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Clubs respond to budget cuts

MID-YEAR BUDGET REDUCTIONS PART OF LONG-UNENFORCED OSLE POLICY

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Following the mid-year budget review for student organizations, several clubs received budget cuts. This is the first year Community Senate and the Inter-Club Council have directed a mid-year review session, suggesting an interest in following up on existing regulations from the ICC and the Office of Student Leadership and Engagement.

According to the 2010-2011 Student Organization Manual, clubs that have spent more than 75 percent or less than 25 percent are contacted following annual audits conducted by the OSLE. Clubs that have spent less than 25 percent at mid-year are subject to budget reductions of up to 50 percent unless they can defend their lack of spending.

"These policies were in the books before I got here," said Director of OSLE Erin Fox. "This is the first year that ICC has tried to stick so thoroughly to the written policies."

Clubs that spend more than 75 percent of their overall budget before the mid-year were made liable for probation. Of the 20 student organizations that underwent review, 15 organizations had their budgets cut, 10 organizations were put on probation and one organization was taken off probation.

"Probation is an organizational status put on clubs in the event that there is a lack of activity, leadership issues, trouble with allocation of resources or other

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Senate election campaigns underway



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Senate election candidates sophomore **Karen Turner** for treasurer and junior **Brian Jones** for vice president defend their positions during the Senate Meeting debate on March 30.

PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES DISCUSS FUTURE GOALS, STRESS COMMUNITY INPUT

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Community Senate elections will be held on Monday, April 4. This is a chance for all traditional students to have a say in who represents the student body.

This year's election is different from recent elections because there are no tickets. Every candidate runs alone for the office they want.

"The switch to individual tickets is exciting," said senior Patchouli Oerther, vice president of Community Senate and chair of the election committee. "It helps bring in a variety of people. It also helps avoid some of the problems tickets have faced in the past, like disqualifications, and leaves more room for dealing with human error."

The candidates this year are junior Yahya Alazrak, junior Elijah Dacosta and sophomore Cate Schurz for president; junior Brian Jones for vice-president; first-year Peter Terrell and sophomore Karen Turner for

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WORLD & NATION

Libyan revolt receives international involvement

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Operation Odyssey Dawn has begun.

The mission is to free the African country of Libya from their current ruler, Moammar Gadhafi.

Since Feb. 15, Libya has been a country of riots, Reuters reported. Gadhafi has been the sole ruler of Libya since he was 27 — he is now close to 70, BBC News reports. Citizens in Libya have been calling for Gadhafi's resignation for months and Gadhafi's primary response has been met with violence.

Libya has now acquired international support for their revolt. On March 19, France began the first air strikes in response to Gadhafi's government forces attacking Benghazi, a city where rebel forces were residing. That same day, the U.S. and the U.K. joined the French through use of submarines and warships, BBC News reported.

"We are not putting any ground forces into Libya," President Barack Obama said in a weekly radio address, as described by the American Forces Press Service. "Our military has provided unique capabilities at the beginning, but



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A French fighter jet flies over Libyan land. France began their air strikes against Gadhafi's government forces attacking Benghazi on March 19.

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