1. Call to Order
   ● Attendance
     ■ Present
       ● Jon Stanhope
       ● Ramisa Tasnim
       ● Ryan Bloom
       ● Nani Suzuki
       ● Max Kohn
       ● Silvia Radulescu
       ● Kacy Hobbis
       ● Aleta Brown
       ● Jeremy Cottle
       ● Conor Craven
       ● Conor O’Shea
       ● Adam Markhoff
       ● Antonia Ng
       ● Zach Oscar
       ● Jack Martin
       ● Adrian Summers
       ● Samantha Gordon
       ● Jordan D’Addio
       ● Ben Katz
       ● Ishan Bhatia
       ● Cesar Guerrero
       ● Julian Perricone
       ● Eseosa Asiruwa
       ● Nadav Konforty
       ● Jake Engelman

     ■ Excused
       ● Ilana Schwartz
       ● Harry Dubke

     ■ Absent
       ● Mari Hiller

2. Old Business
   ○ Continue Action Planning process in small groups

3. Public Comment Period
   a. No one from the public in attendance.
4. New Business

- **SA sponsored C+C programming?**
  - **Jon Stanhope:** For Class & Charter Day there will be a food truck that starts at noon at Babbitt pavilion. The truck is run by the guy who owns Tex Mex, though I don’t know which foods specifically will be served. It’ll be free for everyone and will be pumping out unlimited food until the end of the day. Muhammed and I were talking about SA maybe planning something additional, be it a food truck or cart or stand or what have you, that potentially serves breakfast for people. I know some people like to start activities early on C+C Day so this would be a good option for those students. Maybe some sort breakfast truck that gave out fruit.
    - **Conor O’Shea:** I don't think a fruit bar would be a good idea, maybe like a bacon grill or some pancakes.
  - **Ben Katz:** You can rent a breakfast car like the ones they have in big cities maybe?
  - **Silvia Radulescu:** We do this for PBX where people will give their hill card numbers to whoever is putting the event together, thereby “donating,” essentially, their breakfast swipe in order to help defray some of the cost. Maybe we could do this with and interested students and Bon Appetit. Since a lot of people head to Bundy in the morning, perhaps that it where it could be located?
  - **Cesar Domech:** Where are we going to put the food truck?
    - **Silvia:** Well a lot of people go to Bundy in the morning.
  - **Adrian Summers:** I don’t know if this idea is feasible for this year, but maybe this is something we can plan for next year: I am from NY, The Bronx in particular and we love our corner stores. It would be cool if we had a pop off corner store with some snacks such as Arizona’s, chopped cheeses and bacon egg and cheese sandwiches.
  - **Conor Craven:** Just a quick idea, in the years past, Commons, has set up tomato pies outside of Commons. I don't know if it's worth talking to them but they already will have pancakes and bacon, sp maybe we can work with them instead of paying for the food truck.
    - **Jon Stanhope:** Yes this actually came up in one of our preliminary discussions and the benefit of doing it with Commons would be that it will be staffed by Bon Appetit. That way we don’t need student volunteers.
  - **Conor Craven:** We could talk to Bon Appetit about having a late breakfast outside of Commons rather than bringing in an entirely new outside vendor.
  - **Aleta Brown:** When I talked to Bon Appetit about Senior Week and having an ice cream cart, they helped us plan it out. And they could have someone staffing that for us also.
  - **Adrian Summers:** Who was responsible for the ice cream truck that appeared last year? It was great.
    - **Everyone:** Yes.
The Central Council of Student Assembly, Hamilton College

**STUDENT ASSEMBLY MEETING**

**APRIL 17, 2017**

- **Jon Stanhope**: Does anyone remember the cost of that?
- **Kacy Hobbis**: We had left over funds last year and so we all decided to have an ice cream truck
- **Ben Katz**: What's the procedure to moving non-strategic to discretionary?
  - **Ryan Bloom**: I don't know if there's a formal procedure, I think we can all just vote to move it if we want to.
- **Ben Katz**: Could we use all the money that is left over?
  - **Jon Stanhope**: Yes, we’d just vote to move it from non-strategic to discretionary, as Ryan noted. We can (and should) use all of the remaining funds for the year.
- **Zach Oscar**: On an unrelated note, I am interested in assembling the task force for next week so I am looking for volunteers to walk around campus. Please reach out and let me know if you want to do it. Next week is a good time to ask people if they have been reading the minutes and what their thoughts are on the discussions we have been having in SA.
- **Silvia Radulescu**: So this happens a lot when I go out and oftentimes a lot of drunk people come up to me with these great ideas concerning SA. One of the ideas that I remember was someone mentioning that it would be super helpful if next year we could get practical life skill workshops such as how to do taxes and how to use excel, etc.
- **Eseosa Asiruwa**: For excel and microsoft we have workshops (aka Burkeshops) in the library.
- **Aleta Brown**: Since the election for next year’s delegation is coming up, it would be cool to involve the school body more in the election process.
- **Adrian Summers**: Also Silvia, re: taxes workshops, there is an Econ class that is half credit and it teaches you how to do taxes and you actually go to the community and help people do their taxes. It's not every semester so maybe we could talk to the Professor about it.
  - **Samantha Gordon**: Me and Jake have done that for both semesters, and it's a huge volunteer commitment. It is over spring and usually the taxes you do are for people with low income who want the income tax credit. It's not necessary the same thing--but I can contact the professor and ask if they will be interested in doing a workshop of some sort.

**Plan for the rest of semester:**

**Jon Stanhope**: In the next two meetings we have to finalize our action plan. Tonight and next meeting we will work on some of the ideas we’ve received from the student body and the larger campus community, and by our final meeting we will have drafted a proposed action plan for the Assembly to vote on implementing over the next year.
5. Committees

- **Constitution:**
  - We are talking about trying to get feedback from everyone regarding what to add to the constitution, and expect that much of what we will be doing in the coming weeks will come from our action plan discussions.

- **Cultural Affairs:**
  - We are changing meeting times to Sunday at 12:30pm
  - The mural in Sadove basement is underway, and people have started painting and making their letters.

- **Facilities:**
  - Impromptu meeting with president of BLSU and Womxns Center with the feminine product issue. We will get the plan ready in terms of price quotes and man power and it will hopefully be ready to launch at the start of next semester.
    - **Jake:** In terms of setting up at the beginning of the year, you can talk to RAs because they will be on campus early.
    - **Cesar:** It is non-residential, it is assumed that in residential you have the products with you.
  - We will be meeting with Bill Higgins about outlets in KJ.
  - Trash cans in KJ
    - **Adrian Summers:** So the first thing, the vending machine downstairs has expired candy bars, and one of my friends got really sick. Second thing, a lot of people are upset that there's no bathroom in the diner.
    - **Silvia Radulescu:** There is a bathroom but they lock it. It is where the water fountain is.
    - **Conor Craven:** I think locking it is a purposeful thing and that it is for staff only.
    - **Julian Perricone:** I also have concerns with the vending machines in terms of the selection they offer and the repetition of selection. Would changing this be more of a food committee issue?
    - **Kacy Hobbis:** I think you should talk to Irene Cornish.
    - **Julian Perricone:** What if we sent our polls and had people vote on what snacks they want? Also there's like a lot of the same things in the vending machine and it's repetitive.
    - **Samantha Gordon:** Also a lot of them are left empty for a long period of time, especially in crucial times like finals.
    - **Julian Perricone:** I got an email from Jack Wright. He is interested in starting up a sustainability committee, he would love to have someone serve as a liaison in Student Assembly that they discussed in their biweekly meetings. I think we should save that for the fall. I don't know how committed they are but could we form one for SA?
○ **Jon Stanhope:** This is something we can incorporate into the action plan.

○ **Food: Thursdays McEwen 12pm**
  - Any club, group, team that collects hill card numbers and uses them for meal exchanges will end up charging students if they swipe again.
  - Bringing tupperware into dining hall to take food out is not allowed. Once someone was caught with 17 tupperware containers in their backpack, which is just a little ridiculous and could result in some serious health risks if the food is left out. But, taking a sandwich or fruit is still fine.

Current Projects:
- Derek Roy is researching options for gluten free hash browns in the diner and investigating the possibility of installing a new frier in the back
- Working on designing gluten free and sustainability signage for the dining halls.
- Tentative Food Fair date May 11th, currently reaching out to clubs and Bon Appetit has offered to participate in Food Fair.
  - **Jon Stanhope:** Where are we at for ordering the $500 of communal cooking supplies we reserved funding for earlier in the semester?
  - **Aleta Brown:** I emailed Kaity and sent her the links for the checkouts, I did not hear back from her but I am assuming she has it. It should be in the process.

○ **Health and Safety:**
  - Made posters for Class and Charter Day in terms of students being safe and as reminders to behave responsibly.
  - **Kacy Hobbis:** You could have one that has Call the EMTs with their phone number
  - **Ben Katz:** Shouldn't we be concerned about promoting a safe drinking culture?
  - **Silvia Radulescu:** That is exactly what the food truck does, and what signs encourages students to drink water promotes. A couple years ago we had food trucks and promoted drinking water and no one got EMTed.
  - **Zach Oscar:** I am in agreement that we should make sure we're promoting a safe drinking culture. People should know that they can call the EMTs when necessary. Encourage and remind people to utilize their resources.
  - **Nadav Konforty:** I agree with Zach. If people are going to drink, personally, I’d rather they feel like they have a safe option if something went out of hand, which is what the EMT sign would be for.
  - **Conor O'Shea:** I think drinking water and eating is part of a good drinking culture, I agree with Zach that the drinking culture is a big
thing and the posters could help make sure people stay safe and aware. There's an app called “Stay In The Blue” from the University of Michigan and it allows you to pick types of drinks and estimates your alcohol content. When you drink too much it tells you to stop.

- **Jack**: Has there been water stations in the past?
- **Noelle**: In terms of water stations outside of commons, they were initiatives put through SA. If people want extra water stations or breakfast options, that is something Student Assembly and Health and Safety can help out with. We need people to step up and organize if they want to have these things.
- **Jack**: In terms of maintenance and upkeep of water stations is that something we would run ourselves or something we would hire Physical Plant to do?
- **Noelle Niznik**: It would be Bon Appetit, I think.
- **Adrian Summers**: Is there any account where I can put the account number to print off these posters?
  - **Jon Stanhope**: Yes, Ramisa can give you the number.
- **Adrian Summers**: Can we do a geotag? Like a geotag of safety tips?
- **Samantha Gordon**: Geotags are really expensive for such a big area. So I think we should decide between drinking stations and geotags. Also we should tell freshmen that you can't walk around with a nalgene, even if it is water, because Campus Safety will make you dump it out.
- **Julian Perricone**: I don't know about the snapchat idea, maybe someone would take a picture mocking the safety tips and make fun of it. Maybe there a way that we can phrase it so that people can't make the safety tips seem embarrassing. Maybe we could use the SA Instagram to post something about class and charter day safety tips.
- **Aleta Brown**: Do we know where the water monster is? That could be a useful thing. Maybe we could offer a non water option? Something like juice
- **Silvia Radulescu**: People might use that as a chaser
- **Conor O'Shea**: Gatorade would be a good idea and we could put it in dixie cups.
- **Zach Oscar**: We have had this option, and campus safety was not about it, because they could pretend like it was another liquid. The water monster produces a lot of water and we have to pay for the gatorade.
- **Conor O'Shea**: Could Health and Safety talk to Frank Coots about open containers on Class and Charter day? It's counter productive
to have every student carrying a nalgene have to dump their water bottle out because many students are actually carrying water around to stay hydrated during the day.

- **LITS: Tuesday 9pm Burke 213**
  - There is now a phone charging station at the top of the stairs to the second floor. Four iOS, three Android, and one other cords are available
  - Bean Bag Read-In -- Friday/Saturdays of April // 24 Hour period will begin April 30

- **Philanthropy: Thursdays 7pm, Sadove 3rd floor**
  - Made over $300 at our Silent Auction on Sunday, enabling our Young Civic Leaders scholarship to be $1000, double last year's award.
  - Bake sale during housing lottery in the works.

- **Publicity:**
  - Thinking about restarting Humans of Hamilton!

- **Social Traditions: Fireplace Lounge 8:30 on Mondays**
  - Nothing New!

- **Student Affairs:**
  - Working with the NY Times.
  - Throwing together an ad hoc committee for Jitney. It has not formulated yet but we will take it on and work on it for the last few weeks.
    - **Zach Oscar:** When you do decide that you are meeting can you just let everyone know so those that are free can join
    - **Conor Craven:** Yes of course that's a great idea. We don't want people to feel left out. One of the things we talked about is keeping the committees with their tasks. By creating ad hoc committees it takes out the responsibilities for the committees
    - **Jon Stanhope:** By the way has anyone heard any complaints about the jitney?
    - **Noelle Niznik:** Campus Safety office has been staffed on Saturdays. That has been helpful and I have not heard any major complaints. Although it is difficult to find someone who will ride along on Saturdays, we hope this will continue on until the end of the semester.
    - **Conor Craven:** Student Affairs has talked about some preliminary ideas, maybe we can have once a month on a random Saturday night a Campus Safety officer ride along? That way, the bad eggs get pulled out and punished. Over the course of a few months hopefully we can take out all the bad eggs.
6. Funding

Amount Remaining: $4,937.96

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Amount Requested: $496.83
Amount Recommended: $171.83
Amount Remaining if Funding Passes: $4,766.13

- **Ryan**: LiNK is asking for food for documentary screening. We thought it looked good. HDEMS asked for $25 for publicity for an event that already happened, and our funding codes don’t allow us to recommend retrospective funding. LV asked again for the hats that will be used to distinguish those who are in the organization and those who are not. **Funding passes as recommended for HDEMS and Link**

**Discussion on La Vanguardia Funding**

- **Conor O’Shea**: My objection remains the same as last meeting. From what Adrian was telling us, I think there are cheaper and more effective ways to accomplish the same goal as these hats purportedly will. If it’s about directing people to the event and identifying who is running the event, I think signs and arrows work.
- **Jack Martin**: I second that.
- **Aleta Brown**: I wonder if there are maybe cheaper hats they could ask for. And I do have a clarification question. Are these hats going to be reused? If they are reused every year then that helps bring the cost down.
- **Ryan Bloom**: Whether or not they were to be reused was not made explicit in the budget proposal.
● **Conor O’Shea:** I think it is kind of gross to reuse hats in the interest of hygiene; maybe there are other options.

● **Ben Katz:** I think it's a valid point that they would want hats for this event. The problem with it is that it's a slippery slope in terms of what type of apparel we allow group to purchase to advertise or identify their event. In the future would be fund t-shirts, etc.?

● **Adrian Summers:** They would only be using the hat one time for the entire year, but I do understand your hygiene comment.

● **Muhammad Najib:** I remember the budget request was $150 last week. Is there a reason why the budget has increased from last week?

● **Adrian Summers:** Not sure.
  ○ [editorial note: LV requested $300 last week as well--the amount requested did not increase from $150 to $300.]

● **Zach Oscar:** I think that if you're gonna use it once every year, that's very pricey. They could use some other items that are less expensive and more visible.

● **Adrian Summers:** I think they want hats because they're gonna be in the sun all day.

● **Ryan Bloom:** I guess my thought is, I am sort of split. I don't think it matters how expensive the hats are. But I guess my main concern is what Ben said. In term of setting a precedent moving forward, and where to draw the line for what is needed for an event.

● **Conor Craven:** I have no problem with the price, It's a good cause. My one concern is the precedent for other groups. Also is there a better item that can distinguish someone and is reusable? Something like vests is more practical. I have no problem with the money.

● **Adrian Summers:** I just want to explain why this event is a little bit more different. This event involves a lot of organizations and is over the span of 4 hours. It's a very big barbecue that involves games and moving around. It's a very big upscale event. I feel you on the precedent, but I think this event is a little different than any other event because there are many different layers to it.

● **Kacy Hobbis:** I am just reminded about the march down to Clinton and it involved a lot of moving people. In that event we funded bright yellow vests and I am comparing that to this. If we funded vests for that event then it's within the precedent to fund something comparable to the march.

● **Ryan Bloom:** I have heard a lot of people saying ‘they should have something to distinguish them’ for the purposes of running the event… if that's your concern you should approve the funding and we can offer to work with them to find something else. If we don’t approve this funding now they will not get another chance to apply for it from us.
Funding does not pass as recommended ($0 does not pass, option to fund still on the table)

- **Ben Katz**: Do we still have the vests from the march?
  - **Jon Stanhope**: I’m not sure.
- **Aleta Brown**: Noelle, do you remember where the vests went?
- **Noelle Niznik**: We would have to look. They might be upstairs in the closet or they might be in the Glen house. We would have to track them down.
- **Conor Craven**: If we approve this funding in full we could work with them to find something that is better.
- **Ryan Bloom**: We could approve this under that condition that they work with us to see if there are comparable items that would be better, right?
  - ○ **Conor O’Shea**: I don't think we could enforce what they do with the funding once it is approved for a specific purpose.
- **Ryan Bloom**: If we did fund them the whole amount, we could say that we are suggesting them to find better alternatives, if they don't use it then it's their prerogative.
- **Aleta Brown**: As long as I remember this event has existed, and we should trust that the group knows what they need. If they need hats than we should support them. I do think they put thought into it. I think if we haven't been there we should ask leadership and if we can't ask then we should trust them.
- **Cesar Guerrero**: We’re all students here. LV will be open and willing to discuss with whoever and have an open conversation. We should pass it in full and then have a conversation with them.
- **Jon Stanhope**: I voted against funding this budget in the vote we just had, and though I’m starting to see the case for funding this proposal, I’m again going to vote against it--and here’s why: For two weeks we’ve had a lot of questions about this budget that have not been resolved by the content of the budget itself, despite it being submitted twice. The budget was denied funding last week and we asked LV to resubmit, which they did, but a lot of questions still remain and no one from the club has shown up to further explain the proposal. It would make sense to send someone to the meeting (albeit, unsolicited) to answer any questions if you submit essentially the same budget request one week later. This is what a lot of clubs have done in the past.
- **Aleta Brown**: I can understand your reasoning but I don't think we should have precedent that we don't give funding to those clubs that don't send members to meetings, because a lot of clubs don’t send people to explain their proposals.
Funding passes as requested for 300 dollars.

7. Announcements
   ○ Nothing.