



Agenda for Meeting of 200th Session of the Clark Undergraduate Student Council

1. **Roll Call:** *Hannah Yukon* 1 min
2. **Reading and Approval of Minutes** 2 mins
3. **Public Comments** 20 mins

a. Transportation Committee
An additional week- presentation then

4. **Financial Matters** 20 mins

a. Grants Committee Report: *Kelly Wynveen '11*

1. Feminists United Under Clark

Seconded by shayln

Patrina fricklen- advocates female empowerment; unafraid of the issues they want to bring up.

Karen- they do not have a charter, hence budget has been frozen, they need a charter by the end of the week if not their budget will be frozen

Patrina- they will get it in by the end of week

Mike- received insufficient email about budget, he said it is his fault he didn't hit the freeze button.

Kelly- made a motion to withdraw previous motion to change it to "under the condition the group gets charter in by Friday the 4th of March 2011

Motion was Seconded by Rachel.

MOTION PASSED

2. VOX

Seconded by Rachel

Clark Jackson- Says their organization has been bringing student foci to network and learn about reproductive justice and they hope they can continue this by bringing first years to learn about this.

Kelly- original request changed such that each student pays \$10.

MOTION PASSED

3. Management 100

Seconded Ivy.

Kelly- originally asked for \$200 for event they are holding at St. Mary's, initiated by students, money for decorations and party favors, we support this very strongly but since it does not involve a lot of Clark students we changed the amount to be given to them.

MOTION PASSED

4. TOPICS

Seconded by Shaylan
Alexndar Allscot

They 5 different student groups to help co sponsor this event, it's a multi-cultural fashion show to talk about the different ways women have been treated, there will be vendors, and they will get speakers to talk about the perception of beauty.

MOTION PASSED

5. Woostock

Seconded by Yohan

Jake- Trying to make it an annual thing, to have bands from Worcester, money will go to covering the stage and sound.

MOTION PASSED.

KELLY- ran out of money from Q4, so running for Q3 for the rest of the year.

b. Finance Committee Report: *Ali Glick '11*

Just finished February audits, not fining any clubs, dealt with many waivers,
Track and field

Gala

Went over 40% - prelaw society

Muslims student association, sad, hello, went over food wavier by 25%

5. **Student Life**

1 min

a. Organizational Committee Report: *Harrison Bass '13*

1. PCF Requests

\$300- feminist untied under Clark

Music media and public sphere-\$300

management100 - \$300

managenmt100-\$300 for bake-off

hops for socks- managed 100

flats and advertising- \$200

Spring break sustaining challenge- \$300

Open speaker fee -\$300

6. **Judiciary Committee:** *Keren Gordon '11*

-Wants Shenanigans be recognized at a studco club, because they have been to be around 2 years already.

Kelly moved to waive the second semester trail period and for Shenanigans to be recognized as an official club.

Seconded by Ali

MOTION PASSED

Karen- stated frustration with previous by laws which have been passed, once to put that by law in, we lack the info.

7. Internal Business

15 mins

a. Operations Reports:

i. President: *Billy Adams '11*

1. Dean Wright

Billy- planning on doing a social, the night before new e board meeting. Meeting with social committee.

-Hannah is joining the social committee

2. Committee Placement

ii. Vice President: *Himal Jayasekara '11*

-Organization committee will go over office hours.

iii. Treasurer: Lisa Johnson '12

-New e board will be having a forum in Tilton hall. From that list we will be getting goals, important. That anyone who wants to talk about changing anything should come to the meeting is at 7pm in Tilton March 24.

iv. Secretary: Hannah Yukon '14

v.

b. Elections Committee: *Rachel Margolis-Pineo '11*

1. Ratification of Spring Election Results

- Last week the polls closed, I have to ratify the results. 30% turn out. She made a motion to move to ratify Lisa Johnson to be President , Ali Canino to be Vice President, Rain Watt to be treasure and Hannah Yukon as secretary for the 2011 term.

Seconded by Rain

MOTION PASSED

OTHER MOTIONS

Devin Coleman for junior house rep.

Devin-Did not spend any money on campaign

Serria: bullock hall rep, did not spend any money on campaign

Mike: There were no winners for Blackstone Hall. There are more than 6 weeks left so they should run another election. If you wait 2 weeks, Billy can appointment someone.

Advises that we should run another special election, so new E-Board can start tabling for Clark houses

Rachel made motion approve ratified election result for Bullock Hall rep, and junior house rep.

Second by Shaylan

Billy: John Woja has resigned from student council.

Karen: Oath of office for Devin Coleman and Serria Dawson.

Appointed for chair and vice chair- Hannah

MOTION PASSED

c. Communications Committee Report: *Hannah Yukon '14*

1. Student council consortium event
2. 'Coffee with Council'

Andrew S. and Himel offered to join the mantra committee

8. **Unfinished Business** 1 min
9. **New Business** 5 mins
 1. Media Group Referendum

Billy: RockU, CCN and The Scarlet wants to by pass the finance committee, and their wording has been sent to the Judiciary Committee.

If council does not pass it by 2/3 votes, then the party has to collect 500 votes.

Judiciary: We find that this sentence of 'collecting 500 votes' will most likely affect other clubs as it has misleading information and they want to remove that sentence.

Billy: 5 min recess to read and talk to media people.

Rachel: Move to take a 5 min break

Seconded by Andrew S.

MOTION PASSED

ROLL CALL AGAIN

Lisa: With regards to the media groups annual budget, should they wish to provide commentary they should do so without the need to fear that they would lose money.

Zach Shaw: CCN Station manager. They have been filming student programs like debates and meetings.

Mark Volain- Vice President of RockU

Mike Elliot- Treasurer of RockU

Kelly: Question: Since they will have more money, what is their plan with regards to how the money is going to be spent.

Billy: They will receive an increase from last year, comment specifically how you plan to use the money.

Zach: The reason why we receive so much money is because we screen Hollywood movies. We are the only club to provide movies. As for a plan, the CCN E-board has yet to sit down and discuss a plan. We will be improving CCN's capability, we have growing members, majority of e board are sophomores and we need to be constantly updating our technology.

Billy: Who wants to answer Kelly's question?

Mike E: As far as RockU is concerned, we have had yeas of improvement, acquired a new station manager, have a new DJ, called DJ A-smooth. We have made refinements even though we are running off an outdated computer. We are moving to a commercial program- low power fm.

Mark: With the movement with fm, increase of money with rock u will be needed to spend on cost of reporting FDC.

Billy: Can we hear from The Scarlet

Eddie: has no comment

Lisa: When we sit down with clubs, we ask them to come to us with a specific list of things, we need specific numbers.

Zach: We have no numbers

Mike E: automation software will cost about \$4000

Zach: We wish to start live programming, starting to launch, improving for next year, CCN wants to have own live programming, improving quality, possible to do during the future.

Billy: part of the argument is to do with this secure allocation and not go through the finance committee. This is our conflict of interest. Can you specifically state how you have contributed to student council?

Zach: Cameras used to record student council meetings, which we air on channel 13. , We have it up by Thursday night. We also film the debates for student council.

Rocku: Last year, Mike E. worked for studco, broadcast meetings for student council,

Billy: We really appreciate that, but part of the argument is freedom of speech and how commentary by clubs might create conflicts of interest.

Zach: In the past, CCN news program, reported Clark u events and other clubs activities, two new members are working on re-launching news programs on CCN, cannot guarantee when.

Yohan: Lisa and Rian can you expand on this issue?

Lisa: Normal way we allocate money- Clubs give us the forms, one of the questions we ask are what are your breakdowns for the year are. From all of that information that is given to us, the finance committee then sits down and goes through everything. And the Media referendum is to navigate away from this process.

Mike M. : Freedom of the press- we want to make a system where media groups are free to report the news and editorialize knowing that there are no repercussions, the possibility that maybe someone says something offensive needs to be resolved. People need to know that media has a definite amount which they can explore.

As regards to The Scarlet- there are heaps of paper, which costs \$700/week to print that doesn't get picked up. People get news online. Perhaps The Scarlet wants to look into getting online entries. The paper itself the financial issue, racks and racks of paper.

Would they want to move away from paper and still get readership up.

With regards to RockU, who listens to fm? The trend is that folks are not listening to fm, it is not the best financial step.

As for CCN, with the budget increase, fold operational costs into that. Keep movies on CCN.

Rian: The first amendment does not really apply to media groups because, RockU and CCN and Scarlet does not do analysis.

Zach Shaw: with specific events in the past, CCN has done analysis.

Rian: Look at budget. Do you have any expectation that it will be a problem?

Himal: directly at Rian- Playing devil's advocate. While we cannot foresee any negative consequences, why not just be safe, avoid nasty, moral obligation.

Karen: Directly to Rian's question: No.

Rian to Himal: Thank you.

Zach: I don't expect anyone wants to do this but it's better that we are safer than sorry.

Billy- finance committee who goes through all requests and prioritizes them, is that with the check in balance and entire council approve, is that a problem?

Rian: It is about how we fund and not how much.

Lisa: I agree with Rian's point. As there is no budget breakdown to all \$53000 without a specific breakdown especially with large amount of money, the timeline doesn't allow

that, at this point I don't feel comfortable throwing the money, although I value your work, it is just a matter of needing more money.

Devin to Rian: The moral question, the laws are allowing us to vote, side with Himal.

Kelly: They will then apply this to all clubs.

Andrew S : Appeal the process that clubs are treated unfairly, finance committee doesn't have the last say.

Karen: There are safe guards in place if you feel that you are not given what you have asked for if finance committee was being biased, you can appeal to finance and judiciary.

Vohla: Question about specifics about the audience. How many people watch CCN?

Zach: We do not have technology to keep track of viewership for the past year, but people have come up to me and told me they watch it. Sam Mix said he watches it. We have a larger number than they had in the past, we have 3 channels- channel 11 for original programming, short movies, channel 12 for hybrid shows and channel 13 for live events on campus and events they film.

Volha: Spend \$17000 on channel 12?

Rocku responding directly to Volha: We don't have technology to keep track, but we do have 60 to 80 DJs, so at least one person is listening to their shows at any given moment.

Zach: Rocku and CCN have their own show, they know people are listening to their show, it's hard because they don't have exact number but word gets around.

Volha: People who are involved in this are only from the media groups, concerned about the whole community. Other clubs always have posters and make themselves visible.

Zach: I agree with you. Our advertisements have decreased, but they have sent out flyers, they are having the schedule printed when their movies are on air, but more improvement is needed.

Rocku- We are hosting just as many events as other clubs, we have someone to make flyers.

Billy: The first time the media groups came to get put on referendum we almost found a solution no how media groups are funded. I don't buy into the argument into the freedom of speech, you don't have specific figures with regards to where the money is going, the finance committee needs a base where they can go through this monthly instead of going through this yearly, they should have a by law instead. I do not feel comfortable with how this money is being given out.

Rachel: I want to see them get the funding, RockU should go to fm. The potential it holds and creativity it has will get listeners.

Andrew Young: Slight concern with referendum (wording), wants the referendum to be amended that media groups will receive funding even if they don't get the referendum approved.

Lisa: I brought this same issue with the case of EMS and how they did not used to go through the finance committee. But I'm willing to work with the media groups to make this be amenable by making a bylaw with the media groups.

Harrison: do you charge for media groups?

Zach Shaw: only request money for DVDs of shows which the clubs themselves pay for

Harrison: with increased budget would you not charge?

Zach: That would have to be discussed further

Sam Mix: Important that there are no immediate problems. Is there a way that studco can have a representative to have readings of the financial matter, more long term with the media groups?

Lisa: Don't need media rep, all clubs are welcomed to attend all meetings we have. To create some ties with us. When CCN comes to us for a request, grants should say yes, that partnership exists, more than happy to listen to that, will you be wanting a By law?

Rocku: We were late because we were under the impression if there was a By law installed last year, no one knows if there was a By law, but we are open to having a By law.

Billy: Will you be open to come to a consensus so they don't have to go through referendum again? To have a By law?

Zach: Yes. What is the time frame? All of us want this to be a by law.

Billy: next time we meet it will be after break

RockU: Yes to the by law. We are prepared to submit a budget.

Billy: How about The Scarlet? Do you agree to a By law?

Eddy: Agrees on By law

Billy: This is no offense, we just want to find solution to this problem.

Eddy: I agree. It is unproductive that this goes on every year, we need a better solution, but I cannot speak for others members of Scarlet.

Lisa: After spring break on wed 16 2011 will be our next meeting.

Mike M. : Having a by law is the ultimate solution, its not council's responsibility to tell you about budget, we didn't hear from you guys until last thursday, and I only managed to get back to you on Monday. Lastly, in regard to the By law, they need to decide what the By law is going to be about, I recommend the freedom of press, because the threat is still there so long as council is in control of the money. The media groups want to know they have confirmation that they will have enough money for bills etc

Billy: How we will go on about this in the future?

Andrew S. : Secure budget allocation, how long, budget is secured for the fiscal year

Rian: I am happy to work on the By law, just for next year, better to vote on the by law and go through the request. Will get you a solution in 2 weeks.

Billy: If you have any questions email us directly.

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2. Presentation from Yohan

Yohan will use mike's computer for presentation.

Harrison left at 9:50 pm

Himal set up a student advisor committee to safe guard student body.

Promoting awareness of issues.

Identified an issue with dining services.

Clark anti violence

From spring break onwards, wants a calorie checklist indicating how much nutrients we should eat

Want feedback and if people want to be part of it.

Kelly: This is a great idea to think about for school groups to join, also, to think about the caf advertising and how it may take away from other student groups.

Emily: Under the depression section, feels uneasy about putting depression and procrastination together because they are very different.

Yohan: Needs a team together. Sam Mix and Rachel are working with Yohan on this.

10. Last Words

3 mins

Mike: thanks for the lights. \$2500 was raised during the dance.

Can see- Lisa and Karen

Kelly: there is a coffee house in the grind 8-10pm,

Lisa: volunteering for spree day, who would like to join?

Billy: that was a challenging issue and it was held in a productive way. But thank you all.

Have a great spring break

Himal: Motion to adjourn

Seconded by Sam

MOTION PASSED.

Grants Committee Attachment

Quarter 4: \$18,000

Remaining: \$11,099.50

Equipment Fund: \$10,000 Advocacy Fund: \$6,000

Remaining: \$3,907.74 Remaining: \$1,157*

*Today's Recommendations: \$747.50 from Q3, \$1769.09 from Equipment

*Balances after today's recommendations

1.) Feminists United Under Clark

Money to cover costs of speaker's fee and the set up fee for Tilton for their upcoming event on the female orgaism. This is the second time they are bringing sex educators Marshall Miller and Dorian Scott, and after hearing how successful the event was last year Grants committee recommends to help secure funding this year as well.

Total Amount Requested: \$800

Grants Committee Recommendation: \$800 from Q4

2.) VOX

Money to cover costs of a conference at Hampshire College for 16 members of VOX and/or TOPICS. This amount was based on if each person attending was to pay \$10 and Grants Committee would cover the rest.

Total Amount Requested: \$632

Grants Committee Recommendation: \$262 from Advocacy

3.) Management 100

This management 100 group is putting together a social at St. Mary's Health Care center. Since this event is not directly benefitting Clark students, but was in fact initiated by Clark students, Grants Committee felt it was reasonable to cover half of the request.

Total Amount Requested: \$200

Grants Committee Recommendation: \$100 from Q4

4.) TOPICS

Money to help cover costs for Ladies Night, which is putting put together by multiple groups on campus. The amount we are recommending does not include costs of food, as they did not request a food waiver and stated that the money being contributed by other clubs would add up to the food amount in their budget breakdown.

Total Amount Requested: \$1,215

Grants Committee Recommendation: \$865 from Q4

5.) Woostock

Money to cover the costs of a stage, sound Tech, and police details for the second annual Woostock. Other costs in the budget breakdown were not final numbers, therefore Grants Committee is recommending to cover those costs that were known.

Total Amount Requested: \$2,500

Grants Committee Recommendation: \$1,050 from Q4

PCF Requests:

1. \$300, I heart the female orgasm, Feminists united under Clark
2. VOX: voices for planned parenthood, \$100.
3. Music Media and the Public sphere class, Woostock, 2nd annual.- \$300
4. MGMT 100- \$300, tshirts bracelets, food.
5. Bake off- MGMT 100, 200\$ 1st, 2nd, 3rd places for Bake off.
6. Hops for Socks: 200\$, money for flats, advertising and Clark dance team.
MGMT100
7. Spring Break sustainability challenge \$300
8. Open: \$300, speaker fee