



Harvard Undergraduate Council

General Meeting: September 24th, 2017

Agenda

1. Prez/VP Updates
2. Treasurer + Secretary Updates
3. Committee Updates
4. FGLI Caucus Update (1 min)
5. Legislation:
 - a. 36F-01: 2017-2018 UC Budget Proposal
 - b. 36F-02: FiCom Fall Grants Pack #1 ("36F-1")
6. Questions + Comments

President and Vice-President's Updates

1. Exec appointments
2. Recognition
3. Caucuses

Treasurer Updates

1. Today I will be introducing the Budget legislation -- stay tuned in a few minutes.
2. In the interest of financial transparency, I am happy to report that the final cost of the UC retreat was **\$4,300.86**, which was **\$174.30** under the initial budget (and nearly half the budget of the UC retreat during the 2015-2016 academic year). Thanks to Eduardo, Wyatt, Anna, Cat, and everyone else who helped to make retreat exceptional!

Secretary Updates

1. Committee shopping week this week -- please email/text me your committee decisions no later than midnight Sunday, Oct. 1st
2. UC v-card, UC google calendar, UC google drive
3. OH begin in October!
 - a. Reps must sign up for office hours [here](#) by the first Friday of each month.
4. Attendance Policy

Committee Updates

EdCom – Sruthi Palaniappan, Winthrop '20, Chair

Meeting Time: *Monday, 8 pm, Quincy Stone Hall basement*

1. Overview, Spring 2017 recap, and initial brainstorming this week
2. Dream Session and Vice Chair elections on 10/2
3. Let me know if you're interested in being appointed to Rules Committee
4. Join EDCOM!!

FiCom - Neel Mehta, Pfoho '18, Chair

Meeting Time: *Wednesday, 7-9pm, Memorial Hall 028*

1. Vice Chair elections this Wednesday! Ask Neel for details
2. Tell your friends to apply for grants at bit.ly/harvardgrants!
3. Club sports interviews likely 10/4, but may get pushed

FCC - Adam Harper, Mather '20, Chair

1. I'm excited for an awesome year -- or as Cat would say a ~lit~ year -- and we're still finalizing a meeting time!

Rules - Evan Bonsall, Winthrop '19, Chair

1. Run for Rules this week in your primary committees! Application for at-large spots coming soon. We'll set a meeting time next week. Please help us reform the UC and recognize some new student organizations this year!

SIC - Alex Popovski, Dunster '19, Chair

Meeting Time: *Thursday(?), 5 pm(?), Quincy Stone Hall Basement*

1. Interested in working closely with students, putting on events, and managing the GOHC fund?
2. Like your committee meetings on Thursdays at 5?
3. Join SIC!

SRC - Victor Agbafe, Dunster '19, Chair

Meeting Time: *Friday, 4 pm, Quincy House Shinagel Room*

1. Polling initiative: testing out the app- use to fool student body, maybe elections
2. Harvard foundation meeting: October 4th at 8 am
3. Let me know if you are interested in representing SRC on Rules!
4. Elections and semester overview this week

SLC - to be announced!

Caucus Updates

As of this Friday, the First Gen & Low-Income Caucus has officially been recognized! We have expanded our membership from five to eight this semester and have some big projects planned for 2017-18: working with FGSU & the FDO to design and implement the new pre-orientation program, helping Mailinh in her efforts to create a First Gen faculty directory, and recruiting UC Reps to serve on a couple of new committees at the FDO, to name just a few. If you identify as First Gen, come from a low-income household, or went to an underperforming and/or under-resourced high school, please consider stopping by our meeting this Wednesday at 5pm to check it out (location TBD)!

36F-01: The Budget of the Undergraduate Council 2017-2018

Sponsored by

Nicholas Boucher '19, Treasurer

*** access [Budget Legislation](#) here ***

Docketed by FiCom: 8-0-0

Docketed by Exec: 6-0-0

Eduardo's Amendment:

- **Burst Fund**
 - Events funded by a Burst Fund must be open to any Harvard College student.
 - Should monies from a Burst Fund be used to fund a ticketed event, Burst Funds should be used at least in part to subsidize the cost of event tickets.

Sarah's Amendments:

1. Increase the caucus fund to \$2500.

The new budget would read.

"Caucus Fund – A \$2,500.00 fund has been proposed to support the newly formed UC Caucuses in response to feedback received via §2 Budget Creation. In accordance with the UC Constitution and Bylaws, Caucuses cannot individually introduce legislation which draws from this fund."

2. Change the burst funds to 20 packs of \$3000

Rushi's amendment: Unused money of any burst pack is allocated to additional burst pack(s) totaling \$3000 and is not placed in the emergency fund.

Arnav's Amendment: "Allocate \$10,000 to the Student Life Committee (SLC) from the funds initially allocated for Burst Packs given its special focus on practical, tangible actions that often take physical forms like water bottle fillers, better gym

equipment, thanksgiving break shuttles, hot breakfast, menstrual hygiene products etc. that require financial capital. SLC has, in the past, had to essentially beg different Harvard Corporation entities and members like the Harvard Libraries or the HoCos for money that allocate funds for specific purposes before SLC even meets and are thus often unable to fund initiatives that may impact student life positively and essentially hinder the efficiency of the SLC. This allocation of funds will enable the Student Life Committee to do its job — improve Student Life on Campus”

36F-02: FiCom Fall Grants Pack #1 ("36F-1")

Sponsored by Neel Mehta, FiCom Chair, Pforzheimer '18, and Saim Raza, FiCom Secretary, Cabot '18

refer to [Grant Pack PDF](#)

Whereas Harvard's student groups provide valuable services to the undergraduate community, and

Whereas the Finance Committee is committed to allocate grants in support of student groups, *now,*

Be it therefore resolved that **\$11,500.42** from the Grants Pack be allocated to the following recipient projects, and

Be it further resolved that the Treasurer immediately disburse funds to these recipients, and

Be it further resolved that the Finance Committee may adjust allocations appropriately in response to new information provided on a Completed Project Form, but in no case to more than 150% of the allocation amount listed herein, and

Be it further resolved that the Finance Committee may impose additional penalties upon any Upfront Funding recipient who fails to file a Completed Project Form and submit all receipts for their event, including the rejection of future Fall applications by that recipient, unless the recipient's failure to file on time is due to an error by a UC member or the Finance Committee approves an extension, and

Be it further resolved that the Chair of the Finance Committee notify each recipient listed below of the decision of the Undergraduate Council regarding their grant application within 24 hours of this bill's passage, and provide each recipient with all necessary information for obtaining the funds allocated herein.

Docketed by FiCom: 10-0-0

Recommended by FiCom: 10-0-0

Docketed by Exec: Unanimous

