Westmont College Student Association
Meeting Minutes
4-14-2014

Present: Riley Svikhart, Ky Kocur, Clare Moore, Abby Gritter, Annaliese Yukawa, Elizabeth Grossman, Robyn Bickerton, Nicole Birkholz, David Dry, Melissa Caputo, Ryan Council, Caroline Sunshine, Kyle Phipps, Angela D’Amour

Meeting began at 7:20

● Prayer - Melissa

● Minutes (4-7) approved without comment

● Lightning round
  ○ Annaliese - Page Choice Awards
  ○ Nicole - sophomores’ “Halfway Done” celebration
  ○ Melissa - Junior Soiree next week

● Funding Proposals
  ○ NSTEP - new $1500 total for event
    ■ Need sponsoring department in order to receive funds
    ■ Possibly need chaperones or security
    ■ David motions to fund out of Promotions and Subscriptions (conditional on sponsoring department), Kyle seconds, all aye
  ○ Polo Club - $2300 for plane tickets
    ■ Tabled until we know who the plane tickets are for

● KSC
  ○ Working with Melinda Harriman to discuss support, finances, etc.
  ○ Options:
    ■ Possibility of deck, front entrance renovations to KSC - request for one-time funding
      ● Part of the college’s master plan for large-scale KSC expansion/renovation
      ● Right now we can try to fund the design for this exterior addition
    ■ Interior decor - lighting, seating, etc.
      ● Would people actually go just for these changes?
    ■ Work with El Tejado to bring back the “Study” feel
- Annaliese - discuss El Tejado at Thursday DC Committee meeting
  - Melissa will craft full proposal when numbers are confirmed

- Business Manager Meeting Funding Requests
  - Emmaus Road: $1.00 for Global Re-Entry Retreat
    - Nicole moves to fund, Annaliese seconds, all aye
  - Urban Initiative: $0.50 for Utah Spring Break Trip
    - Riley moves to fund, Annaliese seconds
    - Nicole abstains
    - Aye: David, Ky, Melissa, Caroline, Kyle, Riley, Abby, Clare, Annaliese
  - Spring Sing: $2.00 + one-time request for $4,000 deficit
    - Next year: get a cohesive report of Spring Sing funding sources
    - David moves to fund, Riley seconds, all aye
  - Reallocation of student fees, not increase in cost, etc.

- Senator proposal
  - Chair(wo)man of the Senate, with highest senator ranking, yet below VP
  - Why not elect a chair from the preexisting senators?
    - This gives the decision to the student body
  - This removes intended specificity from the VP position
  - The Chair would work more closely with Executive Council
  - The VP would still have an increased role, this would just divide the work up a bit
  - What if the Senate (led by Chair) and Executive Council were entirely divided?
  - Senate leader would be called Vice Chair
  - General consensus seems to be elect VC from within
    - What to do with the $1500? An eighth senator?
    - This $1500 would likely come from Promotions & Subscriptions account
    - Possible Athletic Senator - would represent unique needs currently unrepresented
      - Scheduling/commitment conflicts?
  - Would this be too much of an administrative role?
  - Vice Chair would create unity within Senate while differentiating the two bodies
  - Perhaps this decision would be best left to next year’s council and the Senate.
  - Is having an internally-elected Vice Chair an idea worth pursuing to fruition?
    - Yes: Ky, Melissa, Ryan, Caroline, Kyle, David, Abby, Annaliese, Elizabeth, Nicole
    - Abstain: Clare