

SENATOR – PUBLIC RELATIONS & MARKETING KAI MCCARTHY	X	
SENATOR – PUBLIC RELATIONS & MARKETING SIRAWIT (MARC) CHANSATEIN	X	
STATE STUDENT SENATE REP. FARHAN KHALIQ (PROXY: LUCA)	X	
ESCOM REPRESENTATIVE VACANT (NON-VOTING MEMBER)	N/A	

ASCOM ADVISORS: SADIKA SULAIMAN HARA AND TEA PERALES

AUXILIARY MEMBERS:

MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC:

- c. Adoption of the Agenda: Al, Luca
- d. Approval of the Minutes: Emily, Jess

e. Public Comment

a. *This segment of the meeting is reserved for persons desiring to address the ASCOM Executive Board on any matter of concern that is not stated on the agenda. A time limit of three (3) minutes per speaker and ten (10) minutes per topic shall be observed. The law does not permit any action to be taken nor extended discussion of any items not on the agenda. The ASCOM Board or Members may respond briefly to questions or statements, however, for more information please contact the ASCOM President or Secretary to have an item placed on the next regular meeting agenda. (Brown Act 54954.3)*

I. New Business (Actions May Be Taken)

- a. Discussion/action to approve NTE \$1,400.00 from acct.#7200 (Intrafund Club) to acct. #9576-44 to have “Classic Film Club” purchase food, drinks, and materials for semester events. Presentation by club officers.

Jess, Ray

Parker: We're Classic Films Club. This semester, we're requesting our funds for our full semester of meetings, including 6 meetings and additional costs for materials, which include assignment. So, the full amount they're requesting is \$1,400 for the whole semester, which is \$200 per meeting, and an additional \$200 for the cooler and

side floating. Last semester, we adopted \$200, as I promised today, the plus amount for DP only. Based on all of our teams and costs, which come out to about \$1.20 for 3 cents each time, and 80 for additional foods and materials, including popcorn, oranges, and drinks.

Charlotte: We had our first event last night. It was very successful. I think it was the most successful one that we've done yet. We had about 17 people come, and... It was a very fun night. You can see that there's more interest in the club, and we also had some flyers out, and we can see... we saw a lot of people going by and taking photos of them, so we know that there is additional interest in the club for people that maybe we haven't seen yet. Yeah, and I just, I just wanted to share, we're doing better than we had last semester, and we want to continue to club and continue to put on these events, just so you could add posters to do that.

Emily: We don't have our treasurer here today. Just to check in and see how much we have in the Intrafund.

Jess: I don't know, my one concern with awarding a big sum of money at the start is it can be hard to keep track of all that money. This happened to me with one of my clubs. They got \$700 at the start of the semester, and that was supposed to take them through the whole thing. But then, like, some of it just kind of got lost, and that ended up turning them over.

Parker: We also do keep detailed records, we have a receipt.

Jess: That's good.

Sadika: Stefania did give you all an update on the budget last week, so you have... you already know how much money is left, so it's a matter of looking at that number.

Arthur: So, the clubs have \$13,000 left.

Al: I have a question. Have you guys considered any fundraisers? Anything of the sort? Saw that you guys are a pretty active club. Is it because you got a big event going on?

Charlotte: The concern with the fundraiser is that we just end up using our own personal money. Like, if we didn't make some, for example, we would have to put in hours of work and probably a lot, you know, if it is very expensive to make all the goods, and we wouldn't make that much money from it. And we're already putting, like... We go out there getting full-time school and work, we're already putting in lots and lots of hours every single week. We don't want to lose our hard-earned money. Because it would really just be... it might as well be just spend our own money on it. I don't think that we would make that much with something like a bake sale, or like a pizza, or something. Something like that, which I've seen other clubs do. I mean, I'm super open to any suggestions from anyone about doing a fundraiser while making sure it's not just us paying for everything. But I don't... I don't know how other clubs do this. We just don't have the resources.

Al: We could always fund that fundraising as a way of ASCOM investing into your club. You know, we could ask for the money for the big sales and make more money with your club.

Emily: I know that the way that AGS tends to do it is using the funds that they have for the club for, say snacks and selling it out in front of the SMN. And then, in terms of any requests, I think it makes a lot of sense given all of your guys' past meetings,

but then here, it makes me just a little weary in terms of how much we have left for all the other clubs. So just an idea that I have—and everyone is free to throw out any other ideas—would be to do \$700 right now and then check back in halfway through, because we have Club Fest next week, and we don't know exactly how many active clubs there are gonna be.

Arthur: Would you guys like some funding to try the fundraiser? Because it seems like you have a pretty big club.

Charlotte: Yeah, how much money would you be able to give for a fundraiser?

Arthur: So instead of \$700, how about, like, \$900? I think it's more just about having funds at least to try to fundraise. You know, because it would seem fair for most other clubs.

Al: You guys don't also have to, like, lean on only one person. That's what the club is about, right? I'm sure you want your members to be passionate about it. They wanna keep the club going, so they'll understand that this must be done in order for them to find the other funds. So, I feel like you guys can definitely find people who are willing to volunteer, you know? You don't need to make sales for, like, 5 hours straight. You wanna share the funds too.

Parker: Yeah. It's hard because we are all full-time students, and in my case, working 40 hours a week.

Emily: Anyone have any other ideas, or do we want to amend Item A to \$900?

Jess: I think we can amend Item A.

Motion to Amend: Jess, Al

Motion to Vote: Jess, Al

PASSES 10-0-0

- b. Discussion/action to approve NTE \$19.99 for Google storage for the ASCOM Gmail from acct.#5650.01 (Contracted Services). Reimburse ASCOM p-card. Presentation by: Eloisa Costa.

Emily, Ray

Eloisa: So, this is for the yearly subscription for the Google Drive storage and everything. It's already charged to the card. We just need to direct it to the funding from there. It's just for the yearly subscription that you guys use.

Motion to Vote: Ray, Emily

PASSES 10-0-0

- c. Discussion/action to approve budget breakdown for Self-Love Event. Presentation by: ASCOM Treasurer, Stefania Rodriguez.

Emily, Ray

Jess: I don't know if the budget break attached to this ended up being the final one, because I noticed there was a bit of a math error, and we accidentally had listed 8 times as many sticky notes as we needed. I sent the updated one to Eloisa though, so she does have the most relevant one now.

Stefania: Eloisa?

Jess: Yeah. The budget breakdown I sent is the most relevant one. I don't know if that was the one attached to this meeting, though I did not get a chance to double-check that. But... Do you guys want me to talk about what we're getting?

Arthur: Yeah, sure.

Jess: Perfect. So, we were thinking for the Self-Love Event, it would be mostly more snacky-type foods, so we're getting Rice Krispie treats, some bulk bags of candy, and then one of the more exciting things, the drinks. That is not set in stone as, like, how much we're getting. We're gonna see how many drinks we have left over after Club Fest. And depending if we have enough left over, we will cut down on the amount of drinks we get for the Self-Love Event.

Ray: I do have a question. Do you still want to do the candy? Because I know we did the candy for Halloween, and there was so much still left over.

Jess: I think part of that was also the Halloween event was an after-hours event.

Ray: Do people really want candy, though?

Jess: There was a good amount of people taking the candy.

Emily: Is this a discussion for feedback on the budget breakdown, or are we trying to improve the funds for the event?

Arthur: To approve budget breakdown, so is there a budget number?

Jess: It should be in the drive under the event folder.

Stefania: The number? How much we're gonna spend?

Jess: Yes.

Stefania: Yeah, we're gonna spend around \$500. We have \$500 for each event. So, I'll ask you guys to stick to that. And it gives you more, go to the community hours, so it takes just more money around. So it's, right now, with taxes, we have \$485.89.

Motion to Amend: Jess, Ray

Motion to Vote: Jess, Ray

PASSES 10-0-0

- d. Discussion/action to discuss General Assembly 2026. Presentation by: ASCOM State Student Senate Representative, Farhan Khaliq.

Jess, Ray

Luca (Proxy for Farhan): Okay, so, what Farhan wanted to say is, the General Assembly is from March 27th to 29th. He sent out an email last week, and he only received one response from all of us. He needs to know everyone's availability for the conference as soon as possible, so that he can order hotel rooms for us and coordinate the rides. And if several board members end up going, we will cancel Friday's meeting for that week. And yeah, just respond to the email.

Tea: Can I add onto there? Thank you, Luca.

Jess: Yes you can.

Tea: Okay, thanks, Luca, for the report of that. So just to review, how many folks received or read Farhan's email?

Ray: I think the majority of us.

Tea: Just to review, the deadline that Farhan gave was this past Monday, and we only heard from Jess. So, that's a bit concerning that folks aren't responding in a timely

manner. It's the second semester for many of you all, so the expectation is that you all are practicing and meeting those expectations. So... We need to know today who can go for the first round, because it's a very timely process of getting information from you all. Eloisa has to submit the purchase registration, which there's costs to that, and hotels. And hotels sell out pretty quickly. I'm not sure how many are left at this point, so it's really important that when emails are sent out to you all, that you respond to them as the board member requests. That's a way to show respect and professionalism. So, right now, is there anybody that can confirm attending this so that we can move forward on registration? It is in San Francisco, so we don't have to worry about flights this time, but we are going to be doing the first round of registering folks at the beginning of next week, so who can come? If I can get the names of folks who are planning to attend.

Arthur: Raise your hand if you know you can go.

Tea: And if somebody can... I'm not able to see everyone, so...

Arthur: Tea, it's only Jess.

Al: A big concern for all of us that have been hearing around is that, you know, we're all students, and I was looking at the schedule, and there's practically just zero time of homework or study time during the meetings. And that week, at least for me, I have tests the following Monday. So, I've never been to one of the conferences, so I don't really know how it works. Is there any designated time for us to do homework? Because it looks like the schedule is really packed.

Tea: Yeah, that's a good question. Thank you for asking that. Yes, so the way that the day tends to look is Farhan would be the one that's on most of the time. A lot of his responsibilities are for this, so he's the one that's actually doing the voting. And the rest of the board is sitting there in the space. There is room for, you know, questions, public comments that happen for the different resolutions that are being voted on, so you're there to vote on resolutions put forth by different colleges, and then whatever you all vote to pass as the larger General Assembly, then gets moved on to the next phase of that, that can, you know, impact on the state level. So, during the times where there's a lot of debating happening for the different resolutions, during that time there's definitely been board members who have attended who have had their laptops at the table with them, are doing homework, are studying, so that has been a common practice of folks who attend that, and communicating to, you know, faculty ahead of time, and if there's anything you need from us as advisors to help, you know, with any accommodations you might need around that. But, they are very long days, and there is time that folks have done homework. Is there anybody that's attended in the past that also wants to speak on that?

Emily: I attended. I did a lot of homework during the liberation, the stuff that I couldn't really have an impact on, type of thing. It is a cool opportunity to get to know a lot of people from community colleges. And when I went, it was in LA, so we flew down there. I know, personally, I can't go, but it's a cool experience.

Arthur: Raise your hand if you can go. Jess? Anyone else wanna go?

Jess: I think Tea said she needed it by tonight.

Tea: If you all need the weekend to sort out your schedule or to think about it, then if you can get it to us by Monday. If you can also please respond to Farhan's email, I'm CC'd on that, so respond to it even if you're a no, just so we know for sure that you

are not planning to attend, just so we know how to follow up with. So, does that work, if you can just review it? I believe Farhan put the link to General Assembly for you to review the schedule there.

Jess: Yes he did.

Tea: There is, yeah, the evenings and downtime, but it is a really great bonding experience. It's a really impactful experience if you have capacity to go. And it's in San Francisco this year, so it's close by.

Arthur: Tea, just to confirm, when do you need the answer? Is it today, or...

Tea: Let's extend it to Monday. Let's do Monday by 1pm. For the first round of folks, so if you know for sure that you can come, or if you know for sure you won't be coming, please respond to that email that I'm CC'd on, just so we know if you're a yes or a no at this point. And even if you're a maybe, because we can always register the folks who are confirmed, and see how many that is. You can have a waiting list also. So by Monday at 1, just send an email back if you're a yes, no, or a maybe, so we can at least have that information to move forward, since it does take time. And we want to make sure that for folks who do go, we're able to get the hotel that's on-site of the actual assembly. Is there any other question? I thought I heard...

Ray: Do you know when the email went out? I can't find it.

Tea: It's called "General Assembly" and it's from Farhan.

Al: It was Thursday, January 29th, at 10:50am.

Tea: And then just so you all know, ASCOM covers the transportation, so you'll get reimbursed, for anybody that drives, or if we need to have an Uber or a Lyft take you there, so that's something that ASCOM can cover. Hotel is covered and dinner is covered. Breakfast and lunch are provided by the General Assembly, so there isn't any upfront costs for you all.

Arthur: Remember to respond to your emails, let me know if you have trouble finding it.

- e. Discussion/updates on upcoming programs. Presentation by: All board members.
Emily, Ray

Arthur: Okay, so Club Fest is next week, Tuesday and Wednesday. We're doing it from 12:30 to 2:30. We have to set up before. So, the volunteer sheet should be out. For those of you that haven't put your name on it yet, please put your name on there. If you can't go, tell us why you can't go, you're still supposed to fill out the sheet.

Al: Well, I'm just gonna say that this is probably our biggest event of the semester. So, I think most of everyone participated in the last one. We do need a lot of helping hands with food distribution, photos, and everything, just like in every event, but this is a bigger one. I just wanted to share that we also have a lot of interest in this Club Fest. I've already got at least, like, 15 tables occupied already, just with people asking to reserve a table for it. We're not reserving tables, so if folks are asking about reserving a table or not, it's first-come, first-served format, except for student organizations, for example, math, the library, psych services. I have Canal Alliance and the Learning Center—those, they can reserve a table. If

anyone asks, please send them over to my email, so I can direct them, and yeah, I don't know if the cafeteria's gonna...

Arthur: I think it's fine. So, it's 20 tables, and I think last time we had instances where we had two clubs share tables, with two chairs. Yeah, and also, if you go there, you don't have to volunteer the entire time. If you want to find your own club, you can walk around. Any other events?

Luca: Yeah, if you're from Midterm Madness, or Midterm... whatever we named it, me and Ray need to talk to you guys. Also, same with the Self-Love people. We have to talk to you guys just one more time. So that would be after Midterm Madness.

Arthur: Any other upcoming programs?

Al: How far are we from Sports Madness?

Luca: Sports Madness is 2 weeks from... I think 2 weeks from now, it starts, the 5-week plan, I think?

- f. Discussion/action on budget report. Presentation by: ASCOM Treasurer, Stefania Rodriguez.

Jess, Ray

Stefania: So, it's basically the same from the last meeting. For the account for office supplies, we have \$2,401.43. For the event supplies, we have \$3,301.84. For the farming account, we have \$8,470, and for the club account, we have \$13,090.59.

Ray: And we did just make another deduction off the club account.

Stefania: Oh, okay, I'll check it out.

II. Standing Business (Actions May NOT Be Taken)

Jess, Ray

Officer Reports:

i. PRESIDENT REPORT:

Arthur: I will be doing my office hours after this meeting. We've been working on the Club Fest event. So, it's next week, right? Yeah, that's pretty much it. Oh, and the Ribbon Cutting.

ii. VICE PRESIDENT REPORT:

Al: I went to the Ribbon Cutting Event. I stayed at the table downstairs for the food bank. I've been communicating with all the clubs and school organizations to make Club Fest happen. Like I said, I'm very glad people have a lot of interest this semester. I did my office hours on Wednesday, just doing the volunteering for the event. I will attend the other half after this.

iii. STUDENT TRUSTEE REPORT:

Emily: I also went to the Ribbon Cutting Event where I helped out with basic needs for a couple of hours. And then we're 5 weeks up from Midterm Madness, so I'll be meeting with co-leads.

iv. SECRETARY REPORT:

Malisa: I attended the Ribbon Cutting Event and I started the first half of my office hours on Wednesday, and I will complete them after this meeting.

v. TREASURER REPORT:

Stefania: I went to the Hot Coco Event, I worked on the budget breakdown for the Self-Love Event, and I will attend my office hours after this meeting.

vi. SENATOR –TECHNOLOGY:

Jess: I went to both the Ribbon-Cutting and the Hot Coco event this week. They both went really well. And, we ended up doing iced cocoa because it was so hot out. And... yeah, that was fun. I got to explain ASCOM to a couple curious students at the Ribbon-Cutting Event, so that was nice. And other than that, I've been keeping up with posting on Instagram. I'm working on a reel for the Welcome Week right now, and I have attended most of my office hours, and I will complete the rest after this meeting.

vii. SENATORS (2) – STUDENT ACTIVITIES & SERVICES REPORT:

Luca: I attended my office hours. I, with Al's help, cleaned up the room. We took out all the boxes that were in here. Also, me, Al, and Marc put up all the Club Fest posters. I attended Welcome Week. We got a lot of help setting up which was really good. I also attended the Ribbon-Cutting Event. I talked with co-leads to let them know what's happening with their events.

Ray: For my office hours, I attended the Welcome Week Hot Coco Event. I also attended the Ribbon-Cutting Event as well. Luca and I worked on the post-debrief for the Hot Coco Event, and I attended my office hours on Wednesday and Thursday and a little bit after this meeting. And then, I'll be meeting with Luca and then with two of the other events that are now upcoming to start planning.

viii. SENATORS (2) – PUBLIC RELATIONS & MARKETING REPORT:

Kai: I attended my office hours and the Welcome Week Event. I made posters for the board's office hours.

Marc: For event volunteering, I helped at the Welcome Week Event, where I helped set up, do the work, and clean up. I also helped at the Ribbon-Cutting Event. And for Club Fest, I helped put up posters. I emailed Sadika to advertise the poster on the TV. And for my role, PR and Marketing, I've already done all the posters for the entire semester. And I will attend my office hours after this meeting.

ix. STATE STUDENT SENATE REPRESENTATIVE REPORT:

Farhan: I attended office hours, the Welcome Week Event, the Ribbon-Cutting Event, and I will plan out the midterm event. I am working with Tea for plans on General Assembly.

x. ESCOM REPRESENTATIVE REPORT:

xi. ASCOM ADVISORS REPORT:

Tea: Great work at the ribbon-cutting ceremony. Students were really engaged, and we've gotten some great feedback around that, so I'm glad to hear that you were filling folks in on what ASCOM is, and that was really one of the goals of the event. So hope you all got to enjoy it. As well, and all the free treats that there was. Thanks again, Luca, for Farhan's report. Yeah, we're on crunch time for that, so I've been working with him to try to get us back on track, with getting everyone registered, and working with Eloisa on that. And, just another reminder, I know I was mentioning it earlier, but, you know, for folks that this is...at least your second semester on the board. The expectation is that we're seeing growth around the expectations and practices and your leadership and professional development. So, thank you for folks who are really stepping up with cleaning up and being proactive, with the office and putting up posters and all of that, so thank you for that. So just a friendly reminder to make sure that you're checking your emails, and responding within 24 hours when it's during, you know, business hours, Monday through Friday, and reading them and responding to them. It even can look like saying, "Thank you, received." We want to make sure that you're, you know, this is an opportunity for y'all to practice your communication, and professionalism around that. And Kai and Marc, please review the email that I initially sent you, to have you both check in with each other, and then provide me with a few days and times that work for both of you, once you've confirmed with each other, so that we can schedule a meeting, hopefully for next week, just to check in. And...a friendly reminder that for General Assembly, by 1pm on Monday, just respond back to the email with me CC'd on it. You can just CC Farhan and myself, saying yes, no, or maybe for your attendance for GA. And finally, I'll be out of the office on Monday, but Sadika will be here, and I'll be back on campus on Tuesday, if there's anything that you need.

Sadika: Thank you all so, so, so, so, so, so, so much for your contributions during the ribbon cutting. We've gotten so much positive feedback on people feeling welcome, feeling like it was so exciting to meet everybody, the new spaces. I know not many folks came in the spaces, but just know that your presence was appreciated, and I hope you all also enjoyed. That has been my primary focus right now, so now I'm just catching up on emails and making sure things are moving smoothly. And also, congratulations on the Hot Cocoa Event. I'm glad that went well. I still have to put up the poster on the TVs, Marc, just know I didn't forget about that. I have it. And it looks good. I like how you reconfigured things. If there are any posters that are going to be going on the TVs, please just make sure they are JPEG files, and they are the size of a PowerPoint slide. So, now Marc and Kai have that in the dimensions, so that should be pretty much going smoothly. Also, I want to make sure that posters are put up in ample time. I know the Hot Cocoa poster went up later than I would have liked to, and beyond the timeline. I appreciate that we're getting the Club Fest posters up, but let's get them up a little earlier, and then

thank you, thank you for everybody who's been cleaning up. As Tea said, that has been huge. You know, this beautiful space is going to stay as beautiful as we keep it. So, thank you for that. And then, I know a few folks have asked me about receptacles in the rooms, like garbage receptacles. That will not be happening. I am on the Environmental Action Committee, and that is all on purpose to really maintain and create a culture of sustainability, so all garbage actually goes into the disposal cans of composting, recycling, and then landfill. So let's get into the practice of that. There will be more information that'll be coming out, and then hopefully, Luca, you'll be attending one of those meetings soon. And next year, we will actually have an Environmental Action Center, and that will help a lot of the initiatives that are going on campus. The last thing I was going to say is I know General Assembly is coming up, and I was listening on folks' reactions. So, General Assembly is an important event that sends delegations from every college, from every 116 colleges. We usually have about 500 to 700 attendees that go to this. I know homework is happening, and I know schoolwork is happening. And representation at the state level is also really important to engage with your fellows, or your counterparts at the different schools. So I just want to name that. Part of the responsibilities of being on this board is also representing at the state level. So Farhan is our representative, and the delegation includes a large portion of the boards, so you get a chance to meet folks. It's also a professional development opportunity, not just to vote, but also to attend sessions. So I want to put that on your radar. If you can't go this year, but you plan to run for a position next year, I really want to make sure that we are modeling what it looks like in terms of holding these leadership positions, not just at the college, but again, at representation at the state level and building those partnerships. Okay, so just wanted to name where my thoughts are around that. Thank you so much, y'all. I'm here in the office, I'll be going to a training at 2, and I'll be on campus.

Committee Reports:

- i. COLLEGE COUNCIL REPORT (ARTHUR):
- ii. GOVERNANCE REVIEW COUNCIL(FARHAN)
- iii. PLANNING AND RESOUC E ALLOCATION COMMITTEE –
- iv. EDUCATIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE (KAI) –
- v. FACILITIES PLANNING COMMITTEE –
- vi. INSTRUCTIONAL EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE (LUCA) –
- vii. PROFESSIONAL LEARNING COMMITTEE (EMILY) – It was the first one I went to. It was really cool. Everyone was very efficient. We reviewed and reflected on how the committee went last semester. We talked about the flex week for the classified personnel, and then started planning the classified personnel learning day. Just coming up with different session ideas, and they did different surveys to see what people wanted to hear, so it was interesting getting that perspective.

- viii. GUIDANCE, RESOURCES, INTEGRATION, TRANSFORMATION COMMITTEE (RAY) –
- ix. TECHNOLOGY PLANNING COMMITTEE –
- x. INCLUSION, DIVERSITY, EQUITY, & ACTION COMMITTEE(AL) –
- xi. COMMUNITY HOUR COMMITTEE – xii. ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION (LUCA AND JESS)

III. Communications from the Floor

a. This time is reserved for any member of the Board to make announcements on items that are not on the agenda. A time of limit of three (3) minutes per speaker and ten (10) minutes per topic shall be observed and the total time will not be extended.

Arthur: So, I will be meeting with board members again. I know this is the first time I'm having office hours this entire semester. So, if you have office hours after the meeting on Friday, we'll just do the meeting then, and if not, let me know, and I'll try and see if I can go to your office hours.

Jess: I just wanted to bring up, throwing it to the group... I was talking with some people one-on-one about possible ways to better utilize the Instagram platform that we have. And one idea that had come up was making like...last year's board made little personalized intros for everyone and put those on the Instagram, and I was wondering if you guys would be interested in doing something similar.

Arthur: Like the video? Or like text?

Jess: I was thinking probably videos. I know Emily was on that last board, so do you have any feedback on that?

Emily: So I was getting out of my comfort zone by doing that. I would prefer not to do that again, but I understand how that is a valuable thing to do as a board. I'm gonna leave that up to you guys, because I'm very heavily biased.

Arthur: An alternative way we could do it is... I've seen the Asian Club? The way they do it is they have board members, like a picture of them, and they have a description under it, so you don't have to talk to the camera if you don't want to do that.

Emily: We could do carousels. Everyone could put a picture of themselves doing something that they like. And then, you can list bios for everyone.

Jess: Yeah, I just think it could be good to personalize the Instagram a bit more. Because I feel like a lot of people, even if they know about ASCOM, they don't really know about us as the board members. And then, kind of ping-pong, the other idea I talked about was, possibly using the Instagram to help promote safe activism among students. Because after just talking with some students, I've seen this dark census of wanting to get involved and do some activism, but not knowing a way to do it, or a way to do it without putting themselves in danger. So I think, and I also talked with Tea about this, and Tea agreed that this could be a really good idea. Putting stuff on the Instagram of little things people can do, like petitions that they can sign, businesses to boycott...Like, stuff like that, you know, that'd be safe, but still can have an impact.

Arthur: I think that'd be a great idea, as long as you don't directly tell them what business to boycott and why. It could be, you know, here is your representative if you live here, feel free to write them an email, but don't tell them, you know, like, this is what you should be writing.

Emily: And, like, if you did something, say, on safe activism, like, if you did a "This is how to protest safety stuff," it starts to become very, like...you start implying things, you know?

Al: I just already shared this, and my thought was that so you guys notice at the events, students often don't really know what ASCOM is, and that's part of, actually, I was gonna talk about later, is...we have to actually tell people at our events why we're doing it and who we are, and I feel like if we start doing activism stuff on Instagram, then people get the mixed picture of who we are and what we're here to do. So...you know, I feel like this would be better on a separate platform, you know, if certain people in a group want to get together and start promoting a page for safe activism, but personally, I don't think that we should mix up the social protest and our...

Arthur: We're supposed to represent the students, we're not supposed to dictate to them what they need to do, and I think last spring semester, it was... there was a group that came to us and said, you know, we wanted to do certain things, like, you know, you are our representative, can you sign this or sign that? So if people want to do something, they'll come to us, and we probably should be a bit careful if you want to tell them what they should be doing.

Ray: I'm not comfortable with being involved in any of this, because I'm international, so I'm not comfortable with any of this because I can put myself at risk. That doesn't say I'm opposed to any of it, but just, for me, just keep me out. No pictures, no, like...consent of my name, if that's okay. But go ahead, guys.

Al: Okay, one idea I had is, I've seen the previous board have it, and Gio had a pretty cool hoodie that said ASCOM on it, so I was wondering, what do you guys think about, like, we get ourselves some ASCOM merch?

Emily: Question for our advisors. What happened last year with Kaveh's...because I feel like Kaveh put so much time into that, and I don't know what happened. Was that the quarter zip?

Sadika: He didn't send me anything.

Emily: Okay, yeah. That explains it. I just feel like that was in the talks the entire semester.

Sadika: He didn't send me anything, so we never made an order. If someone follows through with actually finding the item you want, because every board has done it a little differently, I mean within reason, remember within reason, then we are absolutely happy to order it.

Al: Then I was thinking, like, since, like, I know Marc and Kyle ties into arts, too, like, Marc has said he likes to designs and whatnot. Yeah, like, her creative group. I don't know if anyone else does it, feel free to pitch in, too. These are the two I know. We could design it as a board, and then, you know, you can agree on the design. Make it look cool, like, something, you know, like...wearable that looks good, and let you know, still represents ASCOM in it. So, yeah, I just wanted to put that out there. I thought it looked cool, and I wanted to have one, so... that's that. And then, the other thing, actually, I already touched upon it a little bit, so I'll be quick. When we're at our events, this is just one scenario. During Welcome Week, I was there, and a guy came up to our table, and then...I don't know who was there at the table, they were like, yeah, you know, you want some hot chocolate, and then he was like "Okay, like, what are you about?" And they're like, yeah, you know, we're giving out some hot chocolate, but...they didn't tell that to the person visiting, who ASCOM is, or what we're about. And I noticed that's a big trend during our events, is that we want to give out the pizza, we're happy to be there. But, at the end of the day, that's not what the event is about. So, if... when we're volunteering, we just want to make sure, you know, tell people who ASCOM is. As I said, not a lot of people know. like, what we're

here for, what the event is for. Like, that's more important, in my opinion, than handing out food. Like, we're... we're not, like, the food bank, you know? That's not our job. Our job is to, like, you know...tell the students we represent them. If the students have a representation, they should know.

Ray: And then I'll bring it up. Kai and I had this thing where we were, like, really struggling for the ribbon cutting. We were outside during our hours or whatever, right? And then we had to go to class, and then we ended up, obviously, asking for someone to come, and eventually, like, I think Luca and Marc ended up coming, which was great. But then I was on my way to class, and I did see someone who could've... I'm not gonna put any names out there, but I did see someone who was not in class, and not, like, in a math lab, or, like, doing any... doing nothing. And that's not fair on the rest of us, because it's, like, we really needed help, and maybe Luca couldn't have come, or he needs to do something else, so you guys, just try, even if you didn't even put your exact name and time, you can come, like, maybe you can come for extra 10 minutes, just slip in and just be like, guys, can I help with anything? Because it just, like, to just see someone sitting doing nothing, and I was like you know, that's not fair. So, you know, just ready to try to help. Teamwork.

IV. Public Comment

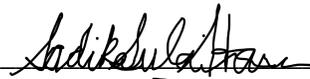
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Eloisa: It's just a quick question. I don't know who's in charge of office hours, but wherever you guys have the summary, can you please send that to me? Because I have to upload it to the website.

V. Adjournment: Motion to Adjourn: Jess, Ray 12:57pm



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