

STUDENT ASSEMBLY MEETING

11/14/2022

1. Call to Order

Muhammad Ahmad Rao
Adan Corea
Bethany Fell
Max Ganem
Ailis Hayden
Ashby Howard
Gael Javier
Emily Jiang
Lena Klink

Alexandra Kropaneva
Ryley McGovern
Ting Mei
Quentin Messer
Kiara Nelson
Raymond Ni
Jacob Piazza
Mason Schroeder
Nicole Soret

Felix Tager
Prim Udomphan
Katrinah Tejada

Excused:

Unexcused:

2. General Public Comment Period ([TIME: 00:04:36](#))

Wriley Nelson '23 (he/him) wrote:

“Can we get a webcam livestream of the line in diner, similar to the KJ webcam? This idea has been thrown around a lot in the last few years.”

Philip Chivily '23 (he/him) commented:

“I am writing student assembly regarding scheduling events. I have had in the past events rejected on 25live since they fall during the time finals and reading occur. Given that this is a very busy time of the semester, I understand why Student Activities would not approve meetings, however, you cannot expect students to be studying every waking and testing every waking minute during the week. What if a student wants to pray with one of the religious organizations? Exercise with one of the sports organizations? Vent for half an hour or an hour with friends at any other organization? Students will still socialize. Students will still party. And I plan on having my clubs meet, although not unofficially. Depriving student organizations of the spaces and times they need to ensure that they can host their meetings is arbitrary and detrimental to the well-being and mental health of students during this particularly stressful time. I do not know if I am an isolated instance, but regardless, it should not be happening.

Furthermore, I received earlier today a biting and unnecessarily mean response on 25live rejecting an event that I have scheduled several times before, on different days. How come now was it suddenly an issue? Granted, the event occurred under a different name, but one could have easily inferred that this event was just like the previous events. How come it was fine every other time but now now? 25live is already annoying enough, and we should not be receiving added stress and rudeness which we do not deserve. We have to do enough already as student activity leaders, and should not be expected to do more than we already are doing; we pay for \$80,000 a year service, so should receive \$80,000 a year service. I am sorry if I seem annoyed and bitter right now, but this whole situation frustrates me, and I would like to see it resolved in a fair and equitable manner.”



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Patrick Cleary '24 (he/him) commented:

“Lots of schools provide education account access to HBO Max.

<https://help.hbomax.com/us/Answer/Detail/000001208>

Considering the wealth of historical documentaries and films on offer, this service should be extended to Hamilton Students.”

Tate Suratt '24 (he/him) wrote:

“Chocolate milk too”

Felix Tager noted that this was talked about during the ResLife and Safety meeting earlier and that it likely is a response to the milkshake request from last week.

Simon Zhang '25 (he/him) commented:

“The Wifi is so bad. Please please please fix it. Thank you so much.”

Hunter Wisneski '25 (he/they) wrote:

“Is it possible to unlock the basement common room and first floor dining room in Eells/who can do this? We only have one common area for the whole building, which is proportionally much lower than most other residential buildings. With the porch no longer a feasible option for socialization due to the cold, this would allow us full access to the building all of us pay room and board to live in”

Mason Schroeder stated that the first floor dining room had some inappropriate colonialist imagery in it. The basement is searching for a purpose to be given to the room, such as a potential study room.

Emily Jiang noted that they are in a college committee investigating the wallpaper in the Eells dining room. The administration is aware of the issue and the restriction of the area, which removes a common space from the residence hall. The committee is working on solutions to make the common room usable and more welcoming.

Felix Tager noted that the common space is downstairs, not the dining hall, and it's definitely a large space they should be utilizing. However, the question being asked is how can spaces be created and not just become a party space that will be destroyed, since a lot of money goes into getting furniture. Another reason why Eells is filling up is that a lot of people love the study spaces in Eells because of the new furniture, so adding study spaces might help resolve that as well.

Anonymous comment:

“I was wondering if the school is planning to bring back the systems that allowed students to host events with alcohol in the Annex and the Hub. I remember these events from my freshman year and feel that they provide students with the space to have large gatherings in a safe way. Being able to have events like formals or larger parties outside of dorms would decrease the



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number of noise complaints and would be less disruptive to other Hamilton students. Also, having spaces on campus as opposed to off campus allows for anyone (regardless of financial means) to participate in events. I am upset that these events have not been brought back and wanted to see if there is any progress/updates on the situation.”

Raymond Ni stated that even though it is called the late nite jitney, he is looking into creating spaces for alcohol so there is no need to go down the hill. If students want to do training and have safety monitors, that is something that Dean Card is willing to revisit.

Emily Jiang noted that the Webcam would be a Facilities issue and that asked Felix, as the Chair of ResLife and Safety, to look into it. Regarding scheduling of events, they will reach out to Student Activities and inquire what is going on. Regarding HBO Max, they will follow up with LITS.

Lena Klink added that she has already shared the chocolate milk comment with Lucy Burke.

3. Old Business (TIME: 00:13:13)

- **Minutes from 11/7**

The minutes from 11/7 pass as written by unanimous consent.

4. New Business (TIME: 00:13:30)

- **Guest: Representative from the Office of Admission and Aid, Executive Director Jan Scheutzow and Associate Director Mary Ann Atkinson**

Jan Scheutzow presented slides that introduced the financial aid team as well as shared some students' resources, and finally discussed some ideas to better improve the overall department. The slides are attached to the minutes. She emphasized to contact the Financial Aid Office if there are any questions or issues.

Mary Ann Atkinson noted that the Financial Aid Office will have office hours in the Days-Massolo-Center (DMC) this Wednesday where they will answer any questions on a first-come-first-serve basis.

Ting Mei asked if they send the financial wellness, or the iGrad website, to students or incoming freshmen. She asked because she did not receive it as an email.

Jan Scheutzow responded that they did not because the rollout was very small and the office will circle back and communicate it again.

Ting Mei followed up that it would be helpful to students and that it would be utilized.

Jan Scheutzow asked if an email rollout would be helpful.



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Emily Jiang replied that the Academic, Enrollment, and Development (AED) Committee could help out with the rollout as well.

Jan Scheutzow replied that they are willing to get resources for content and marketing materials, and to re-engaging with the project. Therefore, feedback and comments are really appreciated.

Felix Tager prefaced his questions stating that he understands that things are on a case-by-case basis. He recounted that one of his friends had to transfer from Hamilton, because their financial aid was too low for her to continue attending. His friend was going to take on a leadership role in the Asian Student Union (ASU) and he noted that leadership, especially in organizations for marginalized groups, is highly necessary. He also stated that financial aid should not deter students from continuing their education at Hamilton. Felix asked what is being done to fix this issue and if the Financial Aid Office is seeing financial aid offers going down in comparison to previous years.

Jan Scheutzow answered stating that it is important to keep in mind that financial aid is individualized and is reviewed on a yearly basis using information from the previous year to verify and to calculate the demonstrated need. If anyone has an issue where that has changed in the current day, then they need to be let know. That needs to be addressed and that is a conversation they are willing to have. They will reevaluate things and ask for more information, but sometimes a family's resources change and their financial aid package needs to change.

Mary Ann Atkinson added that there is a financial aid appeal form, and they work with each case separately; they do not want a student to leave due to financial reasons. They do have limitations however, and sometimes they do not have the whole picture. When she has talked to students, she lets them know that they do not want them just for the freshman class, but for the whole four years.

Felix Tager thanked them for their response. He stated that the student received a response stating that some families prioritize their child's education more than others. He emphasized that there needs to be a better dialogue to figure out what is going on. There is clearly a disconnect between what is happening and how students feel.

Jan Scheutzow replied that it is not just one person making this decision, but a committee and it is important to keep in mind that there is a group of people looking from different perspectives involved.

Raymond Ni asked about the Suida scholarship and how someone receives it.



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Mary Ann Atkinson replied that it is given to a person that has been accepted to Hamilton, has not enrolled, but has gone through the appeal process. These appeal meetings have admission and financial aid staff involved.

Raymond Ni asked a question about financial aid in regards to extracurricular activities and if that is something provided. He has heard stories of people who could not participate in sports due to financial barriers, and that extracurriculars are a part of the college experience.

Jan Scheutzow responded by stating that the annual cost of attendance is calculated and federally regulated. However, sports is not calculated into the cost of attendance. Some of the activity fee funds some of their clubs.

- **Contingency and Traditions Budget Requests - Treasurer Prim Udomphan '26** ([TIME: 00:44:17](#))

Organization	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
Mock Trial	\$5,150	\$2,650
Tennis Club	\$200	\$200
One Love Club	\$1,000	\$500
Asian Student Union	\$8,557.71	\$3,000

Prim Udomphan read out the requests as shown above.

Mock trial has already received \$8000 for their annual budget. If the recommended amount would be given the total amount would sum up to \$10,650. If the requested amount were to be given, the total amount would sum up to be \$13,150. Prim noted that she went back to all the precedents and in the 2021-2022 academic year, Mock Trial received \$7,700. As this was a covid-year, the amount was lowest compared to the other precedents. In 2019-2020, they received \$10,300. In 2018-2019 the amount went up to \$16,300 which is the highest amount she found.

In 2017-2018, Mock Trial received \$9,947. If funding recommended amount, in total Mock Trial's funding would sum up to more than three out of the four precedents she looked at. The other thing to take into consideration is that the \$7,700 is the lowest amount of funding Mock Trial has received because it was a COVID year. Funding the recommended amount would sum up to \$10,650 which is also more than three out of the four precedents.

Tennis Club requested \$200 and she recommended \$200. This budget will go to replacing equipment that has been worn out.



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One Love Club is a new club and proactive in requesting funding. They requested \$1000 and \$500 would be for merch, and the other \$500 for on-campus events. According to the funding codes, new clubs can only apply for \$500.

Asian Student Union (ASU) requested \$8,557.71. If they were to be funded as requested, their total funding would reach the cap of \$14,800 that each club is allowed each year. The recommended amount is \$3000 in addition to their already approved annual budget of \$8,750. Prim then laid out her reasoning for her recommended amount. Firstly, the club first applied in the Spring for an annual budget of \$8,750. Now they are applying for what would be a total annual budget of \$14,000, which is a huge leap. Secondly, according to precedent, the maximum funding the club has received is \$4000 and last year they only spent \$1,200.

Kiley Hartman '23 introduced herself as one of the Presidents of Mock Trial. To address the different years and respective funding Prim mentioned, the 2018-2019 was the last year they were fully funded and that was also the last year in which they had a full tournament cycle, without any online tournaments. This is why the funding is significantly higher than in the following years. In 2019 and 2020, the season was cut short and therefore they did not have as many tournaments which means that costs were lower. They also did not have as many members as they do now, as they are trying to expand the team. Following that, in the 2021-2022 year, Mock Trial competed largely online due to most tournaments being moved online. Online tournaments are significantly cheaper because they do not require the costs of driving and hotel rooms associated with in-person tournaments.

Quinn Jones '23 stated that due to being a for the Spring Semester last year, she was not here when the funding for the full year happened. They were funded \$8,000 for their annual budget, despite requesting more than that. Mock Trial has already attended four tournaments this semester and despite splitting their 18 members into two teams, each member has at least attended two tournaments. Right now, Mock Trial has about \$1,600 remaining in their budget. She noted having done her best to make that money last as long as she can. She stated understanding that Mock Trial is an expensive activity and that she is very grateful that SA is funding them because at other schools, it is paid by the students who compete. Students are charged significant fees in order to go to tournaments and Mock Trial at Hamilton is committed to that not being the case, because that would create financial barriers for students to not engage in the activity but also to knowledge about the legal community and experience. That in turn reproduces itself in financial barriers in the legal system and representation. Therefore, it is important to them to be funded in full. Quinn stated that she had prepared an itemized budget. Right now, if they were funded as recommended, they would have approximately \$4,098 to get through the Spring semester. They would need \$6,657 to take two teams to three tournaments, which is the bare minimum historically, based on how the team has performed. The team is quite competitive and went to Nationals last year. On another note, Mock Trial at Hamilton is an entirely student run program, while most competitive teams are not, which makes them an underdog in the Mock Trial community. They take pride in bringing a lot of people into that fold and trying to ensure that people get the experience related to Mock Trial. When thinking about



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her own experience at Hamilton, Mock Trial is the defining activity that has formed her professionally and has brought her a lot of personal joy and it is an activity that she truly loves. The difference between funding in full and funding as recommended would create a \$2,559 difference which equates to not attending a specific tournament. As it stands, Mock Trial is looking at not being able to compete at the same level as previously.

Kiley Hartman added that they could either not compete at the same level as previously or could not bring one of their teams. They would have to make a decision between choosing competing at a lower level or asking half of their team to not attend competition which is a decision they would like to not have to make. This is why they are coming in to request the full amount.

Bethany Fell asked if the Assembly could hear the itemized list.

Quinn Jones replied with an insight into what their season looks like. They compete in regionals which are tournaments within the Mock Trial community that are put on by an overarching body that governs the activity overall. They like to go to an invitational beforehand — this is essential for testing their case before going to competitive levels where their success determines whether or not they keep on going. The cost of a tournament where they take 18 people is roughly \$2,500. That includes some costs that are covered by sources other than SA because the activity is so expensive. The costs that SA money covers is tournament fee, hotel, and transportation. She noted being more than happy to share the document with anyone who would like to see it.

Prim Udomphan added other factors she took into consideration when making her recommendation. One of those factors is the cost per student. Students pay \$750 for the Student Activities Fee every year. If SA would fund Mock Trial as requested, Mock Trial's cost per student would be around \$730 given that they have 18 students in the club. If Mock Trial were funded as recommended, the cost per student would be around \$600. If Mock Trial were to be fully funded, the cost per student would almost be as high as the Student Activities Fee. Prim also asked if Mock Trial could expand on the external funding they get from the Oral Communication Center (OCC).

Quinn Jones asked if there is a prohibition on funding if clubs do not reach that cap. In terms of funding from the OCC, the funding covers food and some of the tournament and registration fees that have to be paid before the school year starts. Therefore, the club does not ask SA or their members for money for those or for money for food. There is also a separate budget for materials and such which is paid for by the Ferguson Endowment. Quinn reiterated that Mock Trial recognizes that they are relatively a small club on Hamilton's campus. They would love to take everyone who tries out for the team. They are trying to expand the team as much as they can but they do face financial limitations.



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Hana Dolan '25 introduced herself as one of the presidents of ASU. ASU came in to talk about their budget as well. ASU understands that there is only so much that can be done and they do not want to be unreasonable but they want to explain where they are coming from. She recognized that ASU only spent \$1000 last year. However, there was a lack of communication with the administration last year and the current administration only met with them once. The previous administration had explained to them that, with COVID, they had difficulties prioritizing the club which led to only the South Asian Branch being active. Most of the budget last year went to a singular event which shows that one event costs a lot of money. ASU started out with around \$5000 and they are currently at around \$4000. They have done only two events so far. They have budgeted as much as they can. For example, they negotiated with Minar to get as much food as they could for Diwali which is one of the holidays for the South Asian community. Despite that, they were only able to feed around 20 people out of the 40 that showed up. This was difficult for them because they do not want people to show up to a holiday that they celebrate and then not be able to partake in the celebration because they do not have enough food. She reiterated that ASU understands that they asked for \$8,000 for the entire year but because ASU was set aside by the previous administration, Hana and her co-president had no one there to explain how much things cost and they went into this blind. They acknowledged that they now ask for more than originally, but that is based on their experience of the semester and having catered for Diwali and the bubble tea social. It is important to acknowledge that the implications for ASU not having funds are different than for other clubs because they are the only source of Asian representation on campus and are therefore responsible for celebrating every single ethnic, religious, and cultural holiday for the Asian community. It is important to be able to support and represent as many of those students as possible. Their ethnicity is something they hold more weight to than just the umbrella term of Asian. Because there are so many different ethnicities within the umbrella term, they have seven different new years to celebrate. They want to combine those into one large holiday which will cost a large amount of money. This one event would probably cost them half of what they have left which is something they are stressed about. If they do not host a celebration, there will be nothing on campus for Asian students. Especially in a white dominated community, they do not want Asian students to feel like they do not have anywhere to go and they do not have their cultures celebrated on campus. Hana further explained that she is half Japanese and being able to eat Japanese food and meet other Japanese students makes her feel a lot more at home on this campus. She noted that a lot of Asian students probably feel the same and that the club has had a huge turnout so far despite only operating for about two months. They have had more than 45 people come to each of their events and they are expecting more of a turnout for bigger holidays. Even if students are not members of the group, ASU is the only group celebrating Lunar New Years. They understand that they are asking for a lot more than they originally but that is because they went into the process blind. They did not have a faculty advisor or upperclassmen who could have told them how the club operates which is why they are asking for the budget that they are. They then laid out that the majority of the money is going to be spent on catering so that people can have the sense of home that ethnic food provides, and decorations.



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Michelle Wu clarified that despite them joining the Days-Massolo-Center (DMC), no additional budget comes from the DMC at the moment.

Hana Dolan noted that ASU wants to create a safe space for Asian students on campus but also introduce Asian culture to other students on campus. She also noted that Asian/Pacific American Heritage (AAPI) Month is coming up in May. They will celebrate in April because no one will be on campus in May but it is an example of how the club is benefiting the entire campus.

Raymond Ni attested to ASU being inactive for the past years which is why the funds were not utilized. He suggested treating ASU as a newer club.

Bethany Fell asked if ASU is out of their budget and if not how much money they have spent and how much they have left.

Hana Dolan answered that they have spent \$1,500 dollars which is a little more than one-fifth of their budget. They have around \$4,000 left. They already spent that much on two events, and it will cost more to host bigger events. She noted that they do not have to make up any events; there are actual holidays they have to celebrate.

Bethany Fell asked if the money was just for food, or if the money would be used for anything else.

Hana Dolan replied that the money goes to a variety of things. She mentioned food a lot because that is where the majority of the budget has been going because they did not realize that it would cost \$700-\$800 to cater an event. They are planning on spending money to decorate and they also need the means to get to Asian food markets as they cannot just go to Hannafords or Walmart to get food. They have to go to Utica or Syracuse to get the materials they need. To save money, they have been using friends' cars to drive to restaurants to pick up the food, which is not sustainable.

Michelle Wu added that they do not have an itemized list but gave the example of Holi. Holi would cost a lot because the colored powder alone costs around \$250 or more depending on the number of people that show up. It was the biggest event last year.

Hana Dolan added that it is usually event and holiday specific.

Felix Tager clarified that DMC clubs traditionally do not receive funding from SA if they get funding from the DMC. Certain clubs, like the Gender and Sexuality Union (GSU) and the Black and Latinx Student Union (BLSU), have endowment funds through the DMC. However, La Vanguardia, for example, did not receive funding from that fund. He wanted to clarify that just because a club is under the DMC, does not mean that the club received funding through an endowed fund and thus some clubs receive SA funding. Secondly, he explained what the



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contingency budget is meant to be. Contingency funding is supposed to be utilized when clubs are at the end of their budget.

Prim Udomphan noted that ASU had \$5,750 dollars given for their annual budget and have around \$4,850 left.

Felix Tager stated that ASU used \$900. He reiterated that contingency budget is utilized once SA sees clubs getting to the end of their budget and need to add money on. This is to prevent organizations from abusing the system. They are trying to ensure that everyone can maximize their budget before using contingency funding. He noted that he thinks SA should still fund every organization in the room, but it is a question of how much and in what way.

Emily Jiang added that the original idea for contingency budgets was that clubs could only apply after they had exhausted their money. In practice, this is not sustainable. Therefore, it has been changed so that if clubs have money set aside in specific amounts and if they have already planned how much money they will need, SA is able to fund that. They also added that contingency budget applications are on a rolling basis. If they are not approved this week, clubs can always apply later. They recommended ASU to apply again later when they have spent some of their funds and there is a record of ASU funding the events they want to fund. In the past, there have been issues of clubs requesting money for events and then the events not taking place. They expressed their happiness of ASU being active again but it would be a lot easier to fund more once SA sees that money is being spent and there is a concrete plan for events.

Hana Dolan stated that ASU respects the process of contingency funding. She mentioned that despite not having an itemized list, they have planned out the general gist based on what they have spent on Diwali and how many holidays they plan on celebrating. This is reflected in the form.

Ryley McGovern asked when ASU predicted they would run out of money.

Hana Dolan replied that they would be out after their new years events, due to them having seven celebrations. They would not have a lot left for AAPI month, and other events like Holi. This is not counting regular meetings which are already not included in the budget because they do not want to spend money on those.

Emily Jiang explained that SA can vote on Tennis Club and One Love Club since there were no representatives present and no discussion.

The motion to fund Tennis Club and One Love Club as recommended passes unanimously via voice vote.

Emily Jiang explained that the options for Mock Trial and ASU are to either fund as recommended, fund as requested, or to suggest a new amount.



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The motion to divide the question for Mock Trial and ASU passes unanimously via voice vote.

Katrinah Tejada asked Mock Trial if the amount requested would be used for the rest of the semester.

Quinn Jones responded that it would get Mock Trial through the entire year unless they go to Nationals, however, there are other sources of funding available should that happen. Last year, their attendance at Nationals was funded through the Ferguson Endowment.

Jacob Piazza asked how expensive the hotels are.

Quinn Jones noted that she always looks for the best deal possible and sometimes there are group rates as part of tournaments. They have not gone over \$170 per night which is below what SA allots. However, they do not know where tournaments will take place in the spring.

The motion to fund Mock Trial as requested passes unanimously via voice vote.

Emily Jiang noted that ASU is asking for a greater amount of money than Mock Trial and does not have an itemized list. However, ASU has hosted some events this year and provides a communal space for Asian students on campus. This is also a rolling funding system so if they are not approved for this request, they are always welcome to apply later.

Katrinah Tejada asked if with the \$3000 they would be able to host everything they wanted for the rest of the semester.

Hana Dolan replied that the \$3000 would get them through the semester and that they are more worried about new years celebrations and the events in January, right after break. They also are not requesting any money for general meetings.

Felix Tager stated that SA wants to fund ASU to some extent because it is an important club for students on this campus. However, it is also important to acknowledge what contingency funding is for. In his opinion, SA should fund \$3,000 now and once ASU gets closer to having only \$2,000, this process can be done again. He wanted to remind everyone that this is a new funding system and SA has no idea how clubs are budgeting. He does not want to end up in a situation where clubs are out of money and SA cannot give them any money. He wanted to give ASU some funding, but not the full \$5,000.

Emily Jiang mentioned that ASU stated that even without additional funding, they would be able to get through the rest of the semester.

Hana Dolan replied that funding will last through the new year celebration but they also have a guest speaker coming next week.



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Michelle Wu this is only including the events and holidays they want to celebrate and represent. It is not including general events that they are hosting to get to know each other.

Hana Dolan added that \$8,000 is a lot and that there are rolling applications. Even if they do not get funded in full, some funding would be better than no funding to get them through.

The motion to extend the meeting by 15 minutes passes unanimously via voice vote.

Quentin Messer asked how it is possible for clubs to run out of funding.

Felix Tager explained that SA just changed the funding system for this academic year. In the past year, clubs would apply for funding for events. This year with the declining budgets, every club applies at the same time to get funding for the year. Contingency funding is to be used when clubs run out and can no longer run the programming they need to run. SA is lucky this year because there is a lot of money in the contingency budget, but it is not certain that this continues and is based on what rollovers look like. The system is new this year and SA does not know how clubs budget so there is no way to know how many clubs will request contingency funding.

Ryley McGovern asked how much money would be left in the contingency budget if SA were to fund ASU as requested.

Prim Udomphan replied that there is \$25,000 left for the academic year.

Ryley McGovern asked what the initial amount of money in the contingency budget was.

Prim Udomphan answered that the original amount was \$34,000.

Ryley McGovern asked if ASU would not be able to reapply for funding.

Prim Udomphan replied that they could reapply.

Ryley McGovern asked if there is no cap on how much money a club can request.

Prim Udomphan replied that the cap is \$14,800.

Emily Jiang added that ASU would not hit that cap with an approval in full.

Felix Tager reminded the Assembly that ASU has \$5,000 left and that SA can revisit this since there is very little data on how ASU budgets.

Ryley McGovern agreed but it is important to acknowledge that the club is big and starting to flourish and it worried them that it would come to a point where ASU would not be able to get



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funding because of break. However, ASU would need that money. He asked if the \$3,000 would get ASU through February.

Hana Dolan replied that it would get them through January. However, there are three to four holidays in February and she is not sure if \$3,000 would be enough to finance those.

Felix Tager asked if SA funding \$4,000 would be enough to get them through the New Year events and give them enough time to request for more funding in the spring.

The motion to fund ASU for \$4,000 passes unanimously via voice vote.

Organization	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
Class of 2025	\$220	\$220
Class of 2026	\$250	\$250
Class of 2023	\$775	\$775

Prim Udomphan read out the funding requests and added that the Class of 2024 requested \$490 for tshirts.

Motion to suspend the rules to allow Class of 2024 to get funding passes unanimously via voice vote.

Motion to fund all of the class years in full passes unanimously via voice vote.

- **Updated Elections Timeline: President Emily Jiang '25, Elections Chair Felix Tager '23 (TIME: 01:32:10)**

Emily Jiang explained that together with the President's Office, the SA advisor, and the Elections Chair, they have made the decision to postpone the elections to the last week of the Fall semester. As such, elections will take place during Finals Week, potentially on the weekend before Finals Week. They also noted that there is some interest so hopefully that means that elections will happen. The contingency for that is to postpone elections to the spring. The Parliamentarian has made a ruling that there needs to be a majority vote in order to move the election date again. There will be an email going out with the new election timeline and encouraging people to run.

Motion to move the elections to the weekend before Finals Week passes unanimously via voice vote.

- **Updates on new vending machine service in 24hr study areas: Class President Felix Tager '23**



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Felix Tager stated that he has been working on grab and go meal options via vending machines with the College's vending partner, American Food and Vending. They will be starting January 17th as a pilot program in Kirner Johnson (KJ) and Burke Library pending final approval from Senior administration. The vending machines will include breakfast sandwiches, salads, halal options, kosher options, and more. Items range in price from \$3 to \$7 at most. These Vending machines will be located in 24 hour study areas. They are also working on adjusting the pricing of vending machine items, this is to respect the prices in the bookstore since vending machines have upped the pricing. The ResLife and Safety Committee also did a plothole tour with Mike Klappmeyer. Over thanksgiving and winter break, potholes on Martin's Way will be repaired temporarily. The problem is that the asphalt degrades from salt, but hopefully in the upcoming years Martin's Way will be renovated. There is also the potential of adding a railing for the walk down from KJ to the bridge, but that is also a more long-term process.

Clarification: Senior administration approved the grab and go meal options via vending machines on November 16 and the project will be piloted starting January 17th.

Ryley McGovern asked about if there is a list of allergies for the vending machine items.

Felix Tager replied that there will be a form sent out to the whole student body in which one can suggest what meals they want to see in the new vending machines. He also noted that if they want to, they can also recommend snacks and drinks they want to see added to vending machines. This form is how they will decide what items will be going into the new vending machines.

Ashby Howard asked who would be making the meals.

Felix Tager replied that American Food & Vending will provide the food.

5. Announcements ([TIME: 01:36:13](#))

- New clubs can request and receive up to the maximum of \$500 throughout this academic year. The online application for the budgets is available through this [link](#). The deadline for each weekly budget request is Friday at noon.

6. Adjournment

