

## Student Alliance Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 19, 2006

1. Introductions
2. Announcements
  - a. Kim's role: Kim's D'Arcy announced that she will be stepping back from Student Alliance a bit to allow the group to continue independent development. She will continue to hold a supportive role.
    - i. The Kali's Angels event this Friday, Sept. 22 needs three volunteers to help set up and coordinate the event. Mary will email the student listserver.
    - ii. The Rooftop Garden needs a Christening Party! A date was not selected.
  - b. Positions: The candidate hired by the Hiring Committee for the position of Operations Coordinator received additional, unexpected Financial Aid and has revoked his acceptance. Becki will coordinate the new Hiring Committee and Mary will announce the position. Kim will advise the committee, and will add the Hiring Committee to StudentAlliance@ciis.edu temporarily so they may all receive the applications.
3. Voting
  - a. Yoga: The Student Alliance voted to fund half of the cost to hire 2 yoga teachers for one class each week for ten weeks of the fall semester at \$50 per 1.25-1.5 hour class. Student Alliance will supply \$500 and the Staff Association will fund \$500. The classes will be open to the entire CIIS community. Mary will email the students in request of a Yoga Teacher Hiring Committee.
  - b. The Rooftop Garden: The Rooftop Garden project was scheduled to receive a vote on the funding of \$900 to cover additional expenses, but as the Student Alliance has not received an overview of how the money has been spent and copies of receipts, the matter has been postponed.

- c. The Student Alliance voted to approve funding \$100 toward the hiring of Bob Cowart to bring, setup, and run a sound system for the Kali's Angel's performance.

#### 4. Help Needed

- a. Program Representatives: New Program Representatives are needed for the year. People holding these positions attend Student Alliance meetings and act as a bridge between their department and SA, sharing SA events with their department and departmental concerns with SA. Sarah Noyes will be the TLD Rep. Adrian Auler will be the EWP Rep. Maitri Gopala-Krishna will Co-Rep with another student from PDT. Kim will email the Program Coordinators to find Reps from the other departments.
- b. Hiring Committee Members: Adrian Auler, Mary Fries, and Becki Tinsley have committed to hiring the new Operations Coordinator. Becki will coordinate the committee. The deadline for applications will be Wednesday September 27<sup>th</sup> and Interviews will be held shortly thereafter.
- c. Exploratorium Tour Coordinator: Mary will email the student listserver seeking a coordinator.
- d. Development Programs Researcher: Sarah Noyes, Maitri, and Becki volunteered to help research Professional Development Workshops such as writing, public speaking, and technology (powerpoint, etc.). Sarah will coordinate the research. The suggestion was made to contact the library for support, specifically Lise Dyckman would likely be helpful.

#### 5. Goals & New Ideas

- a. A student brought forward the concern of another student not in attendance that the café is too expensive and should be more supportive of students' financial situations. It was noted that the café has made vast improvements in holistic offerings (fair-trade, organic, compostable, sustainable, etc) and that this is the likely cause of the perceived high prices. The student will be advised to talk with Dean of Students Shirley Strong about the matter.

b. Sarah brought forward some questions and concerns of the TLD department. Most she was advised to take to Shirley Strong; the others we will catch up with her about at the next meeting.

6. Next Meeting: 10/11 at 6pm in room 606 – Different time than previously listed!

Topics: Rooftop Garden and Development Programs updates, Check-ins with TLD, Operations Coordinator Hiring Committee, and Yoga Teacher Hiring Committee.