1. **Call to Order**

Present:
- Kureem Nugent
- Lizzi Tran
- Gillian Mak
- Alex Hollister
- Kaitlin Dunne
- Jonathan Stanhope
- Silvia Radulescu
- Kacy Hobbis
- Jeremy Cottle
- Danny Reyes
- Illana Schwartz
- Lilly Pieper
- Ryan Bloom
- Isabel Grieder
- Gabby Troya
- Zach Oscar
- Jack Martin
- Annalie Garcia
- Rachel Dawson
- Harry Dubke
- Maggie Horne
- Jonathan Kishenbaum
- Eseosa Asiruwa
- Ben Isenberg

Excused:
- Aleta Brown
- Ryan Franquiz

2. **Old Business**

- **Class Delegation Projects**
  - Class of 2017- Tailgate Collaboration with Grilling Club.
  - Class of 2018 and 2019 Collaboration- Silent Disco

3. **New Business**

- **Wei Lee - Update on TracManager App (Jitney Tracking System)**
  - **Wei Lee:** Last spring, we worked with Facilities Committee and Zach Oscar to make this app more suited to student needs. We made a few changes since last spring based on feedback that Student Assembly gave us.
One thing was that the Jitney was showing up on the app, but the students didn’t know the schedule. We’ve added both the schedule and the departure times.

Another problem we have encountered is that the app doesn’t work as well if there is poor service. We have added a refresh function in case the live tracking is unable to work.

- Irene Cornish (Auxiliary Services) and Reuben Haag (General Manager of Bon Appetit) - Addressing Bon Appetit Comments
  - Irene Cornish: I manage the contract the college has with Bon Appetit. I want to encourage everybody to please let people in Bon Appetit know if you have issues in the dining halls, but if they are not responsive, please let me know.
    - We have had a long history of issues with the dishwasher. Physical Plant gave us the option to fix the dishwasher over the summer, but it included significant changes in the dishwashing room. Unfortunately, this project ran late and we didn’t have time for test runs. We are working to tweak the layout so the people in the dishroom can keep up with capacity. We will keep working on it and if need be we will make additional adjustments over winter break.
    - The second thing I wanted to mention are the flies. We created some of that problem when we were installing the dish machines as loading dock doors were open for a significant amount of time. We are unable to spray because it is a food service area. Therefore, we are only able to do controlled ways of catching them at night. We have Physical Plant working on this issue right now and hopefully you’ve seen some improvement already.

- Finally, we are having a company called Envision Strategies come to campus to do an overall assessment of everything related to our food services program: meal plans, locations, capacity. There will be multiple focus groups occurring during that week. Look for emails for sign ups to participate in these focus groups and an online survey that will be sent out to the entire student body. A lot of what we have now has been structured over the years and we want to make sure our services are up to par.
  - Call Ext. 4999 or email me icornish@hamilton.edu if there are any problems that are continuously not repaired.

- Reuben Haag: We’ve looked at last week’s minutes and we’re actively trying to address each issue.
  - We have someone during busy periods during each meal to reduce stacking plates. If they run behind, set your stuff down on three brown carts outside. If you see there is a time of day that it is a problem, please send a note or tell the manager so you don’t have to deal with it.
  - The gluten free area— All of those products are made without gluten. Lucky Charms are gluten free and the gluten free croutons are made from
the gluten free bread we make. We will do a better job labeling in the future.

- **Irene Cornish**: The silverware containers have been changed because there had been tarnish buildup from the silverware ding it. The ones that are there are not the same ones that were shown, however, we are actually looking into more open options.

- **Reuben Haag**: The Food Committee is a very powerful tool because you get to sit us down.

- **Alex Hollister**: I have had a lot of complaints being able to choose the meal plan you are on. I live in the same room that I lived in this summer when I had no meal plan, but I’m required to be on the 14 meal plan now.

  - **Irene Cornish**: I am not exactly sure but I believe that Res Life gives the 21 meal plan to all Freshmen and most Sophomores because of lack of access to groceries and proper kitchens. I believe the kitchen question deals with how many people can access the kitchen and if the facilities given can support the number of people cooking. I think you can meet with Reslife and request to make an exception.

  - **Alex Hollister**: When I spoke to them, it was only for religious observances and dietary restrictions.

  - **Irene Cornish**: I thought they were going to offer more options in regards to this, but just on a one on one basis. I think Travis Hill would have a better idea of what has been implemented.

- **Harry Dubke**: The only major complaint I have heard is the length of the line for hot food. I feel like there could be a more efficient system of serving it, such as multiple people serving.

- **Ilana Schwartz**: Last week, Jack brought up the idea that the way we treat the dining halls as a whole is pretty poor. Maybe the food committee can work on some sort of awareness campaign. In addition, we could possibly put more garbage cans by conveyor belt to reduce piling up plates.

  - **Irene Cornish**: Bon Appetit deals with the trash related items because if they can deal with it, the food can be composted correctly.

  - **Reuben Haag**: Over the past few days, just to alleviate these issues, we’ve had a trash can by the conveyor belt, which was sent to a landfill. In the dishroom, we have several people that actually sort through the food and trash to make sure that everything is correctly composed.

- **Jonathan Kirshenbaum**: On a more more positive note, I think the food has been really great in Commons, especially in comparison to what bigger schools get. I’d definitely like to extend my thanks to Bon Appetit.
The Central Council of Student Assembly, Hamilton College

STUDENT ASSEMBLY MEETING
SEPTEMBER 5TH, 2016

- Jack Martin ‘19 and Jack Wright ‘19 - “Take Back the Tap” Resolution
  - Jack Martin: We are proposing a resolution recommending measures to reduce bottled water usage on campus. There are a lot of precedents of other colleges and we feel it is important that Student Assembly back this resolution.
  - Jack Wright: We have 418 signatures from students across campus pledging to not use bottled water and support initiatives to promote tap water. HEAG did a week of taste testing in the dining halls at the end of last year and more students signed the pledge at club fair last week.
  - Gillian Mak: How many NESCAC Schools have done a similar program?
    - Jack Martin: Wesleyan, Amherst, Tufts, and Williams all have partial bans in place. Colby has enacted a full ban.
  - Ryan Bloom: What is a partial ban defined by?
    - Jack Martin: A partial ban is inherently broad in definition. Student Assembly does not fund water bottles; this could be seen as a partial ban. Other examples of partial bans could include not having water bottles in vending machines.
  - Silvia Radulescu: Is there any way to alter the wording “Discourage the use of Hamilton College funds to purchase single serving bottles of water”? Is there something more reasonable where we can bring it down a specific percentage? From my experience with Student Assembly, we are more able to get change to happen when we are more specific.
  - Alex Hollister: Is there any way we could get more information from Bon Appetit about where the “41,100 water bottles” number comes from?
  - Jack Martin: We will do more research about this number and get back to the assembly in two weeks.

***Please Note: Student Assembly does not fund any water bottles requested in organization budgets.***

The proposed resolution is attached to the minutes email. This resolution is tabled until 6/19 when we will continue discussion with more information. Please contact Jack Wright wjwright@hamilton.edu with any suggestions or to sign the Take Back the Tap pledge.

- Lizzi Tran- Update on Class of 2020 elections
  - There are 13 first years are running for class positions; 9 for class representatives, 2 for class treasurer, and 2 for class president. The elected first years will be attending their first meeting next week for the very big funding meeting.

4. Committee Reports- Chair Assignments
   - Executive- Kureem Nugent
   - Funding- Alex Hollister
   - Constitution- Jonathan Stanhope
   - Cultural Affairs- Gillian Mak
Facilities- Rachel Dawson and Zach Oscar
Food-To be Announced
Health and Safety- Annalie Garcia
LITS-Eseosa Asiruwa
Philanthropy- Ben Isenberg and Caroline Moore
Social Traditions- Maggie Horne and Liz Sherrill
Student Affairs- Ram Franqui
Publicity- Kaitlin Dunne

5. Funding
Amount Remaining Non-Strategic: $20,295
Amount Remaining Strategic: $103,794

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Amount Requested: $424.02
Amount Recommended: $424.02
Amount Non-Strategic Remaining if Funding Passes: $19,871

Grilling Club requesting materials for a tailgate in collaboration with the Senior Class SA
delegation on September 17th at the Men’s Soccer home game. Funding passed as recommended!

6. Announcements
○ Strategic budgets are due **THIS SATURDAY, September 10th at noon.**
  Proposals submitted 12:01 PM or later will not be considered.
○ SA Treasurer Alex Hollister ’17 will have open hours from 7-8 PM on Thursday in Sadove, outside of Euphoria.
○ If your club did not send anyone to Club Leader Basic Training, you must have someone to attend the make up session this Thursday from 7-8. If no one from your organization attends, the organization will not be eligible to receive funding.
○ Any questions or concerns regarding this, please contact Alex Hollister (satreas@hamilton.edu).