October GBM Minutes

3rd October 2023

Topic 1. New Representatives Onboarding.
Incoming representatives were introduced to the ElectionBuddy voting system and the fundamental principles of Roberts Rules, ensuring a smooth transition into their roles.

Topic 2. Introduction to the 2023-24 GSC
The 2023-24 GSC was inaugurated with the introduction of its committees and a comprehensive agenda. This year marked a significant focus on collaboration between the GOLD Union and GSC. Representatives were provided with a clear understanding of their responsibilities and the potential for dismissal due to negligence. Additionally, the role of the chair and the associated removal procedure were emphasized, establishing a structured and accountable leadership framework for the GSC.

Topic 3. Finance Report and ’23-’24 Budget Approval
The outgoing year's financial report was presented, based on data collected up to October, although the October summary was excluded. Notably, the GSC exceeded its budget, but this was partly covered by a carryover from the previous year. It was highlighted that some clubs had not utilized 33% of their allocated funds. In the new year, a total of $14,400 was allocated to clubs, with a few receiving less than $1,000. Various questions arose concerning charges, including the "student activity fee reserve." Furthermore, it was mentioned that additional funds would be required for Dartmouth's upcoming hosting of the Ivy+ summit.

Topic 4. Standard Funding Requests
Funds for food for e-board meetings were requested and voted on. Additionally, a Club Launch Pad program was introduced, aiming to streamline the process of creating new clubs in the future.

Topic 5. SOJ Recycling and General Announcement
The GSC was alerted to the issue of recycling in certain SOJ buildings, with a concerned student proposing a petition to address the problem. An announcement was made regarding the transition of the Ladyard parking lot's service to MobiliD vans from shuttle service. These new vans can be conveniently requested through an app, primarily catering to accessibility needs, with a 20-minute advance booking requirement.

Topic 6. Open Forum
During the open forum idea was introduced to host a jousting competition as a way to help recycle cardboard boxes from labs. Also announcement was made about creation of sign ups for cricket