

Hostos Association Meeting

Tuesday, August 7, 2018 | 3:30pm – 5:00pm | D-210

Minutes

In attendance

- Johanna Gómez
- Raziél BenReuben
- Jeuris Belén Sánchez
- Jerry Rosa
- Inés Alejandro Soriano
- Jason Libfeld (guest)
- Denise Herrera
- Fatoumata Diallo

Call to order

- Meeting called to order at 3:46pm. Quorum established.

Association Board Elections

- Jerry Rosa nominated for the position of Secretary; accepts.
- Motion to appoint Jerry Rosa as Secretary: Denise Herrera, Fatoumata Diallo
 - Vote: 6, 0, 0 – motion approved
- SGA President Denise Herrera nominates Raziél BenReuben, Inés Alejandro Soriano, Fatoumata Diallo, Jeuris Belén Sánchez and Oumar Diaby.
- Motion to appoint abovementioned SGA members as student representatives: Denise Herrera, Fatoumata Diallo
 - Vote: 6, 0, 0 – motion approved

Review of Line Balances

- Balances read for each line
- All balances are estimates – subject to increase once final Summer fees are calculated
- Leadership Development line does not have a Summer allocation
- Question: Are there plans to allocate Summer funding for the Leadership Development line?
 - A referendum would need to take place to either increase or restructure the current earmarks in order to allocate part-time student funds for the Leadership Development line
- Referendum process is as follows:
 - Question created (including proposed increase) and sent to CUNY Central for review
 - CUNY Central reviews question and final wording is set
 - Question is put in the form of a ballot with spaces to collect students' signatures
 - Signatures are collected for at least 10% of the student body
 - Signatures are reviewed to confirm that students are enrolled
 - If enough signatures are collected, the question is put for a vote during the Student Government Elections

- If the referendum question is approved during the elections, it is sent to the college President for approval
- If the President approves it, it is sent to the CUNY Board of Trustees for final approval
- Question: Can you explain the purpose of the Leadership Development line (in more detail)?
 - Jason Libfeld (Student Leadership Coordinator) explains that the funds are used to provide workshops for students, take students on conferences and organize other activities to promote leadership development

Review of spending plans

- Sports and Recreation (Athletics) – \$7,095
 - Tabled – no representative present
- Health and Wellness – \$2,358
 - Presented by Ursula Sanders, Wellness Specialist
 - Question: Do the healthy snacks include vegan snacks?
 - Yes, and non-GMO snacks.
 - Question: Why are the jump ropes included here?
 - In anticipation of the Fall events
- Student Activities – \$1,160
 - Presented by Jerry Rosa, Director of Student Activities
 - Two proposed activities – funding for SGA Retreat and funding for Welcome Week
- SGA Stipends (\$2,940) and SGA Programming (\$3,605)
 - Presented by Fatoumata Diallo, SGA Budget and Finance Commissioner (Treasurer)
 - Members will receive a Summer stipend – same amount for all members
 - Change to Programming spending plan – Summer Munchies funds will be used for Welcome Day

Review of Clubs & Organizations line proposals

- SGA Retreat
 - Two corrections made to Section 3, Price Each column
 - Box 6 should read \$360, box 7 should read \$400
 - Motion to approve budget in the amount of \$6,000 – Denise Herrera, Raziel BenReuben
 - Vote: 6, 0, 0 – motion approved
 - SGA members are informed that the Clubs & Organizations line is being used during the Summer for this event due to the fact that clubs are not active during the Summer

- Clubs are not registered because there are hardly any advisors on campus during the Summer
- SGA and Student Activities budgets are not sufficient to cover the costs of the retreat as well as your traditional Summer and early Fall events
- Question: Could clubs be active in the Summer in the future?
 - Yes, if the club advisors were in place and SGA supported the idea of certifying the clubs during the Summer.
- Dean Gómez' comments
 - Retreat participants will receive Title IX training; new CUNY mandate
 - If students have questions about the mandate, they should be referred to the Dean's Office or to Affirmative Action office.

Assessment

- Need to finish elections at the next meeting
- Next meeting will take place after registration figures are locked in
- Have to determine how you will allocate funds and handle budget requests
- Have to converse when people ask you individually for funding support

Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 4:19pm

Minutes by Jerry Rosa, Hostos Association Secretary