

BSD Dean's Council March meeting: 03/11/2020, 12pm BSLC 305

- New members?

Lindsay Douglas replacing Jennie Crosby (MPhys)

- Faculty Marshall nominations

Erin Adams (8)

Stefano Allesina (Steph Palmer nominated but she did last year) (7)

Callum Ross (8)

whoever is the next chair/co-chair will email the nominees in the order of # votes:

Callum, Erin, Stefano

- Funding request: BSD Int'l student mentorship program

peer2peer mentoring program using MaroonMates model

mentees = international, but mentors can be intl or domestic

once a month pairs are required to meet

coffee/pastry check in starting midway through this Spring quarter. (= informational session for pilot program? I missed this)

+ end of year dinner for participants

larger program to start in the Fall quarter (?)

Nikita Mehta (proposing w/ Alexis Monical - the 2x BSD representatives on Grad Council): rationale is from when we met w international students after the feedback form that Grad Council sent out to students. Comments that they felt isolated & wanted more resources

- Proposed budget: \$500. 200 for first check-in meeting this Spring, 300 for the dinner expect 25 pairs (50 total participants)

10% of this year's cohort (first years) are international; estimated a similar percentage for other years

- Voted to approve the budget.

- Julian & Kelsey vacating co-chairs position.

Nikita Mehta (Neuro) & Sarita Deshpande (MSTP/Neuro) volunteered to run; no one knew of other people who wanted to run.

- Voted approval for the new co-chairs.

- Nikita and Sarita will take over next month. (Key to the beer closet, listserv management, scheduling meetings)

- Treasury update:

Added to the website, under 'For Members' tab - link to the current program budgets, updated every month.

All numbers should be up to date as of today. (If not, email Meytal or Alex)

HG is the only department in the red. They may negotiate w GGSB to take over some of the costs of joint events, or make up some of the funds by selling tickets to the event they pre-booked

- Sports update:

Bulls game had 90 interested responses; 60 tickets; sold 57 (9 were sold to non-BSD after it was difficult to sell all of them within BSD).

Alexis recommends emphasizing in future that we can now do online payments! Doesn't have to be in-person payments. (we used Eventbrite this time)

Eventbrite worked well. Send out a link with the ticket number capped, then don't need to monitor how many tix are sold over time.

Only issue: who will be paying the Eventbrite price? add it to the ticket cost, or swallow the cost from the General Fund??

Eventbrite in theory can make it so the check gets sent straight to BSD office.

Get a nice spreadsheet with results & details on the ticket sales.

- Hold a bracket for March Madness?

\$35 to use the website Alexis knows (for 1-50 people - goes up to 200 people & more expensive)

Treasurers are trying to get a refund on the upgraded website version because they promised ability to handle online payments through the site... But then it turned out not to work.

- Coffee hour update:

Moving to Tuesdays? Melissa will look into possibility for future room reservations.

Jin is taking over from Martin & Jennie

- Cultural Chair update:

Brittany won't be here over the summer. Someone to be a co-chair June-Aug?

Might not involve much buying of tix over the summer, due to COVID concerns & University policies atm. (Can't buy big events until April 15 - until guidelines change...)

Email Brittany Broder or the co-chairs if interested.

Brittany put forward ideas for May, July, Sept events (every other month):

Improv Shakespeare (\$20/ticket), Don Quixote (35?? missed the number), Dear Evan Hansen (\$55)

Current General Fund budget = for one big cultural event per quarter. (\$3000/quarter for up-front sales - some of that would be recuperated from ticket sales after)

We may want to only run two of these proposed events. Depends how much we'd be left with after ticket sales.

Movies in the Park is free in the summer!

- Equipment library:

No one there from equipment library. Assume all is well.

- Travel Grants:

BSD travel grants... are not canceled for now?? Applications for travel far out in the future will still happen.

Jennie has been handling travel grants - needs one person to take over as coordinator; more people to help reviewing grants for the Spring session.

(Reviews happen twice a year - Fall & Spring)

Devin Harrison volunteered to take over.

Awarded \$\$ could still go for conference fees (registration) even if the conferences are moved to virtual.

Send out a reminder that grant apps will be due soon!