

Merrill Retreat

Merrill Student Government Called to order at 7:44pm by Chair Kimberly Runyan

1. Roll Call

- Lily (Vice Chair)
- Veronica (Advisor)
- Erin
- Bianca
- Amber
- Thomas
- Nicolas
- CJ
- Daisy G.
- Diana (PR)
- Yessi (RA Liaison)
- Karina (Treasurer)
- Patricia (Secretary)
- Maurice
- Kimberly (Chair)
- Jay (SUA)
- Ire
- Itai
- Lily
- Rebeca (Academic Senate)
- Chandler (SFAC)
- Tepp
- Kenley

2. Funding Requests

a. Matchbox

-1/3 literary journals on campus

-magazine

-no Merrill students on staff

-but submit from all over the campus

-gives students and opportunity to be seen and heard

-cost: \$5. 18 per magazine to print but the magazine is free

-Advertise: FB, Instagram, book available to students

-Marketing: Online and fliers at the bus stops, Merrill academic buildings

-Announcements in core classes

-Merrill Ethos: Quality work, any subject which includes exploring identities

-Requesting \$200 want to address us sometime in November, Magazines are distributed at the end of the year

Q: Money for?

A: Printing.

Kim: Also asking CAO, SUA, Literary Guillotine, other senates for money

Karina: Great opportunity to get their art and writing out there. I think it would be a good idea to hear them.

Karina; I motion to invite Matchbox to the space.

Yessi: I second.
No objections. Motion passes

b. Fish Rap

- the most read campus publication
 - distributed all over campus including Merrill
 - satirical news paper
 - Explores cultural identities
 - Merrill Students involved: 15 contributors
 - Free Newspaper
 - Marketing: Mailroom, DH, and the apartments at Merrill
 - Anticipate 750 Merrill Students to Participate in Event
 - Requesting: \$200 for printing (3 times a quarter only in black and white)
- Bee: If you like the onion you'll like Fish Rap
Lily: I motion to hear Fish rap
Daisy: I second
No objections. Motion passes

c. OPERS

- Event: Battle of the Colleges
 - Oaks students to have pride
 - Activities to see which college has the most presence
 - Olympic games at the end of the year
 - Prize: pool party, In & Out food truck etc
 - Benefit Merrill students: paved the way for college pride
 - Cost: \$5 to attend?
 - Advertising: Fliers, social media, word of mouth
 - Raising awareness on sports
 - Anticipate 200 Merrill students to participate
 - Requesting: \$200
- Lily: The colleges were separated so all the students wouldn't organize together. This could bring us together, But created more friction between us.
Rebeca: I think different colleges are known for different things. There is going to be more involvement from other colleges and it wouldn't be accomplishing what they want to with this.
Karina: I do not like them in paper. I think that we should give them the opportunity.
CJ: A good way to give UCSC pride because we don't have huge sports team.
Chandler: I motion to hear OPERS
CJ: I second.
NO objections. Motion passes

d. Slugs for Health and Growth

- 5th annual Conference
- Nov. 12-13th at College 9 UCSC
- Recovery Programs
- volunteer and attend the conference
- education and build connections to support students in recovery

-must register to go to this students, \$20 for students (5 meals and full access to the two day event)

-Benefit Merrill: Mental health conference, educating greater community

-advertising: FB, Flier, local Radios, Networking with Student Senates

-Marketing: Merrill Help

-Aimed at unifying the collegiate community for support

-Requesting \$200.

Q: something that Merrill student government would benefit from but I think maybe we could send someone and have them report back using out funds?

A: The lead of the event wants to present to us because they need volunteers.

Q: Is it a meeting for recovery? Or?

A: conference. Teach peers how to support one another

Chandler: I motion to hear Slug Health and Growth

Bee: I second

No objections. Motion passes.

e. Whole Street Catalog

-Fall issue, Tues, Nov, 15th

-new student org, connect students with its peer

-visual inspiration and knowledge

-showcase local talent

- 6 Merrill Members

-Cost: \$0

-Advertise: social media, FB, Quarry tabling

-Requesting: \$200, have not received funds from any other sources

-Marketing: Target Merrill Students by word of mouth

-Raising global consciousness, local talent & local businesses

Chandler: I motion to hear Whole Street Catalog

Lily: I second

No objections. Motion passes.

Adjourned at 8:23pm