



May 28, 2010

Dear Activities Board at Columbia,

The F@CU Committee would like to sincerely thank you for a well-organized application and a truly engaging and informative presentation. We really appreciate the efforts made on your end to provide the F@CU Committee with the best application possible.

After thorough deliberation, the F@CU Committee has decided to provide ABC with an allocation of \$393,459.00. This amounts to a 7.4% increase from the previous year's allocation and a 4.4% cut from the requested allocation.

The cut from the requested allocation comes directly from the proposed appeals budget. It was stated that an extra \$18,000 was factored into the appeals budget in order to support groups that will be affected by the rise in Lerner tech fees. The F@CU Committee has concluded that it will not grant the \$18,000 request due to the uncertainty surrounding the exact rise in tech fees. We encourage ABC groups to adapt their programming to the best of their abilities to the new tech fees, should they rise.

Should that fees rise substantially and an inordinate number of clubs request appeals from ABC that max out the appeals budget, we encourage ABC to approach the councils for supplemental aid at that time. Such a supplement is not guaranteed, but will be considered in order to ensure that student life can flourish as it always has.

On the whole, the F@CU Committee was very impressed with ABC's presentation this year and its long-term plan to best meet the needs of its groups.

Please direct any unanswered questions to facu@columbia.edu.

Sincerely,
The F@CU Committee