Merrill Student Government,
Meeting: Thursday 13 November 2014

Minutes by August

Hannah’s talking about something

It’s MAC

She wants snacks for recruiting

Really bad pun, something about comfort food

$25

Possible future events: hand turkeys, paper snowflakes

Is it for people who are already in MAC, or only recruiting?: It will be served in meeting

How will you work with Crown?: Working with CSAC via their co-chairs.

Discussion tabled for later

Minutes by Hannah from here on out:

Talking with managing director of Red Wheel Barrow;
Red Wheel Barrow is an anthology of “creative works.” Aiming to pushing 1,000 copies of a 150-paged professionally bound book. Goals: diversify selections- asking for larger selection of work submissions. Wanting to widen and broaden. Going to core classes and many classes.

How many students in total? 14 signers. It is a student-lead class that is restricted to just 14 students max; is the only Merrill.

What is Red Wheel Barrow again? Selections of works from students of UCSC. “Usual suspects” are art department students; looking to visit GE courses (younger population) to recruit. UCSC being known as a more diverse

Asking for money for publication? Yes.

Have Merrill ever made it into the publications before? Yes. College affiliation doesn’t matter in the selection process. Everything is anonymous in the selection process; where when chosen we ask for a bio from the author/artist.

Have the Murals even been featured? No, because we are looking for something that we can scan in. and photography works skimp away from

Consider online publications? In the process of building up a tumblr. Still under construction; debating what to put on it. Maybe use it to preview and sneak-peak; it would feature things that cannot be featured in a book, such as sound and video.
Are these for sale? They are completely free for everyone.

Where do you distribute/Where can you get them? Main spots: literature department, last year we had only 700 copies. With 1,000 copies, we hope to put them in departments and in college offices. Science and Engineering is looking to be hit up as well.

How do you choose the works? There is an art editor, literature editor, co-head overview editor. Only Oaks College is not represented. A very difficult process. It is a creative magazine, so there is more leeway with what can be chosen. Wants to be interesting, different, and representative of UCSC as a community.

Is there only one a year? Yes, only one glorious book, we are looking to publish to

Submissions due by...? February 15th.

Each year is different... Yes, the editors last year decided to only target the “usual suspects.” That is why it is considerably smaller. It is not as representative of UCSC as a whole;

How are you targeting individuals outside of the usual suspects? Looking for literary criticism. We are talking with individuals who are in the sciences; but the primary goal is to

Literary criticism? Idea from one of the head editor; taking literary criticism as an alternative to fiction writing; challenge, debate, problematize... such as analytics of Foucault.

How about targeting the Dining Hall? People are coming and going... hard to target individuals specifically. We are using posters and fliers. Targeting the entirety of the campus; specific of the younger students.

**Should we fund?**

A great way to boost closet artist; benefits the greater

Motion to fund by Bianca.
Motion seconded by Itai.

Motion passes by consensus.

Motion to fund $100 Kartik.
Motion seconded by Cole.

Objection by Bianca.

I think we should fund them the full $200. Is a beautiful way to display the art of UCSC. And it is for free. Not doing this for a profit. Want to showcase the talent of UCSC.

Not sure of how this will appeal to individuals. As a free book, especially a poetry book,

Gives a platform to express ideas. Have their voice being read by somebody.

It is an option that it is available. If I had known this, I would have grabbed it. It represents us.

Same reason that we have newspaper. I hate reading core books, but I love reading the newspaper on campus. I enjoy it.
For those who want it, they will pick it up. It’s presenting the option to read something.

Motion to amend proposal to $200.
Motion seconded by Kimberly.

Keep in mind that money should definitely not be taken into account. We should fund them what

Objections by Kartik.

Put to a vote:
Funding $100, 2 – 9 – 3
Funding $200, 8 – 4 – 2

Motion passed to fund $200 to Red Wheel Barrow.

**M.A.C.**

Motion to fund MAC by Bianca.
Motion Seconded by Fariah.

Motions passes by consensus.

Motion to fund MAC $25 by Bianca.
Motion Seconded by Lily.

Motions passes to fund MAC $25 by consensus.

**Amending the Constitution**

First amendment; Article X. Section I.
The original constitution states that officers are the only ones able to make a vote to amend the constitution; we are changing it to all voting members.

Motion to amend the constitution to the indicated changes, to go into effect right after it passes by Kartik.
Motion Seconded by Chandler.

Motion to amend the constitution to the changes as indicated by Bianca.
Motion Seconded by Kartik

Vote, 5 – 0 – 9
Motion Passes.

*Article I:*
Motion by Bianca to accept the amendments to the Constitution as indicated.
Motion seconded by Cole.

No Objections, Motion passes by Consensus.
Article I changes passes.
Article II:
Motion by Bianca to accept the amendments to the Constitution as indicated.
Motion seconded by Itai.

No Objections, Motion passes by Consensus.
Article II changes passes.

Article III:
Motion by Itai to accept the amendments to the Constitution as indicated.
Motion seconded by Kartik.

No Objections, Motion passes by Consensus.
Article III changes passes.

Article IV:
Motion to amend Section 4 to include “with the exception of the Spring Elected SUA Representative” by Bianca.
Motion seconded Kartik.

Motion by Bianca to accept the amendments to the Constitution as indicated.
Motion seconded by Cole.

Objection by Kartik.

Members at Large should be able to request a leave of absence.
Unexcused absences: I’m lazy. I don’t want to come.
Excused absences: Those are class conflicts, school sanctioned events.

Vote, 13 – 0 – 1
Motion to amend Article IV passes.

Article IV changes passes.

Motion by Bianca to accept the amendments to the Constitution as indicated.
Motion seconded by Itai.

Vote, 13 – 0 – 1
Motion to amend Article IV passes.

Motion by Hannah to amend the entirety of the Constitution as a whole as indicated.
Motion seconded by Bianca.

Vote, 14 – 0 – 0
Motion passes.

Officer Reports:
PR: Working on MAC’s poster. Posted MSG fliers.

SCOC: Cartoon night on the 19th. Crown college, super smash tournament in the fireside lounge. Saturday 2-5, Crown community room, burgers and desert. Oaks planning for ... Oaks/Eight masquerade ball next
Saturday. Appointments for various committees.

SUGB: Waiting on minutes.

SOFA: 15 groups presented. Amounts have not been talked about specifically. Looking to fund a total of $15,000 - $17,000.

SUA: Emergency meeting called Tuesday; Tuesday was a holiday. Meeting over the proposed tuition increase. 5% each year, every year, for the next 5 year. 27%, $3,500. Your tuition goes to system-wide that is dived up to each of the UC. Your money goes also to funding financial aid; a large part of it, actually. At the end of the day, tuition is being raised. The chancellor is only getting 0.6% of the raise. The money is going towards maintaining/mandatory costs of keeping the UC: UCOP, $650 Million dollars. Mandatory costs keeps going up each year, and that it cannot. Prop 30, 5-5-4-4 plan; that each year would be funded the % indicated. We are currently entering the third year, where we would be funded 4%. Lots of politics being played. Next Wednesday, $1,800 is being used to bus UCSC students to the UC-wide regents meeting happening. We intend to prevent the meeting from happening, with intensions of it making the vote get postponed. Rally supposedly being held.

Treasurer: funded two things today; Red Wheel Barrow and MAC.

Chair: Please add contact to contact sheet. It's a google doc. Please do it. Retreat was cancelled through low attendance. Let’s give it another go. We are not just limited to this quarter. Let’s do this!

Motion to adjourned by Morgan.
Motion seconded by Chandler.