STH Student Association
Meeting 9 September 2010
Attendees: Exec Board – All present
Jen Quigley, Blake Huggins, Anne Hillman, Jeff Rickman, Meredith Hoxie
Faculty Advisors: Anastasia

Introduction
Dan leads group in centering moment

Agenda

1) Yoga
   Board discusses updates on proposed yoga classes
   Updated cost of yoga will be at $90 per session
   11 sessions will be set up for fall semester
   Total estimated cost $990 dollars
   Board reaffirms the use of these funds
   Space to be used to be determined
   Finding space will be conducted by Debbie

2) Movie Funding
   Board discusses approving funds for upcoming movie night sponsored by Theology
   and Trauma class
   Exact cost unavailable, request for funds for pizza from T. Anthony's for approx 15-20 people
   Concerns/Discussion taken from those present – Jeff raises concern about setting
   precedents for approving funds for individuals/faculty, rather than sponsoring events
   through student groups, concern is seconded by Jen, board discusses how to set caps for
   events/funding for specific professors
   Proposal to commit up to $100 dollars for T. Anthony’s for this specific event,
   and to commit to discussing caps for individuals/faculty members at upcoming
   meetings
   No further discussion
   Board votes: proposal for up to $100 unanimously approved

3) Travel Cap
   Board discusses the need to cap funds approved to support students attending or
   contributing at professional conferences
   Soren proposes establishing a cap at $500 per student per academic year
   Discussion from attendees
     Those present interested in contributing as much as students pay per year
     for service fees, discuss with administrative advisor, Anna about how much are
     students contributing
     Anna explains yearly fees – $197 paid to BU each year by each student
A portion is paid back to STHSA – contributes to community lunch ($38 out of $197)
Discussion goes back to establishing a cap for travel/conference fees
Jen advises cap at $400
Jeff advises that there should be some stipulation for students to reflect on this within the community 
   Because there is clause in constitution that monies spent by STHSA should be used for the edification of the community
Soren – BU STH one of the few schools of our caliber that does not provide funding for students for conferences
   Merideth – STH needs to be conservative and responsible for the way we fund conferences
Debbie – proposal to cap travel/conference funds at $500 per student, per academic year, with the add on that submissions for summer travel must be submitted by April 15th, additionally, students must submit a 1 page reflection/paper abstract within 2 weeks of their return from the conference, these reflections will be posted online so that STH community can benefit from these experiences
   No further discussion
Board unanimously approves

4) Travel Requests –
   Soren returns to Larry Whitney’s requests
   Proposal to approve up to $500 for Larry Whitney’s travel and participation in conferences for 2010-2011 academic year
   All approve
   Details to be submitted to Larry Whitney

5) Academic Conduct Code
   Soren raises request from Dean Stone for students to review Academic Conduct Code. Board has reviewed, willing to approve on behalf of STH community. Approval needs to be in writing for Dean Stone.
   Discussion by students raises concern that student body should be given opportunity to approve
   Merideth requests that code be put it online to allow for concerns and requests from students
   Soren moves to table this issue for discussion until next week
   Academic Code to be put online

6) ATS Committee/Other Committees

Board discusses need/desire to make sure students are present on faculty committees
ATS Committee:
   Accreditation of Theological Schools – committee to oversee the accreditation of STH, will be meeting Fridays 10-12, Faculty has requested student from executive board be present
   Dan moves to appoint Soren to be our representative
Soren abstained from voting
Debbie, Dan, Ko approve

Other Committees needing student representation:
   Committee on Spiritual Life – Headed by Dr. Darr – 2 reps needed - meetings first
   Friday every month 2-3:30
   Cultural Competency Meeting – Headed by Dr. Botta – 2 reps – no scheduled time
   Partnership with Cross-Cultural group
   To be completed by October 15th
   Students in place no later that October 13th

Board and student attendees agree to wait until student reps are elected to appoint student attendees

Board discusses need to identify other faculty committees where students should be present
Board discusses requesting a committee structure from Dean Stone/Moore, and then look at this break-down of faculty committees as a group with all student reps
   Possible committees to look at: Academic Policies and Procedures Committee – with stipulations – students may be only present on general committee
   Departments committees – (Area Chair Committee) may be another possibility

Soren – moves to request Committee Structure from Dean Stone, board unanimously approves

7) Community Lunch
   Board discusses need to establish dates when STHSA will be sponsoring community lunch
   Until student groups are able to sponsor, board responsible for community lunch
   Details: attendance 160-175 people, estimated cost: $6-7 per person
   Merideth Hoxie explains details and need for STHSA support
   Soren: moves to allow exec board to coordinate lunches through October – each week – meal not to exceed $1200 – for next 3 weeks total – total $3600
   Discussion: Jen proposes that we seriously consider providing nutrition facts for students; Debbie proposes we seriously consider promoting sustainable eating/purchasing habits during community lunch, partner with Thecology club
   Merideth/Ko/Dan discuss revising estimated cost – more people attend community lunch at beginning of semester – estimated cost may be up to $4500
   Board unanimously approves to sponsor community lunches through October with cost up to $4500.

8) Student Representation
   Board discusses process of nominations – have received ZERO nominations
   Need to advertise and to extend nomination process
   Discussion – Jeff cautious that we meet our initial deadline of establishing representatives by Oct. 6th.
Agree to stick to deadline
Move to extend nominations until Wednesday, Sept. 29\textsuperscript{th} at 12:30, stick to deadlines
Debbie to email and construct posters
Board unanimously approves