

**STUDENT ASSEMBLY MEETING**

**MAY 6, 2019**

**1. Call to Order**

○ **Present**

- Amanda Kim
- Gianni Hill
- Will Andriola
- Eric Kopp
- Alex Kurtz
- Morgan Perry
- Karthik Ravishankar
- Casey Codd
- Richard Court
- Ben Rhind
- Diana Perez
- Savannah Kelly
- Drew Anderson
- Aurora Cai
- Caroline Paulson
- Bryce Febres
- Lóri Fejes
- Finlay Adamson
- Keir Adamson
- Nasheley Boursiquot
- Jay Menner
- Mike Moubarak
- Orlando Paz
- Minh To

○ **Excused**

- Luis Morales
- Alex Stetter

○ **Unexcused**

- Harry Dubke
- Jack Carroll
- Ines Ayara
- Laura Rodriguez
- Ishan Mainali

**2. Public Comment Period**

**3. New Business**

○ **Sustainability Update — Mike Moubarak**

- **Mike Moubarak:** Just wanted to give y'all some updates about what we did recently. We had Green Week. That went pretty well, so we're looking to do a couple of those events in the future. We also had Weigh the Waste



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Wednesday. If you don't know we just weighed food scraps in Commons and posted it. We want to do that again, hopefully on a more consistent basis in the fall. Hopefully you'll see us in Commons. We also had the reforestation event where we planted 400-600 trees on the golf course. That we're looking to do again. We're going to have to replant in that spot because not all the trees survive. We had a really big farmers market that people really enjoyed. We have one more event this semester. We're going to organize a clean up day on the Saturday morning after C&C. We're going to send an email about that. We're also going to put a plug for Naomi Guttman's Climate Action group. That's awesome and important. One thing we're looking towards next semester is working with FRSH and talking to Facilities Management and managing heat in individual rooms to save energy..

- **Gianni Hill:** I know when FRSH met with Facilities Management last semester, they gave us additional information on renovations they're going to be taking on in the coming years for thermostats in rooms. We might have some information back on our doc that we can check.
  - **Ben Rhind:** I know this summer they're doing Carn. They did South last year, right?. Which ever one didn't get done, is being done this year. It would be great to continue.
- **LITS Update — Minh To & Lea Barros**
  - **Minh To:** Lea will be replacing me next year. I'm going to let her introduce herself.
  - **Lea Barros '22:** Hey, I'm Lea and I'm a first-year. I'll be the new liason between SA and LITS next year. You'll see me more.
  - **Minh To:** At the beginning of the semester, we came to you with a proposed list changes for the email. We brought those ideas to the Faculty Committee, and they're going to implement those changes next year.
  - **Gianni Hill:** Just for the Assembly, but what types of concerns can we come to you with as the LITS liaison?
    - **Minh To:** Movie Channel, Hamilton App, or anything with technology on campus like WiFi. If you need help with resources or anything with the library.
  - **Bryce Febres:** I'd like to correct my statement from last meeting. Carnegie: The network we have right now in the residence halls has a hallway design. Always been the traditional mode and it has worked well. The newer way of designing WiFi in residence halls and hotels is generally called an in room design. This is different because instead of a high capacity big antenna in the hallway, we use smaller devices in each room or every other room. In Carnegie: Installed in room designs as a trial to see how the performance differs. Purpose is to test/validate the in room system before implementing throughout every hall. The annual survey captured general data. Surveyed residents of Carnegie with a more simple survey to see how the difference has been. Over the summer, data will be



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combed through and trends noted. All wireless network equipment is on a replacement cycle generally every five years. If we are on the cusp of a technology change, we may wait a year for the new hardware. A new WiFi standard is coming: “WiFi 6” (802.11AX). Not a software change, but a hardware change. Rather than make major changes immediately to then result in outdated hardware, we are looking to possibly wait till next year to observe this new technology and seek availability of the new hardware. Future years plans (if they happen) are new hardware/layout changes. If new hardware is released in January and we are able to purchase it in the beginning of its cycle we can maximize our investment. These are long term changes. Outdoor WiFi coverage: in the past we have only done outdoor coverage on a “best effort basis” never been a formal plan to provide coverage. (What you can get outside of buildings) with the exceptions of some athletic fields and other places on campus. We’ve noticed over time that there is an expectation that WiFi is ubiquitous. They are looking at the survey data about where students want WiFi outdoors. Requires cable-laying and more. It is in the information gathering stage. IF we find locations where it is feasible to do over the summer it will be done, but no formal plans are set yet.

○ **Funding Code Changes — Will Andriola**

- **Will Andriola:** Three housekeeping and removing irrelevant things, and one about controlling a capella costs. The first funding code change. In the funding codes right now it says that *all Student Assembly events must be announced to the Publicity Chair a week before the Central Council’s weekly meeting. All events will be included in an email to be sent out by the publicity chair on a weekly basis.* We tried to implement this, but it’s hard to keep track of all the groups coming up with events and it’s hard for the publicity chair to gather that. It’s hard for treasurers to keep track of when everything is happening. That will be rendered partially obsolete by the new org management system that’s coming out next semester, Presence, and the new emails that will consolidate events and how people know what’s happening more. Striking this would to simplify the funding codes and get rid of something that’s been obsolete for a little while. In Section 8, which governs voting, there is a subsection about when members need to recuse themselves. With organizations that are being funded, you need to recuse yourself obviously. Part of the funding codes say that in case of recusals lead to a tie, the Student Assembly president is responsible for breaking the tie. But since the president is already voting, their vote can’t be counted in said tie. We needed another non-voting member to break a tie, in case there is a tie, we’re going to change it to treasurer just in case there ever is a tie. This section 11 is about event publicity. This is about what will happen to orgs if they don’t announce events to the publicity chair. We’re just removing that, same rationale as above. Section 4, this is about what organizations have to go through to



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get funding. This is to address the a capella concerns. Right now, acapella groups haven't been going through the Student Activities office when they are talking with their service providers. This language is just clarifying that they have to do so if they want SA funding. This will avoid us getting budgets where cost is completely different between a capella organizations, without knowing if it could have been any cheaper. This change right here will seek to avoid that scenario that we can make a capella a more controlled cost, while still providing groups with a lot of flexibility and not imposing any cap on them. We think it's a good middle ground. We're proposing to delete a sentence that says *Student organizations seeking to contract outside entertainment must use the Students Activities Contract Workshop*. I talked to Kaity about this. This is something that the office tried implementing and it didn't happen. Also, only the Assistant Director of Student Activities can sign contracts. So just striking irrelevant language from the funding codes.

○ **Constitutional Amendments — Alex Kurtz**

- **Alex Kurtz:** We have a number of amendments and one bylaw change. The first one we're proposing is gender-inclusive pronouns throughout the constitution. We're changing instances of him or her to them. That's pretty standard. Currently in our Constitution, it says the Dean of Students is our advisor. That's not true, it's the Director of Student Activities. Pretty simple. This is our bylaw change. Gianni can speak to this a little more.
- **Gianni Hill:** When running these elections this semester, we noticed that for students that were currently abroad, it is difficult for them to collect signatures through their proxies, especially if their proxy is in a different class year. Rather than adding language saying that your proxy needs to be in your class year, which is another barrier to running for a position, we figured it would be easier for us to collect signatures electronically, as the Constitution is a bit outdated and we want to make it technologically feasible. Even if you're abroad, you be able to collect them from a Google Survey or anything like that.
- **Amanda Kim:** Are we making that change to off-campus?
  - **Gianni Hill:** My recommendation was off-campus the semester during the elections.
- **Diana Perez:** Can you speak to what that would look like?
  - **Gianni Hill:** We had a lot of questions about whether students abroad could use electronic signatures, or they needed actual signatures on a sheet. There's nothing in there that says it has to be actual signatures. It's very easy for them to see that they can still run when they're abroad. We just wanted to put it in writing that is was an option.
  - **Diana Perez:** How can you confirm that signatures are real, and not someone just saying it's them?



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- **Gianni Hill:** That's fair. It's feasible to assume that people are going to write in fifty names to run for positions. People can also right fifty signatures on a signature sheet. There is really no way of knowing. I don't think we're in the business of investigating every signature. Just to make everyone's life easier.
- **Gianni Hill:** So this year, Amanda and I really talked about increase civic engagement on campus, voter turnout. The big obstacle for us was that the Constitution currently has language saying we have to hold class presidents elections before the general election. That consists of the class representatives, treasurers, as well as any other constitutional amendments. While this is great because it allows students who don't win Class President elections to run again for representative positions, it makes it a pain for us and SA. We're sending out a ton of emails over the two weeks period saying here are the platforms, vote for class president, here are the results for this election. Then we publicize the general elections, do reminders, do results for that. We're just sending out a lot of emails. To streamline that and get more students to participate, we think it would be better to have one comprehensive election where president, treasurer, and representatives, and amendments are all on one ballot, just to get a higher turnout. Removing this doesn't mean we can never go back to this, but this forces us to have the class president elections a week prior to the general.
- **Ben Rhind:** I guess your point about the flexibility is a good idea, but I think in years past, voter turnout has been low and that's been a problem. I think the bigger problem is the amount of people running. By removing the option for someone to run for class president, lose, then run for rep, we're only shrinking the pool of people that would run for these positions. I think a lot of rising sophomores ran this election period, so maybe that problem is going away. But in the past couple years we've had a hard time getting people to run.
- **Nasheley Boursiquot:** A little unrelated, in terms of a class president being able to run for rep, I feel like that's not stated explicitly. I didn't know that, it's the first time I'm hearing about it.
  - **Alex Kurtz:** I feel like it's a quick turnaround if you lose your presidential election, and then you're trying to run in two days for class rep. I'm not sure it's possible, because the platforms were released for class reps before the president election.
  - **Gianni Hill:** All the platforms are sent out at once, before the general election. Just all the dates conflicted. It made it this logistical nightmare where it had to be two weeks out, your sending out platforms, then have class president elections, then the general election. We think that all of this just floods students' inboxes, making it difficult to get high turnout. We think if that we put more of an emphasis on the elections themselves, more people will vote and be involved, because more people will be voting.



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They'll know about three changes we're making to our Constitution and the things we're working on.. From a planning perspective, it's a lot harder for us to go out and recruit when we are getting bogged down in facilitating multiple elections in a semester. It's a lot of logistical work, so Amanda and I were talking about next semester, having someone else help out, because we can appoint an Elections Chair or committee to help out with that.

- **Amanda Kim:** That might be a potential change we might add in the next part. The way I'm viewing this is that it is giving us more flexibility. This isn't saying that we're not going to do this, but depending on what the next administration wants, whether they value voter turnout or people being able to run for reps, they have the choice. They can consult with the Central Council on that, but there's no hard rule saying you have to do this.
- **Lori Fejes:** What if we just add a part saying that the elections chair could overrule this. You're saying that future administrations might want to have this.
  - **Amanda Kim:** It seems like the same thing.
  - **Gianni Hill:** Having language like that might make the assumption that the default is to have this and if you're going to do anything else, you are pretty much vetoing it. I don't want to say that it's the default. I would prefer to see one comprehensive ballot again because we noticed a problem in the past with constitutional change in regards to the Honor Court and points that was done in 2017 during my and Amanda's freshman semester. We had 71 students, voting on a campus wide issue that impacts all students. We thought that was pretty problematic. What we're pushing for is saving constitutional amendments until the end of the semester when we have our elections. Basically putting everything in one place so we get more students to participate. That's our main concern here. We think that doing that and saying we have one week to deal with platforms, elections rules meeting, and then the actual election, we have more time to recruit and get more people involved. Spend more time having elections rules meetings. We did two this semester instead of one. Maybe we can do three in the coming semester.
- **Diana Perez:** Was voter turnout higher for president elections?
  - **Amanda Kim:** We can check on that for you. I don't think so. For president or class president?
  - **Diana Perez:** Class president.
  - **Amanda Kim:** I don't think so.
  - **Diana Perez:** Are people voting more when they get the first email or not voting at all?



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- **Gianni Hill:** I think what your question points to, regardless, is is one is going to get better turnout than the other. That's why we want to push them together.
- **Karthik Ravishankar:** I kidna agree with what Ben has already said, but I feel like we might as well try this. We haven't done it yet. Even if we have some reservations, let's do it for a year, two years, however long we think is necessary to collect data to see how that works. Then we can keep going, but if not we can go back.
  - **Gianni Hill:** Not having it in there gives us the flexibility to do either.
- **Alex Kurtz:** This is also an amendment just outlining the VP's role. The only thing in this section of the Constitution about the VP is that *The Vice President will do whatever the President does in his or her absence*. We think that it is not quite enough because the vice president also supervises and conducts elections as it says in other parts of the Constitution. Just for consistency, we're adding it in.
- **Savannah Kelly:** Would this section include the gender-neutral phrasing?
  - **Alex Kurtz:** Yeah definitely.
  - **Amanda Kim:** We didn't show a specific page for the gender-neutral changes just because didn't want to show the entire Constitution. Those changes would be made throughout the entire document.

*Assembly votes to bring all proposed amendments to the student body for voting.*

- **Town Hall Debrief — Amanda Kim & Gianni Hill**
  - **Amanda Kim:** We met on Saturday evening with the e-board and Bryce who showed up and helped, thank you so much. We just compiled all the sticky notes we got and the feedback we got and compiled a report. It's not complete, some of the formatting is off, so we need to go back and format this, but it will be going out to the student body and administrators in the coming days. We need to clean up the formatting a little bit. We have this cute little intro and table of contents. We've divided it up into the start, stop, continue. With that, we divided each one into proposed policy change, proposed physical changes and proposed cultural changes. Just for transparency and this is what we need to reformat, because this is formatted wrong. This is what will be going out to the student body and administrators just so we have a better sense of where we want to be as a campus and what we need to work on moving forward as an Assembly. Also, this way the administration knows what the student body wants and also students will know what was said even if they weren't there.
  - **Caroline Paulson:** Did you get any feedback from administration on how they thought it went?
    - **Amanda Kim:** As per administrators, they really liked the new format. They suggested that we have one a semester and we agree.



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We've been getting a lot of good feedback in general. A lot of people really enjoyed it and felt that it was a productive conversation. There's obviously things we want to tweak with it. Next semester, me and Jiin are going to be working on it. We definitely want to make sure that there are more student voices on the mics in future, because that was an issue. Keeping better track of time with the presentations was another thing. A lot students expressed that they wished that there had been more time with small group discussion and the solution share out portion in general. Overall we've gotten pretty positive feedback.

- **Ben Rhind:** This is kind of minor because I think you guys did a great job planning it, but my one suggestion would be cutting the solution sharing portion. You guys are making this report public and these are the proposed changes. Like you guys said, time is very valuable. Just as a matter of priority, cutting the time for that.
  - **Gianni Hill:** We talked about the smaller sections at the end and the two updates, so maybe we should go really in depth on the first two topics instead of going through four different topics, it's a lot to move through. We've gotten some recommendations about focusing on one topic and we don't think we would get a high enough turnout for one thing because maybe students won't feel impacted by it. Having two really strong topics for things that they can really just dive into and work on. If students don't vote for mental health next semester, we can provide an update, in her opening remarks, talking about what's done over the summer and coming into the semester about what's being done in regards to mental health. We'll do a recap in our own remarks and by reaching out to administrators and hearing some of the initiatives that they've been working on and then get into whatever the topics might be.
  - **Amanda Kim:** A lot of the work about restructuring the town hall and planning the next town hall, Jiin and I will be doing over the summer and establishing a date ahead of time. We were thinking about telling administrators that something like the sixth Monday of every semester will be the town hall so that administrators know to keep that date open moving forward.
- **Karthik Ravishankar:** These administrators have email addresses and are willing to talk. I spoke to Ashley Place at length after the meeting. I spoke to her about the things I've been feeling and the things I've gathered over the years. She was really receptive to it and she wanted to make everyone understand that you can go to them and talk to them. I think that will translate better in the future to better town halls because if you have grievances or things you want to discuss, discuss it with them before.





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When you get to the town hall, student voices that might not have had an opportunity to share or explore other aspects can speak.

- **Amanda Kim:** That's a good suggestion. Maybe in this introduction section we can add in information about our public comment period and then put the contact info for all the administrators that spoke.
- **Lea Barros '22:** You just mentioned that you guys were thinking about making two focal topics. That's problematic because if it's in the same structure as it was this year, where students voted on one of the topics and then SA voted on the other one, then there will be one topic where the majority of the student body will pick, then another one in a minority agreed to speak about. It can bring controversy when it comes to student voices. Having those two topics, I don't want to sound biased because one is about Posse and something I'm very passionate about, but I feel like that might be something else for other people who might be passionate about something that isn't those two individual things. I feel like it detracts from what a town hall is, which is just addressing on student concerns in general. Since that is the opportunity in the year that we have to do that, That detracts from the whole purpose of having a town hall in the first place.
  - **Gianni Hill:** In terms of SA picking one and the student body picking one, I think this is a very representative group of students here and they're pretty well informed of the issues on campus. I think that because this is more solution-oriented, rather than just "These are all the problems with the school," I think this body, more than anyone else on campus, is informed of the issues. Because we're doing all this committee work, because we're reaching out to administrators, we have some additional insight on some of those issues and we can find solutions. I think we're all parts of different clubs and teams, we're all spread out so much over campus. I kinda disagree with you personally, but point well taken for sure. I think we talked about the four topics as well. Another issue we had is that we called it a town hall, it's not a true town hall in its fashion. We don't know how to get around that because if we named it something else, we're worried about turnout and students participating. It's more of a campus wide forum. We're not here to have just grievance town hall because we didn't think that was productive last year, so how do we go about a solutions-oriented conversation. We really want your help on this.
- **Finlay Adamson:** I think it went well and very visible. I'm just wondering about what we're going to do about implementing these changes to keep being visible. It went well, but if we don't show what we're doing from this, then we're just going to get another unproductive town hall.



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- **Amanda Kim:** You mean to show that we are committed to pursuing these?
- **Finlay Adamson:** Well, I believe that we are, but how are we showing that to the campus?
- **Amanda Kim:** One thing I was thinking was that we could release a statement just saying that we are committed to pursuing positive change on these issues and that SA is your voice and we are here to represent you. That doesn't just let the campus know we are committed to this, but it allows for that sense of accountability. It's a way to hold people and the Assembly accountable for pursuing that change. That would also be something that we would send out to you all and you could sign your name on it if you wanted .
- **Richard Court:** Thanks again for all the work behind that. I think it went extremely well all things considered especially in hindsight and with respect to the last town hall. Addressing Lea's concerns, I think it is frustrating when we don't address, in a town hall, certain aspects about what our whole community is feeling. I would push back against the sentiment, and agree with Gianni and some representatives here, that it would not be appropriate or democratic for SA to be choosing one of those topics. I think that there is a concern related to that where if we are relying strictly on the votes, I think it's skewed, in a large part, to current events. If we are already recognizing that, we have a difficult time with voter turnout, participation in all of our events. We're only having 100-70 people voting on class reps etc. I think it's difficult if you're doing it in a purely democratic fashion just based on votes for us to guarantee that it's going to a major topic, especially if we're going to do one or two, is actually representative of the entire school. We have a perspective of years of experience and a lot of time here and affiliations with different organizations, we do a great job with that. I very much agree with that. I think one of the reasons that this town hall was so successful, obviously because of the structure and work you put into it, but was because there was a demonstration that allowed students to very authentically express themselves. I think that was very therapeutic for a lot of people to express their grievances in a way that was a sort of emotional catharsis. That is something that was relatively absent from the town hall in its current format. I'm not sure whether that means we have two: one that's geared toward a full democratic expression of our feelings and one more that's geared towards, "Okay now that we've done that, how can we streamline this process in terms of effectuating change." I totally agree about the two topics and streamlining that is very important. If we're going to be holding the administration accountable, we need to be getting to the point and talking in depth about these solutions that are feasible. That was a lot there, hopefully it made sense, but it's something to consider.



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- **Amanda Kim:** An idea Gianni and I have bounced back and forth is—in addition to the town hall or maybe before it—having an open forum with less structure where students can voice their concerns. There is a lot of value in a structured, solutions-oriented conversation, but we also see a lot of value in students being able to fully express their views.
- **Gianni Hill:** The planning needs to start now because it is such a huge logistical undertaking for us. So definitely preparing a semester before would make our lives a lot easier. I think we can do it if we start planning now.
- **Jay Menner:** If you guys go through with that I would hope that you guys advertise it as much as the town hall. Posse in itself is a small minority of students which means they're not going to get as many votes. The entire issue of Posse affects a lot of people on this campus. Whether they know it or not, it impacts them because they're a giant part of the school campus. I was wondering what are we going to do to address other minority groups on campus that might not have the voice, that might not have the number of votes. Then I feel, personally, that it's almost like we're ignoring them and saying "Well you didn't get the votes, so we're not going to address your issues. Sorry just talk to the administrators." Even though administrators aren't listening to them. I also feel like we should've done the stop, start, continue for all of the issues, not just the first two, because people have a lot to say.
  - **Ben Rhind:** The example of Posse is why relying on a strictly democratic vote for the topics isn't a good idea. Like you said, it's a small population of the campus, but it has a massive impact on the lives of Posse members and the whole culture of campus. The way to better address that and address the concerns of minority groups on campus isn't sayings "Let's just go to a democratic vote." We're talking about getting more students to run, let's make a more concerted effort to get those voices more on student assembly. Get those people to run for office and make SA more representative of the student body as a whole. I think it should be the way to tackle that.
  - **Gianni Hill:** We did notice that with some of the results that we got. Often times we're concerned with making sure that we're not catering to loud minorities on campus, because some groups are more vocal than others on campus. If they're making more noise than other groups on campus, we want to make sure that this issue actually pertains to the student body at large, instead of a very small group. Posse is not an example of that, but we have encountered other issues that we do worry that is just a small portion of the campus and not everybody. Also to counter that, we do get some of that as well.



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- **Amanda Kim:** In response to the start, stop, continue thing, that's a good suggestion. I would note that we had a lot of difficulty with time and about getting people out in a timely manner. As great as it would be to have done it for all the topics, people had places to be and it's a busy time and it was an especially busy week for a lot of people. We went over time as it was. We do need to rework that structure.
- **Luis Morales:** I wanted to bridge the gap between Lea and Rich's concerns. First, I want to address the fact that Posse has a larger impact than students would like to perceive it does. I think that fact that we're addressing Posse on as a minority, yes demographically we are minority on campus, but our impact is not. We are the most outspoken people in the classrooms, we are the ones are leading organizations. I myself am Posse. There are members in SA that are Posse. Therefore, we need to reevaluate as a campus how we view Posse. Clearly, some students don't see how impactful we are. Sometimes people forget that we are Posse Scholars in the classroom. So I think when we change our perception of Posse Scholars, our campus will have a more productive conversation as to why the way the administration handled the issue is wrong. Maybe next year, this will be at the top of our list of discussions. That's the first thing. The second thing is I wanted to discuss the ways the D-Wipp answered my questions. The public statement came too late. I want to hold myself accountable for that. I'm an elected representative and I didn't do a good job of advocating for the people in my class, the people who feel strongly about Posse. I didn't sit here and condemn D-Wipp and the way the administration handled the decision. Moving forward, I think we need to do a better job of addressing the administration when we do have these grievances and not wait on them until the town hall to say that "This is our public statement." We were talking for weeks for them about releasing a public statement. That never happened and that was his statement. For me, that's unfair because that takes away from the effort that we've been doing behind closed doors, behind the scene to make sure that this becomes a topic of discussion for the campus. Last but not least, I want to talk about moving on next year. Maybe the structure of the even is not the problem, but maybe it's the timing from 8 o'clock isn't productive. Maybe starting an hour earlier might help. Students: one day out of the week, you gotta eat dinner at 6 o'clock, get over it. From 7 to 9, you get out there quicker and everyone gets to have their grievances addressed. I will say that 25% of them walked out when Posse came up as the topic of discussion and I personally did not like that.
- **Gianni Hill:** To address the time concern, we did think about starting it earlier. We were afraid that people had prior commitments, exams, things like that. We wanted to push it back to get a good turnout. We have talked about shifting the times,



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maybe to the day, but we will be looking into that as well. In terms of the timeline, it was hard to keep people in the room. We really want to stick to keeping these to two hours tops. We want to keep people's energy throughout this. If we make this something that's three hours long and seven topics, people are not going to stay and they're not going to have energy, and they will be in and out. We won't have everyone's full energy and attention.

- **Amanda Kim:** To the point about Posse students and their impact on campus, I do agree, I don't think anyone here would disagree with that. In my opening remarks, I tried to address that.
- **Luis Morales:** I'm addressing the entire student body. I feel like there is a disconnect with people outside this room. I mean our vice president is a Posse Scholar. We're not are disregarding that fact, we are knowledgeable about the impact of Posse, but I will say outside the classroom, let's show the numbers of people who voted for Posse to be a topic of discussion and the way people perceive Posse on this campus. There's a disconnect in the value we bring to campus and the classroom. Maybe reinvigorating that discussion somehow would be good.
- **Jay Menner:** We were talking about how doing the start, stop, continue takes up too much time. What if we were to do an online thing people could post their things. It would make it easier to collect all the data. Because Luis did mention that people left before Posse was addressed, what if you were to switch the order of certain things. Maybe have a really big thing, a smaller topic, and then another big thing to make sure that people stay. I don't know if that makes sense.
  - **Amanda Kim:** These are great suggestions. We'll keep those in mind. We'll send out the report and you can make comments, but you can just email us feedback. We could go on about recommendations for forever because it obviously wasn't perfect. Please let us know if you have any more suggestions.
  - **Gianni Hill:** When we send this out, please respond with your own specific recommendations and we'll compile a list at the end of the document of Student Assembly's recommendations. Please take two to five minutes and write down some your recommendations for us.

#### 4. Old Business

- **Elections Update — Amanda Kim & Gianni Hill**
  - **Amanda Kim:** Physical polling locations will open tomorrow. There will also be an online way to vote. We're going to be set up in different dining halls from 12-1 tomorrow, Wednesday, and Thursday. If you would like to help out with those and you are not running, please let us know. We need people to help us with that. We're partnering with HamVotes to do that,



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the nonpartisan civic engagement team on campus. Civic engagement isn't just voting for the midterms but also on-campus things as well.

- **Gianni Hill:** If you can't help table, please tell your friends to vote. We're making the survey a little different this year. All you're going to have to do is enter your student ID number in Commons. McEwen, or Diner. You put in your ID number, select your class year, and the vote right from that instead of having to log into your Hamilton account. It will take you a minute. Please send the link around and tell your friends to fill it out. Results will be announced on Sunday, because we have a lot going on with C&C. Polls close at 11:59 pm on Thursday.

### 5. Acknowledgments

- **Kudos**

- **Bryce Febres and the E-board for helping to compile the report**
- **All the Seniors that are graduating.**
- **Gianni Hill for being an amazing Vice President this semester. We're going to miss you. Have fun in DC!**
- **Will Andriola is going to Oxford (for study-abroad, he's not leaving forever). He's been a great treasurer.**
- **Morgan Perry who is also going abroad in the fall. We're all aware of what Morgan has done this semester. She's the publicity queen!**

### 6. Committees

- **Publicity**

- **Morgan Perry:** I want to echo Gianni's message about keeping the momentum up. I want to talk about some of the things that Publicity did this semester which I hope we can continue next semester. This semester we got a new logo. Logo competition, remember that? Yay. We got a lot of submissions from the student body. Now we have this beautiful piece of, wow. I think that helped our visibility this semester and it's an exciting change. We put up the bulletin board in Diner, which has gotten a lot of attention when I walk through. I'm hoping we can keep that going. Every two weeks, we have SA Seconds, which is a breakdown of the minutes. That has been going pretty consistently, we've gotten some pretty positive feedback. We know livestream in KJ to bring more visibility to our livestream accessibility and social media as well. We hold a pretty awesome bonding event that we're going to keep up in the future. We had some pretty successful tables in Diner where we were able to answer student questions about upcoming events and introduce ourselves. That's something that has a lot of potential to become a consistent part of Student Assembly going forward. These are some things that we've done this semester that I hope is continued in the future. I'll miss you guys.
  - **Gianni Hill:** The next publicity chair has big shoes to fill.



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**7. Funding:**

Amount remaining non-strategic: **\$6,731.47**

Amount remaining discretionary: **\$8,664.99**

Organization	Items/Services Requested	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Resubmit
Model United Nations	Conferences, <i>advanced funding for next semester</i>	\$9,739.03	\$9,709.03	N
<i>Student Assembly</i>	<i>C&amp;C (woot woot!)</i>	\$5,600	\$5,600	N

Advanced funding requested: \$9,739.03

Advanced funding recommended: \$9,709.03

Discretionary requested: \$5,600

Discretionary recommended: \$5,600

Remaining discretionary if funding passes as recommended: \$3,064.99

○ **Model United Nations - Funding Passes as Recommended**

- **Will Andriola:** This is will come out of next year's fund for three conferences in the fall at Columbia University, Georgetown, and Yale. They requested \$9739.03. We cut that down to \$9,709.03 because we have to keep hotel costs at or under \$300. Other than that, the budget checked out. It is expensive, but it's under the cap and meets all funding code requirements.
- **Gianni Hill:** You're setting yourself up for the semester and won't really be requesting anything next semester, right?
  - **Edsel Llaurador '19:** I wouldn't say so. Perhaps, at the moment we've budgeted for everything. If there is anything that pops up like a team dinner to foster relationships within this already diverse club, something like that would be submitted in the future. Right now, as it stand, we're pretty set.
  - **Gianni Hill:** These are all big things though?
  - **Anna Goula '22:** Yeah they're the hotel costs, driving to a bunch of places, gas money is extremely expensive. That's what goes into that budget.
- **Will Andriola:** Even if you were to request more, we wouldn't be able to give it you because you're \$20 away from the maximum.
  - **Edsel Llaurador '19:** That's fine. At the end of the day, it's pretty much MUN in a nutshell. To address any concerns here, we as a club always strive to give the students here at Hamilton College a very diverse experience. It's a strong collegiate experience out



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there on the circuit, it's a lot of academic rigor. It's almost one of the diverse academic clubs here at Hamilton. We really strive to represent Hamilton out in the field.

- ***Student Assembly - Funding Passes as Recommended***
  - **Will Andriola:** Included in that is funding for food trucks.
  - **Amanda Kim:** This is for the C&C concert day in general. For the event that we've been planning throughout the semester, we're going to be having four food trucks.
    - **Gianni Hill:** There's already one that Student Activities is providing.
  - **Amanda Kim:** Which is the Holy Smokes Barbeque. We're also going to have Gloria's Ice Cream Truck, Ting's, and KP's Kettle Corn. That's the going to be on Sadove Terrace from 11 to 1. Stop by, get some food, and just fill up your belly.
  - **Gianni Hill:** It will just be like FebFest, so you'll get tickets. We'll give out a certain number of tickets and people can pay in cash after those run out.
  - **Amanda Kim:** So we're budgeting for the tickets for the food truck. One of the food trucks has a \$50 flat fee which is also in there. We also requested some money for publicity for the event. If anyone has cool event name ideas, please let us know. Right now it's just Student Assembly Food Trucks, which sounds not fun. Also, for the past two years, SA has done a Hydrate or Diedrayte for C&C day concert just to remind people to stay hydrated. So we're including funding for that.
  - **Natalie Rodriguez '22:** For the food trucks, is it cash only or can you use a card?
    - **Gianni Hill:** Maybe use the tickets first. There should be more than enough for the amount of people that want to come, it should be fine. We can work out specifics of what we can do after that. Probably not cards at the food truck, but technology.
  - **Gianni Hill:** Come and eat food on Friday. It's the only thing you have to do.
    - **Amanda Kim:** Gianni and I will be handing out tickets. Stop by and grab one.

### 8. Announcements

- **Student Assembly General Election polls close Thursday! Vote vote vote!**
- **C&C Reminders**
  - The concert is on May 10TH. Doors open at 3:30 pm at the Old Tennis Courts (Rainsite: Field House). Your HillCard if you ticket to enter.
  - You will not granted entry if intoxicated and will be removed if visibly intoxicated. No outside beverage containers, bags, purses, or backpacks.





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- Bringing a guest? They must wear a wristband for entry. Wristbands can be picked up from Student Activities (Second Floor Sadove) on May 9th from 10am - 4:30pm & May 10th from 10am - 12pm. You are responsible for your guest's behavior!

