

the CASCADE

CJS Board Minutes
Wednesday, July 1, 2020
1:00 p.m.
via Zoom

Meeting called to order 1:00 p.m.

Meeting chaired by Bailey Chambers, CJS president

Minutes recorded by Nadia Tudhope, Managing Editor

In attendance

Bailey Chambers

Jessica Barclay

Hannah Celinski

Navpreet Singh

Gurleen Kaler

Gurkirat Singh

Nadia Tudhope

1. Motion from Hannah Celinski to approve increase in student fees for Fall 2020 semester, Gurleen seconds.
 - Navpreet votes “no” on increasing student fees, on the grounds that we have some excess and do not need to increase fees from students.
 - Jessica Barclay: this is an 11 cent increase, and this increase is increasing with inflation, so we’re not losing money down the line. This is so we hopefully won’t have to go to referendum in the future from losing money.
 - Bailey: and we’re in line with inflation to printing costs, etc. So while we’re good for now, this is preparing us for the future.
 - Hannah asks if it’s from an optics standpoint that is part of the motivation for voting “no.”
 - Gurkirat argues that it’s a bad time to increase even 1 cent on students, and we’re saving money on printing costs, so can look at increasing next year.
 - Bailey argues against having to hold a referendum to vote on increasing fees as it’s the Board’s job to keep the paper in a good place for the *future*, and that if it comes to a referendum, to voting, they would say no.
 - Jessica adds that the CPI increase is something students already voted for--the adding each semester. So it’s not a decision the Board is just making: it’s something students already voted “yes” for.

- Hannah states that that amount of money is not worth putting the paper in jeopardy, especially if not increasing is mostly based on optics, as much as we want to stand with students.
- Jessica argues that students will notice 11 cent increase more than they would notice not increasing, so an optics motivation does not really benefit us here.

Navpreet changes his vote to “yes.”

Bailey: we will need to have another vote then.

Bailey states we will need to put through another motion to vote.

Jessica: A couple years ago, students passed referendum that fees would increase with inflation each year. So Fall and Winter fee would increase with CPI, so approximately an 11 cent increase.

Hannah Celinski motions to approve 1.9% increase in student fees for Fall and Winter semesters (11 cents), Gurkirat seconds. Motion passes.

Meeting adjourned 1:26 p.m.