Associated Students of Claremont McKenna College

Executive Board
September 13th, 2015

*Huge thank you to Caroline Peck for taking the minutes this week*

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

- Monte Carlo & Renovations
- Alcohol Policy Feedback

Members Present: Eliana Keinan, Cole Mora, Cristina Lee, Nicky Blumm, Caroline Peck, Christine Horne, Ben Turner, Kathryn Chakmak, Sharan Seth, Melissa Muller, Iris Liu, Makari Krause, Griffin Ferre, Michael Irvine, Kris Brackmann, Will Su,

Members Absent: Russell Salazar, Mica Laber


Call to Order: about 7:00pm

Previous minutes approval

Motion to table approving minutes until they are sent out, motion approved

Board Updates
Eliana: none
Cole: event debrief
Cristina: none
Nicky: dorm presidents elected, meeting next Sunday night, get him suggestions/things you need to communicate
Caroline: none
Steen: none
Ben: none
Kathryn: still in second place for Passion Planner, ends Sept 18 (Steen: you can vote from your phone separate from your laptop), probably not that far above us because they just passed us, presidents need to send out another reminder
Sharan: none
Melissa: club speed dating was a failure- only 3 leaders showed up, maybe it was the time or name?, mandatory meetings going well, CMS Christian Athletes are a new club
Iris: received a bunch of applications for the student committees, Senate committee apps went out and are due Tuesday- elections committee and budget committee elections and secretary election will be tomorrow night, soliciting interest from the student public for involvement in diversity committees (email Iris if you are also interested in that)
Makari: none
Griffin: none
Michael: none
Kris: none
Will: toga sales are making profit, returned from SLE- sophomores have a lot of ideas will be soliciting applications for new CFO and new event commissioner in the new election cycle, hopefully won’t affect the budget timeline (still 2-3 weeks out)
5C presidents met and discussed revamping the 5C senate, expecting a lot more collaboration

Monte Carlo and renovations (Kris)
the goal is to have a lot of the renovations done by Monte Carlo
speakers and bar will be in
he suggested galvanized metal on the walls, multiple panels that can be changed around
string lights across (zigzag or straight)
Makari: how will that affect putting up a tent?
Kris/Will: probably won’t be able to use that anymore
Steen: we need the colored, programmable lights on one of the side walls

Kathryn: the noise from the party zone is actually really loud (from last Thursday)- the way it travels echoes in the football stadium, not surprised by noise complaints
Steen: how will the steel/new walls affect the sound?
Will: probably won’t affect it, can always point the speakers a certain way

issue of not having the tent for events like Frost
Steen: still have the fields

Ben: there’s more of a desire for student involvement. would be nice to have involvement through updating the students to the renovations

Kris: Cirque du Claremont, same number of casino tables as last year, band, photobooth want to do 2 kegs and wine, plus 1 fun drink like sangria will be 6 bartenders, and 2 bars
Steen: make sure there are extra corkscrews, 2 buck chuck is cheaper than boxed wine
Kris: wants to start advertising it, maybe have help with puns… wink @Ben
use brown paper bag tickets online, outside dining halls the last week for $20 have to cap at about 1200 students
Kathryn: can we give priority to CMC students?
Kris: we can open it online the first week to CMCers and the alumni

Eric: why can’t we have it in the same place as last year?
Kris: impactCMC is the same weekend in flamson, so we can’t use it

Event Debriefs

TNC (hometown throw down)
Cole: went well, people had fun and were fine except for a couple aggressive people, student security were awesome (S/O to Griffin and Dom)
Will: we need to have immediate follow up with CampSec because we have communication/relationship with Stan now
Cole: didn’t finish the keg... probably because CampSec were checking IDs
Kris: I asked Devon (who had gotten an email from CampSec) who said they saw extra wristbands (more than the 60 they were told of) brought in, so they started checking IDs
Steen: will talk to Devon about that because Griffin was definitely given more than 60 wristbands
Cole: in terms of the event itself, felt pretty successful, Oliver did a great job, BP tables were popular, very low maintenance and a great turnout
CampSec and miscommunication issues need to be solved immediately though

**ABC**
Steen: thanks to Kathryn for being the only one who helped setup
pretty packed, people lined up by 9:45
DJs were great, plugged into McKenna speakers so it was pretty loud
Marcellus’s first time doing StudentSec so didn’t know to do wristbands and not just check IDs
CampSec was great, a couple issues because there weren’t bike barricades (not expecting the turnout or the lack of manpower to have them)
gets really hot, sweat on the floor, spilled beer so that was gross
little bit of a new problem where there were too many people
it was 5C, people were coming in and out and it was full the whole time
keg ran out around 11:15

**Upcoming**
this Thursday, partnering with CPB, buses run back and forth every 3 minutes
Saturday is Toga, Cole’s leading it

Cole: want to make it more of an event than just a regular weekend party, looking for any feedback or suggestions

**Alcohol Policy Feedback:**
Will: pre-Senate campfire, discussed at Senate, official forum on Wednesday, roundtable with Chodosh on Thursday
Ben: very informed conversation on Wednesday, think people came away more informed
Michael: main themes- 15 person limit feels a little too low for inclusivity CMC is known for, was good for admin to hear about, concern about not being able to register an event later than 48 hours prior, drinking game policy and why it’s a thing when snappa/BP can go for a long period of time
Iris: Senate had a productive convo, 140+ present at beginning of the night, took poll of approval of alcohol policy, [get actual numbers from Iris], not very telling of what’s really the feedback- class year was also involved in the poll in order to examine them
in the process of getting IRB approval to get a survey about it to send out, Campbell Streator is taking the lead on that more in-depth feedback survey, hoping to get more solid info as backup for any claims being made by students/ASCMC
Steen: went to Chodosh’s house, similar themes repeatedly brought up, there were a few nondrinkers in the room that didn’t mind it because they felt they would actually be included, which was really sad-
that shouldn’t happen, we should keep that in mind as a board to make non-wet events a priority as well
Michael: what was it specifically?
Steen: they liked having specific areas where drinking games were okay because it feels polarizing, the weekend talk-party-talk about the party conversation cycle
no one disagrees with the philosophy behind the policy, just the rules
Will: met with Chodosh about expansion of the policy, maybe dorm presidents getting to throw events for their whole dorms

Fellows program:
Cole: after the open forum, a few of us ended up talking about the fellows program, what emerged was an acknowledgment of the way the program has been adopted over the summer in response to feedback but there was going to be a difference of opinion still that wouldn’t get worked out, maybe the way it was executed this past year wasn’t the way we hoped it would turn out at this point, next step feels like to keep talking about it and have a proposal to be shared this week so we can see the common ground and the valuable purpose behind it

Open Forum:
Steen: Mudd funding proposal that we couldn’t vote on last week because of the budget, but it’s the week after next
I have no issue contributing the $500 for paint guns, not paying for the condoms like they’re asking for fundraising. Mudd usually contributes when we ask
Michael: technically things we spend money on become ASCMC property, so you could ask to keep the paint guns afterwards
Steen: would fund, even if they aren’t paint guns we want to keep
Kathryn: motion to approve the $500 for paint guns and ask to keep them afterwards
7 in favor, none opposed/abstaining, motion passes

Michael: Freshmen class elections coming up, info meeting and petitions will start next Sunday, elections on Sept 30

Will: rebranding Closed Minutes as Executive Sessions
Will: motion to go into Executive Session

Adjourn: about 8:00pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Caroline Peck
Event Commissioner