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July GSC General Body Meeting Notes

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Topic 1. Standard Funding Request

Members voted to approve the standard funding request presented by the Dartmouth Desis for a community event.

Topic 2. Establishment of a Reproductive Freedom Fund

Members discussed and passed the establishment of a reproductive freedom fund, or other mechanism of support for students requiring such medical services. The cost of contraceptives and medically induced abortions are dictated by the Dick's House pharmacy, and are subject to the standard coverage of the Dartmouth Health insurance. There is some concern that certain expenses are not reimbursable by the school. Dartmouth also covers one term of medical leave for pregnant students, and has options for longer medical leaves of absence. The Dean is concurrently working on establishing an emergency short term loan.

Topic 3. CARE Co-chair Elections

Members voted to approve hosting an election for additional CARE Co-chairs.

Topic 4. Rising Energy Prices

Members brainstormed support mechanisms for addressing the rise in energy prices for Sachem Village and other off-campus housing, citing a 47% increase in the price of energy by Liberty Utilities. Suggestions include a group-buy event for energy conserving/efficient hardware, the creation of an emergency fund, and subsidizing the costs. Additionally, the issue of a stipend increase arose. However, this would not aid Masters students.

Graduate Student Council Member(s) of the Month

Congratulations to Sam Lensgraf and Sierra Kleist!