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 alumn 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/Amyndments
  - 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
o 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

Elora
- 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
    - $80X5X2 = 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 camps fullfill that?
Jordanella
• Point of retreat to get to know each other better but some felt unsure of positions this year
Shreya
• Only 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-ZQffJz2k0kONJpC7W7LVWLELxD6NajGIXi0Fj aARq/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