



ASA Minutes

9:00 pm Haugo Room

10/23/2013

Attendance: (28) Absent: (2)

New Business:

CDF (Community Development Fund) Request:

- Augustana International Club is requesting \$1,500 through a CDF, and \$500 through a mini-grant request.
- The group is bringing Jodie Cobb to speak on behalf of National Geographic. She is one of the top photographers in the world, and the first woman to work for National Geographic.
 - Jodie Cobb is a similar speaker to Annie Griffiths, who spoke two years ago. The event was a huge success with standing room only in Kresge Recital Hall.
 - Jodie Cobb takes pictures that people do not normally see and tells stories about what has happened in the sixty countries she has visited.
- This event would enrich our experience for students here at Augustana College and those students involved in AIC who would have the opportunity to meet Jodie Cobb.
- The event would be free for all Augustana students.
- The total cost of the event is \$6,000, the event is normally \$8,500. Augustana International Club (AIC) has received funds from UBG Culture and Fine Arts (\$1,500), the Chair of Moral Values (\$200), and the Multicultural Affairs Office (\$800). They have raised \$4,500 total.
- AIC does not run any other large events throughout the year that are high in cost. This speaker is part of International Week and is the biggest event of that week.
- There is a good chance AIC will be receiving the mini-grant request so A&P suggests ASA provide \$900 for this event through the CDF. There is \$4,500 remaining in the CDF fund, so the A&P Committee does not see any problem recommending this \$900 amount. AIC has remaining funds in their account to cover any extra costs, and if they do not receive the mini-grant.

Motion: Emily Weber Second: Jesse Fonkert Motion Passes

LDF (Leadership Development Fund) Request

- AISES (American Indian Sciences and Engineering Society) is planning to attend a conference in Denver, CO from October 31 – November 2.
 - This is a great opportunity for students to network and get their “foot-in-the-door” for future opportunities.
 - Students also get to work on their resumes and learn about summer employment opportunities.
 - Taylor Maier went last year and had many positive things to say about his past experiences. He met an individual through the conference who helped him find employment and research opportunities.
 - Three new students from Augustana will be attending the conference, and five total students will be traveling together.
 - AISES is only requesting funds for their three newest members.
- AISES requests \$150 to cover the registration fees for the three new students attending the conference (\$50 for each student).
 - We are just funding their registration fee. AISES is not requesting money for transportation, lodging, or food.

Motion : Taylor Lambert Second: Sam Hoskins Motion Passes

Committee Updates

- Curriculum Committee
 - Went to the Curriculum Council two weeks ago
 - No other new news because they did not meet during Viking Days.
- Co-Curriculum Committee
 - The committee has been focusing on campus upgrades
 - *Leah Murfield*: We have been researching the possibility of upgrading laundry facilities in the dorms, theme houses, and apartments
 - Looked at what other schools were doing and the cost is the same (\$1 to wash \$1 to dry).
 - Both SDSU and USD have flex dollars and they pay for their laundry by swiping their student i.d. card.
 - Students are able to log onto their computers and see what machines are in use. When their laundry is done, they are sent a text message alert to ensure the system runs smoothly and efficiently.
 - The next step for the committee is to look into the actual cost of getting these types of machine and seeing if it is a reasonable solution.
 - Co-Curriculum Committee will also be sending out a survey to the theme house and apartment residents asking about their safety concerns, etc.

- *Crystal Ortbahn*: The committee has discussed the cup issue in the commons and how we as a Senate should respond to it as opposed to it being a Dining Services or faculty issue.
 - If the message comes from the Senate it will be more effective than from a “mom” figure.
 - The issue is that students are taking plates, silverware, and cups back to their dorm rooms and then leaving them in the lobbies.
 - Bergsaker and Solberg have piles and piles of dirty dishes. It looks bad and is a health hazard.
 - People who take things from the dining hall only increase meal prices.
 - We need to think of positive ways to get this message across.
 - *Katie Romano*: I will be having a meeting with the RHAs in Solberg and Bergsaker to discuss their solutions. Solberg RHA has already sent out an email to the residents.
 - *Joel Hermann*: Wondering if we could talk to Dining Services and ask about taking Tupperware in with us since there is already an unlimited meal plan.
 - Matt Anderson: The reason they have the rule for students to not take extra food out of the commons is because they do not know where the meal is going.
 - It is our job as a Senate to let students know about these rules.
- *Emily Grandprey*: Met with Corey Kopp about room selection day and the stress and frustration students have had in the past.
 - Want to fix these things before the craziness of second semester starts.
 - Trying to think of ways to get the word out and inform students on how the process works.
 - Suggest a room selection stall street journal with all the important dates and information on it.
 - Last year there were forums about room selection day, but they were not widely attended.
 - Maybe if students led the forum the message would be better received.
- P&D Committee
 - The committee has some tentative dates for the Bone Marrow drive:
 - November 19-20 or the first week of December
 - Would like a December date since it is closer to Christmas and students are in the giving mood.

- Worry about having the drive during registration week (starting November 18).
- P&D will need Senator help working the tables and also getting the word out on campus.
 - It is not painful, it is safe, and it is a great act of service!
 - You just get a cheek swab to get on the registry and you stay on the registry until you are 60 years old.
 - Over 100 students registered last year.
 - May have Dillon Cathro make a video about his experience since he was a match on the registry.

Augie App Updates

- *Matt Anderson*
 - Heard back from Robert about the Augie App and he has a fully functional Android version and a preliminary version for IOS
 - We hope to do some testing and are aiming to have the Augie App completed by Christmas!

Student Suggestions/Campus Updates

- *Ray Asmah*
 - He has talked to members of other student associations from schools in the northeast region and is wondering if ASA would like to participate in activities with those student associations.
 - They meet twice every quarter and discuss what is going on at each college and bounce ideas and solutions around.
 - We could possibly do a video call.
 - It would be beneficial in our research about things like the laundry facilities.
 - This is something we could table for our next meeting.
- *Javier Darce*
 - Students have suggested updates to our laundry system. (See discussion under Co-Curriculum Committee).
 - Also wondering if any progress has been made on the lighting around humanities.
 - This is something Co-Curriculum committee will discuss. It has been hard to find funding in the past since it is such a slow process to obtain the money needed to put in lampposts.
- *Jessica Johnson via. Katelyn Johnson*

- While working her office hours she had a few students suggest putting more lighting around the green so they could play ultimate Frisbee later into the night.

Viking Varieties Senate Discussion

- This discussion was in response to the opinions written in Megan Raposa's blog post.
 - The main problem students found was that it was mainly fine arts students performing so other students could not audition.
 - If it was on campus it would have been \$5, but it was more expensive at the Washington Pavilion so the price for students had to correspond with the venue choice.
 - Some students did not know there was only one show and were upset by this fact.
 - The Viking Days committee did an excellent job of publicizing Viking Varieties though so it would have been difficult to miss this information.
 - The choir is a little upset that Viking Varieties is scheduled to be at the Washington Pavilion next year.
 - **ASA did not provide any funding for Viking Varieties, this was misinformation included in the blog post.**
 - *Scott Missling:*
 - Doesn't agree with some of the vernacular used in the letter, but on the whole her (Megan Raposa's) argument has validity.
 - From a performer's side there was a lot of work put in and then it became all about building the science center with President Oliver's announcement.
 - The sciences are important though...
 - *Crystal Ortbahn:*
 - There needs to be an event for students during Homecoming that is on a Saturday night for just students to participate in.
 - *Jesse Nelson:*
 - Agrees with Crystal. He is not convinced it is an "arts versus sciences" issue. The issue is current students feeling like they were not prioritized during Homecoming. We should be clear and careful with how we go about discussing this issue.
 - *Joel Hermann:*
 - This should not be a battle over the sciences.
 - *Maggie Dally:*

- The amount of joy alumni get from seeing the show with the students sitting beside them is extremely valuable. They donate money because they see their legacy continuing on.
- *Jesse Nelson:*
 - There is not a consensus among the performers that this turned into a science event. It was a great event to highlight Augustana talent. It was a celebration of all of the good things going on at campus. If there are students who felt marginalized, then we need to talk about this in terms of a student activity.
- *Seth Vogelsang:*
 - It was frustrating to find good seating since things were reserved.
 - *Emily Grandprey:*
 - Next year a student section could potentially be blocked off.
- *Jesse Fonkert:*
 - He did feel that the announcement made by President Oliver cheapened the quality event.
- *Scott Missling:*
 - Viking Varieties is a different thing each year, and it hasn't "always been the same."
- *Matt Anderson:* Is there a problem with the location?
 - *Scott Missling:*
 - There was not an issue with the venue. People love it when we shut down the Washington Pavilion. Some just felt that in a week when we were already overcommitted we were asked to commit even more time. Angst generated from the lack of auditions as for all students because people then felt they were forced into it and not provided a choice to audition.
 - *Leah Murfield:*
 - Is the Washington Pavilion booked in the future? Yes, it booked for the next few years.
 - *Scott Missling:*
 - The Performing and Visual Arts department will have a conversation about the event and will value student input in the conversation. Brad Hegel is in charge of this and loves student opinions.
 - *Kirsten Titze:*
 - Did people enjoy seeing a combination of student and alumni acts?

- *Matt Anderson:*
 - Yes, it was a big deal and a lot of fun for orchestra and a great marketing tool. When we put on an event celebrating our arts, we should rejoice because many of our arts students are not majors. They may be in the sciences, etc. This is the beauty of liberal arts.
- *Katie Romano:*
 - Personally liked the blend of old and new at the show. People were so excited to see this history at Augustana continue. It was great as a Freshman to learn about an important Augustana tradition.
- *Amanda Johnson:*
 - Liked the alumni-student blend. The MCs were funny, but the only thing she would have liked more is not just piano, choir, etc., but to have some more fun acts like seeing someone play the saxophone on a unicycle.
- *Javier Darce:*
 - Wonders if we could have the Homecoming parade downtown since this has been done in the past.
 - *Jesse Fonkert:*
 - The reason we do not do this is because having events at Augustana increases school pride. It also makes things more available for students.
- *Matt Bell:*
 - Since there was no alternate activity for students who did not attend Viking Varieties, many students went out partying.
 - Maybe we could have a coffeehouse or movie event after the show so students are not tempted to go party.

Matt Anderson:

- Feel free to ask students around campus what their thoughts were and to send them our way.

Adjourn:

Motion: Taylor Lambert Second: Naras Prameswari Result: Pass

SENATOR	PRESENT	EXCUSED	UNEXCUSED
Amanda Johnson	X		
Brittany Dardis	X		
Elliot Blue	X		
Emily Grandprey	X		
Emily Weber	X		
Hanna Werling		X	
Jesse Fonkert	X		
Jessica Johnson	X		
Joel Hermann	X		
Katherine Van Gerpen	X		
Leah Murfield	X		
Matthew Bell	X		
Naras Prameswari	X		
Taylor Lambert	X		
Dan Schmidtman	X		
Javier Darce	X		
Katelyn Johnson		X	
Kaitlin Romano	X		
Ray Asmah	X		
Crystal Ortbahn	X		
Kirsten Titze	X		
Scot Missling	X		
Sam Hoskins	X		
Maggie Dally	X		
Kale Merrel	X		
Jesse Nelson	X		

OFFICER	PRESENT	EXCUSED	UNEXCUSED
Matt Anderson	X		
Krista Youngberg	X		
Seth Vogelsang	X		
Aimee Fisher	X		

ADVISOR	PRESENT	EXCUSED	UNEXCUSED
Jim Bies	X		



SENATE MEETING MOTION SHEET
FILED BY ASA DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS AIMÉE FISHER

DATE 10/23/13 MOTION # 5 for \$900

REGARDING:

Two years ago, in the fall of 2011, AIC, along with UBG and ASA, worked together to bring Annie Griffiths (National Geographic photographer) to campus. The event was highly successful, attended by over 350 people with standing room only in Kresge. AIC will have a very similar event, with an equally distinguished photographer. Jodi Cobb, the first female photographer for National Geographic and one of the most distinguished, has photographed in more than 60 countries. She has entered "hidden worlds" previously not open to foreigners/women, such as China and Saudi Arabia. Ms. Cobb, at heart, is a storyteller who wants to improve the human condition through the art of photography. Her most well-known stories include exploration of the Geisha, exposing slavery around the world, exploration of what beauty truly means, and the personal stories of the Middle East. At Augustana, Ms. Cobb will give a presentation revolving around storytelling and will feature a display of her favorite photographs. Her photographs will be displayed on a screen in Kresge. In addition to her 50-minute presentation, a 20-minute Q & A will follow. The event will take place from 7 pm to 8:15 pm in Kresge on Nov. 11, 2013. Ms. Cobb is the main event for AIC's International Education Week (Nov. 11 to 16). On the most personal level, students from AIC and UBG will have the opportunity to get to know a world-renowned photographer. We will have a small gathering of people attend dinner with Ms. Cobb, allowing us to gain knowledge about the world and inspiring us to travel. For students at Augustana College, it is a unique experience to explore the world through photography. Photography is one of the best ways to break down barriers between people, to open our eyes to the world, and to inspire us to look beyond ourselves and care about the human condition. AIC hopes that Augie students will be inspired by Ms. Cobb to travel the world, be more open to people of different backgrounds, and be a champion of underprivileged peoples. For the community of Sioux Falls, it is a rare opportunity to see the outstanding photography of a National Geographic photographer, and to hear an incredible storyteller. National Geographic aims not just to hire photographers, but to hire storytellers. Therefore, AIC believes the community will enjoy the opportunity to hear Ms. Cobb, and to be inspired by her lifetime of travel and adventure. AIC requests \$1,500 to cover the rest of the \$6,000 cost to bring Ms. Cobb to Augustana. AIC has already raised approximately \$3,500 in contributions from UBG, the Multicultural Affairs office, and the Chair of Moral Values.

MOVED: [Signature]

SECONDED: [Signature]

FURTHER ACTION:
contingent on \$500 from
Mini-Grant approval

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Matt Anderson
ASA PRESIDENT

VOTING RESULTS:
AYE 26 NAY 0 ABSTENTION 0

COMMENTS:



SENATE MEETING MOTION SHEET
FILED BY ASA DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS AIMÉE FISHER

DATE 10/23/13 MOTION # 6 *For A# 150*

REGARDING:

The AISES conference goes from October 31, to November 2, 2013. Three days of workshops for educators, college students, and pre-college students that are interest in STEM. Building resumes, networking with future employees, and finding summer opportunities. American Indian Science Engineering Society (AISES) aims to increase the representation of American Indiana and Alaska Natives in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM). This conference will benefit the students and community by developing an other opportunity in a resume building, net-working, and job opportunities. Santa and Monica are mentoring five high school students in the Sioux Falls, SD area and AISES would improve their mentoring skills.

MOVED: *[Signature]* SECONDED: *[Signature]*

FURTHER ACTION:

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Matt Anderson
ASA PRESIDENT

VOTING RESULTS:

AYE 26 NAY 0 ABSTENTION 0

COMMENTS: