

**Vassar Student Association Council**  
**Agenda for November 29, 2009**

*Time: 7:00pm*

*Location: College Center 223*

“We are all in the gutter, but some of us are looking at the stars.”

--Oscar Wilde

Call to Order

Attendance \_\_\_\_\_ Operations

Consent Agenda

Approval of the Minutes from 11/8

\$450 from Conference Fund to Iced Brew

Committee Report

Committee on Curricular Policy (CCP)

Exec Board Reports

Activities

Finance

Allocation of \$1000 from Mid Hudson Valley to Hip Hop 101 \_\_\_\_\_ Finance

Allocation of \$1295 from Mid Hudson Valley to TH's \_\_\_\_\_ Finance

Allocation of \$875 from Contingency to VPA \_\_\_\_\_ Finance

Open Discussion \_\_\_\_\_ Anyone

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**Fund Being Applied For: Mid-Hudson Valley Fund**

VSA Organization: Hip Hop 101

Name of Applicant: Jay Leff

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Event Name: Holiday Food and Toy Drive Concert

Location of Event: Family Partnership Center

Date of Event: 12/12/09

Description of Event:

This is a concert featuring artists from the local record label Tree City Partners Music and is being thrown with the intention of helping the less fortunate members of our community. The event will be a Holiday Food and Toy drive. Boxes have already been set up at the FPC to start collecting items. The event will also feature a childrens talent showcase.

Benefit to Students:

This is a great event to get students off campus and into the city of Poughkeepsie. It is a way for students to both get to know local artists while helping the community and having a good time all wrapped into one.

Costs of the Event (Itemize and Be Specific):

This is not the total cost of the event, but what Hip Hop 101 has agreed to pay for:

Sound system- \$800

Shuttles to bring students back and forth: \$200

Total Cost of Event: \$1000

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

We could potentially help out of our budget, but are asking the VSA to fund the whole thing through the Mid Hudson Valley Fund.

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

Collaborating Organizations and HOW they are contributing:

R.E.A.L. Skills Network and Tree City Music are coordinating the event along with Hip Hop 101.

R.E.A.L. Skills is responsible for the childrens portion.

Tree City Music is responsible for the concert itself.

Hip Hop 101 is responsible for turning Vassar out, publicity and some technical parts of the show.

Amount Requested: \$1000

Finance recommendation: \$1000

**Fund Being Applied For: Conference**

VSA Organization: Iced Brew

Name of Applicant: Jerry Gilligan

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Event Name: Connecticut Synchronized Skating Classic

Location of Event: Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT

Date of Event: 2/14/10

Description of Event:

This is another competition we would like to attend where we would be able to get another chance to compete and promote Vassar's skating club to a skating community.

Benefit to Students:

It is another opportunity for us to perform in a competition setting, and the last one we will have for the year. Also, since this is a smaller competition than Easterns, our chances of earning a medal are very high.

Costs of the Event (Itemize and Be Specific):

Entry fee - \$250

Transportation - \$200 (2 Vassar vans, .50 per mile, 100 miles each way)

Total Cost of Event: \$450

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

We have had two Friday Night Skating fundraisers this semester and will have another one on December 11th. Also, we have been selling tank tops, baked goods, and tote bags throughout the semester

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

Andrea Banks - 2011

Lauren Chin - 2013

Meghan Cooper - 2013

Alexa Dorsey - 2013

Rachel Eisen - 2011

Hannah Erdheim - 2010

Andrea Fahmy - 2013

Jerry Gilligan - 2011

Owen Haller - 2011

Michelle Harvey - 2013

Madeline Jacobs - 2012

Rachel Lenihan - 2013

Heili Lowman - 2012

Amanda McCarthy - 2013

Robin Mele - 2012

Jennifer Mena - 2013

Jessica Metlay - 2013  
Sirina Nagi - 2012  
Burcu Noyan - 2013  
Charlene Ren - 2013  
Claudia Sanchez - 2011  
Allison Smith - 2010  
Amy Feltman - 2010  
Sophie Beckwith - 2010

Collaborating Organizations and HOW they are contributing:

Amount Requested: \$450

Finance recommendation: \$450

**Fund Being Applied For: Mid-Hudson Valley Fund**

VSA Organization: Town Houses

Name of Applicant: Riley Greene

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Event Name: Keegan Ales Brewery Visit

Location of Event: Keegan Ales Brewery, Kingston, NY

Date of Event: Thursday, December 10

Description of Event:

A tour of Keegan Ales Brewery and a tasting of their current brews, all while enjoying local live music!

Benefit to Students:

This trip will provide many students with a unique and fun way to celebrate the end of classes, take a break before the rush of study week, and experience a largely-unknown gem in the Hudson Valley- Keegan Ales Brewery! Students will learn about the making of beer as a craft (rather than, say, the drinking of beer as a hobby), while supporting LOCAL products and listening to LOCAL music. Hopefully, the trip will encourage people to continue to buy LOCAL products as well. As a collaboration between the TAs, THs, and SoCos, this trip will also provide the rare opportunity for (mostly) senior students spread across campus to come together in a non-territorial/party space.

Costs of the Event (Itemize and Be Specific):

Bus Charter (3 buses for 5.5 hours)= \$750.00

Cover Charge at Brewery (10/person x 129 people)=\$1290

Total Cost of Event: \$2,040.00

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

Cost/participant=\$5.00 (129 x 5=\$645)

combined contribution from TA/TH/SoCo budgets: \$100.00

(total=\$745)

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

129 people from TAs, THs, SoCos

Collaborating Organizations and HOW they are contributing:

TAs, THs, SoCos all giving people and money.

Amount Requested: \$1,295.00

Finance recommendation: \$1295

**Fund Being Applied For: Council Discretionary, Capital Contingency, Miscellaneous**

VSA Organization: Vassar Public Art and Vassar Association Executive Board

Name of Applicant: Brian Farkas / Joseph Redwood-Martinez

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Event Name: FLLAC Posters in the Library Basement

Location of Event: GREAT WORKS FUND

Date of Event: Installation Goal = Winter Break

Description of Event:

The Thompson Memorial Library is the favorite building of every Vassarion, past and present. The exterior is exquisite. The grandiose entryway is spectacular. And the reading rooms are magnificent. But the basement? It's depressing. The walls are white and sterile. There is little color, besides the stacks of books and piles of work. This project will install 25 full color posters -- reproductions of works drawn from Vassar's permanent collection. They will be framed and hung in cubicles, on large walls, and in front of the basement doors.

Benefit to Students: More color! And Vassar artistic pride.

Costs of the Event (Itemize and Be Specific):

Framing = Approximately \$25/frame x 25 frames.

Printing = Approximately \$250

Hanging = 3 lemonades for Brian, Joseph, and the Library Director, who will hang the posters to save money.

Total Cost of Event: \$875

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

This project is a broad collaboration between Media Resources, the Vassar Public Art Committee, the VSA Executive Board, the Frances Lehman Loeb Art Center, and the Library. The FLLAC agreed to give us the images in high resolution without the usual charge; Media Resources gave us a significant printing discount; the Library has agreed to do the work of preparing and hanging the posters; and the VSA is doing the leg work of getting discounted frames from a local manufacturer. Because of this collaboration, we are able to complete this project at a highly discounted cost.

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

Every Vassar student and faculty member who passes through the basement!

Collaborating Organizations and HOW they are contributing:

Vassar Public Art, VSA Executive Board, the Library, the Frances Lehman Loeb Art Center, the Friends of the Frances Lehman Loeb Art Center Committee, the Dean of Planning and Academic Affairs.

Amount Requested: \$875