

10-10-19 Full Council Meeting

Call to Order at 7:10pm

I. Roll Call

Absent: Liam Raynolds, Grace Gittell, Remy Wells

II. Previous Meeting Minutes

III. Introduction of First-year Representatives

IV. Introduction/Presentation: Vice President and Director of Athletics Lesley Irvine

- Most recently the director of athletics at Pomona College
- Health and wellness is important
- The arena is an opportunity to shape narrative and encourage engagement
- Inclusion and diversity→ using athletics as a vehicle to build community
- Being accessible and creating meaningful dialogue
- It's important to me to be visible and seen as a key member of this community
- I welcome thoughts questions and comments that will help me along my way
- Deksyos: The moment the arena is up and running there will be pushback from students who were vocal against the building of the arena. Work will need to be done to make students feel like this is a collaboration..
- Director Irvine: We have to be intentional about the other spaces going into the arena. We want it to be more than just a space for 18 hockey games.
- Hugh: I appreciate your comments about health and wellness. With the block plan, health can sometimes compete with academics. Has anything stood out to you about CC's wellness?
- Director Irvine: I've been meeting with Chris to determine what the barriers are to wellness.. Is it that students don't know how to join clubs, or don't feel comfortable? We have to be thoughtful about this. We are doing work to elevate the student experience. Maybe we can have some coaches teach drop in classes.. I've really enjoyed how active people are at this school. The key is being thoughtful about programming, we want to support mental health too.
- Tronik: The enforcement of the dress code in the gym has been a big complaint.
- Sophie: You can't show your midriff or parts of your back and shoulders.
- Halle: It's a newly enforced policy
- Director Irvine: That's good feedback thank you.
- Dani: Hockey ticket money- What will happen with that budget when the arena is built on campus?

- Tronik: Another thing that could be improved is sports team culture, specifically the hockey team; fostering practices to build a better relationship with the rest of the student community.
- Joshua: Can you go into the collaboration that might be possible between students and the development of the hockey arena?
- Director Irvine: Looking into how we can plug into established systems on campus. I'm a relationship builder, not trying to do our own thing, we want to collaborate. I'll come back in a year and give you some tangibles.
- Nan: Can you tell me a bit about the athletic department and your engagement so far?
- Director Irvine: Funding for growth, student life, alumni

V. Committee Updates

Finance:

- Lily: Today we funded six events
- Finance committee has been talking a lot about the ethics of funding philanthropy events.
- Dani: We don't want to necessarily stop funding these events but we want to discuss it next week as a full council.
- Deksyos: CCSGA funds the events from the student activity fee and then students donate again at the events so essentially they're paying twice..

Outreach:

- CGSC met last Saturday. Four goals:
 - Prop CC
 - Open access to educational resources
 - Promote diversity, equity and inclusion on campuses
 - Engage in local government
- We set a meeting schedule, I'll send it out
- Danny: The 32% club helped students fill out their FAFSA at mitchell high school. We're going back on the 23rd 4-8pm and 24th 1-3pm.
- Sophie: District 11 school board meeting on Halloween at 5pm at the CCE
 - The school board sent out a questionnaire to all the people running for school board and almost all have responded

Inclusion:

- We have been talking to ethan about what to do with the butler center
- LGBTQIA (and allies) wednesday October 23rd 6:30-8:00 in McHugh commons. Queer sex education seminar!

Student Life:

- Next full council meeting is Bring a Friend to CCSGA! We want to increase awareness about what we do. Forward the flyer to your friends.
- Still working on the requirement for full meal plan for Flemming and Salazar
- We're starting to look at the way other schools do their club process and we're looking to change our process by the end of third block

Internal Affairs:

- VP of Student Life, VP of Internal Affairs and parliamentarian position applications are now open

Presidential:

- There's a working group on how to exempt the east campus small houses from full meal plan
- The no trespassing signs should have been down a few weeks ago but they should be down soon.
- Tripartite team for the anti-racism proposal

VI. A Resolution Supporting Colorado Proposition CC - Max

- This proposition will allow the Colorado state government to retain excess revenue, higher education will get about 100 million dollars every year.
- Nan: Would CC be a beneficiary of any of this money since we're private?
- Max: No
- Joshua: Which pieces of revenue are normally required to refund?
- Max: TABR sets a spending cap every year, so the excess is supposed to be refunded to each taxpayer or its sent to a ballot.
- Ian: I'm wondering if this is within our purview, it's not tied to a political party but how is it not a political endorsement?
- Ethan: We're allowed to be political as long as it's not partisan.
- Nan: Is this non partisan because the proposition was not proposed by a political party?
- Ethan: Yes and there won't be a party affiliation on the ballot
- Dani: Is this something we should support without knowing if it represents the student body?
- Sakina: We are the representatives of the student body
- Dani: But we don't know if the student body would support..
- Ethan: We can do social media, catalyst and on campus work in favor of the proposition

Motion to vote

17 in favor

2 opposed

2 abstaining

Resolution passes

VII. Butler Center Workshop Discussion

- Max: The original intention was for CCSGA anti racist policy work
- Tronik: Inclusion committee not being included in the planning process and lack of communication were an issue.
- Ethan: Dr. Buckley and I were communicating about the concerns of this body. The Butler center was not comfortable with the parameters wanted by this committee so the session was cancelled.
- We debated whether this was the correct forum to speak our concerns about the Butler Center, and we decided it wasn't. The Butler Center didnt feel it would be good workshop, which is fair.
- Tronik: It just seemed that we were going to accept the session they set up without questioning it.
- Jacqueline: It's also about respect for their time, we asked the VP of the college to put aside four hours for us, that was something important to consider when thinking about cancelling an event like that.
- Ethan: Moving forward- This training will and should happen, but there needs to be a time and a place to discuss issues with it beforehand. We can't wait for a reset of the Butler Center before having this training, because that won't be a quick process.
- Halle: Heads of State, Inclusion committee and Ethan and anyone else who wants to be there will have a meeting with the Butler Center. We want to start smaller.
- Nan: What are we hoping to leave this meeting with?
- Ethan: I don't know exactly what the goals are, there are no meetings scheduled.
- Fran: I planned this training and didn't include the inclusion committee so that's my bad. Do we think we need the Butler Center to facilitate a self reflection like this? Maybe we could have a retreat or something just to self reflect about our own anti racist intentions in our policy.
- Shawn: Could we bring in an outside facilitator?
- Ethan: I'm not willing to rebuke or boycott the Butler Center in that way.
- Nicollete: Affinity groups were left without the support they needed from the Butler Center and some groups disaffiliated and the Butler Center disaffiliated from all affinity groups in response.
- Jacqueline: What's the issue here? Do some people on SGA just want distance from the Butler Center or are we trying to avoid what happened to other groups from happening to us?
- Tronik: We should represent the students, be critical in how we build relationships. I'm critical of how effective and helpful the meeting will be...

- Fran: Jackie is right.. What do we want to achieve from this?
- Dani: Without understanding what we want, we can't know what kind of training will be most effective.
- Nicollete: We're having two conversations, one is that the last Butler center training some of us went to was very problematic. The other are the concerns from the students that have been stirring for a while.
- Jacquelline: Can we work with those experiences to work with the Butler Center to improve? Is that leaning towards a solution or no?
- Nicollete: Smaller dialogue with the BC will be most helpful
- Sakina: Before a long full council worksop, a smaller meeting with the Butler Center should be held with those of us that have concerns to make sure the training will be effective and we get the value out of it that we're seeking.
- Jacquelline: We need to come to the Butler Center with respect. We should keep the conversation productive as to what we want rather than a critique of the Butler Center.
- Halle: We do plan to have a small group meeting with the Butler Center.
- Deksyos: We should have that small group meet and come up with proposals and then we can discuss which proposal we like best as this body.
- Jacquelline: We're just having various discussions, we should privilege the workshop and how were gonna go about that.
- Tronik: My critiques are coming from a point of looking for improvement.
- Ethan: I think the small group meeting is a good way to move forward.

VIII. Open Floor for Comment

- Ethan: For next full council would you feel comfortable voicing these concerns and having this conversation in front of Dean Edmunds?
- Would we want friends of CCSGA to be there?
- Sally: I don't think it's the best time for Dean Edmunds
- Ethan will reach out to Dean Edmunds to schedule when he will attend full council

IX. Adjournment at 8:30 p.m.