have the GACspot.com domain any more, so we need to cut this.
- ii. Lundborg: That was stupid of me. I don't have a comment.
- iii. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, roll-call vote.

- 1. Unanimously approved. (See attached Appendix A)

b. By-Laws:

- i. Bryz-Gornia: This is what we're doing, let's do that.
- ii. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, roll-call.

- 1. Unanimously approved. (See attached Appendix A)

VII. Finance Process Beginning

- a. Tessmer: Please remember, above all to keep a respectful tone, even when they do not. We had to cut a lot of their funding, they're upset, and we need to be professional and respect. Have fun and smile. And don't be repetitive.
- b. Hirdler: (Talking about budget) We need to do all these groups and maintain not going over the budgeted number of \$185,000. First budget: Building Bridges.

VIII. Building Bridges

- a. Hirdler: Recommendation of \$0. There is a complete lack of details for everything, and we can't allocate based on that.
- b. Building Bridges: Thank you for funding this years' conference. We understand that because of by-laws you aren't able to fund a lot of what is requested. We do have quotes for the ASL Interpreter that we funded this last conference. Our tickets & programs have always been the same, at \$1250, for the conference.
- c. Bryz-Gornia: I realize that mid-years are a good time to get things taken care of, but for such a great group to get \$0 at this meeting, now, at this point, would be a bad thing for Senate to do. Someone should allocate something.
- d. Lundborg: As a finance committee we felt that we couldn't fund anything in the budget because of a lack of detail about any line items. Without that knowledge, we can't.
- e. Ostendorf: We'd like either the Tickets or Programs funded. If anyone would like to, we'd appreciate if someone would fund one of them.
- f. Flannery: How much was the quote? \$150?
- g. Sagstuen: We should definitely pay for the tickets. It's \$22. Move to change Tickets to \$22 dollars <Hoppe seconds>

- h. Lundborg: We had a conversation about stewarding our money, and now I'm afraid that we're just about to do that. I don't think that this \$22 is the best expenditure of money.
- i. Prince: In response, I think that if nothing else, it's a symbolic measure to try and show Building Bridges a small measure of respect in this process, despite the tension between the groups.
- j. Hirdler: Echo Prince.
- k. Building Bridges: Anything Senate can give now is going to be something we ultimately need either way.
- l. Lundborg: These get sent out in the Spring? (Yes). I don't think it's worth tying up money.
- m. Hoppe: I think it is a big group, but it is just \$22. Call to question <Schmitt seconds>
 - i. Call to question. Passes.
 - ii. In favor of funding Building Bridges tickets to \$22: Passes 9-6.
- n. Thayer: Back to discussion on full Building Bridges budget.
- o. Building Bridges: We have to continually make our case every year and it's annoying. We understand the predicament that Senate is in and needing more details from us. For a signature event of the college, the only one that's student funding, to get less money every year in the Spring despite a bigger conference each year, its... I would hope that you would fund a signature event better.
- p. Adams: I have a few questions. Do you receive money from Senate that you need? (Yes, we get the majority of the money from Senate). It is part of

Commission 150 to promote/fund Building Bridges. It's a budget that we're going to get to next year in a mid-year. You have other sources for funding from the college. But we just spent half-an-hour to give you \$22. All we're asking is that you come back for a mid-year. It's not that difficult. How can we delegate money to you if you're not giving us information, while other groups do it right?

- q. Building Bridges: It's a matter of how building bridges is set up. We acknowledge that you need to go around By-Laws. But we've given you numbers for the last few years for Ticket prices and such, and you haven't. Further, funding from Ohle... isn't that high on the priority list for events. And we don't want the administration to have more say than students in the conference. It's a slap in the face to get just \$22 from Senate.
- r. Ostendorf: We go through the same process every year. We need to find a different way to put money aside for Building Bridges. We need to start recognizing the value of Building Bridges during this process, because we're going to fund it either way. Otherwise we're just going to continue to run into problems every single year, and Senate needs to recognize that Building Bridges isn't going to go away and needs money to put on a great conference every single year. We can't give you what Senate requires because of how Building Bridges is set up, and Senate needs to think up a new way to work with Building Bridges. Because the conference takes a whole year and happens in March, we can't get information to you by the time that the Finance process starts. Being able to work on things during the Summer would be excellent because we really can't do

anything over the Summer in figuring everything out until after the group has re-started up in the Fall, which takes list.

- s. Thayer: I think some really great points have been made, and I think a mutual understanding is trying to be made. One thing that's been left out, and your group does a great job: If we were to fund you in full, and for some reason it didn't happen, we'd suddenly have \$20,000 tied up that we couldn't get rid of.
- t. Ostendorf: Wouldn't a group that dissolved auto-rescind?
- u. Hirdler: No, it would still get tied up until May. We don't get anything rescinded until then.
- v. Thayer: Not saying anything for my personal preference, but that's the reasoning behind the by-laws and the requirement for detail. I suggest and invite you to pull Senate aside next year and have this discussion on how to fund you next year, not during this process.
- w. Nowariak: Call to question. <Emmet seconds>
 - i. Call to question motion: Passes.
 - ii. Allocation of \$22 to Building Bridges: Passes 9-5. 1 Abstention.
- x. Post-discussion:
 - i. Joey: Prince, could you move to the front to maintain the Cabinet/Senator division?
 - ii. Thayer: That took us 40 minutes to get done. We need to move quicker. Second, that was a good taste of what we'll be dealing with, and it's a good thing to listen to orgs, but orgs will try to get money from Senate constantly. Don't feel guilty in to anything.

- iii. Ostendorf: I did my best to speak to everyone beforehand. Its been a lot more brutal in the past. There's something wrong with this process for Building Bridges and Senate, so we need give and take to fix this. I did my best to explain how this process works.

IX. Equestrian Team

- a. Hirdler: There's a lot of different shows that they'll go to. We maxed out their travel and lodging, and we gave them the standard \$10 for printing. That's why there's a lot of zeroes later.
- b. Equestrian Team: We're pretty happy, just here to make sure nothing disappears.
- c. Bryz-Gornia: I'm curious about Regionals.
- d. Equestrian Team: If you get enough points during the year you "level up" and move to the next level of competition. If you get enough points, you become qualified for Regionals.
- e. Bryz-Gornia: I feel that if it's a Regional event, and it's something that the GAC school can be represented at, that we should be supporting the event.
- f. Halvorson: Is printing something we often fund for?
 - i. Hirdler: Point of Info: we fund every group \$10 for Printing, \$15 if they used more than \$10 last year.
- g. Nowariak: Regionals are great, but every club sport gets a set amount of money. Yes it'd be great if we could fund it, but at this point in time it's just like any other club sport. Call to question, <Claire seconds>
 - i. Call to question: Passes.
 - ii. Vote to allocate \$3,010 to Equestrian Team: Passes.

X. Big Hill Farm

- a. Hirdler: Committee funded the printing that they asked for, and the gardening gloves because it's a capital improvement. In general, we gave them the seeder to help with planting after we went back to give money. Bees/chickens shouldn't fund live animals for the group because we don't want to, we don't have money, and we gave them the capital improvement that they asked for.
- b. Big Hill Farm: Began in 2009 for Sustainable Agriculture promotion. Had composting last year for the Farm, just started it again this year. Supplied Organic Produce to the cafeteria and farmer's market. Last year we were suddenly moved, and we had a successful year. 1500 lbs went to the caf, more to local food shelf. Many volunteers from different local organizations. This year, this will be the most successful season going forward. Partnered with the Environmental Studies department to work the farm, they're researching the farm to make it more efficient. Thousands of plants in the green house ready to be planted. Student from Minneapolis will be doing work over the summer for 3 weeks. We're very happy with what has been recommended. A lot of these are one-time purchases. Something that we didn't get was the soil sampling, and we'd like that because it would help us deal with the soil that we have and to improve it. With the new composting system we're setting up, we'd like to channel efforts in the best way possible. Thank you to the Finance committee for what was funded.
 - i. Brandon: Didn't fund the soil sampling is because we funded it last year and it wasn't used.

- c. Prince: I personally am a huge fan of the green movement and sustainable farming. That said, this group needs to be held to the same standards as other groups. Last year troubling numbers regarding Big Hill Farm were heard, and a number of things seem questionable on the budget. Sustainability isn't something we're seeing.
- d. Lundborg: As a person who served on the Finance committee for a few years. The only things that I've consistently seen are things that get used every year. I've also seen the budget consistently decrease in amount asked for. I think that's one way that this group is in fact doing what they said they'd do. With that being said:
Call to question <Burnton seconds>
 - i. Call to question: Passes.
 - ii. Move to allocate \$515 to Big Hill Farm: Passes.

XI. Diversity Leadership Council BLOCK BUDGET

XII. Asian Cultures Club

- a. Hirdler: \$15 to Printing. We can't food for Welcome Back Bash, and a lack of details with the food. We gave money for leadership retreat as allowed by By-Laws. For Speaker Kao Kalia we gave them the full amount, for the performances we only had one of the quotes, so we funded for that performance. For decorations, we didn't fund during the process, and for food we didn't feel that it was part of the main focus of the event.
- b. ACC: Thanks for the generous allocation. We wanted to talk about the Hmong New Year for food. The food is not the main aspect of the event, its supplementary to the event, so that rather than just a speaker and a performer, it

would be more interactive and experiential. We should get the minimum of \$300 for that. One thing about the food for this event is that the food is part of an authentic celebration of the event. The food isn't something that you can get at any old restaurant around and get this kind of food. When I went home over Reading break this semester with a friend, I was experiencing different kinds of food than I ever had before and helped me understand the culture that much more.

- c. Lundborg: Might as well say it now, this is going to come up again, this is something that I've always personally felt, and this is in no way a reflection of your group specifically, but I think that there should be more events on campus that do not resort to food to either bring people in the door or make the event better. Personally I feel that we should be able to hold good events without food, that's why we funded the performer and the speaker. That makes a good event. The food is extraneous, its \$1000 that we can't necessarily afford. I would strongly recommend that we leave it at zero.
- d. Novack: We try to be fair with every group with allocations for food for a program that relies on food to try and make an event better.
- e. ACC: Can you please give us at least \$300 that the By-Laws say?
 - i. Brandon: The By-Law got changed to say that there's no more limit, the Finance committee will decide based on the event.
- f. ACC: What would you (Lundborg) suggest to hold a good event without food?
 - i. Lundborg: I think that speakers are a good way.
 - ii. ACC: What would you have us do to get people to go?

- iii. Lundborg: I think that it's a supposition on this campus that you need food to get people to go. People want to learn.
- g. Sagstuen: I disagree that food isn't necessary for some events. Cultural food is often necessary for cultural events. The problem is we don't have the money. It's a slippery slope to say, but next year when/if we have more money, please come in with details for a mid-year.
- h. Hoppe: Call to question. <Joey seconds>
 - i. Call to question: Passes.
 - ii. Vote to allocate \$6,485 for ACC: Passes.

XIII. Chinese Cultures Club

- a. Hirdler: Gave printing for the Mid-Autumn Celebration. We didn't fund the Mooncakes because its not the educational part of the event. We funded all tea from this point on because this event is discussion in Mandarin, just like Russian tea does. If we're going to fund food, this is the kind that we want to fund: educational. We funded only transportation for Outings because it's a closed group of students that goes, and we can't fund food for that. However, we can fund transportation to go there. For the Spring Festival Celebration, they're going to have educational food for what is, in CCC's words, "like the American Christmas." We felt its necessary for the educational aspect of this, but the drinks weren't specific enough for us to fund. We didn't want to fund 'Snacks' for Asian Night. For the Chinese Cooking Lesson this is just "materials" for the event, so we don't know what its going towards specifically.

- b. CCC: Thank you for the money you have allocated to us. We realize that we haven't given enough specifics for a couple events, and they are great events, so we'd like to come back in September.
- c. Sagstuen: If you go to the Crossroads program, they do a lot of co-sponsoring with events such as this for cultural food and events.
- d. Burnton: Call to question. <Claire seconds>
 - i. Call to question: Passes.
 - ii. Vote to allocate \$335 to CCC: Passes.

XIV. College Democrats

- a. Hirdler: \$15 for Printing. We cannot give blank Book Mark line items. We gave transportation to the Capital and for the Univ. of Minnesota trip. For Pizza and Politics we can't fund food, and for DemFest we can't fund food either, and we maxed out advertisements. We gave them transportation to the MyDFL Convention.
- b. College Democrats: We're happy with this. If we need more, we'll come back for a mid-year.
- c. Thayer: Seeing no more discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$415 to College Democrats: Passes.

XV. College Republicans

- a. Hirdler: Because we couldn't fund the 9/11 Memorium Speaker, we couldn't fund it. We replaced the candles that they use for the 9/11 event they put on. We had quotes for both speakers, but we only one was a set number, the other was a range, so we funded the set number. The travel, though, was included in the fee,

so the transportation there wasn't necessary. We funded their CPAC registration and transportation. Because Firearm Safety Training is where people get licensed, we didn't feel students' licensure should be paid for by Student Senate.

- b. CRs: Thank you for the recommendation.
- c. Thayer: Seeing no discussion we will vote:
 - i. Vote to allocate \$5965 to College Republicans: Passes.

XVI. Diversity Leadership Council

- a. Hirdler: This is the group that heads the DLC Block budget. We funded the D-Week speaker because it was quote from a comedian who was giving us a discount. Because there were no details for the DJ for Diversity Ball, we didn't fund it. For Supplies and Food, we didn't feel that Senate should fund either of these for this event.
- b. DLC: Thank you!
- c. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we will vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$1015 to the Diversity Leadership Council: Passes.

XVII. I Am We Are

- a. Hirdler: We funded the Theater of Oppression conference transportation. We didn't fund any supplies for this group. For Coming Out Week we replaced the candles, just like the College Republicans. Safe Space celebration, though, we didn't want to fund materials that would go away. Didn't fund food for the event. Peace. Love. Art week we got a quote for the speaker from the Tambo Project, so we funded it. We did not fund food or cookies for the events. We funded \$15 for printing.

- b. IAWA: Awesome! Thank you! We're trying to make I Am We Are a little more accessible to groups, instead of just "swearing in the dark at you." We'd ask for a little more for printing, and we're planning on tabling for these events and using other forms of advertising, but we do a lot of advertising so we'd like to just get a bit more advertising. We're also just looking for regular office supplies for the group, especially during E. Pluribus Gustavus. We'd like to have one that the group has. Also we'd like Notebooks for skits. Also, we'd like to bring in two alumni at the Fall and Spring retreats to talk to the group. That would finish the budget for the entire year, and that would be the last you see of us.
- c. Prince: I think the easel would be something that would be crucial and an easy way to perform.
 - i. IAWA: We don't have a quote.
- d. Prince: I rescind what I just said then.
- e. Lundborg: The two speakers, when would those be?
 - i. IAWA: November and March.
- f. Nowariak: Are the practitioners on this budget?
 - i. IAWA: No.
 - ii. Nowariak: Then I think, because we've allocated to a tee, the fact that its late and wouldn't be fair to other groups.
- g. Hirdler: I'd like to caution Senate not to take the quotes for groups here, since we want to be fair to groups who did this during the earlier process, and this should just be Senate approving.
- h. Flannery: Yield.

- i. Lundborg: I will motion to add a Line Item 58 called “Fall Practitioner” for \$35
<Claire seconds>
- j. Thayer: Discussion on adding line item 58.
- k. Nowariak: Again, I hate to say it, and I agree with everything previously said, but I have to go back and say that bringing in new budget items is... from our standpoint, new budget items open up a whole new can of worms that throws out the whole finance committee process from before. If groups can do that, why did we spend all that time allocating if they can just come in and ask for things? I love the idea, but at this point in time: No.
- l. Adams: Is it \$35 per person?
 - i. IAWA: \$35 for the Fall, \$35 for the Spring.
 - ii. Adams: I’d just want to echo the previous speaker then.
- m. Halvorson: We need to be cautious of adding new line-items.
- n. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we’ll vote.
 - i. Vote to add a line item 58 for \$35 dollars: Fails.
- o. Thayer: Discussion on original budget? Seeing none, we’ll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$979.10 to I Am We Are: Passes.

XVIII. International Cultures Club

- a. Hirdler: For advertisement, we split up the \$15 amongst their events. For International Festival, we didn’t fund food because of a lack of detail. The event is 12 different groups coming in and using the money to create some sort of food, and felt that groups could go without the money and the event would still stand. For the Free Tibet speaker, we cut the speaker to \$250 because they had quotes

for two speakers, but the first had to back out, and the second is \$250, not \$800.

The other speaker we funded in full. For the Lunar New Year Festival, we did not fund decorations because we aren't funding decorations, and we didn't fund food because it's not an educational component.

- b. ICC: Thank you for the hard work. We'd like to talk about the International Festival and the foods' importance to that. Food is what makes the event. We don't ask for money for decorations or performers, they do that for free. The food shows the culture. Last year we didn't have food, because we didn't have food, and attendance showed. Two years ago, we had food at every group and attendance was much higher. People asked this year why there wasn't cultural food at the event. We're not ordering food, we're having different clubs make the food from the ingredients we buy.

- i. Bryz-Gornia: Could everyone speak up? The microphone needs to pick you up.

- c. ICC: When I go home to Jamaica, the first thing that I think of is the food component, that I get to eat the food I grew up with and that is part of me and my culture. I think we *can* have an International Festival without food, but it won't be a complete International Festival. Further, speaking from the perspective of a Senior, when there was food from each country, it was a really different experience to taste food from each country, whereas I won't be able to experience that once I leave, because I won't come in to contact with all these different kinds of cultures. I'd like to stress that this is for the entire campus, and that the goal is to spread cultural awareness and education to the campus, and in order to share

the full experience food is necessary. We'll have about 20 different countries during the Festival. During D-Week, the event with six Asian countries' worth of food was well attended. Two years ago Senate funded this, and it was well attended.

- d. Lundborg: One of the question that I think I have: How does money get divided up between different groups who ask for money?
 - i. ICC: We're going to decide on this, because we haven't gotten money for two years. This last year, we divided the money based on how integral it was to the event during D-Week.
- e. Lundborg: As the International Center representative, I think this is an event that really impacts my constituents. Motion to change line item 39 to \$1000 <Nelson seconds>
- f. Thayer: Discussion on changing line item 39.
- g. Ostendorf: As much as I would love to see this happen, this also means we have to cut almost \$1000 from somewhere. That's a really big number that we ultimately need to address. Just please keep that in perspective.
- h. Hagadorn: I would like to echo that, and I would like to reiterate that this is the fifth group that's come in and said that food was integral.
- i. Sagstuen: I went two years ago, it was amazing with food, and the beauty of having this in November, later than right away, is that you can come back next year with more specifics and get the money you need with the detail we need. I would highly suggest that you come back for a mid-year. But we can't at this point, even though this event is worth it.

- j. Adams: Food. I don't know what Finance has decided this year, but I would hope that Senators would keep in mind that, but I'm a big proponent of cultural food in terms of certain events really indulging yourself in a culture, and that includes food which is a huge part of culture. Unfortunately, we don't have enough money, and we support this event, but to support this at this time, we can't afford to fund this event in full. Fundraise at the International Center. You hear support here, please come back in the fall, because this is a really great event.
- k. Lundborg: This is a great event. It was good without food, it would be quite excellent with food. That being said, I'm going to put on my hypocrite hat. There are spots where we can cut money from in this overall budget, SPOILER ALERT, because you're blessed with a great Finance committee. I realize that people are shaking in their seats that there are things in this budget that can be cut, thinking about slippery slopes. This is an event that merits special consideration because of the number of people it affects, and the opportunity to experience so much culture in one setting. It's like a lazy man's paradise! I for one have always been a big fan of facilitating laziness.
- l. Hoppe: I think I speak for every Senator when I say this sounds amazing. Yet, this is \$1000 and that's a lot of money, and that you should come back in the fall. Call to question <Sean seconds.
- i. Call to question: Fails.
- m. Flannery: This is one of the contested issues in Finance. We went back and forth several times. I, for one, wanted to fund this, and I think that this should be funded in its entirety. It's a great event, I did not vote yes on this budget because

it didn't include funding for food. I can't imagine us voting yes for this without food for International Festival. There are other places that we can cut from. This event draws from such a breadth of cultures that its an invaluable event. I would encourage everyone to vote for this.

- n. Lawant: We haven't been allocating money because we've said its 'not essential.' For this, it is essential. If you travel and don't try different food, you don't experience that culture. When I go home, I want to eat the food of my culture. It is not a complete International Festival without that money.
- o. Nowariak: Food could put this "over the top" so to speak. Its \$1000 for food for a group that doesn't know where that food is going to go. Why are we changing the rules for this group? Its been successful without food in the past. When you know what you're going to make: come in for a mid-year. We're trying to allocate money for a lump sum where the group doesn't know where its going to go. We need to hold off on allocating for now so we're not blindly allocating.
- p. ICC: We understand Senate's perspective. But the food is *so crucial* for this event. It'd be like trying to explain Thanksgiving without the food at Thanksgiving. It'd be almost impossible.
- q. Hagadorn: I would just like to say that next year there's going to be different groups that are supposedly going to be making this food when there's going to be different people, different events, and no guarantee.
- r. Hoppe: Was the actual menu brought up to the group before this to Finance?
 - i. Brandon: There is some of it for Japan and a Tibetan rice dish.

- ii. Hoppe: I agree with the previous speaker, and I'd say please come back in the Fall.
- s. ICC: I'd just like to say that, for the most part, our groups are pretty set, and that the Exec Board is chosen. I (Shalanda) am the only Senior, and the rest of us will be returning. I'd also like to say I recognize that there's different groups that have been turned away, but with the International Festival, its like funding all the groups that you can't normally fund to get their cultural represented at the International Festival. It's especially hard to say "come back in the Fall" just because of logistics: it takes time.
- t. Prince: Not funding something because groups "might not do it again next year under a new exec board" is like saying we don't know the sun will rise tomorrow. Technically its true, but at that point we can't fund anything. Further, there are a number of reasons why not funding this now will really hurt things: Senate's first meeting is the third weekend of September, the first Finance meeting won't be until October, and that means that there's less than a month for the group to do the event if they get funded. This event, a large successful event in the past, needs to be funded now.
- u. Burnton: Call to question. <Hoppe seconds>
 - i. Call to question: Passes.
 - ii. Vote to change line item 39 to \$1000: Passes.
- v. Thayer: Discussion on the full budget?
- w. Adams: Yield.
- x. Flannery: Yield.

- y. Lawant: Yield.
- z. Nelson: Yield.
- aa. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we'll vote.

- i. Vote to allocate \$2,065 to International Culture's Club: Passes.

XIX. M-Pact

- a. Hirdler: For clarity, they included the Cost, then the Request, and then what we Recommended. We recommended full travel allowed for the Retreat. We funded the "M-Pact Chat" as a publication that's easy to benefit the whole campus – you'll see other 'Bathroom publications' in other budgets. Because of different speakers without quotes, we recommended they come back for a mid-year.
- b. M-Pact: Thank you for funding Men Can Stop Rape, we ended up only spending \$454 dollars of the large-sum you gave us. We understand your concerns, and we'll come back for a mid-year.
- c. Thayer: Any discussion? Seeing no discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$636 to M-Pact: Passes.

XX. Meditation

- a. Hirdler: This is a new group to the DLC Block. We funded \$5 for the advertisement for the Inter-Faith Panel, because they have later advertising requests. We didn't fund faculty speakers, they should be promoting their own campus, they don't need payment. We funded the funding for a Buddhist monk to come in, and they had a quote. For the food for the Mindfulness Workshop, we didn't fund because it was a limited amount of people, and we can't fund that. We didn't have any quotes for Vesak speakers, so we couldn't fund that. For

decorations, we haven't funded them at all in the process. Food for one of the Vesak speakers was to reimburse the food that the speaker cooked and brought, but we didn't have details. The meditation sessions were funded for the speaker that comes in to lead the group, they had a quote.

- b. Meditation: Thank you so much. Also, knowing constraints on food, we won't try to fight for food there. Vesak, though, we're getting six different monks from different Buddhist traditions. It's central to Buddhism, and we want to represent each tradition. Monks don't have jobs. So all they get is donations for coming to events such as this. The \$600 is the same as the speaker who we have for each session, except for different funding different monks from around the area in addition to the same monk from Mankato who comes in at the Meditation speaker. We just held this event this year, only monk was there, and we only had a few faculty who could speak at all. We'd like to bring a few different monks to bring the full experience and chant which you can't do with just one monk.
- c. Halvorson: I would like to affirm what Meditation has told us, that this is a really great source of diversity. It's awesome. There are a lot of speakers that we bring in, and that the speakers we bring in through this club is a lot different of an experience. It's a distinct religious tradition that we should invest in for a diverse campus.
- d. Sagstuen: I'm in CII Senior Seminar, and our theme is Mindfulness. I have had to break myself out of college to focus on mindfulness. Especially for this Vesak event, this is hugely important, and I think that Meditation should come back in

the Fall for this event, because urging college students to be more mindful is going to be exponentially helpful.

- e. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$1615 to Meditation: Passes.

XXI. Organization for Latin American and Spanish Cultures

- a. Hirdler: El Salvador Workshop has a speaker that's faculty here, so we don't want to fund speaker fees for faculty. We did fund the food because it's highly educational and we funded it last year. We didn't fund skulls because it's a craft, we felt, and we didn't fund prizes because we can't. We did want to fund Gabriel Iglesias, but we can't because we didn't have a quote. We did get a quote for the Brazilian Carnival performers, but we didn't have details for the rest, other than the speaker, who is faculty, so we didn't fund it. For Cinco De Mayo, we had quotes for the performers, so we funded them. We didn't fund Food because it wasn't central to the event.
- b. OLAS: For Dio De Los Muertos, we'd like that funded because we'd done that for many years, and they've incorporated events in the Spanish department for this. It furthers a different cultural belief that death should be honored and be treated more lightly, instead of a heavy-thing. For the comedian, we're in contact with him, and we do have another speaker in mind who is a motivational speaker/comedian, who would be \$1500. For the Brazilian Carnival, the Food is very much like the El Salvador Workshop, and would be highly educational for the culture of the country. For the speaker, we're looking in to another speaker

from another college. Cinco De Mayo is our largest event. We usually use faculty for the speaker.

- c. Sagstuen: Have you talked to the Modern Languages Department for help funding these events for Dio de los Muertos? They have funds for these things.
 - i. We have partnered with them, but they haven't been able to fund us in the past. They've given support previously.
- d. Nowariak: Can you explain how the food will be central to the El Salvador Workshop?
 - i. The dish is very emblematic of El Salvador. Before hand there's a presentation, and then afterwards people make the food. It's a huge part of the culture and the economy.
- e. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$2700 to OLAS: Passes.

XXII. Pan-African Student Organization

- a. Hirdler: For Kwanzaa we recommended both speakers. We didn't recommend food because its not central to the event, the speakers would be. Black History Month we funded the speakers, and the movies would be three different movies that would be topical to the History. We went back and funded this at the end. For Africa Night, we only had a quote for the dance troupe, so we could only fund that. The other speakers are zero'd. Africa Night we funded the food at \$1000 because it's a huge event that has been well done historically. Hip Hop and Our Story we didn't have quotes, so we couldn't fund anything there.

- b. PASO: Thank you for all the work we've done. We ran in to trouble getting quotes for a few of the quotes due to communication on their end. We do have one more quote now, and we plan on coming back for a mid-year, and we understand that you can't fund us without detail. Thanks again. For Our Story, last year we had a speaker that cost \$1000, this next year we want to have two speakers, which we don't have quotes for, and we figured we'd pay them each \$2000.
- c. Skjerpjng: Thank you for doing all the work that you do, and thanks Finance for the work. I went to Africa Night, and on a personal note, it was one of the greatest events I've been to. We also love the F word around here: fundraising.
- d. Thayer: Seeing no further discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote begins, but is then nullified do to confusion on Robert's Rules between Senate and the group.
- e. Thayer: Alright, further discussion on the PASO Budget overall.
- f. PASO: We do have quotes on the Hayor Bibimma Group as a part of Africa Night, and we really need them at the event. We now have the agreement, they hadn't gotten back to us by the finance process. Also, the food ran out at the event at \$1000, and it is a pretty essential part of Africa Night overall. We understand that there isn't funding for just "feeding the campus," but this is very cultural and educational, and this is a case where the event really utilizes the food as a teaching tool to educate people. Every year we incorporate different aspects of African food, because there's a lot of different cultures. Foods a huge part of African Night, and many people come just to try the different African foods, a

much different experience than what they normally get. The reason we have so many types is so that we can get performances from different areas of Africa. A lot of these groups are student groups which we pay, and they're busy with finals.

- g. Bryz-Gornia: As an entire Senate, we recognize how great these events are. But we're already in to the Red in different areas. We need to find a balance between funding good events and cutting down to our budget. We're cutting a significant amount of what you asked for, but please remember we're trying to do what we can.
- h. Halvorson: Acknowledging what was said, I think that this is one of those situations where there's a difference between "frost-your-owns" for getting people to show up and African Nights food where its central to the event. I think that, despite being in the red for the budget, I think that giving more people the opportunity for this event would be really good. I would ask, do you have any idea how much more money you'll need. I don't think we need to add \$1000, but we could consider something in between.
- i. Adams: I echo previous speaker. You have done a fabulous job in the past, I would hope that PASO would come back for a mid-year. I see there's not a date for the event, when were you thinking?
 - i. PASO: March.
 - ii. Adams: So you have a semester and a half to fundraise, ask for money from Senate in a mid-year. What you're hearing is that we support the event, but we're in the red, meaning that we're overbudgeted right not.

- j. Lundborg: I'm going to say this for the benefit of everybody here: so, ok, we have limited money, obviously, money has not been found to grow on trees. Its conceivable that you guys will always run out of food. It seems very likely to me that there will always be more people who will want to try food. Its not something they get to try every day. Because we are in the red, and we have a limited budget, I do think we need to draw the line at \$1000. Secondly, just because everyone here has heard us talk about it, but you haven't because you weren't here, we have decided, apparently, that quotes that are brought in after the initial budgeting process, not to disregard them, but that we should look at them with a stricter eye, because we don't want to take away money from those who had quotes at the time. I recognize that they got back to you late, but that's the direction that Senate has taken.
- k. Nowariak: Echo that. Anyone else on the list?
- l. Thayer: If PASO would like to speak...?
- m. PASO: How does a mid-year work, then, if you're allocated to the limit?
- n. Hirdler: This money is different than what our contingency fund is. This budget number comes from the Student Government Fee, which Senate gives a portion of, which we've put at \$185,000. We've worked to cut down the requested \$344k to \$185k. What we have here is the finished product of that. We're in the red because the floor has given more money than we're taking in, but there's also a contingency fund that is the roll-over of everything that we rescind from groups that don't spend money. We're only in the red for the money that we're getting this year, but we will have money for groups that need more, later. The process is

that the Finance committee, once Senate is formed and the committee formed, people can go in to the Finance committee to ask for more money.

- o. Nowariak: If there's no one else, I'll let it go to vote.
- p. Thayer: Any more discussion? Seeing none, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$6000 to Pan African Student Organization: Passes.

XXIII. Queers and Allies

- a. Hirdler: Coming Out Week we didn't fund Painting the Rock because we didn't feel the Senate should be paying for advertising on the Rock. We fund for printing, we have the Den, but we can't fund for spray paint and chalk. For the Barbeque, we don't fund that kind of event simply because we don't have those types of things, and we need to draw the line. We funded the Slam Poet in full. We didn't have a quote for the MC at the Drag Show, and we can't give money for prizes. We gave the \$10 for printing. We didn't give money for the Safe Zone because they're office supplies. We funded the Transgender Day of Remembrance Speaker. We funded as much as we could for "The Big Gay Conference." And we're fully funding Ellis for the fourth year in a row.
- b. Q&A: For the MC from the 90s, in the past, we've gotten a quote over the phone. The cheapest it's been is \$1200. For Painting the Rock, it's not so much advertising, its more meaningful, marking the campus for Q&A. Especially after this fall, I think it's important to fund this again. But ya, for the 90s MC we haven't had e-mail contact, so we can't give you that. What would be acceptable for that?

- i. Hirdler: Either a website or an e-mail. I understand we have some difficulty here, but we need to be able to see the paper trail.
- c. Q&A: If we were to be able to send the contract ahead of time and then sent it back, would that count as a quote?
 - i. Hirdler: Yes.
- d. Ostendorf: With the contracts, if they're to sign beforehand, aren't they then obligated to pay them that? Then, if we don't fund that, the group is obligated to pay them that, and I'd hate to see the group punished because we require paperwork and the 90s isn't going to give that.
- e. Thayer: Seeing no further discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$6,910 to Q&A: Passes.

XXIV. Womyn's Awareness Center

- a. Hirdler: They show a number of things that they do that they don't ask for money for. We don't fund honorariums for the self-defense. We funded the printing for Heterodoxy because it's a big thing that the WAC does, a booklet that goes to the entire campus. We didn't fund the postcards for Vagina Monologues because its over the \$15 for printing. We did fund Smitten Kitten speakers. The Walk to Water kit... Ellen?
 - i. WAC: It's a simulation of the journey people need to go through just to get water.
- b. Hirdler: I Heart Female Orgasm they asked for again, its been well attended before, we gave them the money again. Finally we funded the \$15 for printing.

- c. WAC: We were really happy with what we received, and understand where you cut.
- d. Thayer: Seeing no further discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$5,275 to the Womyn's Awareness Center: Passes.

XXV. Diversity Leadership Council BLOCK (Overall discussion)

- a. Hirdler: Roll-call vote for the full block allocation of \$40,395.10 to the Diversity Leadership Council block:
 - i. Vote-passes, 15-0. (See attached Appendix A)

XXVI. Anime Club

- a. Hirdler: They go to a convention every year, they asked for travel and lodging, and we funded it in full because it's within the by-laws.
- b. Anime: It's a lot of fun, we go every year, and we go every year.
- c. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$750 to Anime Club: Passes.

XXVII. Recess #1 and Discussion

- a. Thayer: I'd like to take a moment to have a discussion now about how things have gone so far. We didn't discuss previously because of how it was a block, and that we didn't want to discuss between groups to keep things moving.
- b. Sagstuen: Please remember to fake a smile, at least when they walk in! If we look happy, hopefully it'll deflect some of the defensiveness.
- c. Tessmer: There haven't been too many organizations that have been upset as they left, just for your information.
- d. Thayer: Break, be back at 10:30

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XXVIII. Africa Partners Medical

- a. Hirdler: Fall Trip to Global Health Ministries, where the group volunteers in the cities. \$78.50 is the exact IRS standard reimbursement for transportation, and this occurs several times. The trip to the Mayo clinic is in Rochester, so that's more. Finally theres money for transportation for a doctor to come to Gustavus from Rochester. We can't fund Book Mark funds or a Flash Drive, and we felt we shouldn't fund something that can be funded easily without investing money into an item that could be lost easily.
- b. APM: Did the issue with the hard drive get figured out?
- i. Hirdler: Yes.
- c. APM: We feel most of this is good. Only the flash drive is up for debate. The reason we'd like something like a flashdrive is for institutional memory between the old and new Exec board, I'm the only new member. I had to do everything myself this year. The old treasurer didn't know how to do anything. We also had an issue with buying a hard drive last year, and one of our members bought the hard drive, and then the treasurer never found how to reimburse the hard drive, so the member took the hard drive, and it was a whole hassle. We'd like the flash drive as a more permanent way of recording how to interact with different groups, like Senate.
- d. Adams: Do you have an office?
- i. APM: No.
- ii. Adams: Do you have a good place to store the device?

- iii. APM: Our group doesn't have anything like that.
 - 1. Bryz-Gornia: In the past APM has had a cabinet in the Gustie Den.
 - 2. APM: We lost that.
- iv. Adams: Have you looked in to fundraising, maybe in the caf?
 - 1. Bryz-Gornia: We do so many fundraising things through the caf to donate money and scholarships to kids in Africa. We already do a lot.
 - 2. APM: We don't want to draw money out of our 9-line once its in there for other things. We really can't spend money out of the 9-line to pay for such things and the scholarships.
- v. Adams: A lot of orgs have a space where there's a computer, lots of storage space, and a lot of these organizations are successful. APM doesn't really have a place like that to store things, a place to store information like that. One great place is Google Docs, online, and that way there isn't a hard memory, and you can back it up on Google. Its free, and Gustavus has a Google account with Gustavus' e-mail linked to it. If Senators do feel this is important, it is a legitimate reason, but there are other means.
- e. Thayer: On Google, you can make your own websites too, and it's really easy. That way you can use it for inter-group communication. Also, GAC just started a new thing called Group Space which is similar, and its set up to support GAC orgs with such things.

- f. Bryz-Gornia: Echo what has been said about Google Docs. But, I'd just like to comment on that the work room cabinets. The organization applied for space I the work room, there's a computer right there, a flash drive would work very well.
- g. Adams: If you need more memory, you can go to GTS and ask them for more memory space. You're able to access files from your e-mail. If you log in to your e-mail you can save/access things through the e-mail.
- h. Nowariak: Yield.
- i. Ostendorf: Yield.
- j. Thayer: Seeing no more discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$515 to Africa Partners' Medical: Passes.

XXIX. Fellowship of Christian Athletes

- a. Hirdler: We funded the full \$10 for print services. We funded the musician and concert fees for the Brady Toops Concert. We recommended the rental for a screen at Fields of Faith, because they need to rent that now. We decided not to fund the banner for tabling because that's like advertising but further past it then just advertising. For the conference we funded transportation and the registration. And finally the speaker didn't have a quote.
- b. FCA: Everything looks good. We don't have the details for the speaker. Yet. Otherwise we're happy with how things look.
- c. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$975 to Fellowship of Christian Athletes: Passes.

XXX. Circle K

- a. Hirdler: This is a new volunteer group on campus. They have conventions and travel, we funded them in full because its still under the limits in the by-laws. For other miscellaneous materials we didn't fund because there's no details, trash bags we can get for free on campus, and chalk we won't fund for other groups because its similar to office supplies and advertising.
- b. Circle K: We were really happy with our recommendation. Nothing else to add for the budget. Circle K is an international organization sponsored by a local St Peter group, and we're dedicated to service and working with individuals to better peoples' lives one at a time. On campus we're looking to fill gaps in programming, working with Public Discourse, and finding new opportunities to bring to campus.
- c. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$695.50 to Circle K: Passes.

XXXI. French Club

- a. Hirdler: Crepe night is similar to the El Salvador event that OLAS does, and its educational and teaches the importance of crepes to French culture and how to make them. The French film snack we didn't fund because we didn't feel it was necessary. we funded the board game because its educational and helps teach the language. We didn't fund the French Cooking Class because it was limited to 25 people. For the Holiday Traditions, we did fund the Yule log, where we didn't find the food to be important/central to the event. What was the Belgian waffle event?

- i. French Club: Our Belgian waffle ‘expert’ recommended \$20 as what you’d need to make authentic Belgian waffles.
- b. Hirdler: We didn’t feel right funding the Swiss Fondue event because it was limited. We did fund travel to the cities for the Formal French Dining experience, but we didn’t subsidize the cost of food for the event. We didn’t fund the French flag, since this is something the French department should be funding/supplying for French speaking from classes. Finally, \$10 for printing.
- c. French Club: Thank you for your time so far. We’ve prioritized two events so far: the first is the French flag. It’s really key because we don’t have one so far. We searched a bit more and found one for \$7. The events where we speak French at dinner are open to anyone, not just those in French classes. Second, the French Cooking Class served 20 students this year. This kind of meal is really key to the French dining experience, and it really helps us reach out to people. Some of our events are limited because we need to pay for the food for people, and we need to get authentic food.
- d. Halvorson: I’d like to just ask and clarify something. I don’t think that it’s the Swiss fondue is limited to that many people, its more that that’s usually how many people show up. It’s not that the group picks 20 people and *only they* may have them, it’s what the expected number is.
- e. Nowariak: I’m curious about the flag. I’m a little hazy about what it is. What is it going to be used for?
 - i. French Club: It’s a small flag that can be used when the group has dinner in the caf to find them quickly. We have a full-sized flag, but we can’t

really display that, and we don't want to just lay it on the table because, you know, we don't want to eat on the flag.

- f. Sande: You said the flag was \$7?
 - i. FC: Yes.
- g. Sande: Move to change line item 79 to \$7 <Claire seconds>
- h. Thayer: Discussion on changing line item 79.
- i. Nowariak: Are these discussions required for classes?
 - i. They're extra-credit, but not required.
 - ii. I guess, other than just eating off the flag, which I have seen, I think this is a good use of \$7. Seven bucks: Yay.
- j. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote change line item 79 to \$7: Passes.
- k. Thayer: Discussion on the full budget?
- l. Halvorson: I would just like to say that... just to make sure that if we don't end up funding the Swiss fondue this year that you come in in the fall for a mid-year for the Swiss fondue.
- m. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$142 to French Club: Passes.
- n. Nowariak: I would ask that if you're involved in a group that you keep perspective on that.

XXXII. Big Partner Little Partner

- a. Hirdler: We didn't fund most of the 'extra knick-knacks' for the event. We have traditionally funded the Halloween candy for the event, and it is a great thing for

the kids and the partners. We funded the Nutrious November Event because we thought it would be good. We funded the Holiday Event sleds because they'll stay with the group every year and facilitate events from now on. We didn't fund the gloves/hats even though it is for the good cause of low-income kids, and we can't fund that, sadly. We maxed out their printing at \$15, so we couldn't send cards to soldiers, and the extra 'knick-knacks' were cut. We funded the Bowling trip at half for the big partners. We funded the Team Building Day overall. We didn't fund Environment Day. We did fund the transportation to the Twins game, but not the tickets, because that's not what student funds should go towards. WE did fund soccer/dodge balls for the end-of-year picnic because its capital investment. Finally we didn't fund binders/office supplies for the leaders.

- b. BPLP: Thank you for what you got. We're glad we got the Halloween candy, we do have office space to store stuff. We're the largest student org on campus with 167 members.
- c. Hoppe: What is ghost suckers?
 - i. BPLP: You put a Kleenex over a sucker and draw a face on. Its then a ghost sucker.
- d. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$1,284.14 to Big Partner Little Partner: Passes.
- e. Hirdler: So the rest of the groups people aren't here, we told them they should come in today because they're first alphabetically, and they didn't. So we'll proceed alphabetically.

XXXIII. Alpha Chi Delta

- a. Hirdler: We don't fund the back to school bash because its food and refreshments. We decided that we would not pay for honorariums here, on the second budget we looked at, but we would fund the transportation. We funded transportation to Minneapolis for their conference. We then gave them \$10 for printing. Finally we funded some of the transportation for the other speaker, maxing out transportation.
- b. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$665 to Alpha Chi Delta: Passes.

XXXIV. Alpha Phi Omega

- a. Hirdler: Co-ed service organization. We couldn't fund supplies for City Wide Clean-up because its basic supplies on campus that we have. We couldn't fund the MLK Day donation, because it's a donation, or the supplies for it. We couldn't fund the Random Acts of Kindness, because it's a random 'gift.' Easter Egg Hunt we couldn't fund because it's a gift. We couldn't fund crafts for Prof's Night Out. And Earth Day we couldn't fund because it's a donation.
- b. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$0 to Alpha Phi Omega: Passes.

XXXV. Alpine Ski Team

- a. Hirdler: All the events combined to max out their travel and registration, except for a trip to La Crosse and Giant's Ridge, so we cut those. For Capital Improvement we funded so the equipment they needed to function.
- b. Helt: Can you explain this gate thing?

- i. Sagstuen: They're poles that you set up that you hit with your poles as you go down hill.
 - ii. Huemiller: Its like in the Olympics.
 - iii. Helt: So they'll be off-campus?
 - iv. Huemiller: No. The group will own them.
 - v. Helt: Oh, that's what I was confused about.
 - c. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$2,856.28 to Alpine Ski Team: Passes.

XXXVI. Assembly of Student Smashers

- a. Hirdler: This group was put together last year, they go to tournaments and play Student Smash Brothers, they run weekly events. They asked for entry and transportation to these events. We funded that. We didn't fund food for their tournaments they'd host. We did fund printing for advertising these tournaments.
- b. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$495 to Assembly of Student Smashers: Passes.

XXXVII. Chemistry Club

- a. Hirdler: We gave \$15 for printing. We didn't give supplies, forks, plates, etc. for Chemistry Week at first, but then we went back afterwards. Or the liquid-nitrogen ice cream, but then we did. We did fund the Science on Saturday events. We didn't fund the Relay for Life events for groups, because its not central to the groups' mission.
- b. Skjerpjng: Why wasn't Chemistry Week funded at first?

- i. Hirdler: We didn't think that we should be funding what is essentially a recruitment, "cool experiment" event. I skipped over the Halloween event: they had a Halloween Party at a professor's house, they wanted supplies for the professor, and we didn't want to fund that.
- c. Halvorson: So I'm kind of getting the vibe that the liquid nitrogen and explosives should not be funded, really. Well, I think we may have found where, as unfortunate as it may seem.
- d. Ostendorf: Since it was hinted that we might want to cut this, perhaps we cut this and say they should seek help from the department. I entertain that we cut this.
- e. Helt: I get the idea of cutting the Chemistry Week thing. I think we should give money to Relay. There were 600 students, it was a big event. I know it's not an integral part, but its part of the experience. I would ask everyone to reconsider that part. I know that a lot of groups have used money in odd ways over this weekend, but I think that it's a great event where a lot of students would experience it.
- f. Tessmer: No explosives! Gustie Guide says so! We can't fund that!
- g. Skjerping: Move line item 46 to \$0. <Joey seconds>
- h. Thayer: Discussion on line item 46.
- i. Nowariak: I see this as non-integral piece of eventage. It seems like we're funding liquid nitrogen to show how cool liquid nitrogen is. I think we need to cut this because its non-integral, what it brings to campus is questionable, and I hate to say questionable but I'm going to say questionable. But departments only have a

set amount of funding for such things. Ya, its an alternate route, but its not something we can rely on.

- j. Hoppe: Yield.
- k. Bryz-Gornia: I'd argue that the department is already giving to the club by giving the nitrogen.
 - i. Huemiller: The club has to buy the nitrogen from the department.
- l. Bryz-Gornia: I'd put National Chemistry Week on par with the International Festival. This group finds this integral to the event.
- m. Huemiller: There aren't very many science majors here, and its easy to give funding to things we're a part of.
- n. Prince: Re-echo that we can't fund explosives: it's against the Gustie Guide. I know that we're largely Political Science, but this isn't one of those cases. Finance was hesitant, we're hesitant, I say we cut this.
- o. Sande: Also, explosives are bad to fund. I don't know how level-headed the chemistry department is...
 - i. Thayer: Order...
- p. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to change line item 46 to \$0: Passes.
- q. Thayer: Discussion on the budget as a whole?
- r. Nowariak: Yield.
- s. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$215 to Chemistry Club: Passes.

XXXVIII. Colleges Against Cancer

- a. Hirdler: Relay for Life. We recommend registration because its allowed. We do want to fund Relay for Life because it is a great event. We didn't supply Decorations or Activities because there were no details. Finally, printing was \$15.
- b. Burnton: Was there a reason for funding food only half?
 - i. Hirdler: We funded it in full, the \$600 is the overall.
- c. Bryz-Gornia: What is the food for? When I was there, there was breakfast and pizza...
 - i. Helt: That went to pizza. The group had to pay for all of it.
 - ii. Hirdler: Last year we didn't fund food at all. Traditionally there's tacos, more food, etc. But they had to go out of their way for this last year.
- d. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$365 to Colleges Against Cancer: Passes.

XXXIX. Communication Club Budget

- a. Hirdler: Asked for \$10 in printing, we gave it. Then food/supplies for fall and spring Blood Drives. Supplies are informational for those donating, and the food is for people who donated and you're supposed to eat after donating blood.
- b. CC: We just asked for one Blood drive thing. Usually we get stuff donating, but if we can't get everything donated we need extra. Especially with PJ's closing, we need more money, and this year we had to pay an extra \$89 for the food for people, which is necessary.
- c. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$210 to Communications Club: Passes.

XL. Democracy Matters

- a. Hirdler: They only asked for the “Potty Politics.” We funded in full because its highly educational and we find it to be really helpful. It’s the only thing the group does, for the most part.
- b. Helt: What bathrooms?
 - i. Everyone: Many different places.
- c. Nowariak: Would just like to say these give something to read while on the john and I can’t find a paper, I’ve also been quite impressed by the research they do. Good thing to put money towards.
- d. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we’ll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$67 to Democracy Matters: Passes.

XLI. Eta Sigma Phi

- a. Hirdler: Classics Honor Society. They asked for the travel for a trip to the Minnesota Institute of Arts, not the tickets because they don’t have the details yet. They asked for money for a trip to a play, they asked for the transportation to the cities. Finally, \$15 for printing.
- b. Prince: What’s Campus Safety Officer?
 - i. Hirdler: On the template, forgot to erase it.
- c. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we’ll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$154.50 to Eta Sigma Phi: Passes.
- d. Nowariak: I abstained because I’m in this group.

XLII. Firethorne

- a. Hirdler: This is the publication that comes out in the fall and the spring. This is the quote they ask for every year, and we recommend it in full because it's a great event every year.
- b. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$3500 to Firethorne: Passes.

XLIII. GAC TV

- a. Hirdler: They're moving to the N.A.B., and they don't know what exactly they'll get from the N.A.B. So we gave them \$10 for Printing.
- b. Helt: We'll probably just come in for a mid-year next year when we find out what they're giving us in the N.A.B.
- c. Nowariak: Three cheers to Phil.
- d. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$10 to GAC TV: Passes.

XLIV. Gustavus Athletic Trainers Association

- a. Hirdler: We can't pay for water cup supplies. We paid for \$15 for printing. Then we paid the transportation for their Fall Guest Speaker, \$71.50. We funded their MATA Conference in full because that's all they asked for, and its within the By-Laws.
- b. Thayer: Seeing no discussion, we'll vote.
 - i. Vote to allocate \$886.10 to the Gustavus Athletic Trainers Association:
Passes.

XLV. Final Finance

- a. Hirdler: I entertain that we do the Senate Exec Fund to last.

- b. Flannery: So moved, <Nowariak funded>
 - i. Vote passes.
- c. Hirdler: This is the first time we've ever hit the one-third mark so quickly. Thank you for making this so smooth.

XLVI. Announcements

- a. Thayer: We're doing a fundraiser on Saturday at Patrick's. I recommend doing this, it supports Japan, and you can buy tickets from me. It's a Burger Basket from them that you're getting.
- b. Tessmer: Congrats on the process. As far as GATA, I think we should look in to why the Athletics Trainers can't help Club sports. Whoever is on Prince's cabinet, keep that in mind.
- c. Nowariak: When the Athletic Trainers were in, they were looking in to getting a Club sports trainer. Second, I guess... #2: I'm going to be running the Triathlon on Saturday. I just want the minutes to reflect that I look damn good in a suit.
- d. West: The Gus Bus is running on Thursday.
- e. Ostendorf: Women's Rugby got second place in the All Saints' event. We got a trophy!
- f. Rosenfeld: I enjoyed eating brownies, cookies, etc. We should talk about doing this going forward.
- g. Tessmer: We thought it would be cool to bring in treats, and it would be cool if a couple individuals would take this on.
- h. Prince: Jen and I will do this next week, which really means me, but it'll be funded by us.

- i. Thayer: Remember that next week is in Alumni! Show up early, please!

XLVII. Motion to adjourn from Sande <Hoppe seconds>

XLVIII. Meeting adjourned at 11:53 PM.

Appendix A – Roll-Call Votes

| | “GACSpot” By-law | Finance By-law | Building Bridges | D.L.C. Block Approval |
|-------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| Burnton, Sam | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| Flannery, Jessica | Y | Y | N | Y |
| Gust, Blake | <absent> | <absent> | <absent> | <absent> |
| Hagadorn, Casey | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| Hoppe, Sam | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| Lawant, Julia | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| Lundborg, Jacob | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| May, Zoe | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| Nelson, Megan | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| Novack, Margarita | Y | Y | N | Y |
| Nowariak, Joey | Y | Y | A | Y |
| Russell, Emmett | Y | Y | N | Y |
| Sagstuen, Claire | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| Sande, Josh | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| Schmitt, Andrew | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| Skjerping, Sean | Y | Y | N | Y |