



**Date: 10/10/2022**

**Meeting Start Time: 7:30pm**

Co-president updates: Friday's financial meeting went well, with \$520,000 funding available. Schools is flexible with funding allocation.

Question about funding: Total amount seemed like \$8,000 – don't know if they have full financial documentation. Is that a ballpark figure? Academic and Professional investment fund was on the lower side last year due to restrictions.

Tyler: Spent a decent chunk on events for Liv. Gone over a little bit by about \$8,000. Will probably reallocate and maybe petition the university for more things until we go through a decent portion of the total funding.

Talked about food for committee meeting. Meetings fortnightly it would be \$30, weekly it would \$15 per week. Once you figure out your members, times that by once per quarter, give you a giftcard for grubhub for team. Will be roughly \$300 per giftcard. With Prime account, can get free delivery. Still waiting for approval on the Grubhub program. Trinity wants to get an old system. Some people submitted the same receipt too many times. Can talk about it upon approval of Grubhub cards.

Yousef question: Do we get to vote on the allocation of each committee?

Tyler: Once we have the first council meeting, it is something we can address. Think about how much you want to spend each quarter. Feel free to start planning things, etc. Will figure out exact number next time.

New York: Ivy+ student government conference. Happening at Columbia University. Oct 21-23. Hasn't been well organized. Hotels are \$330/night. Event is also for administrators as well. Finally received invitation, was told we could bring some people to the event. 8 Ivies plus stanford, upenn, etc. Only a few have signed up. Fri is welcoming remarks. Sat from 10pm-2am there is a clubbing event. All we have is tentative schedule. State of schools remarks, etc. Sun is reflection, etc. It'd be in total about \$3,000. Good investment if it solidifies us amongst Ivy community, also kinda sounds like a waste of time. Tyler: To me, largely curious about what we could gain from this. Expectation for whoever's going to be there: probs a presentation, do a talk during breakout sessions? Who tf knows. Couple schools have pulled out. This event will be in the middle of midterms. Question: Could we invest some portion of the potentially allocated money to a leadership program that all of us could participate in? Doesn't seem like anyone has gone in recent years. Question: Can we plan something similar at a later time? According to Brooke, part of our deal to become included in this is that Chicago wouldn't host.

Public Safety Advisory Council: UChicago has been looking for people to be involved. Main admin

council meets to discuss public safety issues and also solicits grad students to participate as well. Provost's office runs it and they have 4 people who have applied. Provost's office wants grad council to run the application process. Co-presidents proposed to have one of the grad council reps sit on this board and be there. If someone comes within the grad council, it'll be less people to keep track of and reach out to.

First council meeting for reps: Thanks to Brooke and divisional schools, we have a partial list of grad reps. Missing 7 of 13 schools right now. We can start. We are creating a spreadsheet of all government peeps in their own grad division. Can also push to have relationship with their respective schools. Please reach out if you have contacts at your respective schools.

Alternate between exec grad council and general grad council meetings on Monday nights? Seems like every week may be overkill for meetings. We're gonna plan to do Monday nights. Tomorrow will send out to all of the reps to schedule in Monday meetings (biweekly for general).

Sydney: Has a form for distribution. Expresses interest for a committee. Already have some responses for those who want to be on some, a lot have expressed interest in multiple committees. Can they do that? Maybe that's a talk for respective committee. Info of Gargoyle Gala will be there as well on weekly newsletter. If they subscribe to newsletter, they'll get info to join committee. Need to figure out how to distribute to respective schools. New logos woo Tyler: nothing wrong with having them work on two committees.

Tyler: When2meet will be sent out for dinner. Not excessive over the top but as a way to get to know each other. Fill that out when you get a chance.

Connor: Fleece ¼ zip, would like it for this academic year for grad council.

Max/Anannya: Want to focus on integrating affinity group from different divisions to get conversations happening between like-minded individuals. Also talked about number of social events we want to do. We thought maybe we can do collab with doc films. 7 days 7 films from different cultures and brought in food from different cultures. Increase ticket prices to subsidize food trucks. Service-based auction for a social cause. We'll be selling services to grad students like teach someone how to paint, etc bid on these things. That money will go towards a social cause like Afghanistan earthquake and Ukraine. Is that possible? Will circle back on this/TBD. We will email doc films for proposal (appropriate food trucks, etc.). On book clubs, seminars, discussions, especially for internships, mental health programs with health and wellness, variety of activities. Tyler: would there be several of these events? Yes. Planned out fortnightly, etc.

Presidents: I know I-house wants to get involved and we can easily collaborate with them. I'm also meeting with LGBTQ+ team to see if we can collaborate with them. Can also target collaborating with divisions that are bit more isolated, siloed.

Opinion: We are trying to communicate with entire grad school community and send out a survey to see what they care about and attach it to the applications we want to send out. This should come from students.

Sydney: People are required to subscribe to GC newsletter instead of having the ability to send emails/comms unlimited to people.

Tyler: Some of the grad student unions have done surveys and we'd be interested in getting that info

so that we could give you something to start with.

Terrius: I want to do listen-and-learn sessions, opportunities to introduce grad council to students at school while giving an opportunity to do a town hall, and opportunities to collect info from us and find more info in addition to signing up for the newsletter.

Tyler response: Checked with brooke about question regarding opening things up to the broader Chicago community, absolutely can. UChicago wants to do that and are more than happy to supplement funding and interested in getting involved in that. It would be cool to do community and community/student based. Connor: What can we do to help? Terrius: Can create a mockup plan and send to team. I think diversity and inclusion would be great committee to partner up with.

Anannya: Is there a way we can get in touch with the past diversity and inclusion team so that we can get more info?

Tyler response: I will email others and will ask other people on the committee from last year.

Question: Do we give word doc of event proposals to you?

Tyler response: we will create a place to upload docs in google drive.

Liv: When will we have committees available? Just to figure out if we have enough people to pull from or rely on exec team or friends or former members fold in.

Tyler response: We'll know much better about applicant pool soon. How soon do you need a time? Is there a date or time you want to have that by?

Liv: Would love to have vols locked in by end of Oct (little less than 2 weeks out from event).

Sydney: A lot of people said they were interested in events committee. Can enlist many people to participate.

Liv: Ticket comping can push people to help for sure. Vols I'm less concerned about, appreciate you guys.

Tyler: that'll be one of our top priorities to find someone to help you out.

Sydney: Have a particular person interested in helping you out, will send them your way.

Health and wellness: Just decided to plan events focused on mental health, interested in collaborating for mental health events. Got two interested in joining our committee. Gonna meet soon. Also met with the spiritual life office, very happy and willing to collab with them. Hopefully, we'll be able to get more members. Connor: We'll backpay you for food if we don't have them on hand in time. Tyler: Art Institute has UChicago night, several students will be speaking about different things there. This will be a night devoted to students, and they're going to host an event/reception at the university club across the street. Happy to put our UChicago grad council name on it. By all means hype it up and invite others. It will be the end of October.

Rupan: Don't think at this time I really need committee members, but will let you guys know if needed. Good for now.

Sydney: Love all of your ideas. Want to make sure all branding is on par and cohesive. Any social

media posts, or graphics, send it my way and gonna have 3-4 people on that and get those out to you within 48 hours ideally.

Question: Can we study space that is 24 hours?

Tyler response: Can be one of the first advocacy things we can reach out about.

Rhimjim: Talk with Sydney, we want to do a pub night where people from grad council can go to the pub, anyone can come talk to us. We would sit there and hang out and put in a newsletter that will be there. If you want to bring up any concerns, they can come. Maybe call it happy after office hours. Separate Pub night for us to get to know each other and to hang out, etc. Probs right before or after midterms. It was about around \$200 bucks to cover this.

**8:40: Meeting adjourned.**