Westmont College Student Association
Meeting Minutes
1-21-13

Present: David Dry, Sarah Mull, Ky Kocur, Elizabeth Grossman, Melissa Caputo, Ryan Council, Annaliese Yukawa, Robyn Bickerton, Nicole Birkholz

Meeting began at 7:18

- Lightning Round
  - Robyn - FYG this week!
  - Nicole - successful Launch Week events, possible Superbowl party
  - Kyle - senior calendars, etiquette dinner, financial events, Senior Spotlight
  - Annaliese - monthly study breaks
  - Melissa - financial fitness event, March 1 carnival, feedback on jersey proposal
  - David/Annaliese - cheating survey data summary response (have teachers walk throughout room during exams; discuss cheating rather than just mention in syllabus; provide opportunity for anonymous reporting)

- Prayer - Nicole

- Minutes approved for 1-14

- Funding Proposals
  - Chem Club Cold Springs Science Fair - $150
    - Sarah moves to fund, Nicole seconds - all aye
  - Loving Our Religious Neighbors Club Lunch - $84
    - Nicole moves to fund, Ky seconds - all aye
  - Freshmen T-Shirts proposal tabled until next week

- Contact ICPs, etc. to open communication that Taya did last semester - Nicole

- Clubs & Cupcakes - WCSA table to get publicity, interest for Senate elections
  - Focus solely on Senate - no other changes
  - Half-sheet literature with info, sign-ups for interest
  - Annaliese, Ryan, Elizabeth, David at table, Nicole make sign
  - Sarah check on table, Elizabeth make half-sheets (only 7 members for elections)

- KSC
Options:
- (1) revamp look, no structural changes
- (2) lounge for off-campus students (fridge, water hot/cold, microwave)
- (3) coffee shop (VK’s unused espresso machine?)
  - Would require thousands of $ for health regulations
  - Coffee cart could bypass lots of health regulations
- Need to think about getting student feedback on the possibilities
  - **Everyone** get feedback from friends
- Regardless of choice, the KSC will be revamped in some way this year
- **David** check whether or not the KSC, library remodel is planned already

- Westmont Learning Outcomes
  - Simplify current core learning objectives - seven main proposed objectives
  - Students should know because:
    - Communicate what a Westmont education means
      - E-Portfolio of competencies/outcomes
        - Part of major seminars? Would students get involved?
        - Why easier than documents on your computer, or LinkedIn?
        - Not on Westmont servers
        - Indexed, formatted like a portfolio
        - Involve in first-year seminar
    - Clarify the importance and distinction of GEs, liberal arts
  - Would students care? Put a student on the GE committee (Academic Ambassador)?
    - Launch Week
    - Inform freshmen (not detailed), juniors and seniors (internships/jobs/etc.)
    - Email from Dr. Beebe/a Westmont VIP
    - Involve OLP in career counseling, etc. - marketing yourself for jobs is a more interesting angle than “learning about liberal arts”
    - Gaede Institute for the Liberal Arts
    - Mention in class chapels (sophomore/senior?)
    - Potential freshman seminar curriculum
    - Educate major/academic advisors to discuss with advisees
      - Involve Academic Ambassador?
    - **Everyone** send David, Annaliese feedback on the sample E-Portfolio link

- Restructuring
  - Next week: Each group bring a roadmap for the coming months, planning so far

- Summary