

# Vassar Student Association Council

## Agenda for October 25, 2009

*Time: 7:00pm*

*Location: College Center 223*

"A committee can make a decision that is dumber than any of its members."

David Comblitz.

1. Call to Order
2. Attendance.....Operations
3. Consent Agenda
  1. Approval of the Minutes from 10/11
4. Org Report
  - a. Act Out
5. Committee Report
  - a. Committee on College Life (CCL)
6. Exec Reports
  - a. Exec Report.....President
  - b. Exec Report.....Operations
7. Censure and Fining of Frisbee.....Finance
8. Allocation of \$900 from Council Discretionary to Main..... Finance
9. Open Discussion.....Anyone
10. Adjourn

Fund Being Applied For: Council Discretionary Fund

VSA Organization: Main House

Name of Applicant: Nate Silver and Amanda Messenger

Applicant E-mail Address: [nasilver@vassar.edu](mailto:nasilver@vassar.edu)

Event Name: Clue

Location of Event: Main Building - Rose, Jade, Faculty, and Gold Parlors, President's Conference Room, Villard Room

Date of Event: November 5-7, 2009

Description of Event:

Based on the classic 80s film version of the board game, this production brings Clue to Vassar and turns Main Building into the Hill House mansion. Beginning on the steps outside of Main the audience will become a part of an interactive murder mystery throughout the hallowed parlors of our oldest building. As the action and audience move from room-to-room in this unique adventure, this production is sure to be an exciting, original and fun theatrical experience.

Benefit to Students:

By performing two shows each night of the run - the later one starting around 11pm - we are hoping that this production will both reach new audiences and provide a late night alternative for community members who want a different type of late night program. Most of the theater at Vassar happens between 8-10pm and it is viewed as an early-evening activity before finding something else to do later on. Our goal is, for this one weekend, to make theater a destination - to have it become the main event of one's evening. In alignment with the VSA's goal of providing late night alternatives to events rooted in music and dancing, this production was conceived to fill that void. Because of the popularity of the movie and the centrality of the performance space, we believe that a new population that wouldn't usually go see a play will turn out to see Clue because of the unique nature of the event. As someone heavily involved in theater at Vassar I think it's important to continue finding new venues in which to perform and new ways to deliver compelling theater to the Vassar student body, and I think this production will accomplish both goals.

Costs of the Event (Itemize and Be Specific):

Costumes - \$400

Props - \$200

Set - \$150

Lights - \$100

Publicity - \$150

Total Cost of Event: \$1000

Current Funding Plan (How will you help PAY for this event):

Main House can contribute \$100 to this event, but because it was not part of our annual budget, we really cannot commit more at this point.

We are seeking the rest of the funds (\$900) from the VSA Council with the hopes that you will see the value in this event and help make it happen.

List of Attendees (First name, Last name, Class year - when relevant):

Right now we have a cast of 14 and a production team of about 10. We are hoping to perform 6 shows in 3 days (in addition to an open dress rehearsal) for a total audience of about 300-400 people.

Collaborating Organizations and HOW they are contributing:

Amount Requested: \$900

Finance Recommendation: \$ 900

Exec Recommendation: \$900

Amount left in fund: \$28,241.02

in fund: \$49,500