

GSC CLUB FUNDING PROPOSAL, 2003-2004

Name of Club	Caltech Russian Club
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Amount REQUESTED from GSC last year	\$0
Amount RECEIVED from GSC last year	\$0
Amount REQUESTED from GSC this year	\$250
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Campus address to send check	m/c 356-48

Graduate Student Council
CLUB FUNDING PROPOSAL
October 1, 2003 - September 30, 2004
Caltech Russian Club

1 Name of Organization

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2 Purpose of the club

The Caltech Russian Club represents the Russian speaking community at Caltech. It serves to promote better understanding and friendship between Russian-speaking people and other members of the Caltech community. One major aim of the club is to help the newcomers adjust to this new environment and soften the “culture shock”. The Caltech Russian Club is open to the entire Caltech community.

3 E-mail address of contact person

Club President: Timofei Piatenko
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4 URL of the club website

Club Website: <http://www.its.caltech.edu/sovok>

5 Name, campus address, Caltech e-mail, and campus extension of two officers

President: Timofei Piatenko
Campus Address: MC 356-48

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Treasurer: Alexei Dvoretzkii
Campus Address: MC 356-48
e-mail: dvoretzk@its.caltech.edu
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6 Membership

Total # active members	36
# Member paying dues	11
# other members and friends	27
Total # graduate student members	15
Dues-paying graduate student members	6

List of Graduate Student members:

Name	Option
Ivan Grudinin	Physics
Igor Bargatin	Physics
George Shapovalov	Physics
Vadim Borokhov	Physics
Andrei Deev	Chemistry
Marat Gataullin	Physics
Ilya Fushman	Physics
Inna Kozinsky	Physics
Olga Schneider	Aero
Timofei Piatenko	Physics
Vadym Kapinus	Chemistry
Sergiy Vasylykevych	Math
Alexei Dvoretzkii	Physics
Alexander Putilin	Physics
Rustem Shaikhutdinov	ACM

7 Recruitment

We recruit new members in a variety of ways. In the past we have sent out emails to newly arriving students, whose contacts we obtained from the Housing Office. We have also kept in touch with the extended Caltech Russian community, which allows our club to include Caltech alumni and JPL employees. While the number of members fluctuates as new students arrive and older students graduate, we expect the average number of members to remain rather steady. This year we are also planning to advertise the club at the Caltech Club Fair. We hope this will allow us to recruit new members more efficiently by giving newly arrived students a better chance of learning about the existence of our club.

8 Advertisement of the club events

The club mailing list has been the main advertising channel used by the club. In the future, we plan to extend this to putting up flyers around campus and perhaps asking the ISP to forward messages to the International community at Caltech. Appropriate advertising technique would be used depending on the scope of a particular Club event.

9 List of events and activities in year 2002-2003

Activity	Date	Participants	Grads	O/M
International Food Fair	April 2003	15	5	0

The Russian Club is currently in a transition period. Although it was rather active several years ago, it has recently nearly ceased to exist. Now with a number of new members, including a new club president, the club is trying to begin a new life. While the list of club activities has been very limited in the past year, we hope to change this in 2003-2004.

10 2002-2003 Financial Statement

Opening balance: \$100

Income:
 ISP Food Fair reimbursement: \$200
 Expenses:
 Caltech Food Fair: \$213
 Closing balance: \$87

11 Proposed events for 2003-2004

We plan to hold a club-wide activity about once a month. Main activities will include screenings of Russian films and Russian Holiday related parties/celebrations. Below is a tentative list of such events, which will also be open to the entire Caltech community:

Activity	Date	Participants	Grads	O/M
Welcome BBQ	October 2003	25	> 10	0
Revolution day party	November 7, 2003	40	> 10	0
Movie night	December 2003	12	6	0
Movie night	February 2004	12	6	0
Women's day	March 8, 2004	20	10	0
Food Fair	April 2004	12-15	6-7	0
Mayday party	May 1, 2004	40	> 10	0

We are also planning to participate in Caltech-wide events such as the international movie night and international week. We are also considering organizing a trip to the annual Southern California festival of Russian Bard music.

We have also been contacted by club alumni with the idea of having career advisement seminars with the idea of strengthening the ties between current students and alumni.

12 2003-2004 Projected Financial Statement

Opening balance: \$87
 Income: \$605
 Dues: \$55
 Graduate students: \$30 = 6 x \$5
 Others: \$25 = 5 x \$5

ISP Food Fair reimbursement:	\$200
SIF Samovar:	\$100
GSC Funding:	\$250
Expenses: \$650	
Parties:	\$250
Welcome BBQ:	\$100
Revolution Day:	\$50
Women's Day:	\$50
MayDay:	\$50
Movie Nights (2-3):	\$50
Refreshments:	\$30
Rentals:	\$20
Food Fair:	\$300
Groceries:	\$100
Samovar:	\$100
Closing balance: \$42	

13 Requested GSC funding

We would like the GSC to sponsor our themed parties/mixers. The level of activity in our club in the last year was very low due to a natural change of generations. GSC contribution will be very important as we try to revive the Caltech Russian Club and make sure that we continue its tradition of involvement in the social life of Caltech. The welcome barbecue is especially important to us as we will be trying to meet new members and get them involved with the club.

Summary of requested funding from GSC:

Welcome BBQ	\$100
Revolution Day party	\$50
Women's Day party	\$50
May Day party	\$50
Total requested from GSC	\$250

Name: _____

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