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Meeting called to order by Chairman Jeff Gao at 2PM

Gao- First thing on the agenda roll call. I am present. Andrea is present. Greg is present. Christy is present. Cesar is excuse due to the fact that it’s his mom’s 50th birthday. Luis is here. Briana Jones is excused. Adam is absent. Toby is excused and Omar is present. Second this on the agenda is additions/deletions to the agenda.

Motion to approve the agenda by Senator Brinkworth.

Gao- Cool. Agenda approved.

Gao- Next thing on the agenda: approval of the minutes. I sent them out. Please read them. Any motions?

Motion to approve both sets of minutes by Senator Brinkworth.


Open Forum:

Gao- I got you guys food, because you are a great committee. Anything else? New business. Budget transfers. College of Democrats. Okay, so nobody can read anything. We can probably get the...

Brinkworth- Could you slow down? Our lovely secretary is freaking out over here.

Gao- I’m sorry. Obviously, they sent this with the intention of us not reading it or of us being able to know what they thought. Because I’ve been trying to look at it for the past few days and I just know that they’re going to Washington DC for a national conference and that’s about it. I don’t know how many people are traveling, I don’t know what they’re spending it on, I don’t know why they’re transferring that money, I don’t know what they’re going to use it for. So, I tried to contact them the past two weeks and tried to email them twice; no replies. So, as of right now, I don’t know any other information than what’s on that page, which isn’t much.

Arrecha- Have they had previous conventions or conferences in DC?
Gao- Not that I know of. They might have. They might not have. But as of this year, I have no idea. They have not given me any information. I don’t know if they’ve gone on travels before. I don’t know what’s left in their budget. I have no idea.

Brinkworth- Well, the parts I can pick out, it seems like they’re doing like legit things. You know, they’re meeting with what appears to be members of congress perhaps and fostering some kind of relationships, developing skills. It’s only $91. I don’t know. I think I’m for it.

Arrecha- Yeah, I agree. We’re going to have the new system where you can actually type things in, right? For this particular reason.

Gao- Correct. Any motions?

Motion to pass the transfer by Senator Brinkworth.

Gao- Any objections? Budget transfer passed. Next thing on the agenda, we have announcements.

Announcements:

Gao- Any announcements?

Morgan- I have a quick one. The save the date went out for Plunge Retreat today. I don’t know if you’ve checked your email or not. If you could just mark that date on your calendar. It’s going to be a fun Sunday and Monday retreat. And soon, probably the next week or two, we’ll send out a link for you to be able to RSVP and sign up so you can go.

Gao- Announcements?

Arrecha- I have a question for that, if we didn’t receive it today, will there be another...Are you guys going to resend them out or...

Morgan- We’ll make sure. I don’t know how you hadn’t gotten it, but just in case.

Gao- Any other announcements? Any other motions?

Motion to adjourn by Senator Brinkworth.

Gao- Any objections?

Adjournment called by Chairman Gao at 2:04PM.