Princeton USG Senate Meeting 2 February 14, 2021 8:30pm EST



Introduction

- 1. Question and Answer Session (5 minutes)
- 2. President's Report (5 minutes)

New Business

- 1. Menstrual Products Task Force Proposal- Allen Liu and Rayyan Sarker (5 minutes)
- 2. 2024 Task Force Proposal- Mariam Latif and Sean Bradley (5 minutes)
- 3. USG 2021 Priorities Discussion- Christian Potter (30 minutes)

Name: Rayyan Sarker Date: 2/13/21 Title: Menstrual Products Task Force



Description and Objectives

The Menstrual Products Task Force aims to support the health, academic success, and dignity of all menstruators at Princeton University by providing free menstrual products in accessible campus restrooms. We hope to alleviate the burden placed on low-income students who are not able to otherwise afford these products, in addition to providing access to all students to the items when the need comes up. Throughout our past and as we go forward, we have and will continue to focus on inclusive policy & campus engagement, empowering black-owned/minority entrepreneurship in the menstrual justice space, sustainable & scalable policy growth, and local and national action.

Background Information

In Winter 2017, the Menstrual Products Task Force (under the name of the USG Senate Free Menstrual Products Project) ran a pilot program offering free menstrual products in Frist Campus Center, following the similar programs and movements at peer institutions. With the expressed student interest at the time, the pilot program became extremely successful, leading the group to propose and plan for permanent implementation. In Fall 2019, the group has successfully installed dispensers in 56 campus restrooms across campus as a part of the first stage of implementation using funding provided by the University Student Life budget, as managed by VP Rachel Calhoun. In Winter 2019-2020, the group renewed the contract with Aunt Flow, the organization that provides the menstrual products to Princeton's campus, for a long-term plan to keep the products stocked in the 56 restrooms. The program has had overwhelming support from members of the University community.

Potential Activities, Deliverables and Timeline

The Task Force has a variety of programs and actions concurrently running and being planned for with a variety of actors across campus. Below is a rundown of some of our major projects.

- Second Stage Implementation (Fall 2021): As we finalize the budget and continue to get feedback from Facilities about the best operational timeline, we are excited to be working on expanding the current reach of the menstrual products into many more academic and campus life buildings across campus. Our intention is to have no student more than three minutes away from a bathroom with products available.
- Residential College Program (March 2021): Working with the residential college offices and budgets, we are working through the Live Well Be Well (LWBW) programming offered by the residential colleges to provide undergraduates with menstrual products available in ways similar to that of condoms and candy.
- ICC Program (Fall 2021): We hope to renew conversations with the ICC (started

before the pandemic hit) to provide menstrual products through their budgets once they reopen.

- Graduate College Program (TBD): We are just beginning communication with the Graduate College Office and the Graduate Student Board to determine the feasibility of a similar program running for graduate students at the University.
- Organicup distribution (March-April 2021): Partnering with the Sustainability Office and UHS (among others), we hope to distribute free menstrual cups with Organicup, a Danish organization, to promote education in the sustainability aspect of our mission and goals.
- UHS and the options for menstruators event (First couple of weeks in March): in a continued effort to educate, we hope to host an online event with a McCosh Sexual Health and Wellness Nurse that would be able to explain the different types of products that exist for menstruators, along with their benefits and costs. As entrepreneurship in the field has increased rapidly in the recent years, we hope to provide undergraduates with an expansive understanding of the options available, encouraging sustainable alternatives while also hoping to simply educate.

Funding Allocation Request

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Name: Mariam Latif & Sean Bradley Date: February 14th, 2021 Title: Class of 2024 Taskforce



Description and Objectives

Aims to meet the needs and unique challenges of the Great Class of 2024 through

- Addressing on-campus, off-campus, and international student issues
- Being a source of information regarding any concerns and questions
- Offering opportunities to promote the Princeton experience

Background Information

The Class of 2024 has faced incredibly unique challenges as they began their Princeton career. They've had an unprecedented first semester that resulted in the loss of many essential Princeton experiences, and many freshmen continue to struggle because of it. From the lack of an in-person orientation to the stress of a completely virtual freshman year, we must take specific actions in regards to the Class of 2024. This task force seeks to close some of the resulting gaps and further engage them within the Princeton community.

Potential Activities, Deliverables and Timeline

- 1. Hosting open forums and/or office hours to facilitate the discussion of student concerns
- 2. Planning orientation events to take place prior to/during the Fall 2021 Semester
- 3. Collaborating with the 2024 Class Government
- 4. Promoting 2024 class sustainability practices*
- 5. Addressing international student issues

Funding Allocation Request

N/A