

Hostos Association Budget Meeting

Monday, October 31, 2016 | 3:30pm – 5:00pm | C-391

Minutes

In attendance

- Nathaniel Cruz
- Isela Herrera
- Ken Acquah
- Sosima Vázquez
- Willy Báez
- Sayonara Díaz

Call to order

- Meeting called to order at 3:33pm. Quorum established.

Review of minutes from last meeting

- Minutes reviewed and approved

Review of Clubs & Organizations line balance

- C & O line has a balance of \$XXX

Notes about Association audit

- Auditors recommended that the Association establish two (2) funds:
 - Contingency fund of up to \$50,000
 - Reserve fund of up to \$100,000

Review of Budget Proposals Summary

- About \$18,000 being requested by clubs and \$1,665 by non-student organizations
- Total funds being requested equal \$19,601.37

Proposal presentation guidelines

- Guidelines reviewed

Review of club proposals

- Health and Nutrition Club
 - Question: What kind of foods? Juices and sodas; natural vs. processed food
 - Motion to award budget of \$1,500 – Isela Herrera, Sosima Vázquez
 - Vote: 5, 0, 0 – Motion approved
- Honors Club
 - Part of Honors contract is to go visit a secondary college
 - Motion to award budget of \$1,500 – Sosima Vázquez, Isela Herrera
 - Vote: 5, 0, 0 – Motion approved

- Veterans Club
 - Proposal has been edited – removed band and Metrocards from event # 3
 - Motion to award budget of \$1,500 – Isela Herrera, Sosima Vázquez
 - Vote: 5, 0, 0 – Motion approved

- Public Administration Club
 - Question: How will you recruit 40 students? Will promote event in classes
 - Question: Is the event open to other majors? Yes
 - Motion to award budget of \$1,500 – Sosima Vázquez, Isela Herrera
 - Vote: 5, 0, 0 – Motion approved

- Comic Book Club
 - Tabled – no representative present

- Black Student Union (BSU)
 - Question: What other club are you organizing your event with? Caribbean Students Association
 - Suggestion: Might want to hold first event in a more open space – Club will recruit on The Bridge the day before
 - Motion to award budget of \$1,500 – Sosima Vázquez, Isela Herrera
 - Vote: 5, 0, 0 – Motion approved

- Caribbean Students Association (CSA)
 - Motion to award budget of \$600 – Isela Herrera, Sayonara Díaz
 - Vote: 5, 0, 0 – Motion approved

- Digital Collective
 - Tabled – no representative present

- Puerto Rican Student Organization (Puerto Rican Club)
 - Book presentation will take place twice
 - Motion to award budget of \$1,500 – Isela Herrera, Sosima Vázquez
 - Vote: 5, 0, 0 – Motion approved

- Art & Architecture Club
 - Trip – about 10-14 students interested so far
 - Question: Are the funds requested for museum admission or special exhibit? Admission. Will need to check if admission is free for students.
 - If free, try to bring more students
 - Motion to award budget of \$600 – Isela Herrera, Sosima Vázquez
 - Vote: 5, 0, 0 – Motion approved

- Aging and Health Club
 - Already participated in two (2) activities
 - Also want to hold event on campus
 - Concern: \$375 for 4 people (to attend conference). Can you fundraise to attend the conference?
 - Motion to award budget of \$1,100 with the condition that the trip be made open to more students – Isela Herrera, Sayonara Díaz
 - Vote: 5, 0, 0 – Motion approved

- Business Startup Club
 - VP Cruz – Can you put together a 3-minute video to promote the entrepreneur projects? We can promote it on the monitors if you do
 - Motion to award budget of \$1,100 – Isela Herrera, Sosima Vázquez
 - Vote: 5, 0, 0 – Motion approved

- Engineering Club
 - Motion to award budget of \$1,000 – Isela Herrera, Sosima Vázquez
 - Vote: 5, 0, 0 – Motion approved

- Law and Social Justice Club
 - Tabled – no representative present

- Dual Degree Programs
 - Motion to award budget of \$1,400 – Isela Herrera, Sosima Vázquez
 - Vote: 5, 0, 0 – Motion approved

- Forensic Science Initiative
 - Question: How many people in the program (Forensic Science)? Not sure
 - Motion to award budget of \$265 – Isela Herrera, Sosima Vázquez
 - Vote: 5, 0, 0 – Motion approved

- Comic Book Club
 - Question: What is the Pokemon Booster Box? It's a prize. It might seem expensive, but that is the cheapest one we could find.
 - Motion to award budget of \$1,110.87 – Isela Herrera, Sosima Vázquez
 - Vote: 5, 0, 0 – Motion approved

Second review of proposals

- Nursing Club
 - Requesting an additional \$656.00 to pay for Security and the pins
 - Board elected not to approve any additional funds

- Business Startup Club
 - Our club was eligible for the \$1,500 cap, but was penalized for submitting the proposal late
 - Can the \$400 not assigned to the club be allocated to the Nursing Club (for the Pinning Ceremony)?
 - Board decides that the funds will not be allocated

Assessment

- About 7-8 clubs that already held events – they seemed satisfied with the results
- Student Activities will send out survey to assess coordinators' experience
- Have to determine what they learned
- Ken Acquah – Very impressed with how efficiently the (budget proposal) process runs now
- Jerry Rosa – Will the tabled proposals be referred to a subcommittee?
- VP Cruz – Subcommittee is not part of the bylaws, so we need a motion to approve its use
- Motion to approve use of subcommittee – Isela Herrera, Sosima Vázquez
- Vote: 5, 0, 0 – Motion approved

Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 4:23pm

Minutes by Jerry Rosa, Hostos Association Secretary