SGA Cabinet Meeting

MINUTES
February 7, 2008
CC 204 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Members Present: Emily Taylor, Channa Heng, Shadavia Jones, Aliza Leventhal, Ayesha Siddiqui, Yvanka De Soysa, Megan Gallo, Rochelle M. Valdez, Becca Homa, Erin Molloy, Margaret Mumbi, AM Harmon, Nora Yim, Marlowe Dieckmann, Rae-Anne Butera

Members Absent: Keena Humphrey, JJ Yang

1. Call to Order & Attendance

2. Minutes
   a. Motion to approve the minutes passes 12-0-2

3. Committee Updates
   a. Megan—appointments for ORC, Academic Honor Board, Curriculum Committee, Otelia Cromwell Day Committee next weekend; set a tentative election schedule
   b. Channa—Gavel Awards: 52 nominations; going to have a Five-College Conference in March
   c. Marlowe—Open Houses very successful; house competitions coming up; President Christ coming to HPA next week

4. Tay’s Updates
   a. 7 Sisters conference at Mt. Holyoke Sunday 2/24
      i. How many can attend?
   b. Gowns for Rally Day
   c. Leasing a new van
      i. College is debating whether to purchase or lease a new van
      ii. The two vans need work done on them if we decide to trade them in
      iii. Should we take the two vans off the road until the whole buy/lease situation is settled?
      iv. More information to come (which van is cheaper to fix, etc.)
   d. LEAP Workshops—Sign up
   e. Public Safety Forum
      i. Hang flyers up in houses
   f. Archive Liaison
      i. Channa and Megan
      ii. Meet with Debbie Richards to make sure Cabinet 07-08 goes down in Smith history
   g. Hot Topic Forum on anonymity
   h. Connecting with orgs
      i. Fireside Chats—3 for the semester
         i. First on “Difficult Conversations”?
            1. Who should we invite? President Christ, Jennifer Walters, Dean Riddell? Naomi Miller?
            2. Randy Bartlett or Kevin Quashie? Kevin Quashie
      j. Co-Curricular Diversity Initiatives
i. Theme: Women’s Impact on Black History Month

k. Staff Appreciation Day—April 8th
   i. Cookies & Thank yous

5. Rally Day
   a. Carnival
   b. Ice cream!
   c. Going to have the favorite foods of the Rally Day medalists when they were at Smith

6. SGA Visibility
   a. SGA Radio Show—update from interest mtg
   b. Sophian Article
      i. Rochelle
   c. SmithRant/Suggestion Box
      i. Smithies are complaining about SGA not providing transportation to the voting polls
   d. CC Tabling weekly
      i. Sign up!

7. SGA Open House Planning—March 3rd
   a. Aliza and Mumbi—food/desserts

8. Upcoming Events
   a. Philosophy of Race discussion—Friday 2/8, Seeyle 201, 3pm
   b. Special Second Friday at the Art Museum!
      i. NOMO (Afro-beat band) at the Museum of Art!—Friday 2/8, 7pm
   c. Kate Bornstein—Friday 2/8, Weinstein Auditorium, 7:30pm:
      i. “Men, Women and the Rest of Us”
   d. Vagina Monologues—Saturday 2/9, JMG, 8pm
   e. Getting Real about Race: Racism on Campus—Monday 2/11, CC 003, 7:30pm
   f. Public Safety Hot Topic Forum—Tuesday 2/12, Weinstein Auditorium, 7:30pm
   g. Hot Seat: “Moral Imperatives: Why Speak About Race?” with President Christ—Wednesday 2/13, CC 103/104, 12:15pm
   h. Ira Katznelson. “When Affirmative Action was White” Lecture—Thursday, 2/14, Weinstein, 4:30pm
   i. MFA Dance Concert, Thursday 2/14, Theater 14, 8pm
   j. Senate Pub Night!!! Friday 2/15, Campus Center Pub, 9pm

9. Rumor Mill / Sentiment on Campus / Open Discussion

10. Adjournment
    a. Motion to adjourn at 9:03pm