

Hostos Association Budget Meeting

Wednesday, March 28, 2018 | 2:00pm – 3:15pm | B-401

Minutes

In attendance

- Johanna Gómez
- Thierno Diallo
- Mauricette Gbenenoui
- Inzamamdeen Kassim
- Inés Alejandro Soriano
- Justin Arzola

Review of club proposals

- Meeting began with an unofficial review of the club proposals because quorum had not been established and the club representatives had to report to class.
- Animation Club
 - Concerns regarding first event – printer, ink and Wacom tablet
 - The school (college) gives students a \$50 printing credit
 - IT (Info Tech) does not install or maintain printers for student organizations
 - Question: Why did you include the Wacom tablets?
 - Several of the unit's (departmental) tablets are damaged
 - Club needs to have access (to tablets)
 - Officers cannot use if they are not in class
 - Board member – tablets should be addressed at departmental level
 - Jerry Rosa – Given that the tablets will be used for student events, Student Activities will purchase them
 - Question: Can you provide clarification regarding the printer?
 - Need a multi-function printer with a scanner
 - Will use to translate physical work into digital work
 - Point of information: Would need to get a wireless scanner (IT will not install)
 - Provisional agreement – budget of \$600 will be provided for this event
- Black Student Union
 - Have done this event (trip to Spa Castle) in the past
 - (Club members) feel attacked under the current (federal) administration
 - Trip would be a way to remember and honor former club officer who was recently murdered (and who participated in the trip while at the college)
 - Board member – spas are normally associated with Europe or Asia; feel that you could do another activity that is more Afrocentric
 - Prof. Flores – Europeans and Asians stole the idea from Africa
 - Feel that we need to insert ourselves more into “white” spaces
 - Board member – concerned that the event would only benefit 16 students
 - Prof. Flores – we do not get participation from students or administration when we do events on campus

- Students who would attend are Honors students
 - Board member – Why not do a massage day on campus?
 - Club president – We are here reaching out to students to help them. Students who attend would benefit because of what they gave (in the form of service) prior to the trip.
 - Board member – Would support if there is a student contribution
 - Prof. Flores – it is also important to expose our students to things outside The Bronx
 - Board member – recommend a \$25 allocation per student for admission, \$15 for food. More students should participate. Do not support miscellaneous treatments for club advisors.
 - Provisional agreement – 3 of 5 members vote in favor of \$1,280 budget
- Social Latin Club
 - Proposal discussed and approved by subcommittee the day prior (\$1,150)
 - Empowering Student Parents Club
 - Tabled – no representative present
 - Hostos Dream Team
 - Provisional agreement – budget of \$500 will be provided for this event

Call to Order

- Meeting called to order at 2:18pm. Quorum established.

Review of non-student proposals

- Alpha Beta Gamma
 - Board member – concerned about membership fee; other clubs could request in the future
 - Second Board member – support paying membership fee because it could result in amazing networking opportunities for the students
 - Board member – propose paying for 50% of fee; students should contribute matching funds. Invitation should be open to be more students.
 - Clarifications – membership is based on academic performance; have to meet GPA requirements; full budget has been approved prior semesters
 - Provisional agreement – 3 of 5 members vote in favor of \$1,500 budget
- Hostos Repertory Theater
 - Funds for “Gender of Attraction” play
 - There will be 6 performances – open to all students
 - Play also involves interdisciplinary activities – students attend and write an essay
 - Provisional agreement – 5 of 5 members vote in favor of \$2,000 budget

- CD Recognition Ceremony
 - College Discovery Program budget cut massively by the state
 - 56 students are graduating; 37 are high-achievers
 - Want to invite graduating and current students
 - Question: How will you get to 100 participants (if only 56 are graduating)?
 - Will also invite parents/relatives of high-achievers
 - Provisional agreement – 5 of 5 members vote in favor of \$1,500 budget

- Scotland Theater Festival
 - Second time in history that Hostos participates (went 5 years ago)
 - Event is a transformative experience for students
 - College will fundraise at Gala
 - Very costly program (\$60,000+)
 - Thierno Diallo – SGA approved \$500 to support initiative
 - Motion to approve budget of \$1,500 – Justin Arzola, Inzamamdeen Kassim
 - Vote: 5, 0, 0 – motion approved

- My Path (student play)
 - Student who submitted the proposal is producing and directing the play
 - Implementing Black Studies knowledge and theater expertise
 - Price of costumes is actually \$250
 - Student and staff are making additional costumes donations
 - Question: How are you planning to buy costumes for only \$250?
 - Did research to find affordable costumes
 - Proposal modified – pizza, gift cards and soda removed; price of costumes changed to \$250; new balance is \$345
 - Costumes will be donated to Theater Department and Black Studies Unit (for future use)
 - Question: What is the hidden talent show? Open mic component of the play
 - Motion to approve budget of \$345 – Inzamamdeen Kassim, Mauricette Gbenenoui
 - Vote: 4, 1, 0 – motion approved

Approval of Budget Subcommittee actions

- Motion to approve five (5) non-student proposals in the amount of \$3,332.53 (with a retroactive approval date of 02/22/18) – Inzamamdeen Kassim, Thierno Diallo
 - Vote: 4, 1, 0 – motion approved
 - The five non-student proposals approved were:
 - Kennedy Center Theater Festival - \$569.25
 - Media Design Programs - \$138.28
 - ADEA Poster Presentation - \$500.00
 - Earth Day Celebration - \$625.00
 - Dual Degree Program - \$1,500.00

- Motion to approve the club/organization proposals that were fully and partially approved by the Budget Subcommittee (with a retroactive approval date of 03/13/18) – Justin Arzola, Mauricette Gbenenoui
 - Vote: 5, 0, 0 – motion approved
 - The budgets approved during that meeting were:
 - English Club - \$1,500.00
 - Theater Club - \$1,500.00
 - Video Game Club - \$1,210.19 (\$999.63 + 210.56)
 - Community Health Club - \$1,528.00
 - College Discovery Club - \$1,500.47
 - Nursing Club - \$2,000.00
 - Pre-Allied Health Club - \$2,000.00
 - Animation Club - \$650.00
 - Honors Club - \$1,500.00
 - Capoeira Club - \$1,500.00
 - Black Student Union - \$50.00
 - CCSD at Hostos - \$1,800.00
 - ALMA Club - \$1,475.00
 - Hostos Common Ground - \$1,450.00
 - Free To Be Me - \$1,491.69
 - Public Administration Club - \$1,428.91
 - Food Studies Club – \$1,500.00
 - Teachers of the Future - \$762.93
 - Aging & Health Club - \$1,500.20
 - ASAP Club - \$1,372.75
 - African Club - \$1,038.99
 - Dental Hygiene Club - \$2,000.00
 - Media Production Club - \$1,310.00
 - Strive Club - \$1,364.89
 - X-Ray Club - \$2,000.00
 - Game Design Club - \$1,286.32
 - Puerto Rican Student Organization - \$1,475.00
 - Latin Dance Club - \$1,500.00
 - Modern Languages Club – \$1,410.00
 - A Cappella Club - \$1,492.25
 - Phi Theta Kappa - \$1,501.00
 - STEM Research Club - \$860.00
 - Engineering Club - \$750.00
 - Muslim Club - \$1,475.00
 - Law & Social Justice Club - \$1,500.00
 - Robotics Club - \$1,455.00
 - Physics Club - \$1,500
 - Math Committee - \$500.00
 - Comic Book Club - \$1,358.64

- Veterans Club - \$1,656.00
 - Christian Messengers - \$1,195.00
 - New Hope & Success - \$1,195.00
- Motion to approve the budget proposals reviewed today and provisionally approved prior to calling the meeting to order – Inzamamdeen Kassim, Inés Alejandro Soriano
 - Vote: 5, 0, 0 – motion approved
- Motion to refer the budget proposals that were not voted on today to the Budget Subcommittee – Inzamamdeen Kassim, Thierno Diallo
 - Vote: 5, 0, 0 – motion approved
 - The subcommittee approved the following proposals on 03/30/18
 - Playwriting Club – \$500
 - Empowering Student Parents Club – \$1,500
 - The subcommittee approved the following proposals on 04/10/18
 - Bronx Neighborhoods Reception - \$500.00
 - Nursing Exam Prep - \$3,075.00
 - Championship Jackets – \$3,735

Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 3:09pm

Minutes by Jerry Rosa, Hostos Association Secretary