SGA Cabinet Meeting Minutes
February 12, 2009
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. in CC 204

Members Present: Megan Gallo, Meg Schmitt, Julia Yang, Dayo Harris, Sabine Jean, Laura Winkler, Elaine Harris, Alexis Warth, Samaiya Ewing, Mercedes Davis, Keturah Edwards, Marlowe Dieckmann, Rachel Licata, Krystal Cummings

Members Absent: Aliza Leventhal, Sarah Kam

Members Late:

I. Call to Order 7:02p.m.
II. Paul Ominsky
   a. Parking during snow storms
      i. Overview
         1. Faculty/staff spaces are only for faculty/staff
         2. Snow emergency, students move to snow lots
         3. Enough spaces for cars to move
            a. Shouldn’t be asking students to move
         4. Emails confuse students
         5. After snow storm
            a. Ask students to leave their spots so that snow can get cleared
         6. Snow ban revised every year
         7. Couldn’t tow cars after 7:00a.m.
            a. Previously, only ticket cars in the garage
            b. Faculty/staff complained about not having parking spaces in the morning
         8. Decal comes with snow ban information
         9. Opt out program for faculty and staff
            a. Leaving their cars at home
      ii. Comments
         1. Leaving information in cars
         2. Visitors are parking in student spaces
         3. Parking is complicated for visitors
         4. Having 10 to 12 shovels at Public Safety
         5. Communication about getting towed
         6. Painted spots do not work at this time of year
         7. Cannot oversell decals
         8. Regional parking would not be fair to all students
         9. Garage is underutilized, except for when it snows
         10. Shuttle to garage at night
         11. Shuttle at Mt. Holyoke may not be around next year
            a. Had trouble getting drivers
            b. Underutilized also
         12. Having shuttles travel from point to point
         13. Having a schedule and sticking to it
   b. Blue lights
      i. New bulbs in old lights
      ii. Join spring lighting walk
      iii. No blue lights near ITT on the road
      iv. Working on lighting athletic bridge

III. Minutes
   a. Passed 12-0-2

IV. Committee Updates
   a. Curriculum Committee
      i. Working on survey
         1. Curriculum and 5-College concerns
2. Cabinet will view survey first  
   ii. Send out by the end of February  
   iii. Rally Day awards  

b. President  
   i. Met with Dean Mahoney  
      1. Class Matters Initiative Workshop  
         a. Talked about gentrification  
         b. Email out response from college  
         c. Some course credits do not transfer to Smith  
   2. Rumors on co-education  
      a. No plans for Smith to go co-ed  
      b. Over 4,000 applications this year  
   3. Trustee lunch on Friday March 6th  
      a. Discuss what we want to discuss with them next week  
   4. Marijuana policy still stands on Smith campus  

c. Organization Resources Committee  
   i. Working on website  
   ii. Will be monitoring organization transactions  

d. Elections and Appointments  
   i. Set Election dates  
      1. Friday March 6th start sign up  
      2. March 11th, 23rd, and 25th: campaign meetings  
      3. Banners due March 30th  
      4. April 4th 6:00a.m. campaigning begins  
      5. Polls open April 7th and close April 13th  
      6. Turnover the week after elections  

e. Secretary  
   i. E-newsletter blurb due February 25th  
   ii. Will send out reminder email 7 days prior  

f. Ada Class  
   i. Had first cabinet meeting  
      1. Talked about budget issue  
      2. Elected second social chair and historian  

h. House Presidents Association  
   i. House competition  
      1. Rally Day on February 18th  
      2. Prize: buttons that say “I <3 my house.”  
   ii. Designed HPA sweatshirt  
   iii. Liz Hait and Becky Shaw came to speak about room draw  
      1. HPs should know about it  
      2. Change set up of Carroll Room/ Atrium  
   iv. Sunday February 15th  
      1. All-House Open House  
      2. Day before house change form is due  

i. Diversity Committee  
   i. Met Tuesday with E-board  
      1. Have questions for documentary set  
   ii. Take flyers to post in houses  
   iii. Found camera but need music  
   iv. Interviews  
      1. February 21st from 3:00p.m. to 5:00p.m.  
      2. March 1st: from 3:00p.m. to 5:00p.m.
3. Gender and Sexuality Resource Center

j. Senate
   i. Rally Day Tea February 16th at 7p.m. in Neilson Browsing Room
   ii. Rally Day Carnival Tuesday February 17th at 9p.m. in Campus Center
      1. Sign up for shifts 9:00p.m. to 12:00a.m.
   iii. Audrey Smith presented on Tuesday

k. Class of 2012
   i. Elected new treasurer
   ii. March 4th: Chocolate Party in Pub
   iii. Met with Rae-Anne
      1. Make video to 2013 class
      2. Needs help in making video

l. Class of 2011
   i. 2011 t-shirts were sent back because of typo
   ii. Hot Chocolate/ Apple Cider Event
      1. postponed

m. Class of 2010
   i. “What not to Wear” Tea featuring Patrick Conley
      1. February 26th at 4:30p.m.
   ii. If someone is interested in being the Junior Usher contact Elaine Harris

V. Women’s College Week at Simmons College
   a. Friday and Saturday, March 27th and 28th
      i. Leave Friday at 4:30p.m.
      ii. Return Saturday by dinner time
      iii. 13 members of Cabinet can make it
   b. “Women’s College SGA Think Tank” in early afternoon
   c. Bring a pillow and something to sleep in

VI. Sophian Idea
   a. Interview us about elections, particularly Laura Winkler

VII. Bradley Airport shuttle tickets: raising it to $15 one-way and $30 roundtrip
   a. Lost money from Thanksgiving shuttle

VIII. Upcoming Events/ Rumor Mill
   a. Student Activities Fair, April 17th at lunch
   b. Friday, March 6th: Lunch with trustees
   c. Closing reception for Open Campus: Friday April 17th from 2:15p.m. to 3:15p.m.

IX. Adjournment 9:04p.m.