1. Call to Order
   ● Attendance
      ■ Present
         ● Jon Stanhope
         ● Peggy Horne
         ● Ramisa Tasnim
         ● Ryan Bloom
         ● Nani Suzuki
         ● Max Kohn
         ● Silvia Radulescu
         ● Kacy Hobbis
         ● Aleta Brown
         ● Jeremy Cottle
         ● Danny Reyes
         ● Conor Craven
         ● Mari Hiller
         ● Conor O’Shea
         ● Adam Markhoff
         ● Antonia Ng
         ● Zach Oscar
         ● Jack Martin
         ● Adrian Summers
         ● Harry Dubke
         ● Samantha Gordon
         ● Jonathan Kirshenbaum
         ● Jordan D’Addio
         ● Ben Katz
         ● Ishan Bhatia
         ● Cesar Guerrero
         ● Julian Perricone
         ● Katherine Barnes
         ● Eseosa Asiruwa
         ● Caroline Kreidberg
      ■ Excused
         ● Ilana Schwartz
         ● Ram Franqui
      ■ Absent

2. Old Business
● **Sam Gordon:** Report on SAVES discussion with President Wippman working committee.
  ○ I attended a SAVES meeting and spoke with the EBoard about their concerns. Tina Hall (Literature Professor), Andrew Dykstra (Math Professor), and Cori Smith were there. They came in and asked us about some of our main concerns with the policies. They asked a lot of questions about changing the specific punishments and sanctions, and we discussed moving away from the judicial points system and figuring out a different method for tracking offenses. There was a suggestion that perhaps lesser offenders could attend some sort of restorative justice program, or be issued a sanction with an educational component, such as the Female Orgasm or Yes means Yes. They [Tina and Andrew] were extremely helpful and receptive towards us.

  ■ **Silvia Radulescu:** They also came to the Intersociety Council meeting and had a discussion with all of the Greek presidents.
  ○ **Conor O’Shea:** What were the concerns that were discussed?

  ■ **Sam Gordon:** There was a discussion about other forms of punishment to destigmatize the fact that some people just get judicial points and never have to deal with this again. We are looking towards options to dealing with this as a community and looking for other alternative punishments.

  ■ **Jonathan Stanhope:** We also talked about which sanctions will be most effective, and whether it might be worthwhile to look into some sort of educational component to the sanctions (restorative justice). We also grappled with the idea of creating a new scale of sanctions for sexual harassment and assault, because one of the strengths of the current/old system is that it is cumulative--if you receive points for stealing a camera then those are added to any points you receive for plagiarism or a sexual offense. So if we create a new system specifically for sexual offenses we would need to find a way to make it cumulative.

  ○ **Aleta Brown:** I’m on the working group with Tina and Andrew, and we’ve basically decided that we are not using judicial points, that is no longer an option. Essentially we are attempting to come up with sanctions that are effective and not just an obligation-- sanctions that actually make an impact. The working group wants to hear from students. Maybe they
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should speak to committees individually, instead of coming to SA as a whole, because face to face time produces better results. If you would like to have a conversation with us, please email us! anbrown@hamilton.edu

○ **Conor Craven:** If there were to be an alternate scale for these offenses, would this still be handled by the Judicial Board? Or would it be by an entirely different system?

- **Aleta Brown:** The J-Board and Sexual Misconduct board (HSMB) are separate. When you commit a sexual offense you go through the Title IX office and the HSMB. So the exact sanctions one would go through are still to be decided. Hopefully we will have concrete recommendations for change by the end of the year.

○ **Jon Stanhope:** The new lights for Martin’s Way are here. The freshmen will put them on this week. We rolled back $50.20 because the lights cost just $99.80. Thanks for helping pick them up, Julian!

○ **Jon Stanhope:** NY-6 and NESCAC student government conferences coming up. We’ve been contacted by folks from Colgate and from Bowdoin about attending. More details forthcoming.

3. **Public Comment Period**

○ **Michael Ferguson ‘17:** Hi, I’m Michael Ferguson. Last year, I was a member of the Judicial Board, and this year, I am a member of the Appeals Board. I was hoping to comment on the Student Code of Conduct and the Honor Code because I believe that there are a significant amount of problems with it, and a lot of people agree. With the way the Honor Code is now, regardless of the extremity of the violation, if you plagiarize one sentence in your first year and forget to cite something four years later, that is automatic expulsion. I think is problematic, and we have seen several cases of that. We can send their case back through appeals and maybe get it overturned, but we think in general, this is a harsh rule. I am hoping that this can be addressed. For the Judicial Board, some policies are arbitrary and unlisted. There is a clause that says for things that are reckless and put other in danger, the student should get points. The other night, I was in Sadove with friends at 3am, and a Campus Safety officer said that if they ever caught us there again so late, we would get points. Yet, we are allowed to be here since our HillCard allows us to enter the building at all hours, and if we are not, it does not say in our policies. If this is against our code, it should be listed; we should be able to find what we are supposed and allowed to do. In regards to the bulk alcohol policy, we are told we get points for having more than the equivalent of 48 drinks. Yet, all that the policy lists is
that this amount for bulk alcohol is only punishable if it is found at a party. So, last year, we were giving away points for a policy that is not listed in the Honor Code. Finally, I think we should readdress the policy of displaying empty alcohol containers. I feel it is pretty harmless and it falls into our free speech category. I just find it stupid that I could use the Confederate flag as a bedsheet, but I can’t display a wine bottle as decoration in my room.

- **Jonathan Stanhope**: Are these an enumerated list of your concerns, or is it a more general problem you wish to tackle?
  - **Michael Ferguson**: These things are more specific to my experience, but I am more broadly trying to say that the Code should be much clearer.

- **Conor O'Shea**: Last spring, there was a committee of students and faculty regarding the policy of the Judicial Board, and the points values. When we were addressing points, the goal was not to address specific policies but to address how severely they get enforced. When that shut down, we were to believe that new committee was supposed to start to address the policies themselves. Hopefully, we will hear about this committee soon.
  - **Conor Craven**: Was the bulk alcohol policy discussed?
    - **Conor O'Shea**: We weren’t debating policies, but instead only point values, so we did not really focus on bulk alcohol as this was not our priority.
    - **Zach Oscar**: I was also on this committee last year, and we sent out a survey to figure out what points people wanted changed. A lot of people were in favor of reducing the bulk alcohol policy. It was frustrating because we tried to talk about the justice involved in policies, but we were told that this was not the goal for the committee. We were under the understanding that there was going to be a new one in the near future.

- **Silvia Radulescu**: Did you have anything in mind for what we, as Central Council, can do? There is definitely value in having this discussion in the minutes, and raising awareness, but do you also have another idea? Like a survey?
  - **Michael Ferguson**: Well, I’m not clear on what power Student Assembly has. I think a survey would be useful, depending on how much sway you have over policies.
  - **Silvia Radulescu**: Would you prefer a committee or a survey first?
    - **Michael Ferguson**: It doesn't matter, I think it just needs to be addressed.
  - **Jon Stanhope**: Student Assembly doesn’t have the power to change the policies directly. That is up to the Judicial Board and Honor Court. But what we can do is
facilitate an open discussion with representatives from those bodies and come up with a game plan for possibly reexamining the policies or making the policies clearer.

- **Jon Stanhope:** We need to have a bigger discussion with students from the Judicial Board and Honor Court, and that could go in the minutes. We could have a resolution where we recommend changes the these bodies without actually making them official.

- **Aleta Brown:** When you mentioned Campus Safety, would it be useful to involve Campus Safety in the conversation, especially because we have a new director? They could have feedback since they have firsthand experience with disciplinary actions. It would be appropriate to include them.

  - **Michael Ferguson:** I agree with that.

- **Conor Craven:** I think the Student Assembly minutes have a decent following. If we pass a resolution that calls on the administration to follow up their promise, we are more likely to get somewhere. The Central Council doesn’t have power to change Judicial Board rules, but by passing a resolution, we can call on the administration to follow through on their promise to open up a new committee.

- **Conor O’Shea:** If we are bringing in Campus Safety, Judicial Board should be separate from Campus Safety. It is important to give each of the issue its own time so I think it would be best to do it over two meetings.

  - **Jack Martin:** Would you like us to talk to campus safety and have them come to one of our committee meeting?

    - **Jon Stanhope:** Yes, your committee could organize a meeting with them before we bring them to the larger meeting.

- **Ben Katz:** Are CAMPO guidelines publicly available?

- **Noelle Niznik:** To clarify, Campus Safety does not give out points. They write reports that then go to the Dean of Students. Then, they have a hearing where points are decided.

- **Ben Katz:** This might be going back, but has there been an update on keycard access to certain buildings that some students didn’t have access to?

  - **Jon Stanhope:** Annalie was working on that, but Health and Safety is going to revisit it.

- **Cesar Guerrero:** How does the procedure work for creating a resolution?

  - **Jon Stanhope:** The majority of students vote to pass a resolution and we submit it to whichever body it’s directed toward.

  - **Jack Martin:** We did it in the fall for Take Back the Tap. We took all the concerns, wrote them up, and submitted it to President Whippman. There is a rubric in the Student Assembly account that helped us write up the resolution.
4. New Business

- **Aleta Brown**: SMART workshop this Thursday and PASA training
  - **Aleta Brown**: This Thursday SMART is hosting an upcoming workshop called *Peer to Peer: The Dos and Don’ts of Communicating with Sexual Assault Survivors*. It will be held in the Sadove Conference room on Thursday, February 23rd from 6-8pm. The workshop will be led by Dr. Penelope Danes who will teach students how to communicate with sexual assault survivors in a manner that is not only effective, but also maintains an emotionally validating and supportive dialogue. I have done this with her before and essentially it starts out with a large group and then leads into a smaller group where students will be engaged in test scenarios with peers. There will also be lots of food and refreshments! I highly encourage all Student Assembly members, who can come to attend. As student leaders, people will come up to you and will ask for your support. Also if you are interested in being a Policy Advisor for Sexual Assault, we are still accepting applications. As a PASA advisor, you will sit with students and act as policy mentor. It is important to have students who are knowledgeable about this process to assist and advise those who are going through the procedure.

- **Zach Oscar**: Task-force run through this week. We need at least 2 volunteers to accompany Zach and Jon.
  - **Zach Oscar**: Me and Jon would like to do a trial run with the Task Force idea this week. The Task Force is a response to one of the complaints we have heard that we are not visible/accessible enough to students. An external complaint is that the students who do have problems do not express them. A good way to resolve this issue is to have small groups of Student Assembly members openly go up to people and say “We are from Student Assembly and we were wondering if you have anything you need help with that we can bring up in our weekly meetings”. It’s not meant to be aggressive rather it is suppose to be direct. Instead of making a bunch of committees, we can personally ask students if there's any ideas and issues they want to express. Jon and I were thinking that we could try it out this week, sometime on Thursday with some other Student Assembly volunteers. We will report back on the trial run during next weeks meeting.
5. Committees
  ● Constitution: Nothing new!
  ● Cultural Affairs: Weekly meeting are Wednesday at 9pm
    ○ Monday, February 27th at 6pm in the Chapel  Days-Massolo Center Lecture: Diane Nash (collaboration with Levitt Center, Rainbow Alliance, and Women's Center) Diane Nash, co-founder of the Student Nonviolent organizing committee, will deliver the lecture "Issues of Race & Diversity: What We Need to Do to Get Along." Diane Nash is an American civil rights activist and a leader, and strategist of the student wing of the Civil Rights Movement. Her campaigns were among the most successful of the era.
  ○ Update on Sidewalk between DMC and ALCC
    ■ Adrian Summers: Ms. Breland talked to Steve Bellona from Physical Plant. He had concerns that he mentioned about the lack of a pathway to the road near the DMC. In terms of Safety, there is no corner lighting, so it could be more of a danger hazard on the student body. Steve said he needs to figure out what the effects will be on the sewer system. In the winter, it will not be plowed. There needs to be consultation with local governments to have this approved as well. He wonders whether this pathway will increase safety, and if this request is out of necessity or convenience.
    ■ Ryan Bloom: As someone who walked to KJ from Dunham. I don’t think it’s necessary, because there is a sidewalk.
      ● Adrian Summers: Where is the pathway that connects from the side of the building?
      ● Ryan Bloom: There is no pathway.
      ● Adrian Summers: Where else are people gonna cross the street? You want people to come from KJ and Wellin to walk all the way to use that crosswalk in front of Sadove?
Ryan Bloom: If you are concerned with not having a sidewalk, then you should just use the crosswalk.

Jack Martin: I have had loads of requests for a Bundy crosswalk because there's a lot of jaywalking that is not safe. It might be a good idea to do it and do it properly.

Zach Oscar: I don't think it’s necessary to have a full blown crosswalk. I think that it should have a smaller crosswalk, because drivers have to wait a very long time. The two things I will say is that I think back when the school was first made there were no pathways. Since there are so many students who do cross the road and go to the DMC, etc, it would make sense to have a little blacktop laid down that extends to the road. Maybe not a full blown crosswalk but a small path.

Jack Martin: There are some paths in front of the Registrar, and the C&D building for the light side. The pathway idea is a courtesy to cultural groups on campus. I also think it would be a safer option. It's better to prevent people from jaywalking and slipping on ice.

Ryan Bloom: I’m 90% sure that the reason why we have those paved offshoots by Bundy is because there used to be a crosswalk there, and then they got rid of the crosswalk because it was too dangerous. Moving forward we should see if this makes it safer.

Conor Craven: There used to be a crosswalk and the reason why its not there anymore is because of safety and liability issues. Students can do that but they should know that it's legally on them. It takes an extra 30 seconds to walk to the crosswalk and cross there, so conducting a study and trying to pay for this is not worth the effort it requires.

Jon Stanhope: I think this is legitimate that we should look into, especially since so many students have brought it up. But I have a two points. 1) I think the construction of any type of pathway or crosswalk should be a Facilities issue and not a Cultural Affairs issue. 2) To me, it seems like the obvious answer to Steve Bellona’s question is that this pathway would be a convenience, not a necessity, but it is a convenience that we should look into and follow up with Steve on.

Adrian Summers: All the cultural groups see this as a problem and many people have been feeling this way for a while.

Conor O'Shea: It will not be maintained in the winter, so we need to figure out if it is worth doing if we don’t even know what to do with it for six months of the year.
Harry Dubke: We have two options, a crosswalk or an offshoot. I understand that it is affecting minority students who visit the DMC but there are a lot of other places on campus that don't have offshoots either. If the offshoot will not be cleaned in the winter time, when it is most needed, there is no point in making it.

  Aleta Brown: I don't think it would be difficult to put a sign saying “This Is Not a Crosswalk”, in terms of liability. I think plenty of organizations would be willing to have students shovel it.

Zach Oscar: We have to first determine if they will do it, and have to get Tim Gadziala on board. I'd rather have a crosswalk that the school is not responsible for but increases convenience for students.

Adrian Summers: Thanks for all of your points. I just want to let you all know that the SDC is comprised of all those cultural organizations, and they brought this up to Student Assembly to see if you would like to stand in solidarity with us and take charge for this change. Even if you don’t, we are still going to continue to work on it and get it done. We appreciate your points.

Ben Katz: Why can’t physical plant shovel it?

  Harry Dubke: They don't shovel the offshoots because they’re not crosswalks. It is not feasible for Physical Plant to shovel a small piece of blacktop since it will get covered by snow very quickly.

  Adrian Summers: Even when it doesn’t snow, it still gets muddy. So it would be helpful to have even when it’s not winter time.

Danny Reyes: When does the SDC (Student Diversity Council) meet?

  Adrian Summers: We meet every two weeks on Thursday in the DMC at 5pm. Next meeting is in Sadove basement. We are trying to get the basement redesigned. This Thursday's meeting will be at at 6pm in Sadove.

DMC: The DMC no longer finds it necessary to have a liaison on Student Assembly because any announcements can be funneled through Cultural Affairs,

Facilities: Nothing new.

Food: Thursday at McEwen 12pm- 12:30

  Bon Appetit has rescheduled our regular meeting to next Friday

  We are currently compiling a list of kitchen supplies to purchase for clubs and orgs with our discretionary funds. If your club or organization is interested in contributing to that list of supplies please add the items to document this link:
We are planning some food centered collaborations with student groups and Bon Appetit after spring break.

- Aleta Brown: Bon Appetit also mentioned about having a food festival
- Mari Hiller: Can we have Bon Appetit do the same thing as last year when they had food on the Dunham Green?

**Health and Safety: Weekly meetings are Sunday at Noon**

- We are planning to meet as a committee with Tina Hall to solicit feedback from the community regarding Sexual Misconduct policy.
- Talk about KTSA access and reach out to campus safety.
- We are continuing to roll out and advertise the STD testing (FREE on March 1st!) and walk home initiative.

**LITS:**

- Burkeshops - A schedule will be emailed every week
  - 21st- Excel and Excel for your Summer Internships tomorrow 2:30pm
  - Tinker Tuesdays
    - Peggy Horne: I am going to be hosting a Tinker Tuesday in the library tomorrow. I will sew outlines of pillows and people can help stuff them and do some beginners sewing.

- Wifi issues on campus
  - Fixes: Broadcast out private network. We tested it out and it seems to be working, but we need to make sure it is a good solution.

- Eseosa Asiruwa:
  - I work at the help desk so we’ve been getting a lot of concerns. The biggest thing we’ve heard is that wifi is dropping when people walk from building to building. But we found that is an iOS problem. Network Services is trying to work around and has tested out broadcasting our hidden network “aps-hamilton” in the library, which has resolved this issue for some people, but we need to make sure it is a good solution, because we would manually have to re-add aps-hamilton to every access point on campus. So they are trying to figure out if this is a viable solution to the problem. If you use devices with bluetooth that are on, for example speakers or even a microwave, they might block your signal. Make sure you aren’t using them for a long time.
Also, if you're having bigger issues with your wifi come to the help desk so we can make sure to get all that data and go to the right access points to follow up on things

- **Mari Hiller**: Can you ask to schedule the workshop after people are out of classes? Maybe schedule before 4?

- **Ben Katz**: When I get locked out of my wifi, I didn’t know that I had to write “aps-hamilton” and then choose “WP2 Enterprise” in order to log back in.

- **Peggy Horne**: Can we get a printer in Root, the academic building?
  - **Zach Oscar**: It is also right next to CJ and the library, which both have printers

- **Cesar Guerrero**: What is the New York Times login?
  - **Jon Stanhope**: Student Affairs deals with that. We will get to that in a bit.

- **Philanthropy**: Thursdays 7pm, Sadove 3rd floor
  - We sold 250 flowers and raised a total of $451 for the Interfaith Works of Central NY to support refugees living in Syracuse during our Valentine's carnation sale!
  - Future fundraising events are in the works

- **Cesar Guerrero**: Can we have a flag football tournament?

- **Publicity**: Sadove 8:30 Monday
  - Waiting for committee paragraphs and photos! For those who have yet to send me the paragraph on what your committee does and a photo of your committee please do so ASAP!
  - Need committee blurbs by this Thursday.

- **Social Traditions**:
  - **Mari Hiller**: Feb Fest was last week: if you have any criticism or questions please let me know. We will be having a debriefing meeting to discuss ways to improve for next year.

- **Student Affairs**:
  - **Jon Kirshenbaum**: Some students were having issues (they were abroad) getting onto the NYT websites. They shouldn't be having issues. We should have the login info published somewhere central.
    - There is a link on the minutes somewhere, many minutes ago, but we will get that link recirculated around campus
    - Our email is up and running. You will now hopefully be getting emails all the time.
• **Silvia Radulescu:** Can people email you directly about concerns?
  ○ **Jon Kirshenbaum:** Yes!

6. **Funding**

Rollbacks:

- $50.20 (Discretionary fund)

Amount Remaining: **$14,751.99**

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- **Ryan Bloom:** Both of the budgets look good, however the budget for the second film club event was not submitted at least 10 days prior to when the event was supposed to happen, so we’re not recommending that now but encourage them to resubmit the budget for a later date.

*Funding passes as recommended.*

7. **Announcements**

- La Vanguardia and BLSU are hosting a session where they will be providing students with the materials and information needed to call, email, or write to Congress. This event is happening Tuesday February 21st from 4:30 to 6:30 pm in Sadove Sun porch.
- La Vanguardia is hosting an Empanada Game Night on February 22, at the Afro Latin Cultural Center 4:30 - 6:30 pm.
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- BLSU is hosting a 90’s themed party on February 24th 9-1pm at the Annex
- Asian Students Association is hosting its First Annual Ramenfest on Tuesday February 21st at 7 pm at the Days Massolo Center.
- The Working with Whiteness Student Group and Days-Massolo Center are hosting an upcoming workshop *The Basics: Racism, Whiteness and Anti-Racism Work* on Wednesday February 22 at 7 pm in the Events Barn.
- Women Center is hosting a Women of Color week that extends from Monday February 27th- March 3rd.
  - **Monday February 27th**- Diane Nash Lecture
  - **Wednesday March 1st**- Women of Color Student Panel at 7 pm in Sadove. Women of different identities and backgrounds will be sharing their experiences as students and their plans for the future.
  - **Thursday March 2nd**- Women of Color Dinner in the Barn from 7 to 8 pm. If you would like to attend please RSVP using the link provided in the email sent by the Womxn’s Center.
  - **Friday March 2nd**- BLSU and Womxn’s Center will be screening *For Dark Girls*. A film highlighting the experiences of dark skinned women. There will be a facilitated discussion about colorism and its affect on women of color.