

**STUDENT ASSEMBLY MEETING**

**JANUARY 29, 2018**

**1. Call to Order**

Present

- Nadav Konforty
- Julian Perricone
- Gillian Mak
- Jake Engelman
- Penelope Hoopes
- Lilly Pieper
- Noam Barnhard (late)
- Jonathan Stanhope
- Marquis Palmer
- Zach Oscar
- Ysabel Coss
- Karthik Ravishankar
- Casey Codd
- Ben Rhind
- Sam Gordon (late)
- Giacomo Cabrera
- Ian Chen
- Rachel Sutor
- Ben Katz
- Jordan D'Addio
- Nani Suzuki
- Connie Lorente
- Keith Ruggles
- Gianni Hill
- Elizabeth Groubert
- Diana Perez
- Maria Valencia
- Amanda Kim
- Jiin Jeong

Excused

- Caitlin Purdy

**2. Public Comment Period**

- **Marquis Palmer:** The Philanthropy Committee has again started raising money for the Young Civic Leader Scholarship, a modest scholarship prize that we give to one college-board graduating senior from Proctor High School who exemplifies what the qualities of a civic leader. If your organization or club would like to



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collaborate to help raise money for this scholarship, please reach out to myself at [mipalmer@hamilton.edu](mailto:mipalmer@hamilton.edu) or the Philanthropy Committee eboard at [hamgive@hamilton.edu](mailto:hamgive@hamilton.edu)

- **Nadav Konforty:** Today is funding day, those who have done this before know the drill. Our job is to fund the student body as Student Assembly. If you think about this, it's pretty cool. We have thousands and thousands of dollars to allocate throughout the student body so it's on us to spend our time in this meeting as efficiently and effectively as possible.

### 3. New Business

- Irina Rojas '18 — **Message on the Community Mosaic**
  - The mosaic is up and running on the 3rd floor of Sadove. It is super shiny and AWESOME! About 30 students worked on it this weekend and helped set it up. Check it out any time, and ask students working on it to teach you. The next tile cutting workshop will be this Thursday (2/1) 7-8pm.

### 4. Acknowledgements

- Thank you, Treasurers and Kaity Werner for 13 hours of FUNDing yesterday!
  - **Noam Barnhard:** Nadav and Julian were also there the whole time.
  - **Nadav Konforty:** We were there, we just did less.
- **Gillian Mak:** Thank you to Amanda Kim, Nani Suzuki, and Jiin Jeong for helping with
- Thank you Tatenda and Stephana for your continued help with the livestream each week.

### 5. Committees

- **Julian Perricone:** Reminder that committee meeting times are due to me next **Monday (2/5)**

### 6. Funding

**NOTE:** Student Assembly funding comes from a combination of all students' annual activity fees. The Funding Committee and Kaity Werner met for **13 hours** on Sunday to create a list of recommendations for each strategic budget submitted based on *merit of proposal* and Student Assembly Constitutional funding rules.

The Central Council is then responsible for the final decision of how the funding is allocated. Select organization leaders were asked to meet with both the Funding Committee and the Central Council to clarify budgets, answer questions, and compromise. Jackie Rodriguez, the Senior Fellow in the Chapel attended part of the meeting to provide advice on Chaplaincy budgets. Organization leaders are welcome to attend the Central Council funding meeting and advocate on their group's behalf.



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Organizations that were not considered for strategic funding or are otherwise recommended should feel free to submit under non-discretionary.

Total General Fund: **\$132,789.04**

Discretionary Vote: **\$5,000.00**

Amount Remaining Non-Strategic: **\$25,557.808**

Starting Strategic Budget: **\$102,231.232**

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Items/Services Requested</b>	<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>Amount Recommended</b>	<b>Resubmit</b>
Student Assembly	Student Assembly Discretionary Fund	\$5,000.000	\$5,000.000	N
Buffers	<b>NOTE:</b> Did not use template. Not considered	\$1,100.00	\$0	Y
Feminist of Color Collective	<b>NOTE:</b> Did not use template. Not considered	\$2,875.00	\$0	Y
Hogwarts at Hamilton	<b>NOTE:</b> Did not use template. Not considered	\$333.00	\$0	Y
Muslim Student Association	<b>NOTE:</b> Did not use template. Not considered	\$2,000.00	\$0	Y
People Who Like to Do Fun Things	<b>NOTE:</b> Did not use template. Not considered	\$551.33	\$0	Y
Club ENTO	ENTO Dinner	\$213.93	\$0.00	Y (didn't have date)



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				and time, food WITH bugs included needs to be under \$8pp
Dance Team	Speaker (BlueTooth)	\$25.99	\$0.00	N
React to Film	Film Screening; Speaker; Food	\$925.00	\$0.00	Y
American Chemical Society (ACS)	Travel, hotel, reg fees for national conference	\$6,770.00	\$6,370.00	N
Anime Club	Subscription for manga site; RIT Comic Con Conference	\$668.48	\$440.79	N
Art Collective	Painting the Co Op Basement; Embroidery workshop; Linocut workshop; sidewalk chalk art	\$348.00	\$188.45	N
Asian Student Association (ASA)	Lunar New Year; Hot Pot; Movie Night	\$2,719.98	\$2,719.98	N
Beekeeping Club	Travel to get new hive to start colony	\$802.75	\$822.75	N
Black and Latino Student Union (BLSU)	Talent Show & Block Party	\$1,370.00	\$1,370.00	N



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Bowling Club	4 Bowling Trips	\$5,836.80	\$3,891.20	N
Chabad Community on Campus	Shabbat Dinners; Passover Seders; Purim Celebration; Bonfire	\$5,892.68	\$4,639.61	N
Coding Team	Coding equipment & HackAmherst	\$1,710.47	\$1,710.47	N
Debate Society	4 Off-campus Tournaments	\$4,296.96	\$4,313.12	N
Duelly Noted	Arrangements; Recording, & Initiation excursion	\$2,769.00	\$2,769.00	N
Finance Club	NYC Trip	\$2,900.00	\$0.00	N
Fishing Club	Fishing equipment	\$733.39	\$733.39	N
French Club	Raclette Night; Pastry Party; Game Night; Trip to Montreal	\$1,485.24	\$1,416.24	N
Gaming Club	Games	\$348.66	\$348.66	N
Global Health Organization (GHO)	Film screening	\$424.58	\$424.58	N
Hamilton Autism Advocates for Neurodiversity (HAAND)	Kelberman Clubhouse Arts & Crafts; Walk for Autism	\$1,273.25	\$1,087.54	N
Hamilton Culinary Society	Food for Italian, Mexican, Southern, and Caribbean inspired Dinners	\$586.00	\$586.00	N
Hamilton League Club	League of Legends Competition	\$918.65	\$25.00	N



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	entrance fee; gaming equipment			
HamTrek		\$8,760.00	\$5,902.00	N
Helping Hands Knitting Club	Knitting equipment	\$93.49	\$93.49	N
Hillel	Shabbat Dinners; Passover Seders; Crazy Jewish Mom; Cultural Dinner	\$9,817.00	\$6,135.00	Y
Hunt and Dressage Club	Hunt and Dressage lessons	\$1,177.00	\$1,177.00	N
Investment Club	Financial periodical subscriptions	\$549.00	\$53.00	N
Italian Club	Carnevale Dinner; Opera Field Trip; International Game Night	\$1,241.97	\$1,146.09	N
Kendo Club	Cornell Practice; Cleveland Tournament; Armor	\$1,762.00	\$1,762.00	N
La Vanguardia	Game Night & Empanadas; Cooking Pupusas; Food for Block Party; Food for Finals Week Study Break	\$359.78	\$359.78	N
Liberty in North Korea (LiNK)	Documentary Screening & Sushi	\$184.86	\$174.11	N
Micro-Finance Group	Meetings with clients and partners; Guest Speaker;	\$399.48	\$399.48	N



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	Entrepreneurial workshop			
Minds for Change	Awareness Campaign & Movie Night	\$276.56	\$238.56	N
Mock Trial	3 Tournaments	\$3,840.00	\$3,830.52	N
Model United Nations	3 Competitions	\$6,317.53	\$7,423.71	N
No Pawn Intended	Chess equipment; Chess.com subscription; Tournament food and prizes	\$2,647.74	\$904.80	N
On the Move	Food Festival; Holi sunglasses	\$3,255.60	\$1,528.35	N
Our Voices, We Speak	2 Writing Workshops	\$3,503.50	\$3,352.70	N
Paintball	2 Trips	\$759.57	\$759.57	N
<i>Philanthropy Committee</i>	<i>Carnation Sale; Dumpling Sale; Bake Sale; 2 Raffle Baskets; Spikeball Tournament</i>	<i>\$1,042.85</i>	<i>\$960.79</i>	<i>N</i>
Pickling & Fermenting Club	Bread-making; Cashew Workshop	\$254.68	\$124.09	N
Poetry Slam Club	Temple University Slam Competition	\$3,584.88	\$0	N
RARE	DJ Lucas Concert	\$2,900.00	\$2,900.00	N
Red Cross Club	Collection Boxes; Printing; Bake Sale	\$322.21	\$39.50	N



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Roleplaying Club	Roleplaying equipment & Food	\$325.49	\$325.49	N
SA Class of 2018	Senior Pub Night Band	\$160.00	\$160.00	N
Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC)	Pizza; Gear; Spikeball Tournament	\$3,177.47	\$500.00	N
South Asian Students Association (SASA)	Holi; Food for Movie Nights and Formal; South Asian Kitchen	\$2,832.00	\$1,732.00	N
Spanish Club	Cultural Meal & Food for Study Break	\$262.80	\$262.80	N
Special K	Arrangements & Recordings	\$1,100.00	\$1,100.00	N
Spoon University	Macaron Class; Easter Eggs; Potluck	\$550.22	\$150.22	Y
Student Dance Alliance (SDA)	3 Workshops	\$340.00	\$340.00	N
Student Performing Arts Club (SPAC)	3 Coffeehouses; Band Performance; The Funktion 2; 3 Opus Showcases	\$1,431.90	\$1,071.90	Y
Super Smash Club	Wii & Memory Cards	\$1,397.23	\$133.46	N
Tap That!	Tap Shoes	\$382.50	\$382.50	N
TEDx	Tedx Viewing; Tedx Speaker Event	\$4,190.26	\$1,913.02	N





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Tropical Sol	Tango Lessons; Latin Dance Fest	\$1,134.42	\$1,132.24	N
Tumbling After	Arrangements & Recordings; Excursion	\$2,689.39	\$2,621.44	N
Untitled@Large	Broadway Subscription; 24-hour Theatre Festival; Cabaret; Comedy Show	\$1,035.75	\$416.47	Y
Vegan Club	2 Brunches; 6 Dinners; Awareness Demonstration	\$1,412.99	\$1,288.04	N
Wellin Initiative for Student Engagement (WISE)	Senior Soirée; Gallery Talk	\$3,110.86	\$285.86	Y

Amount Requested: **\$143,490.16**

Amount Recommended: **\$101,479.48**

Amount Remaining if Funding Passes (For Non-Strategic): **\$31,309.56**

Amount Remaining Discretionary: **\$4,039.21**

**Student Assembly Discretionary Fund:**

**Jake Engelman:** We have to do this at the beginning of this semester to set the funds that the Assembly has our own discretion to use. We are recommending \$5,000 today.

*SA Discretionary passes as recommended.*

**Buffers, Feminist of Color Collective, Hogwarts at Hamilton, People who like to do Fun Things, and MSA:**

- **Jake Engelman:** These organizations didn't use the required template that we suggested during Club Leader Basic Training.
- **Mahdi Mahil:** I'm here for MSA. Yassine worked on our budget but missed my email about the template. We would appreciate being able to resubmit.
  - **Jake Engelman:** I'm sorry, you're asking to resubmit?
  - **Madhi Mahil:** Yes.
  - **Jake Engelman:** Please do!



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***Buffers, FCC, Hogwarts, People who like to do Fun Things and MSA funding passes as recommended at zero.***

**Club ENTO:**

**Jake Engelman:** Didn't have a date or time with the food budget. We also cut it down because we are including the bugs as food items. We emailed them early on in the day, as we did with lots of other clubs, and didn't get a response so we are recommending \$0.

**Dance Team:**

**Jake Engelman:** They asked for a \$25 Bluetooth speaker. We are not going to fund that-- we referred them to AV where they can definitely check out a speaker.

**React to Film:**

**Jake Engelman:** They requested it for film screening, speaker, and food. They didn't have a date for the event or any specifics about films.

***Club Ento, Dance Team, React to Film funding Passes as recommended at zero.***

**American Chemical Society (ACS):**

- **Jake Engelman:** They want to go to a chemical conference in New Orleans. There is a discrepancy, but that's because we found them cheaper hotels recommended by the conference themselves. They have gotten funding in the past, but the grant they had dried up.
- **Jonathan Stanhope:** Are there other grants they have? Is there any other funding that they've gotten in the past? \$6,000 isn't a number we've approved in the past for one conference. I don't remember doing that in the past except for the IMF concert with the wave floor thing.
- **Elizabeth Groubert:** We met with them yesterday because it was a club we hadn't seen before. They were not able to receive grants this year and lost an academic grant they previously had. 14 students were chosen to speak at this convention. Two have outside funding from research grants they were awarded. Presenting at the American Chemical Society Convention is considered a prestigious honor.
- **Jake Engelman:** The hotel rooms were the most expensive thing. Two students are getting outside grants, they're getting a full grant to go to this event. The students are only requesting 2 hotel rooms because of this. They've cut a lot of costs. \$1,400 of registration fees, a quarter cost of flights.
- **Noam Barnhard:** Although we have funded other academic teams, this can help with their future careers and jobs, it's a good networking opportunity.
- **Lilly Pieper:** I understand when grants fall through; I think it is important that we fund them, but in the future, this should be funded by the Chemistry Department. It seems a little strange. In the future, this can't be a guaranteed source of funding.



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- **Sam Gordon:** Is there any effort by the chemistry department to work on outside funding?
  - **Jake Engelman:** Again, they've been supporting some students. Registration fees and funds. I don't think it's fruitful to have conversations this year about asking the Chemistry department for outside funding for this event when it is clear that that is not possibility for this fantastic opportunity, at the moment.
- **Jonathan Stanhope:** When is the event?
  - **Jake Engelman:** March 18 -- 22nd.
  - **Jonathan Stanhope:** Can we have them cut costs and resubmit? They submitted for hotels that were \$400/night. That seems ridiculous to me. We cut them down to \$250/night hotels so chances are there are other costs that could be cut too.
- **Ben Katz:** I think the person submitting this is being realistic. The flights can't be cut down anymore. I don't think there is anything to cut down for this budget.
- **Rachel Sutor:** I think a reason to fund it now is also the longer we wait for flight times, the higher the price can go up. When do they have to register by?
  - **Jake Engelman:** Based off experience with clubs like Model UN, the sooner we fund them the better.
- **Elizabeth Groubert:** Using Model UN as an example from last semester: they were hit with additional costs that we had to pay. This isn't something we want to do every year, but this year it is necessary.

### Anime Club

- **Phillip Tran:** It was my first budget, so I was a little vague with the food budgeting. We wanted funding for snacks from Japan and of the anime culture as a whole. With those events, I'd rather take the money toward the 3 events. It wouldn't be the same with those animes and wouldn't be as optimal for us.
- **Jake Engelman:** Just to give context for everyone. You submitted for 2 events, an anime convention in Rochester. We funded it in full. They have meetings every Thursday from 5-6. They requested a subscription service of HD and Manga, which we funded. They also asked for snacks. We don't, per the funding codes, recommend money for snacks in regular weekly meetings. That being said, there are clubs like Vegan Club where we have found exceptions for that because they are more food-centric. In this case we were hesitant to fund. We would be willing to fund it at \$5 for an event. Maybe edit one of your weekly meetings to be an all campus event. Thanks!

### Art Collective:

- **Alexis Stromer:** There seemed to be confusion about the ArtCo-Op collabs for the murals. I live in the Co-Op. Somehow it was miscommunicated. There is an offensive mural in our common room that we wanted to paint over. This would benefit two communities on campus.



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- **Jake Engelman:** From the treasurers' perspective, we were told you weren't allowed to do it. If there is an offensive image on your walls, and you want to paint over it, we need verification from the Physical Plant and you could re-submit.
- **Alexis Stromer:** Okay, we were in contact with Travis Hill, but there must have been a discrepancy somewhere and a miscommunication.

**ACS, Anime, and Art Collective funding passes as recommended.**

**Asian Student Association (ASA):** Recommended in Full

- **Jake Engelman:** They requested funding for three events -- Lunar New Year, Hot Pot, and a Movie Night. The total is \$2,719.98. We checked the budget and it looks good. Expected attendance looked good.

**Beekeeping Club:** Fund in Full, Added money for tolls

- **Jake Engelman:** They are going to travel to start a new colony. I think it is awesome. We actually increased amount recommended because we think they will need about \$20 for tolls.
  - **Karthik Ravishankar:** Is it necessary to travel? Apparently there are other options where hives can be delivered.
  - **Jake Engelman:** Working with Butterbee to find the best date to get the hive, but it will be early April, potentially. But either way, I love this so much, the Nucs from Butterbee, I mean.

**Black and Latino Student Union (BLSU):**

- **Jake Engelman:** BLSU requested \$1370 for a talent show and block party. They submitted another budget after the deadline for an additional event. They will need to resubmit that portion.

**ASA, Beekeeping Club, and BLSU funding passes as recommended.**

**Bowling Club:**

- **Jake Engelman:** Requested 6 bowling trips, which is the same they requested last semester. We went down to 4, which was the same as we approved and recommended last semester. They are now taking buses and can take more people per event.
- **Ben Rhind:** Admitting I'm the former president of bowling club here, but I wasn't here last semester. What was the rationale for changing it to 4?
  - **Jake Engelman:** We're tight on budget, but if they really wanted to, bowling club could probably submit for another nonstrategic event.

**Chabad Community on Campus:**



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- **Jake Engelman:** Chabad submitted a budget for 2 Passover Seders, 2 dinners, 4 lunches, and 7 Shabbat dinners. We thought their events looked great, but we cut a number of their total dinners. We cut down costs per head and found extraneous budget items.
- **Keith Ruggles:** Can you elaborate anymore on this bonfire event? Is it just going to be a fire in Diddy's backyard? A big fire?
  - **Jake Engelman:** They do have this bonfire event at the Chabad of Clinton that we recommended in full. They asked for kosher hot dogs, kosher chicken breasts, just food to grill. I'd hesitate to question the validity of this religious event. It's a small part of their budget at \$130.
  - **Noelle Niznik:** I have a concern about the bonfire event. Just students going off campus, if they got hurt, could be a liability. I'll let the assembly decide and if we have risk management issues I can follow up.
    - **Jake Engelman:** Since it's only a little amount, they can resubmit later.
    - **Ben Katz:** Just because we are funding the food for the event, we can relieve ourselves of liability.
    - **Jake Engelman:** We can make that funding contingent on them discussing the bonfire with Student Activities.

**Coding Team:**

- **Jake Engelman:** They submitted a budget for coding equipment and a hackathon at Amherst. Do you remember what the discrepancy was for?
  - **Jiin Jeong:** There was a discrepancy with the shipping cost, but other than that no.
  - **Jake Engelman:** Oh, wait. The \$1710 should be what they requested, the \$1300 should be what we recommended. Sorry about that guys. I'm going to look at this again. We are having trouble with Excel.
  - **Nadav Konforty:** It's the Russians.
  - **Ben Katz:** The spreadsheet says fund in full.
  - **Jake Engelman:** It is correct that we are recommending \$1,710.47. This was my mistake. Recommending funding in full. Sorry for the typo.

**Bowling, Chabad, and Coding Team Funding Passes as Recommended.**

**Debate Society:**

- **Jake Engelman:** Four off-campus tournaments. The discrepancy is mileage.

**Duella Noted:**

- **Jake Engelman:** Requesting money for arrangements, recording, and excursion. Except for the excursion, we use a schedule that the acapella groups have that rotates. Fund in full.



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- **Julian Perricone:** If anyone has something to say, please say something. I don't want you to rush through.

**Finance Club:**

- **Jake Engelman:** Travel costs for a trip to NYC. They visit various banks and meet alums. We approved funding for this last semester and then they didn't end up going. It was money that just ended up rolled over to this semester.
  - **Nadav Konforty:** If they do that again, we are going to be salty.
- **Sam Gordon:** Presumably this is networking. Why isn't the career center paying for this?
  - **Jake Engelman:** That's a good question.
  - **Sam Gordon:** They messed up the budget last semester and didn't seek the career center.
  - **Ben Katz:** Do we know why this didn't happen last semester?
  - **Jake Engelman:** Not really. Hopefully they planned this out though.
  - **Connie Lorente:** When is the trip planned for?
    - **Jake Engelman:** April 20th
    - **Connie Lorente:** Can they go to the career center for additional funding??
  - **Ysabel Coss:** Are these hotel costs?
    - **Jake Engelman:** It's just a bus cost for a day trip.
    - **Elizabeth Groubert:** Could they be jitney certified?
  - **Karthik Ravishankar:** As far as I know, whatever the career center has sponsored in the past, it's usually on campus and events they directly organize.
    - **Jake Engelman:** That being said, I would push the club to see if they could get some of the bus funding from the career center.
    - **Jon Stanhope:** It looks like they are doing a chartered bus. I think the Jitney idea is a really good idea. Noam pulled up the distance to NYC, and it looks like taking 3 jitneys would cost under \$1000, which would save us over \$1900 that we could use to fund other organizations.
    - **Karthik Ravishankar:** I presume it would be student Jitney drivers, right? Managing vehicles in NYC would be a hassle, and they'd have to park it. It's probably easier to have a charter bus service.
    - **Ysabel Coss:** I agree. Me and another group of students tried to do this for a different conference. The school's insurance wouldn't let us because of the distance. I don't think it would be super effective.
    - **Jake Engelman:** Other organizations like Mock drive to Philly
  - **Elizabeth Groubert:** I live in NYC and Hale does a deal where it's \$50. For 35 people that's \$1,750 which is significantly less than \$2,900.
  - **Jake Engelman:** I think we are all in agreement that we want them to look for other sources of funding.



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- **Lilly Pieper:** Just to confirm, we are recommending zero and asking them to resubmit after approaching new avenues of funding.

**Debate Society, Duelylly Noted, and Finance Club Funding Passes as Recommended.**

**Fishing Club:**

- **Jake Engelman:** They had asked for the exact same amount last semester. We approved them and then because of a single eboard member who didn't complete Title IX training, they weren't able to get it last semester.
- **Keith Ruggles:** Do we have any record of events that they have hosted?
  - **Jake Engelman:** Ethan, who runs fishing club, has done a lot to make an effort. Workshops in the gym, etc. They store it in the Glen House. Any student can log the equipment and use it.

**French Club:**

- **Jake Engelman:** Raclette night, pastry night, and trip to Montreal in collab with six other places on campus including DOS, french department, etc. Very structured trip, they are going to a lot of museums. The discrepancy is that we decreased the funding for the Raclette night to \$120 for Cost Per Student for approximated attendance.

**Gaming Club:**

- **Jake Engelman:** Wants \$348 in assorted board games. We hesitated last semester, but realized they are one of the few consistent outlets for fun sober events on weekend nights. They met with us last night to explain the games last night. Recommending funding in full.
- **Nadav Konforty:** Look at this hippo cookie jar! It reminds me of Fiona the hippo.

**Fishing Club, French Club, Gaming Club funding passes as recommended.**

**Global Health Organization (GHO):**

- **Jake Engelman:** GHO is asking for funding for a film screening. We told them to not announce it publically so they don't have to buy the film rights. The main cost was a DVD license.

**Hamilton Autism Advocates for Neurodiversity (HAAND):**

- **Jake Engelman:** They asked for a number of art supplies and support for walk for autism. The discrepancy is in publicity. We can only recommend \$25 per the funding codes. We are not recommending funding for the stickers.

**Hamilton Culinary Society:**



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- **Jake Engelman:** Four different themed nights during the semester. They've thought it out and know what they are going to do. They're actually going to be cooking it themselves. Recommending funding in full.
- **Gianni Hill:** What are the headcounts for those dinners?
  - **Jake Engelman:** 35, 25, and 25. For almost any food event, 35 is a reasonable attendance.
    - **Julian Perricone:** They've probably gauged numbers.
    - **Lilly Pieper:** When it was previously the Fine Dining Society, they filled up very quickly through email links.
    - **Zach Oscar:** It's under new leadership and is not affiliated.
    - **Jake Engelman:** We are glad they are cooking.

**GHO, HAAND, Culinary Society funding passes as recommended.**

**Hamilton League Club:**

- **Jake Engelman:** They requested \$893 of gaming equipment. These are some expensive mouses, keyboards, mouse pads, headsets, etc. We are not inclined to fund it. The \$25 we are recommending is for \$5 entry fee tickets for a competition.
  - **Amanda Kim:** Their president talked to me about this. Apparently in order to play in competitions the players on the team need to have the same type of equipment to ensure they aren't cheating. Could they edit and re-submit for gaming equipment?
    - **Jake Engelman:** In that case, we'd have them re-submit for cheaper things. If they re-submit we would ask for validation.
    - **Keith Ruggles:** I'd be apprehensive against funding equipment that helps people cheat because we have an honor code at Hamilton.
    - **Amanda Kim:** It's to prevent cheating.
    - **Keith Ruggles:** Oh. Well then I'm all for it.

**HamTrek:**

- **Jake Engelman:** Submitted a budget for HamTrek which is their triathlon. It's expensive, but it's great for the school. It goes to the Shawn Grady Memorial Fund. The discrepancy is twofold. We limited publicity to \$25 per our codes, we didn't recommend funding for Physical plant setup because we have the fund to do this. We cut \$1500 off prizes, which we understand they give out every year. We asked them to delineate what these prizes were. We also cut \$1,200 off food. They do food in 2 ways, hillcards for students and food for other members. We can't recommend funding for items not for students. That being said, we've heard of Bon Appetit kind of providing food for charitable events at very low/no cost. We are hoping they will work with them and in addition to the food costs. This is complicated, does anyone have any questions?





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- **Zach Oscar:** As much as I appreciate what our community has, this is coming out of our SA budget. Given how central this is to Hamilton's status as an inclusive part of our community, I would hope that Hamtrek could find funding from somewhere else.
  - **Noam Barnhard:** In terms of the \$1500 of prizes, we are hoping they look into other opportunities, specifically reaching out to local organizations and companies and asking them to contribute as this is a good cause.

**Helping Hands Knitting Club:**

- **Jake Engelman:** Knitting equipment. Low cost for a cool club.

**League Club, Ham Trek, and Helping Hands Funding Passes as Recommended.**

**Hillel:**

- **Jake Engelman:** Funding for Shabbat dinners, Passover meals, the Crazy Jewish Mom speaker, and a cultural dinner. It is an Israeli cultural event. There is quite a bit of discrepancy here. For the speaker, the total amount they requested from us is 3K. As per the codes, for any amount over \$2000, we recommend 85% of the additional cost. Over passover, they asked for catering for 24 meals (3 meals a day for all 8 days). Instead we are recommending (and we met with them about this): one meal a day for Passover. We are not funding the rest of the meals. We cut 2 of the 8 Shabbat meals because they conflict 2 of the other dinners. We cut the Phoenician dinner because they didn't itemize. We welcome their resubmission for that.
- **Zach Oscar:** I don't mean to ask a potentially offensive question, but I'm wondering why they can't collaborate with Chabad and Hillel.
  - **Nadav Konforty:** There are different vibes of Jewish life on campus, and it's nice that Jewish students have different options to choose from.
  - **Jake Engelman:** From a funding perspective, they're going to have the same number of Passover dinners regardless of they are divided or not.. Though it breaks my heart to have the Jewish community divided on Passover, they are working for next semester to include Chabad in the Chaplaincy budget. They've worked together in the past from a funding perspective. It's not like we are giving them 2x the amount of food.
  - **Zach Oscar:** I only ask because I know Passover is a universally Jewish time for coming together. I'd hoped they'd be able to do that as well.
    - **Ben Katz:** Chabad and Hillel don't use the same standards for their kitchens which makes it difficult to collaborate. The bigger question is why they are not able to get more funding from the Chaplaincy, since they often hold Christian events.
- **Ysabel Coss:** The reason that the Hillel budget is bigger than the Chabad budget is that they have a speaker coming?



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- **Jake Engelman:** Chabad is going to submit the rest of the funds later. It's not preference, it's just what they submitted. We tried to be fair across the two in terms of dinners.

### Hunt and Dressage:

- **Jake Engelman:** They get lessons 10 miles off-campus. This is only a request for transportation costs. We recommend funding in full. It might seem like a lot, but it is a lot of trips. It's a nice opportunity for students on campus.
- **Ben Rhind:** What is Hunt and Dressage?
  - **Jake Engelman:** It's a kind of horse riding, like a dog show but on a horse. It's not like Equestrian Club--those don't overlap.

### Investment Club

- **Jake Engelman:** Four various financial periodicals, but they only put the cost of a 1 year subscription. We found all but one of them for \$53 on Google.

### Hillel, Hunt and Dressage, and Investment Club Passes as Recommended.

### Italian Club:

- **Jake Engelman:** Requested money for a dinner, Opera field trip, and board game night. We cut costs on the field trip. We moved the attendance of the dinner from 50 to 40.
  - **Connie Lorente:** In terms of the Opera, what's being cut? Like in terms of attendance?
  - **Jake Engelman:** We changed the lunch cost from \$10 to \$8 for food CPS.

### Italian Club Funding Passes as Recommended

### Kendo Club

- **Jake Engelman:** Asking for travel reimbursements to practice with Cornell and for a tournament. They're also asking for two new sets of armor. This is a pretty cool thing we have on campus, and if we buy it for them there is no cost to students for trying it.

### La Vanguardia

- **Jake Engelman:** Asking for game nights and empanadas. They are cooking pupusas. Food for the BLSU/LV block party and food for a finals week study break. They are really efficient with their money.

### Liberty in North Korea (LiNK)

- **Jake Engelman:** Asking for money for a documentary screening and sushi. I cut the costs-- they approximated 30 people and we cut it down to \$5 a head + tips.



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**Micro-Finance Group**

- **Jake Engelman:** Various travel reimbursements and lunches for meetings with clients and partners. And they want to have a guest speaker. They did this all last semester and we saw them handle it very well.

**Minds for Change**

- **Jake Engelman:** Requested \$276.76 for an awareness campaign and movie night. We cut the publicity for their campaign. We recommended \$25. We will look over this again when we have more information about what these would accomplish.
  - **Julian Perricone:** Gavin is helping with these stickers. It's basically to help show that you are open to talking about mental health issues and sharing your experiences.
  - **Jake Engelman:** A campaign to make people know what that sticker means would be helpful.
  - **Julian Perricone:** I think they're working on it.

***Kendo Club, La Vanguardia, LiNK, Micro-Finance Group, and Minds for Change Pass as Recommended.***

**Mock Trial:**

- **Jake Engelman:** Budget for 3 tournaments. Discrepancy is gas. We gave you a little less.
  - **Sam Gordon:** Don't look at me. It's not me.
- **Jake Engelman:** They are going to Buffalo, to Lancaster Pennsylvania, and to Minneapolis for the Nationals tournament.

**Model United Nations:**

- **Jake Engelman:** Also budgeting for 3 competitions. The discrepancy here is the mileage. I thought we had approved more ahead of time than we did last semester. We did registration and hotels. When I met with the guy who submitted, I told them we had approved everything, but we hadn't (so it was my fault). They're going to Harvard, NYU, and Toronto.
- **Mahdi Mahil:** I noticed that we asked in the budget and there was an increased cost. Kaity said something about reimbursement for transportation, and we didn't know what you meant by that.
  - **Jake Engelman:** The federal reimbursement rate has gone up from \$.535 per mile to \$.545, so we increased what you requested and funded in full for that.
- **Jon Stanhope:** How is MUN planning on getting to NYU?
  - **Jake Engelman:** They are taking a Jitney.

**No Pawn Intended:**



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- **Jake Engelman:** No Pawn Intended. Hehe. They're the chess club. They had submitted for chess equipment, a subscription to chess.com, and a tournament. The tournament is set up to have a first round, quarter round, semifinal, and final. They planned each tournament level on a different day and for each, they have different amounts of food. Also, they have 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes, the first being \$90. The treasurers think it would be a much better idea to put it all in one day and make a much bigger deal about it. Assuming their approximate attendance is 60 people, we would allocate \$300 for food, \$30 for prizes (\$15, \$10, and \$5) spent on something that is not cash. You can't do like a Visa gift card. You can do a mug, an item, or an Opus gift card. We think this is a reasonable request on our side.
- **Karthik Ravishankar:** Do we have any way of knowing that their estimated number of people that would show up?
  - **Jake Engelman:** This is the first time that I know of that we have funded chess boards. They had a huge turnout at club fair.
- **Ian Chen:** Do you think if the prizes are a little bit more, people would be more willing to come?
  - **Jake Engelman:** It's my opinion that you want to be in a college chess club tournament, I don't feel like there is a need to reinforce by pouring money into it.
- **Rachel Sutor:** Now that you said it's their first game board, it makes sense. Do you have a suggested donations. Where are these stored?
  - **Jake Engelman:** They have 3rd floor lockers in Sadove. This is something we are in the process of working with gaming club on this. We are recommending they sell some of the games (and they could use this budget to buy more games). These have a legitimate place to stay. Things like the wii for the smash club will live here in Sadove.
  - **Rachel Sutor:** I just think it is a charitable opportunity to give back to the community a little more when we want new things.
  - **Jake Engelman:** I don't think a ton of things get thrown out.
- **Nani Suzuki:** Do we know why they split each round into different days? I feel like having all four rounds in one day could be mentally taxing for the members.
  - **Jake Engelman:** I met with the guy that submitted this and he didn't have what I would consider a totally worthy reason, it just seemed like something he envisioned. I told him to consider changing the \$47 chess boards and he did. I can't say anything to that it's just how they structured it.
  - **Ian Chen:** Just having played tournaments in the past, I think it is perfectly reasonable to play 4-5 matches in a day. It's taxing for sure, but it's not unreasonable.
  - **Jake Engelman:** I met with them before they had submitted to talk about the cost of the boards and to give him my recommendation as to what he should do for the breakdown for the events. We didn't call them in. I don't think I could have been completely convinced.



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- **Jiin Jeong:** If clubs are requesting money for equipment, they should have a list of equipment so that if they want to share with other clubs or request new equipment the list can be referenced.
  - **Jake Engelman:** This is something we have made in the past. We're going to ask clubs to start taking inventory for when I review the funding codes.
  - **Lilly Pieper:** I think the treasurers usually do a good job in the past looking back at budgets.
- **Jake Engelman:** As a note for the minutes, and this goes for all prizes. If your organization is giving out all prizes, the prizes cannot be given out to anyone on your roster. They have about 60 people on their roster, so if any of those sixty people win the tournament, they are ineligible to receive the prizes.

### On the Move

- **Hersheena Rajaram:** I'm here for the food festival. You said you'd give us food for 150 people but we budgeted for 150 last year and more people came.
- **Jake Engelman:** We cut the expected attendance based on what we were familiar with the event and what we thought was realistic. We gave them \$8 a head for that. With this budget they'd get \$1,200 of food for that event. I believe that was the only cut.
  - **Lilly Pieper:** I feel like there is no reason we can't give them more funding. They have to re-submit for the food for Holi anyways, right?
  - **Jake Engelman:** We saw this as an event that has a ton of merit, but expensive. We were looking for places to cut.
  - **Ysabel Coss:** If there are a ton of people, could we compromise and do 200 people?
  - **Jonathan Stanhope:** 50 ppl x \$8/head is an additional \$400. I'm just worried cause we started with \$500 extra in our total strategic budget tonight and we just increased a couple budgets. I definitely understand the desire to go up to 250 people though.
- **Nadav Konforty:** Can we do a strawpoll on the three options?
  - **Sam Gordon:** What about the option to re-submit once we know we have more money?
  - **Jake Engelman:** That's definitely something I would be in favor of. This is a budget where we saw we could gain some ground, but that's something I could see working.
  - **Hersheena Rajaram:** What's the process of re-submitting?
- **Jake Engelman:** If we were to approve the \$150, they could come back with a budget for another 50 people and we will accommodate if we have the money.
- **Karthik Ravishankar:** Is there any collaboration with SASA for the events they're planning?



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- **Jake Engelman:** I believe SASA is collaborating on Holi. They both submitted budgets for food, so we will only be considering On The Move's budget for food because we maxed out the amount and we are still asking them to resubmit.

**Our Voices, We Speak**

- **Jake Engelman:** They're asking for two writing workshops. The discrepancy is that we asked them to go to Bon Appetit for Hillcards for catering and they didn't itemize, so we are going to ask them to do that. That's where the discrepancy is.
- **Giacomo Cabrera:** Can I get clarification on the two writing workshops?
  - **Jake Engelman:** They are having 2 speakers, a Mexican-American spoken word poet (\$750), and a (\$850) spoken-word competition champion. Expect 35 people to attend in Red Pit. Bringing in some impressive speakers. We are giving them some publicity for posters. Had originally asked for \$75.40 for cookies and tea. If they use RSVPs they could collect hillcard for snacks from Bon Appetit catering.

**Paintball**

- **Jake Engelman:** Two trips to the semilocal paintball place for a total of \$759.57. This won't cost anything for the students who attend. It's a pretty cool opportunity so we're recommending to fund in full.

***Mock Trial, Model UN, No Pawn Intended, On the Move, Our Voices, We Speak, and Paintball, pass as recommended.***

***Vote to extend the meeting until 11 PM passes.***

***Philanthropy Committee\* Discretionary funding!***

- **Jake Engelman:** Want to host a carnation sale, dumpling sale, bake sale, raffle, and spikeball tournament. The discrepancy is spikeball, which we are not funding because there was no date and location included.
- **Marquis Palmer:** Is this a different spikeball tournament than SAAC's?
  - **Jake Engelman:** I'm honestly not sure.
  - **Marquis Palmer:** Two years ago, the previous chair of the Philanthropy Committee and I set up a scholarship that supports one student from Proctor HS. Most of the funding goes to that. Two years ago it was \$500, last year we raised it to \$1000.
- **Karthik Ravishankar:** Can they re-submit for this?
  - **Jake Engelman:** Absolutely. Off that budget we didn't fund \$25.

***Philanthropy Committee Discretionary Budget Funding Passes in Full.***

**Pickling and Fermenting Club**

- **Martha Redmond:** I submitted a budget for a sourdough workshop and a cashew havarti cheese-making workshop. I was wondering what the difference was in amount requested and amount recommended.



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- **Jake Engelman:** Like she said, she said she submitted for two events. The Cashew event was fully recommended. For the Sourdough workshop, we funded all the yeast, but not the cooking supplies. Instead, SA will buy the supplies themselves and clubs can check out the utensils as needed. For instance, we have a cast iron dutch oven that we are planning on ordering and the long handle silicone spatula. Those are two that we hope to order that you could check out as needed. The three other items, although lower cost, for one or two breadmaking events, we wondered if we could make do. Obviously this is your opportunity to convince us.
- **Martha Redmond:** The banneton? We requested two, that's what we put the dough into where it rises. The basket creates a humid environment for the wild yeast where the dough can grow and rise. It is hard to replicate the process in just a bowl because it has a particular shape. The basket is something that is very important to this specific type of bread.
  - **Gianni Hill:** How much is this basket?
  - **Jake Engelman:** It was \$11.99 per item, and they're requesting two, so the total comes out to \$23.98
- **Lilly Pieper:** Can they be reused for other events?
  - **Martha Redmond:** Absolutely, they can be reused year to year and for different types of bread.
- **Jake Engelman:** With the banneton, the new recommendation is \$124.09.
- **Ben Katz:** Do you have someplace to store it that is not the CoOp?
  - **Martha Redmond:** In the past we've stored it in the library.
- **Ben Katz:** Does anyone know where the funding notes are?
  - **Jake Engelman, Julian Perricone, Gillian Mak:** They are on the second page of the spreadsheet.

*We upped our recommendation up to \$124.09 to buy the fancy baskets with the bread and we have promised to work with them to buy some kitchen equipment for Sadove which they are able to check out. The treasurers will get that in next week.*

### Poetry Slam Club

- **Jake Engelman:** They're asking for a trip to Union College Poetry Slam Invitational at Temple University at Philly from April 4-8. They're taking 6 students to perform for over 500 spectators. It's expensive with lodging, but we fund similar expenses. It's an interesting project for them to go on.
- **Sam Gordon:** This is bias, I know, but Mock Trial is requesting the same amount for 3 trips. I'm wondering why this is recommended in full.
  - **Jake Engelman:** I can break down the cost. Travel by car is a total of 1064 miles (\$580), 754 for four days, 575 event registration, parking and subway fees come out to \$80. It's \$1600 lodging for two hotel rooms over four nights.



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- **Marquis Palmer:** Did they elaborate on the potential benefits? And my second question is did they consult with the Creative writing department which does have funding that they can contribute?
  - **Jake Engelman:** I don't know about outside funding, but I can read you their purpose. "Funding would enable our poetry team to attend the National Poetry Slam Competition. This activity would help to promote the poetic voices of our students not only on campus but also at the national level." I agree, this is a very expensive trip for 6 students. I'm sure that other areas on campus might have potential funding
- **Zach Oscar:** Correct me if I'm wrong. Does Mock have some kind of a hold?
  - **Jake Engelman:** Mock Trial has an endowment. No hold on the SA budget.
  - **Zach Oscar:** How much is that? Do they use funds for that? Regardless, I think this is too expensive for a trip for 6 people. I'm curious as to whether they have to be there for all four days. What particular merits come out of *this* competition. It seems like an awful lot.
- **Jake Engelman:** I'm getting the sense that we'd like to ask them to re-submit.
  - **Sam Gordon:** I'd recommend finding funding from the OCC because I know they fund Debate and Mock Trial.
- **Nani Suzuki:** Is there a due date for registration?
  - **Jake Engelman:** They never mentioned one in the budget.
- **Gianni Hill:** My only thing that I would recommending right now is that we ask them to seek other funding.
- **Nadav Konforty:** I'm going to take a strawpoll to see of we want them to resubmit.

*Majority votes for resubmission. New Recommendation is zero.*

*Pickling and Fermenting and Poetry Slam funding passes as recommended.*

**RARE:**

- **Jake Engelman:** Because of how the budget was submitted, we thought there was a \$2,500 charge for a single performer. We've since been told that it was two performers. Our recommendation is changing to \$2,900 to fund three concerts for one of their events. Thank you for coming to speak with us!

**Red Cross Club**

- **Jake Engelman:** Submitted the funding for collection boxes, printing and bake sale. They want to collect items. They noted that it is the Utica Veterans supply. In their event description it says that this will collect items for "[insert name of organization]." They want funding for collection boxes and publicity. They also requested a number of items to include in the collection boxes including backpacks, etc. The other thing is for a bake sale, and we don't fund fundraisers. We could consider them in discretionary, but I'd





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prefer to send them to the Philanthropy committee, so we have a clear way to field these requests in the future.

- **Ysabel Coss:** Has that been made clear to them?
  - **Jake Engelman:** Yes.

### Roleplaying Club

- **Jake Engelman:** Wants roleplaying equipment and food. The food is not for weekly meeting-- it's for a weekend event. The equipment is for things like game boxes and instruction manuals.
- **Karthik Ravishankar:** Do we know what they already have?
  - **Jake Engelman:** These are basically the same as gaming club. I don't have inventory, but I'd use the same argument as gaming club. I think the merit is there. I've asked him to start making an inventory for us so we can know what they have in the future.
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*RARE, Red Cross, and Roleplaying Funding passes as recommended.*

### SA Class of 2018

- **Jake Engelman:** This is for student performers for senior pub night this week (4 @ \$40 each).

*Student Assembly Class of 2018 funding passes as recommended (seniors abstained).*

### Student Athlete Advisory Committee

- **Jake Engelman:** Pizza, games of the week gear, etc. It is 22 large Tony's pizzas for 11 games of the week. And they want about \$2,500 of camo hats to give out at these games. That's what we are recommending. They also want to run a spring fundraiser for a spikeball event, for which they want 3 large pizzas. They also want to buy 3 more spikeball nets. We've funded them for spikeball nets in the past and they borrowed other nets from friends. They've said that a number of nets that they've borrowed have since graduated. I don't know of that is necessarily necessary.
- **Connie Lorente:** We also know that Philanthropy is doing a spikeball tournament as well.
  - **Lilly Pieper:** If they still want two tournaments, the spikeball owners can collaborate.
  - **Connie Lorente:** That's what I meant, I didn't mean merging the events. I meant borrowing the things.
  - **Jake Engelman:** Real quick, Marquis, how are you planning on getting the nets?
  - **Marquis Palmer:** I'm not involved in the planning of these events.
- **Noam Barnhard:** I don't like the idea of giving thousands of dollars to an org that solely supports varsity sports. They already receive a lot of money from the school and are relatively well attended. I think SAAC should consider giving some of their attention to



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some of these club sports. People go to football and hockey games because there's already great atmosphere. People might not go to frisbee because it's not a traditional sport but if there was some pizza and hats to push people there I'm sure they'd have just as great of a time. I brought this up last semester and their counterpoint is that SAAC is a national group that can only look at varsity teams but considering that we are the ones funding them from our Student Activities budget, I really don't think that should matter.

- **Lilly Pieper:** As a former varsity athlete who ran XC and Track, I really appreciate what SAAC does and honestly, some varsity sports don't get as much attendance and student support as some club sports. SAAC is an organization that exists at every school with NCAA sports and just because it is a Varsity athletic-based club, it doesn't mean that they can't help with garnering more support and school spirit. They are still a student-run organization. Many club games have good attendance, but I think everyone would be behind starting a new organization that promotes club sports in the same way, it just probably can't go through SAAC because they don't have club sports delegates.
- **Gillian Mak:** We actually do have a committee that can support club sports. Social Traditions committee is a Student Assembly committee and I know they're thinking about creating new traditions for the future. If they could collaborate with SAAC and work on making sure support is going to everyone that would be great.
- **Zach Oscar:** I think Noam's points are valid, but I don't seem this as a valid reason to not fund SAAC, because students still do varsity sports because that activities fee goes back to.
- **Jon Stanhope:** I want to agree with Noam. I'd like to re-raise my standing objection to SAAC. I think if they only serve varsity athletes then they should be funded by the athletics department. Last semester they came into our meeting and said that they were beholden to the athletics department and NCAA regulations; yet they receive no funding from either of these groups. Their funding comes from us. On top of that, I think 250 camo hats for \$9.99 each is a frivolous expense. You can say that these hats "bring people to the events" but I don't know how true that is. These sporting events happen with or without the free hats. If want to go, they can go. If they do not want to go, they don't have to. The \$2500 that SAAC has requested for free hats could be used to fund events that were totally cut.
- **Zach Oscar:** While I'm sure there are things that can improve. We've had this exact debate again and I don't think we should have it again. We had this conversation before. I'm not sure who followed up on all the points because it didn't seem like anyone did. I will do it and I will let everyone know what I find out.

***Strawpoll for hats: 2500 for hats 12 for, 14 against.***



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- **Lilly Pieper:** Back to Jon's point about SAAC only supporting varsity athletes. SAAC goes above and beyond its mission to support student athletes. Just because it's a sanctioned club doesn't mean that the people are less inclined to participate in things they're passionate about.
- **Gianni Hill:** Two points. 1). I do agree with the whole point about club sports not getting recognition or attention from this. This money doesn't go to the athletes, but it goes to the spectators which is the rest of the student body. 2). The other point is for cost of the hats. Last year I placed an order for 400 hats at \$5 each.
  - **Jake Engelman:** I feel a little uncomfortable because I didn't give the heads up that they would have a contentious budget. I just texted Johnny. Can we table this until we get a response?
- **Elizabeth Groubert:** I think we funded sunglasses at \$4 a piece last semester. If we can't find cheaper hats it could be a potential compromise.

***Tabled until we get a response from SAAC @ 10:20 PM. SAAC unable to attend meeting. New SAAC Recommendation is \$500 flat. Changed recommendation to \$0 for the hats. Recommend they resubmit so they can come in.***

**South Asian Students Association (SASA)**

- **Jake Engelman:** They requested money for food, colored powder, t-shirts Holi. and four movie nights and an ISA/SASA formal where they'd provide the dessert and a night where they would cook South Asian dishes. We aren't recommending the SASA/ISA budget. We are worried they aren't going to get enough food given their budget. Hopefully they can work with ISA for the total amount on that. We also cut approx attendance of Holi. For the catering reception dinner. They asked for food from Taj. To match their approx attendance to be. We also cut the shirts since they ordered the same amount last year but they had the year on it.
- **Gillian Mak:** What did you cut the attendance to? The year I helped host, Holi had a lot of people.
  - **Jake Engelman:** 60 -- we based it off the attendance from last year.
  - **Gillian Mak:** Cool, thanks.
- **Elizabeth Groubert:** Could they change a 7 to an 8 and turn the 2017 shirts into 2018 shirts?
  - **Connie Lorente:** How would you turn a 7 into an 8?
  - **Julian Perricone:** I see the vision.
  - **Gillian Mak:** We could use the 2017 shirts for supplementary shirts when they run out.

**Spanish Club**

- **Jake Engelman:** Requesting funding for a cultural meal and food - very similar to LV's budget. Any questions?

**SAAC, SASA, and Spanish Club Funding Passes as Recommended.**



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**Special K**

- **Jake Engelman:** Funding per their acapella schedule rotation.

**Spoon University**

- **Jake Engelman:** They're requesting funding for a macaron class and an easter egg event, and potluck. Discrepancy is that we are only funding the macaron class and the egg event. They didn't give adequate info about the potluck. We need to know more about the event.
  - **Elizabeth Groubert:** Claudia said they'd re-submit nonstrategic for the potluck. I believe it was French club and Spoon doing the same class so we recommended they do a collaboration.
  - **Jake Engelman:** We encouraged them to collaborate.

**Student Dance Alliance**

- **Jake Engelman:** SDA submitted a budget for 3 workshops with 3 different professional dancers in the surrounding community. Soul jazz, modern dance, and site specific improv class. Each workshop is \$100-120. Seems cool.

**SDC, Spoon and SDA Funding Passes as Recommended.**

**Student Performing Arts Club (SPAC):**

- **Jake Engelman:** 3 coffeehouses, band performances, and three opus showcases. We recommended funding for all but the band performance and the Funktion. They didn't get back to us with a date for the event. The band performance didn't say who the band was.

**Super Smash Club:**

- **Jake Engelman:** They came in and submitted an "absurd budget," in their own words. We called them in, had a great meeting, and he ended up convincing us that it was good cause to... move TVs to 3rd floor sadove from Kirkland basement. They're currently using personal Wiis. We met and talked about getting 1 wii, one extra memory disk, and one extra disk that I forgot to put in the budget. We are changing our budget to accommodate the extra game. Please note that. Paul, is that all?
  - **Paul Turner:** Thanks! The Wii will be twice as helpful with the game disk.

***Raised recommendation to \$133.46.***

**Tap That!**

- **Jake Engelman:** Requesting 12 pairs of tap shoes. That's a new request, but they're requesting a range of sizes and it's not super expensive.

**SPAC, Smash, and Tap That! Funding Passes as Recommended.**



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### TEDx

- **Jake Engelman:** They requested \$4,100.26. They expressed to us that they didn't expect all of it from us-- they have funding from other sources. There are two events: a viewing and the talk itself. For the viewing we cut the food cost to accommodate \$5/head. For the event we cut costs like hotel and stage setup.
- **Rachel Sutor:** If he didn't expect us to fund it all, why did we get it all?
  - **Jake Engelman:** A lot of clubs do that, to be fair. They figured they'd try for it. I understand it's frustrating, but we understand why they do it. They submitted the same budget to multiple sources.

### Tropical Sol

- **Jake Engelman:** Requesting money for Tango lessons and a Latin dance class. Tango class is 6 students in a jitney. Dance fest is at UNY in Rochester-- tickets, lodging, mileage, reimbursements, and food. The discrepancy is in the mileage.
- **Giacomo Cabrera:** That's a lot of money for a few people. Is this just lessons? Are they competing?
  - **Jake Engelman:** Here is their description: "There are 15+ hours of workshops over the weekend that are taught by professional dancers from all over the globe. They'll be teaching salsa, mambo, zouk, kizomba, Cha cha and bachata. There's also performances and social dancing opportunities."
- **Karthik Ravishankar:** Is there any way SDA and Trop Sol could combine events?
  - **Connie Lorente:** You mean for this event?
  - **Jake Engelman:** There are multiple events for which they are traveling. We can encourage them to recognize each other and collaborate in the future but I don't know if there's a huge benefit to forcing them to do it now.

### Tumbling After

- **Jake Engelman:** Arrangement Schedule and excursion. Discrepancy is a cheaper hotel and no posters because they didn't give a specific event.
- **Connie Lorente:** What's the excursion?
  - **Jake Engelman:** It's a concert in the Berkshires.
  - **Connie Lorente:** Oh, I thought they were going camping or something.

### TEDx, Trop Sol, and TA Funding Passes as Recommended.

### Untitled@Large

- **Jake Engelman:** They requested items for performances and a 24 hour theatre festival. We imposed rather large cuts. We funded their Broadway subscription, coffee, 17.50 of publicity. They asked for 5 crewnecks, which we didn't see the need for. I worked with them to find a t-shirt design and they found a quote off a Drake Dept music website, so we



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want to know the exact cost before we fund it. Putting on a show “Baby out with the Bathwater”.

- **Zach Oscar:** I’m co-directing it. I didn’t look at the budget parts in particular, but now I’m going to.

**Vegan Club**

- **Nadav Konforty:** We are giving the vegans their food this time. They won’t be sad!
- **Jake Engelman:** They asked for a number of dinners, lunches, and an information campaign. They want to get 5 cow suits at \$25. We are not recommending the cow suits.
- **Penelope Hoopes:** How many people are in this club?
  - **Jake Engelman:** Each dinner and brunch is about 18 people. We think that is reasonable.

**Wellin Initiative for Student Engagement**

- **Matthew Tom:** The two events that we put in our proposal for are the Senior Soirée and the art gallery. There was a discrepancy with the budget that we wanted to clarify.
  - **Jake Engelman:** We cut the catering cleanup by Bon Appetit. We take care of that now. Food and refreshments need to be itemized, please itemize. I believe your other event, the sponsored gallery talk-- we recommended the posters, but not the cookies and water because it needed to be itemized. Thanks.

**Untitled@Large, Vegan Club, and WiSE Funding Passes as Recommended.**

**7. Announcements**

- Menstrual Hygiene Product Initiative (MHPI) Survey -- Connie Lorente ’20
  - Be sure to watch out for an email in your inbox in the next couple of days for a survey related to feedback on the Menstrual Hygiene Product Initiative as we work to institutionalize the initiative throughout the college via Physical Plant.
- Sadove Sun Porch has a Wii and an Xbox One for student use! Come by, check out a game and controllers at the info-desk, and play!
- TIPS Trainings are being offered on Tuesday 1/30, 4:15-7:15 AND 7:30-10:30 in KJ 101 and Wednesday 1/31, 4:30-7:30 in KJ 101. Stop in the Student Activities Office to sign up!

