Westmont College Student Association
Meeting Minutes
11-18-13

Present: David Dry, Kyle Phipps, Ryan Council, Ky Kocur, Robyn Bickerton, Clare Moore, Angela D’Amour, Annaliese Yukawa, Elizabeth Grossman, Nicole Birkholz, Sarah Mull, Melissa Caputo

Meeting began at 7:03 PM

- Robot Food: Feb. 22
  - Suggestions: Reduce truss cost by enclosing something else (black curtains?), eliminate photographers and set-up costs, reduce black tarp cost and tape (some was left over; need less than last year), team prepared, requiring 4 security guards (total $456 for security)
  - Tommy
    - More money this year: increased prices charged by company (truss, etc.); paying for set-up & teardown; photographers will charge this year (free last year); increase security (from Student Life); increase payment to chaperones
    - Set-up team: five team members from last year graduated
      - Can we have students help set-up?
        - Would sub in for a U-Haul rental of about $150
      - Want to enlist WAC for set-up/tear-down?
        - They’re too overworked
        - Enlist freshmen (Annaliese and Clare) - con’t. the tradition
      - Need at least 12-14 people - currently a team of 3
    - Gaffer’s tape: excess to WAC last year
      - If they want to keep it again, they can pay for it
    - Truss: entrance arches, main setup for lights/speakers
      - Enclose the space in black curtains to make it not look like a gym
  - Each class rep enlist volunteers?
    - No one will want to help all day
    - Work in shifts?
      - Too complicated, too many people
  - Ultimately not up to WCSA to make this happen - up to Robot Food leaders
    - Our responsibility is to decide on funding the event
    - Cool idea, but excessive cost - needs to be rethought
    - Partially fund and offer other suggestions
    - Reduce to $500 for truss, $50 for entrance decor, $50 for tape, $0 for photographers, $0 for set-up; add $150 for U-Haul, $228 for security?
• It’s another gym dance vs. two put on by WAC
• Charging entrance - maybe $1-2?
• Can’t set the precedent of going all-out just because we have budget surplus
• Last year: $2,600
  o Fund $3,000, offer other suggestions (charging entrance, etc.)
  o Kyle motions, Ky seconds, all aye

• Lightning Round
  o Ryan - rugby come in to discuss NZ funding proposal; polo adviser prevented application submission, resend form
  o Ky - take a professor to lunch is ready, waiting on allstudent email
  o Melissa - hosting drive-in junior class movie event this weekend
  o Annaliise - hosting football game w/Page dinner; Page/Clark Idol Jan. 17
    ■ Michelle Hardley for athletes’ PE credits
  o Nicole - Christmas cookie party in Armington; cleaning out social media profiles
  o Kyle - Thanksgiving potluck for seniors/off-campus students
    ■ Restructuring group discussion: want to pare down government
  o David - beginning search for new VP of Student Life

• Prayer - Robyn

• State of the Budget - all proposed expenditures are on track

• Westmont iPhone App
  o Committee members: Clare, Annaliise, + a freshman, Melissa + friend, Kyle, maybe Nicole - names of plus ones to David by Thursday

• Restructure
  o Assigned conversations - accomplish by end of semester
  o Dates:
    ■ Mid-February: Constitution due, present to admin, etc.
    ■ Feb. 24-28: WCSA week to promote all changes, explanations
      ■ Feb. 27: Constitution voting
      ■ Feb. 28: Election packets due
    ■ March 6: Election day
  o Need to be strategic - let them know before WCSA week
  o Bring in RAs, RDs to help inform and recruit new members - involve Res Life