

Michael Morris – Finance Committee Member-at-Large

Members of College,

Student governance has long been a concept I've held in high importance. I believe it's imperative for a positive student community to support student-run initiatives, clubs, and activities. We all pay an enormous amount of college fees that go toward funding the clubs and committees at Trin, and ensuring that these funds get used appropriately, and allocated fairly, is of the utmost importance. It's for this reason that I've decided to run for a position on Finance Committee.



One issue that's been brought up at TCMs this year is that if you want your club to get funding, run for a position on finance committee. In my opinion, this is an entirely unfair way for the FC to operate, and also violates the TCM constitution, as club exec members on the FC aren't allowed to vote on issues regarding their own club. As your resident-member-at-large, I would fight for each club to be given fair consideration regarding their budget proposals, and would most certainly recuse myself in case of a conflict. This connects to the larger issue of accessibility of funds, as every Trinity College student pays student fees, yet not all of them are able to take advantage of them, especially non-drinkers, when such a large proportion is spent on alcohol. If elected, I would work to promote the budgets of clubs devoted to more widely appealing activities, or unique and creative events.

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