The meeting began at 7:02pm.

I. Minutes

Minutes from last week were passed.

II. Executive Board Report

Morgan Lingar: Morgan reported that the enrollment for Multicultural Literacy JanPlan course is filled to capacity, which is a great success in response to the publicity provided by SGA. Also, the Trustee initiated task force on student accountability has began meeting and the representatives serving on the task force are aiming to draft a proposal of some sort by the end of the year; the current goal is to increase student awareness on accountability by initiating conversations.

Kareem Kalil: Kareem was not present at the meeting.

Jean-Jacques Ndayisenga: Jean-Jacques reported on some financial statistics from the last month: 7% on the budget. there was a lot of positive feedback about International Food Festival, funded by SGA. There was also positive feedback about bowling night and Spontaneous Fun Day, collaboratively funded by SGA with SPB. also with SGA funding support, Amnesty International attended a conference in Boston. Jean-Jacques will be sending out evaluations to clubs who received funding this past semester to collect feedback on what went wrong, what went well, and how the funding process can improve. He decided to cut posters funding by SGA, because he feels as if they are not entirely effective and wasteful; the Financial Priorities Committee agreed. Lastly, SGA will cosponsor a game night during JanPlan with the library.

Monica Davis: Monica reminded the Presidents’ Council that Story Time was after the formal meeting, with speaker Carla Aronsohn. Also, she reminded the Presidents’ Council to consider bringing back gifts from break or donating money to the 1,001 Smiles gift; she also requested that the gift drive be put in newsletters. Finally, she requested that every dorm president attend the next Dinner with Dorm Presidents, which will feature a full ice cream bar.

Jack Mauel: Jack announced the Dorm President of the Week, Thomas Gregston. He requested that all dorm presidents sign up for a 15-minute end of semester meeting with him. He mentioned that there were several missed newsletters last week, and that he will speaking individually with those who have missed two newsletters. Finally, he said that there will be a motion from the Housing and Facilities Advisory Committee about residence hall violence fines.
Anna Caron: Anna did not have anything to report.

Rachel Jacobs: Rachel reminded the Presidents’ Council that during formal meetings, if someone would like to change a motion, they must move to amend it, and then the discussion will be focused on the amendment.

III. Dean’s Report

There were no deans present at the meeting.

IV. Community Forum

There were no community members present at the meeting.

V. Old Business

Motion 1: Richard Lund of Off-Campus Housing proposed that the Colby Community Enrichment Program (CCEP) be approved as an official campus club. Club representative Alexis Atkinson spoke about how the CCEP is designed to extend the first-year orientation program beyond the first week into the rest of a student’s first year. According to current research, 64% of students at Colby feel lonely on campus. The CCEP will facilitate and strengthen bonds between students past orientation week. John Williams asked about what kind of events the CCEP would host. Alexis said that they had two in mind as of now: there would be a dorm war competing within zones, then championships between the winner of the zone wars. Then, during Valentine’s Day week, there would be an organized way to appreciate others publicly. Bowen Trehewey moved to question. The motion passed unanimously and the CCEP is officially a campus club.

Motion 2: Jonathon Sommer of Johnson proposed that the Colby Quaker Fellowship be approved as an official campus club. Club representative Sam Chase said the group will be an organized fellowship focused on for social justice and developing a relationship with the Quaker population in Vassalboro. They will start this work through collaboration with the Multifaith Council. Bowen moved to question. The motion passed unanimously and the Colby Quaker Fellowship is officially a campus club.

Motion 3: Bryden Nugent of Leonard proposed that the Men of Color Alliance be approved as an official campus club. Club representative Clayton Brown spoke about the Alliance as providing an organized way for panethnic and panracial men to bring light to issues concerning the depiction of people of color in media, combating stereotyping, and dealing with job preparation. Also, the Alliance will provide a space for men of color to hold each other accountable. Milton Guillen asked why the group is only for men. Clayton talked about
redefining masculinity and discussing sexuality within a male population. Marshall Donner moved to question. The motion passed and the Men of Color Alliance is now officially a campus club.

Motion 4: Connor Clancy of Mariner proposed that the Colby Figure Skating Club be approved as an official campus club. Club representative Savannah Judge spoke about creating a community of figure skaters to participate in a loved sport. The Club would not be exclusive, as all levels of skaters would be welcome to participate. They talked about how not many people know about ice time. They also said that they plan to hold a couple events in the winter, and hopefully will be working with Waterville. They also would like to compete with synchro team, as there are seven skaters already interested. Monica Davis talked about strict rules with Waterville members using the Alfond arena ice. She also asked that the representatives talk more about the logistics of competitions. They said that the National Figure Skaters Associations hold competitions and that there is only a very small fee to compete. Pasquale Eckert asked about funding and whether they would attempt to provide skates for members. They said that they would need only a small amount of funding and that they are trying to get more skates. They talked about holding a disco themed ice time and bringing in a coach. Joseph Whitfield asked how members they had now. They responded that they have seven current members. Morgan Lingar asked about insurance. They said they did not know much about insurance and that they would initiate a discussion with Jed Wartman and athletic department. John Williams moved to question. The motion passed and the Colby Figure Skating Club is now officially a campus club.

Motion 5: Ethan Crockett of Mary Low proposed that the Screenprinter’s Guild be approved as an official campus club. Club Representative Sarah Rockford spoke reactivating the Guild. They already have all the necessary materials in Bixler and a printing studio. Screenprinting is a photographic process and the goal of the Guild is to teach students how it works. Bowen Trethewey moved to question. The motion passed unanimously and the Screenprinter’s Guild is now officially a campus club.

Motion 6: Justin Deckert of the Class of 2015 proposed that the Career Center should explore new ways of contacting and advertising to students. He talked about communication with students of all classes and how the Career Center is ineffective in the ways that they contact students; they send emails with tons of information several times a day and several times a week. There are ways that it must be improved, as there are too many official announcements. Monica Davis said she supports the idea, and talked about how aggravating it is to receive multiple emails from the Career Center but suggested amending the motion so that it includes suggestions with way to fix the problem. Cole Yaverbaum talked about her discussions with Roger Woolsey, who realizes what is going on. Cole said that the Presidents’ Council should come up with suggestions, such as the prospect of students being linked to Career Center information on Facebook. John Williams talked about how the Career Center should consider getting student feedback about the effectiveness of Official Notices, and suggested that they tailor emails to specific audiences. Erika Hinman talked about having one email sent out per week. Pasquale Eckert moved to amend the motion by saying that one weekly email be sent out with a General Announcements styled heading. Morgan Lingar talked about working in the
Career Center over the summer; she spoke about the discussion about condensing Career Center information into a General Announcement and that Roger expressed that it wouldn’t work because things change within the day. She suggested making an amendment that suggest there be one Career Center email daily, rather than weekly. Jean-Jacques Ndayisenga talked about making the information accessible in a different way other than email. Justin Deckert talked about solutions like The Better Announcements which are aimed at simplifying information and implementing programs that can direct emails to specific groups of students. Milton Guillen moved to amend the motion by saying that Career Center events are directed to the calendar. Monica Davis talked about how it is more about condensing the material into less information. John Williams talked about leaving the motion as is and moved to vote on the amendment to the amendment. The amendment to the amendment failed. Cole Yaverbaum said she thinks this is worth talking about with the Career Center coming from SGA. She also said that sending specific emails to specific groups is hard to manage and that the goal is to make emails accessible. She said that the worst thing about the stigma about Career Center emails is that it makes the Career Center seem less legitimate. Bryden Nugent talked about having tabs on on website or portal that are sorted into categories that allows student to choose what they want to hear about. Jack Mauel talked about opportunities presented that wouldn’t be exposed to otherwise and cautioned against compartmentalizing certain opportunities to certain groups of students. He also said, however, that the amount of emails the Career Center sends out cheapens the value of an Official Notice. Bowen Tretheway moved to vote on the amendment. The amendment failed. Bowen Tretheway moved to table as this might be a better discussion at an informal meeting. The motion was tabled. Cole Yaverbaum recommended inviting Career Center people to the informal discussion about this.

Motion 7: Justin Deckert of the Class of 2015 proposed the by-law 12-03 which states: “At the end of each academic year, it is the responsibility of the SGA Secretary to submit the year’s SGA minutes to the library’s special collections section.” John Williams said this was an excellent idea and moved to question. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion 8: Nick Zeller of the Class of 2013 proposed that SGA pass the Alfond Residency Forfeit Policy. Nick talked about the one change made to the Policy since the last discussion about it, which was: “If the offense is committed by a freshman in their first semester, and that person has had no disciplinary issues through their junior spring, they may appeal their exclusion from the Alfond lottery to the Judicial Board. Morgan Lingar talked about how limiting and specific the change of the Policy is in regards to to first-years in the fall; she said Dean Terhune recommended referring to the Housing and Facilities Advisory Committee and not the Judicial Board, if there are no pre-existing disciplinary actions. Bowen Tretheway agreed with Morgan’s concerns about second semester students, however he does not agree that infractions should be put in front of students to decide on who is eligible to live in the Alfond Apartments. Em Jamieson asked why this Policy is limited to the Alfond Apartments. Nick Zeller said he thinks those are great suggestions, but he thinks this will only be effective if applied to the Alfond Apartments. Monica Davis talked about how this is a great thing; and worried about students being the ones to decide about whether a student who has made an infraction is allowed to live in the Alfond Apartments. Wayne Kim talked about second semester students,
and recommended to change the clause about first year fall semester student. Cole Yaverbaum talked about liking the motion in terms of how SGA feels about vandalism. She moved to amend the motion to read “if the offense is committed by a freshman in their first semester and that person...” A representative moved to vote on the amendment. The amendment passed. Joseph Whitfield moved to question. The motion passed, 33-6.

**Tentative Motion 1 → Motion 9:** Jasmine Philips of Perkins-Wilson proposed that The Challenge be approved as an official campus club. Club Representative Paul Wennberg spoke about competing in the Tough Mudder which is an extreme race. The goal is to have a bunch of people sign up for the club and divide the group into smaller teams, where students would complete the course with strangers and be able to build community around this system. Wayne Kim asked about funding. Paul said that little funding would be needed for training and transportation. John Williams asked about where the teams would compete. Paul said that is to be decided. Rachel Jacobs, a captain of the team said that the course allows students to do random crazy things with strangers which facilitates bonding. Nick Zeller moved to question. The motion passed unanimously and The Challenge is now officially a campus club.

**Tentative Motion 2 → Motion 10:** John Grimaldi of Pierce proposed that the Colby Bowdoin Bates (CBB) Alliance be approved as an official campus club. Elliot Marsing spoke about the Alliance as a way to integrate the three schools socially. There is a mixer in the process of being planned taking place at Bowdoin’s pub. In the spring semester, there is going to be a CBB Day, which will turn into a large scale dance or concert. Pasquale Eckert asked about funding. Elliot spoke about transportation, and how any costs would be split amongst the schools. Monica Davis asked about getting a bus to the mixer at Bowdoin’s pub. Elliot said that they plan to have transportation. Wayne Kim asked about students who are under 21. Elliot said that students who are under or over 21 would be marked with different color wristbands. Justin Deckert moved to question. The motion passed unanimously and the Colby Bowdoin Bates Alliance is now officially a campus club.

**VI. New Business**

Erika Hinman talked about how she is following up on last year’s motion passed to get reflective vests at info desk.

Jean-Jacques Ndayisenga asked about the Roberts Rules in terms of letting people speak after moving to question. Morgan Lingar said that this is not possible.

Morgan Lingar talked about the potential of having an informal meeting after the final week of class on Sunday morning.

Monica Davis talked about that there will be a Story Time Sunday night of loudness.

Bowen Tretheway moved to adjourn.
The meeting ended at 8:09pm.