

## IGB Meeting Minutes:

March 3, 2017

### 1. Roll- IGB delegates

#### *Present:*

*Andrew Hsu, GSAS and Chair*

*Sarah Reddan, GSAPP*

*Rachel Key, SIPA*

*Mahika Bhalla, ESC*

### 2. New clubs– VOTE YES, NO, or “NEEDS CLARIFICATION- INVITE TO NEXT MEETING”

#### a. Bridges International

*Delegates were concerned that Bridges International and CONVICTVS were seemingly very similar to each other, both Christian organizations. However, as a distinguishing factor, Bridges International focuses on international students. Lastly, there were concerns that Bridges International was primarily composed of Teachers College students, which does not pay into the IGB Fund. There were also concerns about inclusivity and whether or not all Columbia students would be invited to join. Proposed to invite to next IGB meeting.*

#### b. Columbia Energy Symposium

*Delegates believed that while the membership was primarily SIPA, they seemed to do good work and were fairly well-established. Delegates voted to approve the club, pending absent members.*

#### c. Columbia Impact

*Delegates were concerned by the fundraising activities of Columbia Impact and how that would impact future requests for allocations. Proposed to invite to next IGB meeting.*

#### d. CONVICTVS

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### 3. Co-sponsorship application

#### a. Black Student Network

##### i. Note: Majority Teachers College

*Delegates questioned the expenses, such as microphones, etc. These supplies are readily available to borrow within Teachers College. Also, the event is almost exclusively Teachers College and outside universities, which we do not fund. Proposed giving allocation proportional to projected attendance that are covered within IGB.*

4. Falun Dafa

*a. Falun Dafa is no longer recognized by IGB. They are now recognized under SGB.*

5. To do for April- financial forms for 2017/2018 School Year, budget is approximately \$46K (at least)

- a. Deadline to allocate funds is end of July in the summer, but we should advocate for April release, May deadline, work remotely throughout June (our allocation form should have percentage of population per school for existing groups)

- b. Remember that nothing can be processed until when classes officially start

6. Currently 6K in the bank from 2016/2017 school year, suggest additional activities on behalf of IGB (or CGC for graduate/professional school promotions)

7. Constitutional Amendments: (2/3 vote to pass)

a. Press Passes:

- i. "Student media credentials" shall refer to media credentials available to only student media outlets and/ or student freelance journalists for them to report on alleged Rules of University Conduct violation proceedings. Persons issued Student Media Credentials are entitled to a presumption that the holder is acting in their role as a journalist and, therefore, are not in violation of the Rules of University Conduct.
- ii. "Student media outlets" shall refer to any media organizations composed of entirely by Columbia University students.
- iii. "Student freelance journalists" shall refer to Columbia University students who either write published articles and/or blogs for no organization or who do so for an organization composed of and/ or managed by people who are not Columbia University students.
- iv. By a simple-majority vote of IGB delegates in good standing, the IGB will decide whether or not to grant student media outlets and/ or student freelance journalists student media credentials.
- v. A student media outlet may apply for a Student Media Credential, valid until May 31 following the end of that academic year during which the application was submitted.
- vi. University-recognized news media outlets:
  - 1. Credential requests for editorial staff of a University-recognized news media outlet must be submitted by the Director / Editor-in-Chief of the news outlet.
  - 2. All requests for credentials should be included in the ONE application.
  - 3. The Editor-in-Chief should submit the request as the "Contact" with all editorial staff they assign as Editorial Staff.
  - 4. Student media outlets must adhere to all of the procedures stipulated in their application, found herein:  
[http://senate.columbia.edu/information/Application\\_MediaCredential\\_MediaOutlet\\_ExtendedDeadline.pdf](http://senate.columbia.edu/information/Application_MediaCredential_MediaOutlet_ExtendedDeadline.pdf).
- vii. Student Freelance Journalists' Applications:

1. A student freelance journalist may apply for a Student Media Credential, valid until May 31 following the end of that academic year during which the application was submitted.
2. Student freelance journalists must adhere to all of the procedures stipulated in their application, found herein:  
[http://senate.columbia.edu/information/Application\\_MediaCredential\\_Freelance\\_ExtendedDeadline.pdf](http://senate.columbia.edu/information/Application_MediaCredential_Freelance_ExtendedDeadline.pdf).
- viii. Timeline of Applications for Student Media Outlets and Student Freelance Journalists:
  1. Fall Semester: Applications in the Fall Semester may be submitted until midnight on October 9th and until midnight November 30th
  2. Spring Semester: Applications in the Spring Semester may be submitted until midnight January 30th and until midnight April 30th
  3. Applications will not be accepted at any other time.
- b. Specification on Number of Delegates per school, updated per year based on constituency population
  - i. EGSC and GSAS have the largest representation amongst graduate students, 3 each, followed by 2 for CC, and 1 for every other school (2016-2017)
- c. Update on criteria for IGB new group recognition:
  - i. Have a membership consisting of at least one-half (1/2) of the students from the Columbia University graduate and professional schools (includes EVERY SCHOOL/AFFILIATE except Barnard, Columbia College, Undergraduate General Studies, Undergraduate SEAS)
  - ii. Have a membership consisting of students spanning multiple schools, where not more than one-half (1/2) of the students are from the same school/college;
    1. *Language was modified by delegates.*
  - iii. Not have a membership consisting of at least one-half (1/2) of the students from the sum of the following schools: (a) Barnard College, (b) Teachers College, (c) Jewish Theological Seminary, (d) Union Theological Seminary, (e) School of Public Health, (f) College of Physicians and Surgeons, (g) College of Dental Medicine, (h) School of Nursing
    1. *Note: these schools currently do not pay into the IGB fund.*
  - iv. *Criteria (i) and (ii) are suspended for clubs that do not qualify to be recognized under the jurisdiction of any other Columbia University board, council, or any other entity that can provide monetary funds and/or group space.*
8. Dean of Graduate Student Life, Office of Graduate and Professional Student Life (discussions)
9. Embark an increase in funding (SGB, ABC have a different structure, they are given funding via their own CC, ESC, GS budgets)
10. Security and Facilities (cleaning) fund, flat fee with SGB and ABC, for “unlimited” events hosting, willing to contribute funds for our clubs (talk to Student Financial Services)
11. Website
  - a. *Currently being worked on- will be up and running, hopefully by next month!*