Paly ASB Budget Report 2024-2025 Winter/Spring Quarters

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Fall Quarter Budget Report

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Charge Statement and Introduction

As outlined by our revised 24-25 ASB constitution, **Article VII Bylaws** – **Finances** states, "ASB shall publish semester budget reports to the student body by the end of the first and third quarter of each school year." This report marks the First Quarter report, covering everything that has happened in this fiscal quarter for Paly ASB (06/01/2024 - 10/11/2024). This budget report shall go over purchases made by Paly ASB and its sub-constituents, including purchases made for Spirit Week, dances, and socials, as well as to make such purchases more transparent and simplify expenditures.

Before you scroll down to see our expenses this quarter, please keep in mind that ASB is mandated to be a net-zero organization. This means that we are not allowed to make money, and every dollar we make is put back into the student body. Most of the money that we receive each year gets distributed to Spirit Week, allowing us to buy thousands of dollars of building materials, socials, which provide goodies to the entire student body, and finally Prom, where we cover over \$50,000 of the cost for Juniors and Seniors. This year, we have approved slightly above \$75,000 for Prom subsidization, which is at least \$79 per person discounted on average. You can also view our unaudited balances at 2024-2025 ASB Financial Information (public), which has been compiled for the entire ASB account, as well as individual class accounts, and our prom costs breakdown.

Prom 2025 Information

This year, we are hosting Palo Alto High School's Prom on Saturday, May 17th, 2025 at the Exploratorium. Here is a cost breakdown for your Prom tickets this year:

Prom Total Cost Calculator	Estimate Cost	Cost Per Person
General:		
Avalon & Lux Bus Fees (Base Fees)	\$40,000.00	\$42.11
Total Event SF Base Fees (\$93 per person)	\$88,350.00	\$93.00
Total Event SF Food (\$65 per person)	\$61,750.00	\$65.00
Activities		
4 Photo Booths (\$1200 each)	\$4,800.00	\$5.05
Decor		
Gobo Lights (Not sure if complimentary)	\$200.00	\$0.21
Extra		
Banner	\$130.00	\$0.14
Wristbands	\$45.00	\$0.05
Scholarships	\$7,000.00	\$7.37
Chaperones	\$3,000.00	\$3.16
Total	\$205,275.00	\$216.08
Total after (current) subsidization	\$129,081.38	\$135.88

Some of the major expenses fall under the mandated busses we are mandated to provide by the district (non-negotiable – we've tried), the fire permits for the Exploratorium, additional insurance if anything dangerous happens, and additional chaperones that are mandated for supervision. We also cover scholarships for students who need financial assistance to attend Prom. If you need a scholarship, please speak with Ms. Laguna. The food costs are also a bit on the pricier end due to transportation, labor, and decoration costs, especially in Metropolitan San Francisco.

Your ticket this year will include: 4 hours of exclusive use of the Exploratorium's Central Gallery and usage of all interactive games and exhibits, a professional coat check, unlimited beverages, a 3-course meal, a disc jockey with a light show, and multiple photo booths to ensure a short wait time. Finally, the facility will be fully decorated, with decorations in line with our "Dancing under the Stars" theme, which will be scenic for additional photos taken.

Without this subsidization that ASB provides, Prom Tickets this year would've cost an average of \$215 for all students. Prom tickets that are on sale from March 15th to April 5th will only be \$130 with an ASB Card or \$140 without an ASB Card, which is up to a \$85 discount. ASB has been working hard all year to host this event, so we hope you will all have a great time and enjoy prom this year! You can purchase tickets at the following link: https://palywebstore.myschoolcentral.com!

Unaudited Fund Balance Summary

General note here: there have been events that have been run that have not submitted reimbursements yet, so those have not been accounted for on this budget report.

General Account (1190) and other General Balances

	Cumulative (Fall to Spring) 24'-25'	
	Expenses	Revenue
Transfers		\$17,670.66 ^[A]
10-year plan		\$10,000.00 ^[B]
Student Body Parking Permits	\$465.53	\$21,698.00 ^[C]
Student Body Cards		\$15,470.00
Stanford Parking	\$1,350.00	\$11,129.86
Class Council	\$2,000.00	
New Student Orientation	\$1,201.12	
ASB Work License Fee	\$1,437.00	
Club Grants	\$400.00	
Publicity	\$50.78	
Fundraisers		\$552.00
Sports Tournaments	\$0.00	
Activity Equipment	\$113.31	
Elections	\$0.00	

Recognition	\$0.00	
ASB Equipment	\$556.83	
Website Maintenance	\$289.00	
Return Credits		\$367.64
Open Edge Fees	\$4,000.42	\$1,063.35
Swank Renewal	\$882.00	
Net Expenses/Gains	\$12,745.99	\$77,951.51
Net Revenue		\$65,205.52

[A]: Most definitely a one-time occurrence, this was transferred from inactive accounts dating anywhere from 4-9 years ago. We will not be having this boost in future years. Further fee transfers will directly go to OpenEdge Fees to zero them out.

[B]: Part of a plan first enacted 7 years ago. Transfers \$10,000 every year from a savings account to our general account every year, ending in 3 years.

[C]: As parking permits are only purchased by Juniors and Seniors, this money is only allocated towards Prom subsidization, which is typically only purchasable by Juniors and Seniors.

Spirit Week (1160)[D]

	Cumulative (Fall to Spring) 24'-25'	
	Expenses	Revenue
Float Building + Rally Games	(\$9,759.34)	
Spirit Week T-Shirts	(\$14,666.81)	\$14,805.00
Net Expenses/Gains	(\$24,426.15)	\$14,805.00
Net Revenue		(\$9,621.15)

[D]: Slightly updated from Fall budget report due to some purchases being logged late.

Dance (1160)

	Cumulative (Fall to Spring) 24'-25'	
	Expenses	Revenue
Back to School Dance	(\$2,669.54)	\$2,970.00
Homecoming	(\$3,635.02)	\$25,585.00
Prom	[E]	
Net Expenses/Gains	(\$6,304.56)	\$28,555.00
Net Revenue		\$22,250.44

[E]: We currently are not calculating Prom expenses into our net expenses, as keeping it separate allows us to track how much overflow money we are getting every year, which directly goes to subsidizing prom. Check the "Prom 2025 Information" tab above for more information.

Social Account^[F]

	Cumulative (Fall to Spring) 24'-25'	
	Expenses	Revenue
Cookies on the Quad	(\$1,036.45)	
Field Day Class Socials		
Finals Snack and Study	(\$435.01)	
Love Week	(\$1,216.56)	\$490.00
Net Expenses/Gains	(\$2,688.02)	\$490.00
Net Revenue		(\$2,198.02)

[F]: The Social Account is still a subsection of the general account; it has not been officially made. However, on my tracking, it is considered separate.

Class Accounts

Class of 2025	Class of 2025 (325)	
Description	Expenses	Revenue
Starting Balance:		\$455.80
Deck Painting	\$92.33	
10 Year Plan Transfer		\$400.00
Chipotle Fundraiser		\$115.35
Senior Donuts (Tyler)	\$199.90	
Stanford Parking		\$150.00
Wall of Rejection Materials [Approved \$25]		
Sums	\$292.23	\$1,121.15
Current Balance		\$828.92

Class of 2026	Class of 2026 (326)	
Description	Expenses	Revenue
Starting Balance:		\$547.22
10 Year Plan Transfer		\$400.00
Chipotle Fundraiser 12/7		\$85.68
Stanford Parking		\$150.00
Palmetto Fundraiser		
Sums	\$0.00	\$1,182.90
Current Balance		\$1,182.90

Class of 2027	Class of 2027 (327)	
Description	Expenses	Revenue
Starting Balance:		\$754.45

10 Year Plan Transfer		\$400.00
Raffle Tickets	\$9.60	
Chipotle Fundraiser		\$141.95
Winter Social	\$322.40	
Stanford Parking		\$150.00
Sums	\$332.00	\$1,446.40
Current Balance		\$1,114.40

Class of 2027	Class of 2028 (328)	
Description	Expenses	Revenue
Starting Balance:		\$0.00
10 Year Plan Transfer		\$800.00
Spirit Packs		\$207.01
Credit Memos		\$72.10
Ramen Social	\$203.94	
Stanford Parking		\$150.00
Sums	\$203.94	\$1,229.11
Current Balance		\$1,025.17

Upcoming Financial Outlook

The following is a list of events that ASB has planned out to host soon. Be on the lookout for upcoming events!

4th Quarter:

- Campus-wide Lip Dub
- Spring Spirit Week
- Prom
- Snack and Study

Conclusion

In conclusion, Paly ASB's state of budget right now is mostly focused on Prom - with over \$200,000 planned to be spent on the entirety of it, we are currently fundraising to pay for that. Currently, another chunk of money is being dedicated to Spirit Week, in which we are spending. We want to reiterate that Paly ASB **is not for profit** - we are not allowed to make money on the year. We hope that this first budget report informs you well about the money you've spent, and where it's headed. We greatly appreciate the continued support from the student body.

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