Meeting called to order 6:00p

**Approval of previous meeting’s minutes**

Motion to approve last month’s meeting minutes passes by unanimity.
RESOLVED: Last month’s meeting minutes approved.

**Events Board: Princeton Opera Company**

- POC is putting on 2 shows
- GSG funded POC last year through Events Board
- POC has never turned anyone away who wanted to participate
- POC wants $2000 funding this year (compared to $1000 last year)
- Already received $500 from Lewis Center for the Arts and no money from the Music Department (compared to $2500 last year)
- They want to charge for tickets (and students can use Passport to the Arts)

Concerns about referendum:

- What’s the difference in income between asking for money from the music department vs charging for tickets?
  - They anticipate selling $2000 worth in tickets which would go towards next year’s budget and reduce the amount they need to request then
- What was the attendance last year and how many were graduate students?
  - Can’t get specific data b/c privacy, but they were standing room only in Taplin Auditorium
- What would you spend the money on?
  - Last year, people spent their own money in order to participate, e.g. to buy their own costumes. They would like to avoid this in the current year
- What’s the ratio of graduate to undergrad students
  - Fewer grad students this year than last year, but do have some in cast/pit/tech
  - Around 30% grad students
- Is USG funding?
USG also has requirement that in order to get funding from them you can’t charge for tickets

- Note that this group doesn’t limit participation, unlike the group requesting money last month
- You noted that the show is soon and you would accept less than your request...how would this work? Are there other places where you could apply for funds even if you want to sell tickets?
  - POC wants to generate revenue through ticket sales to keep themselves afloat even if they can’t money from MUS, USG, or GSG in future years
  - POC could put on the show without any money, but some people would have to pay out of pocket for costumes.
- Disappointed that they continue to come to the GSG when they could get money elsewhere.
- If a lot of funds go toward buying costumes, perhaps we could stipulate that the costumes are kept by the organization for reuse
  - Previously they rented the costumes
- Is reimbursement possible?
  - Typically 30 days after the event you have to submit receipts for reimbursement
- Note that the music department would have funded more than they’re going to get for ticket revenue...so it seems like this is more about being independent from the music department than it is about increasing their funding

Events Board Presentation:
- 24 groups have asked for funding so far
- Have awarded 62% of budget
- Recommending that GSG funds at the amount of $800
- When they requested $700 from Events Board in the fall, they said that they would get money from other sources for the spring show
- The $800 would result in a total of $1500 in Events Board money for the year

Motion to fund POC at an amount of $1000: 2 Yes, 16 No, 1 abstain
Motion does not pass

Motion to fund POC at an amount of $800: 21 Yes 1 No 1 Abstain
RESOLVED: Events Board will fund POC $800
**Student Health Plan Changes**

- The student health plan has covered complementary medicinal expenses (chiropractic, acupuncture, massage therapy.)
- They recently reduced the number of allowed visits for acupuncture from 30 visits per year to 10.
- They have also reduced coverage for non-preferred providers
- Given student feedback, they SHP will cover the remaining 30 visits for acupuncture for the rest of this year
- The GSG is concerned that SHP didn’t consult with anyone from GSG or USG when making this change
  - They would have discussed this at student health advisory council, but the Health and Life chair who sits on this council was also surprised.
  - Students were also only given 2 weeks notification about this change
  - Also concerning that this change was made midway through the year
  - GSG is continuing to find more information about how this happened

**GSG Election Report**

- GSG Election Committee report:
  - Polls closed last Wed
  - 524 students voting (18.5% turnout - meets quorum of 10%)
  - Election committee recommends that Assembly approve the election results
    - Referendum for Constitution & elected positions

Motion to create voting seats on Assembly for housing representatives passes by unanimity RESOLVED: Housing representatives (Lakeside, Lawrence, GC, and Off-Campus) will be voting members of Assembly

Motion to approve the GSG election for Exec Committee and CPUC Reps passes by unanimity RESOLVED: GSG Election Results approved

**CPUC Resources Committee Nominations**

- Candidates
  - Abby Novick
  - Simeret Gemet
  - Nick McGreivy

Ranked choice vote
RESOLVED: Abby Novick (17/21), Simeret Gemet (3/21), Nick McGreivy (1/21) will be presented in this ranked order to the CPUC
President’s Remarks
● Thanks to previous GSG Exec Board for all the initiatives in the past year

Open Forum
● Decrease in stipend payments for NES master’s students
  ○ Student Accounts was not forthcoming with information about this
  ○ The GSG should pass a resolution that Student Accounts should be more forthright about how stipends and fees will work
  ○ Mai: We have heard of similar issues about how GCAP was distributed for students with families. If we want to issue a resolution, we can do this next meeting
● Can we get more information about the Student Health Plan changes?
  ○ GSG will send information in a mailer
● Nicole: New social chair and special events officer will need to email Nicole to get a credit card

Meeting Conclusion
Motion to close meeting passes.
RESOLVED: Meeting closed at 6:58
Next meeting: April 10, 2018 5:45pm