

## APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

**Organization: Welcome Weekend** 

Date: November 8, 2010

The Appropriations Committee felt that Welcome Weekend has done a great job in attempting to reduce its surplus thus far, as requested from last year's Committee. Many committee members, however, felt that Welcome Weekend could still do more to reduce the surplus. Some felt that Welcome Weekend should absolutely strive to put on a spring event to complement the January orientation event organized by the Orientation Steering Committee. Some suggestions that committee members provided in order to put on a spring event included moving executive board elections to allow officers enough time to work on such an event or co-sponsoring with an organization to put on the spring event with surplus funds.

In addition, committee members felt strongly that Welcome Weekend should also look to remove the registration fee for Club Fest as another possible route to reduce the surplus. In addition, the Committee believed that removing the registration fee would eliminate the burden it places on student organizations as well as on the SAFC. Finally, many felt that Welcome Weekend should find another way of equitably assigning tabling space for organizations that may not involve consistently increasing registration fees.

Overall, the Appropriations Committee wanted to thank Welcome Weekend for the high-quality programming it puts on and felt it provides a great service to the Cornell Community.

Respectfully submitted,

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