

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

SCHOOL OF GENERAL STUDIES GENERAL STUDIES STUDENT COUNCIL

TUESDAY OCTOBER 26, 2004

Present:

Also in Attendance (non-voting members of the GSSC):

Excused Absences: Stephen, Dalit, Katia, Josephine

Quorum is established. (14/18)

I – Agenda Item – Committee Updates

II – Agenda Item – GSSC member involvement on Campus

Policy: Involvement of GSSC members in wider issues is acceptable, as long as you discriminate between your position and your views. You must issue a disclaimer that you are speaking for yourself.

III – Agenda Item – Committee Updates

- a. Finance – overlooking budget; can we discuss transparency of budgetary process
- b. External – 120th street gate: talked to security, and the costs are substantial, but the 4 councils are together on this one and will try to look for alternatives. Club sports is being dealt with, since coaches of the program are asking for benefits to come from student life funds.

IV – Agenda Item – Co-sponsorships

- a. Observer – concerns about number of issues, constitutionality of membership requirements, costs, and advertising.

V – Agenda Item – National Tuition Endowment (NTE)

- a. motion by Omri to endorse NTE, seconded by Josh
Vote: 10-0-3
Motion Passed

VI – Agenda Item – New Business

- a. Poker event -- Needs a letter from council affirming support -- no objections
- b. Logo Design -- concerns about crown, copyright, and formality
- c. Housing Reform -- Matan is sending out email, is seeking a theme, then we will approach IRE.
- d. Push the Halloween party. Only have 30 RSVPs so far. Need 150 to make some money back

VII – Agenda Item – Allocations

- a. Claudia makes a motion 500 for observer, seconded by abby
Vote: 3-5-5
Motion Defeated
- b. Pavan makes a motion to deny observer request, seconded by omri,
Vote: 6-4-3
Motion Passes
- c. Josh makes a motion to pass Freshmen Class Budget of \$2900, Omri seconds,
Vote: 10-0-1
Motion Passes
- d. Isak makes a motion to pass Career Services and Alumni Affairs Budget for \$2000, Omri seconds,
Vote: 9-0-1
Motion Passed
- e. Omri makes a motion to pass suggestion from the Finance Committee for \$150 for Ahimsa
Vote: 4-2-6
Motion Passed
- f. Liz makes a motion to deny suggestion from the Finance Committee for \$100 for the Carribean Student Organization, Alyssa seconds
Vote: 6-4-1
Motion Passes

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- g. Formal Committee requests \$15,000
- Claudia makes motion to pass suggestion, Matan seconds,
Vote: 11-0-0
Motion passes