Associated Students of Claremont McKenna College

Senate
November 10th, 2014

Highlights: (Find the matching color within the minutes for more information)

- **Consortium Speakers**
  - Denise Hayes- VP for Shared Services
  - Kate Crocker- Claremont Libraries
  - Bonnie Clemens- Secretary to the Board & Assistant to CEO

- **KLI Speakers**
  - Discussed current and upcoming initiatives/programs

- **Gender Neutral Housing Feedback**
  - What's going on at the other 5C campuses
  - What we think should be going on at CMC- north quad and mid quad thoughts

- **Funding Request- Marks Music Room**
  - Lowered their request from previous
  - Funding approved in full

Call to Order: 9:03pm

1. Approval of Minutes
   A. Approved

2. **Speakers: Consortium**
   A. Denise Hayes- VP for Shared Services
      i. Student health, counseling, centralized disabilities center, chaplains
      ii. All the shared services are overseen by student deans committee- the leadership of that committee rotates (this year it's Mary). The way we get input on what students need is from the student deans, those in charge of health services, and student surveys.
      iii. Peer health educators are certified to do workshops through outside programs. Student health & council have 24 hour services (through camp sec after hours).
      iv. Chicano/Latino/Black Student Affairs groups. For example, monthly lunches.
      v. Chaplains office has Protestant, Catholic, Jewish- they do programming with a component of community service. Some program offerings are individual- not always about spirituality. Hindu/Buddhist/Muslim students get support as well. All these chaplains are trained to work with this wide range of students.
      vi. Questions
          ▶ Is speaking to the chaplains a very informal thing? Can you just send an email and walk in?
            • When you fill out paperwork for coming here, there's a question asking if you're interested, if so, they reach out to you. If not you can also reach out to them by phone call or email and set up a meeting. Or you can walk in and talk to whoever is there.
            • McAlister Center, right next to library (north, cross the street from Scripps/CMC).
            • No cost
          ▶ Pomona has a nutritionist free of charge- is it available to the other 5Cs? If not, do we have a resource like this?
            • Whitney with health education outreach specializes in this
          ▶ What do you think are the most underutilized resources?
            • Can only speak to the ones I(Denise) oversee
• Health Education Outreach is increasing utilization (with peer educators)
  • free condoms, any questions about health, risk reduction, nutrition
• Centralized Disability Services
  • just started in August- it's the newest
• Student Health, OBSA, CLSA, Monsour highly utilized

▷ Monsour has limited number of counseling services, but Chaplains don’t- do people who aren't religious use this?
  • They absolutely can. They are not trained/certified therapists, however.
  • The reason Monsour has limits is because of the amount of students they work with
    • Last year short of psychiatrists, hired new people this year
  • Day of service, sponsor faculty panels, multicultural youth council, food service activity, Thanksgiving dinner, also do sensitivity training regarding differences among people

B. Kate Crocker
  i Programs & Communications specialist for Claremont libraries
  ii Co-facilitator for board of student stake holders
  iii Questions
    ▷ What are some services that are underutilized at the library?
      • 3 Things I’d like you to know
      • The library purchases all the required texts for your classes, and available for 7 day loans. These do not go off-campus.
      • Google glass loan program, apply through library's homepage, rent out for 7 days. People are coming on Thursday at 4:15 in library talking about what they've done with these
      • Accepting applications for undergrad research award until March
        • includes group project
        • cash prize
    ▷ For things like special collections, are there ways to have things brought in from other libraries?
      • I don't know if other libraries would lend us rare items- you can probably get access somehow
      • For general collections, we use programs that share with 50 other libraries in CA and Nevada, and another worldwide sharing network (more for articles if we don't have subscriptions)
    ▷ Heard we lost subscription to Harvard Business Review?
      • Contact the library and finding out if they have and what the process for that is

C. Bonnie Clemens
  i Secretary of the board & assistant to the CEO
  ii Role on administrative side- primarily serve as staff to the council of the Claremont colleges (presidents of the 7 institutions and the CEO)

D. If students have feedback on consortium resources, what's the best avenue for giving it?
  i Library- board of student stakeholders, or on the website, there's a suggestion area
  ii All of the CUC services are funded by the 7 colleges. Going through budget process now, recently sent to council the budget and the presidents look carefully at that and make decisions about how much to add to that base budget. Final budget approved in May. Library has some small endowments that benefit the collections.
  iii VP for shared services Denise_Hayes@CUC.claremont.edu
  iv If you have thoughts/ideas, many of the services have suggestion boxes, working on making more available online so you can email/call. Pretty easy and accessible. Always looking for ideas
  v One new thing that happened this year- Monsour did depression screening in front of the library. As their staffing increases, able to do more outreach. Student health did flu shots on all
7 campuses. May not seem exciting, but keeps you healthier!

E. How many of you students have actually been to the classes offered by the library?
   i. The research class was really helpful, lots of avenues, saving lots of money

F. How do you find out what classes are being offered by library?
   i. Workshops offered weekly. Check out website for information.
   ii. Follow us on Twitter and Facebook!

3. **Speakers: Kravis Leadership Institute**

A. Director of Leadership Programs, Director of Entrepreneurial Initiatives
   i. Wanted to put names with faces so you know we exist, here to serve you and provide resources. We’ve been here almost 2 years. Very open to your feedback and comments, want what’s best for you. What type of things will be most helpful to your leadership development?

B. Research & Internships
   i. sponsored internships
   ii. provide lots of research opportunities for students

C. Core leadership programs
   i. creating new programming for KLI in response to a lot of feedback from students. Also working on leadership study sequence

D. Social and commercial entrepreneurship
   i. Trying to figure out how to teach students to see themselves as people who can create change and be more entrepreneurial. Innovative start-up award.

E. Upcoming Resources & Events
   i. Trying to shift the way we serve students - in past, those who worked in KLI were the only ones benefiting. Broadening the scope of the services. Lots to offer.
   ii. Building some new co-curricular programs
      ▷ Piloting 2 programs in spring: Single and groups
      ▷ Experiential - doesn’t feel like sitting in a classroom, engaging programming
      ▷ Develop skills to be effective
      ▷ Offered to entire student body
   iii. SLE and Leadership Studies sequence still exists
   iv. Innovative Start-Up Award this Friday - Founder’s Room in Bauer 10am-3pm
   v. Hult Prize - talk to Will Su!
   vi. ImpACT - communicate to innovate November 21st 1pm-3pm 4th floor KLI
   vii. Why is leadership sequence valuable?
      ▷ Helps employers have a sense that you’ve had courses in leadership. Helps differentiate you amongst other people when you graduate. Leadership is so complex - in order to navigate it, you have to understand these complexities. These courses give you the tools for it. Helps you understand all the background that goes into leadership. Provides foundation for whatever you’re going to do in the future.
   viii. How does your funding differ from the career services internship funding?
      ▷ You apply through one portal, you just check off which you’re looking at
   ix. For leadership sequence - what year do you start taking the courses?
      ▷ You can start at any time - you just have to complete the 5 courses at some point. The earlier you “declare” it, you’ll get emails and information about things going on
      ▷ Go to the registrar, fill out a piece of paper.
   x. What's this changemaker campus, and how do students have a role?
      ▷ ImpACT - imbedding social innovation throughout everything they do. Self-run, different teams with various focus areas. Anyone with an idea can basically run with it. Provide specific programs that KLI helps run. Send people to conferences (we're a net impACT
chapter- usually graduate school). How do you create a career path for you that has meaning? AshokaU exchange (organization that gave us the designation), 1000 person conference every year, last year piloted a spring break trip to go to Bay Area. Faculty & staff providing support.

xi Specific examples of where students intern underneath this programs?
▷ There's a list of sponsored internships from last year (talk to Cole Mora). The internships aren't necessarily about leadership, they're some that you find but we sponsor and support you with. You aren't a “leadership intern”, they're just organizations that KLI identified as supporting student leadership and promote change.

xii Kravis Prize
▷ $250,000 prize for excellence in leadership in the social sector. Been around for 9 years. We have connection to prize. The award ceremony is always on campus- opportunities to connect with them. Sponsored internship opportunities with these past Kravis prize recipients

xiii Kravis also gives the credit for internships- that's important!

4. Gender Neutral Housing Feedback

A. What's the res life committee discussing?
   i Where CMC wants to move in the future
   ii All mid-quad dorms after construction will be gender neutral capable. Tyler was looking at other school's gender neutral housing stuff
      ▷ Pitzer is the most all-encompassing, option on freshman survey saying what roommates you'd be comfortable living with. All dorms gender neutral.
      ▷ Pomona has gender neutral bathrooms in all of dorms- not as broad of an option
      ▷ Harvey Mudd has options for singles- less encompassing
      ▷ Scripps doesn't have to deal with it
   iii Marks/Benson/Berger could be completely gender neutral, a floor could be gender neutral, or half and half on the same floor. Towers are out of question because the bathrooms are not gender neutral capable, possible to do renovations eventually.
   iv North quad more complicated- could have one dorm gender neutral capable, certain suits, or all of it
   v In north quad, when you apply into it (except for freshmen) you apply as a suite. The person with the highest room draw # draws the others in. But if you have a gender neutral suite, you have to align the other side of the suite's preferences with you. How do you come up with a rationalization for some sort of application, implications of living in north quad, specific building, etc

B. Comments?
   i Specific suites should be gender- neutral, but we need to figure out lottery system/just assigning
   ii Not sure if our school is at the point where all of north quad can be gender neutral, but we should realize that it's the long term goal.
   iii At CMC, gender neutral means floor to ceiling doors, but not at Pomona
   iv What's the Pomona situation?
      ▷ Pomona has largely the same process as CMC- where you have gender suites as a freshman, but later you can opt to live or not live in gender neutral as you continue on. All the dorms, however, are gender neutral. Men/Women/GN bathroom at all dorms
   v Pitzer actually has the option saying are you comfortable living in a GR room
   vi Beckett voted on if we wanted an all girls/boys bathroom along with GR bathroom. This is necessary because don't mind GN bathroom, but it gets gross. Important to have both options.
   vii This discussion important to give to residential life thoughts
All of Pitzer is suite style, so it's easier to figure out

Agree that GN bathrooms are gross in Beckett, guys also want to use the girls' clean bathrooms

This bathroom cleanliness is also a big issue- if people who would prefer to use GN can't use it because it's gross, it loses its purpose

We should recognize this is one situation where we're just testing out GN housing- Beckett has an issue with dorm damages already so we have to consider that it's just one situation

Stigmatization possibility- does Beckett have the same status as like stark where you automatically associate it with that. Is there any sort of stigma or way of treating people who live there? What could come of living arrangements of suitestyle living or tower based living?

- I've never heard gender neutral housing mentioned in the same sentence as Beckett- I think most people don't even realize that it's GN
- Gender breakdown at Beckett is highly skewed toward male- it possibly backfired at us. Doesn't have the equality balance
- But gender neutral means we don't pay attention to how many guys vs girls are in the building

Definitely a case by case basis. There have been cases where girls bathrooms are dirtier than men's bathroom- really depends on the people

Can people who live in other midquad dorms mention guys bathrooms?

- There's a livable level of cleanliness

Speaking of Crown- the bathrooms are right next to each other. Girl friend who looked at girls bathroom in Crown and said it was really dirty, but the guys' bathroom has never been dirty. It really depends

The signs on the bathroom in Beckett that say “male” and “female”- ridiculous we can't even change the signs in a gender neutral dorm building

If there's no opposition to GN housing, why don't we overhaul and do it all?

- There's a large group of conservative students on campus that are afraid to speak out. Some people also would rather live with their own gender, and while that isn't necessarily “progressive”, we have to respect that. Also international students may come from countries where GN housing isn't a very commonly approved thing

Freshman girls living with junior boys in north quad...

There's alumni that won't donate to the school because of Beckett, they don't approve it.

Money talks- if those donating money don't agree with beliefs, students won't really be able to move forward

The alumni have this concept of “old CMC” and what NQ was like in their days. Residual feelings and sentiments about it that may not be fully educated but they hold us back

The grounds committee and board of trustees approved the GN housing in mid-quad- if money speaks, clearly there is some approval from above the students

How to Pomona/Pitzer deal with this “freshman girls living with junior boys”

- Pomona and Pitzer have freshmen-specific housing

If you move in freshman year and your suitemates are rowdy guys, it's normal to feel uncomfortable. All midquad, where it's feasible should be GN, but should wait off on NQ

If in the survey they ask “are you cool with living with someone from the opposite gender” then you're fine

- it can easily be manipulated

What's the issue with people from the opposite gender living together? If there is no problem, why are we discussing it?

- Need GN because some students don't identify with the gender they were born with- so you may want to change that gender you're living with

So the question of freshman girls living with guys- why should that even be a question? If
they don't feel comfortable they shouldn't have to
▷ So if we made all of NQ gender neutral then you might have to

Might be useful for your committee to explain to freshman why we have this- provide some context

5. Committee Updates
   A. Shaneli- AAA
      i  Finalizing funding flowchart- provide information about various sources of funding, accessible to everyone at CMC and how to get that
      ii New funding requests for next week
      iii Beginning discussion on review of structure of ASCMC, discussing that in upcoming weeks and will maintain senate updates
   B. Laura- Campus Improvements
      i  Costco delivery open until next Wednesday, delivery Friday
      ii  Added bike racks to south and mid quad
      iii Received campus map from DOS showing where all the yellow boxes are on campus. Don't have a lot of blue lights but lots of yellow boxes- supposedly 50 (more by tennis courts)
   C. Alex- Tech
      i  Moving forward with amazon associates- ITS not able to help us out, working on specialized way to get everyone to use ASCMC's link in order to get 4-8% of purchases- trying to make “bookstore”
      ii No update on drone program
      iii Contacted CIE about apple developer program, hopefully 200 free licenses on campus to use apple developer tools
      iv Kevin Lynch- working on getting 3-D printers by end of next semester
   D. Tyler- Consortium Affairs
      i  Meeting with interim director of campus safety. He was actually really competent and really cool, going to try to bring him to senate. Listened to all of ideas and feedback. Any ideas? Email Tyler and he'll forward it on. He's more than happy to meet with students.

6. Open Forum
   A. Need new pool sticks in the Hub- someone broke all the tops off
   B. Exec board
      i  Should we raise student fees? Usually happens every 5-6 years. No idea if it'll happen, but discussing it. Will bring to senate to discuss.
         ▷ If we increase everyone's fees by $15, we would have an extra $13,000. How would we use it? Only increasing if we have a real reason to use it.
      ii  Wedding party every spring- one of the best events that CMC does. Discussed potential of Indian wedding reception- has generated some excitement and controversy, will be having some discussion with 5C groups to make sure all good. If anyone has particular feedback please talk to Ben Tillotson. Want resolution about this in next few weeks.

7. Funding Request – Marks Room
   A. The Cave originally requested $2000, turned them away initially to look for other sources of funding. None from DOS or Crown fund. Art council is hoping to help them with the equipment they need to produce art.
   B. Revised funding request of $543 for repair/replacement for functionality.
   C. AAA voted to funding in full, with stipulation that we don't intend on funding them every year. They should be funded permanently by something else
   D. A lot of concern about their equipment breaking because of people, not use. This stuff has to not
get broken- needs to be secure if we're funding it
E. Send out very lengthy, angry emails, making it clear that this breaking isn't okay- being strict.
F. When we initially passed the funding last year for $2000, there was going to be a key card, secure system for getting there- but with renovations, doesn't work this way
G. Do they have any representatives here at senate
H. As someone who lives first floor Marks above the cave, we should look at soundproofing. It definitely is pretty open and sometimes people will play at 1am.
   i. Nedim can talk to DOS about it
I. Want a drum shield to reduce the sound, which should help
J. How much of last year's budget did they spend? Allotted $2000, they only used about $1000
K. Senate has over $9,000 still available to spend
L. Motion to approve funding request in full
   i. Motion passes

8. Closing Remarks

Adjourn: 10:32pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Mica Laber
Secretary of the Senate