

Rep-Co Budget Meeting 2 Part 2 Minutes

Attending SGA E-Board:

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Esenia: Hey, alrighty so let's get started. Welcome to a little bit of explanation, not really, but we're going to at least share. We're going to share a little bit about what we're able to get done. We're surprised you all stayed. I think that what I'm about to say is actually surprising. You guys will be really happy to hear about this. This week. Here's a timeline. We have been in back to back to back meetings with administration starting with my open letter to cadge on Monday, which all of you guys have read. Here is the thing. An hour after I sent that letter, I received a call from Dean Rocco. Rocco was in the room with President Cadge when the email dropped.

President Cadge said she would be happy to consider any proposal for any change we wanted dropped. Anything. Traditions, club sports, and even AMOs. Not that she agreed to fund them, she said she would look at the budget she has, of course you guys already know, we didn't have that extra money. She says she will consider it. So, I have been in back to back to back meetings. Me, Jet, Zoe, Dean Rocco, this entire time. Um, Jet, Zoe and I have been meeting also with ourselves to see what we can do. We sent that proposal last Friday. So, just about two days ago. What that looked like, it was just a proposal that shows the things that cost the most amount of money for us. So, traditions, lanterns... We were trying to see how much we could get back. We have sent the line items that were most expensive, which happened to be consolidated in traditions, class presidents, AMOs, and stuff. She said she will look into her budget, and we'll get a response. This is not me making a promise, she just said that she, within an hour of that letter dropping, within an hour of us reaching out, literally the power of students reaching out to President Cadge, we are making so much progress. Now, there's a couple ways. This is just brainstorming. We're gonna do open forums. I'm interested in what people think. I also know many AMOs are not in this room, so this is not a reflection of what the AMOs would want. I'm saying this as a member of AMOs myself. So, two organizations with very different members. So like, big organizations. EnAble is small. Across the board the needs are very different, even within AMOs. We have many different things that moas take care of. That included Malala, who was hosted by Mujeres two years ago. If it's a Bryn Mawr system... those funds also change and adapt in response to the next year. Something that's a little ridiculous, and I think to many of you, is that budgets are decided by two people. Your clubs are reviewed. Often, well not often, well those two people people, those two people are not everyday life. It's hard and impossible and insane to think that those two people would know exactly what to prioritize in every AMO

budget. Something that we are proposing this plenary and again, if you have questions, come up to us. We want an AMO Advisory Board that would directly cite advise the decisions of those budgets. The president, Treasurer from each AMO would make one advisory board. Something that we have decided that admin will consider that decision, for example, a lump sum will be transferred to an AMO advisory board and the only people that have a say is decided among the AMOs themselves. That's not necessarily something we have decided on yet. This is just a brainstorm. It's important to note that Haverford Student Council has a budget committee, so it's not two people spending 4-6 hours when it's budget season to decide on these budgets. This is an unpaid job. These people are full time students. They're working. It's unfair to expect that they need to continuously do this when you also have more organizations accumulating to the roster. We should start considering adding people in those rooms. Yes, it would be a question of an impossible when2meet and it's like 4-6 hours and you all come together. It's hard to get people in a room. I want to hold your curiosity until you talk to me. Until we start. Again, making sure we are talking about the SFC committee elected in the fall. These people would start advising budgetary decisions. Does this mean that they all have an equal say? No, not exactly, these are select committees. But, at least it would be a decision. The next thing is, we need a consistently growing budget. Let's say in a world where Cadge is like I will throw you \$200,000. That doesn't mean we have no fear. Collective negligence brought us here. We can't let collective negligence keep us here. Don't be mad about people around, this is a decision from many years ago. If we don't stop and figure out a solution, remember last week? That was like, it's so crazy. ... I think if the SGA dues is something that would do, we should really consider that if your tuition and fees are already going up more percents, \$2,000, \$3,000 each year... you can find \$10 dollars to give to us in the form of a 2.5% SGA budget increase each year. What does that

mean? How much does a dirty chai cost you one semester? That's one less dirty chai. One less vanilla oat milk latte. That's 45 dollars. That \$5 dollars that you sacrificed to not get a dirty chai with an amount of \$7,000 extra dollars for a semester. That's AMOs, think about that. These are resolutions with President Cadge. We still need to ... fundraise ... So, again, plenary is 11/16 at 1 pm. That's pretty much it. Oh yeah. Alumnae petitions. I petitioned the alumnae association. And so, I emailed the president elect on Wednesday. Haven't heard back. Maybe I'll start doing a call. And getting people to communicate and getting people to be active. This situation we're in? We're in deep, deep problems if we don't get ourselves out now. So, that's where we are. Please support us. Thank you for your support. We appreciate you guys. This is it. This is a 10-20 hour a week unpaid job. We are really appreciative of you staying here and connecting with the SGA. We have one last SGA meeting on Sunday, October 5.

Isabelle: The Honor Board Futures Committee has been hard at work. Dozens of meetings with senior staff, faculty facilitators, etc. We are now making the master doc list of issues that we have with our current Honor Code, Honor Board and Dean's Panel policies. We obviously cannot represent the entire student body. So, we are inviting everyone to come next Sunday. Honor Board Futures will be next Sunday at 8:10pm in the Campus Center. Please come. Stay. Whatever you want. It's all the vibes that were in last Sunday's meeting, bring it to this Sunday.

Esénia: And yeah that's it, thank you.

Caroline: I'm the hell child of the trads mistexes and I just wanted to say that they're gonna be introducing a plenary resolution to have trads budget be, maybe not entirely separate, but get funding separate from the SGA. I don't know what that looks like. I don't know what it looks like now. I don't know what it will look like at plenary. It will be there.

Esénia: Okay, now that's it. Thank you.