CONFIDENTIAL
Campus Center Room 204
Wednesday, February 15, 2006 7:00pm

Members Present: Laura Magliochetti, Molly Giammarco, Ka’Neda Ellison, Katy Gabel, Stacey Baird, Maia Porter, Maeghan Vaillancourt, Meg Ambrus, Nkechi Nneji, Kim Paull, Marissa Maples, Emily Taylor, Monique Robinson, Adriana Rua, McKay LeBlanc

Members Absent: None

I. Call to Order
   A. Ka’Neda called the meeting to order at 7:03

II. Roll Call

III. Minutes
   A. Motion to approve the minutes from 12-7-05 passes 11-0-2
   B. Motion to approve the minutes from 2-8-06 passes 10-0-3

IV. Business
   A. Review of JB Questions
   B. JB Review with Dead Dutka and Georgia Yuan—see discussion minutes
   C. Discussion
      1. Do we have the authority to make this decision?
         a. Task force will find out whether or not this is under our jurisdiction.
         b. The point of today’s discussion is whether or not we endorse moving forward with the process of forming a task force.
      2. Should cabinet straw poll its position without discussing the matter first?
      3. Type up recommendations for next year’s cabinet.
      4. Some cabinet members felt unprepared for today’s discussion and unclear what it was supposed to be about.
      5. Dean Mahoney will appoint “X” number of people and EnA may be asked to appoint another “X” number of students.
      6. By endorsing this project, we are putting trust in the task force and their recommendations should be respected.
      7. JB is something that pertains to everyone on campus, not just students.
         a. Everything is the college’s responsibility—Smith is legally bound to have a legal process.
      8. Taking JB out of the SGA
         a. Mela is open to endorsing what the committee recommends.
         b. Mela and Georgia agree that students should be involved
            i. But the question is whether or not JB will be on more stable ground if taken out of the SGA
         c. JB would still have guidelines to follow
      9. Cabinet must think ahead to the outcomes of this task force.
     10. Cabinet can make the decision whether or not to endorse moving forward with this endeavor.
     11. What are the checks and balances of the system?
        a. The college does have the power to take this out of the realm of the SGA, but they don’t want to.
b. The college trusts in the students
c. This is an educational process

12. Cabinet will have another discussion in a few weeks to make a decision as to whether or not we will endorse this review.

D. Funding

E. Committee Updates

1. Curriculum Committee
   a. Dean Mahoney said she will be at the March 1st Town Hall Meeting
   b. Committee wants to bring up the issue of quantitative skills in an “off-the-record” conversation
   c. The faculty support this
   d. Main discussion points
      i. Stress on faculty due to retirements
      ii. Class sizes
      iii. Quantitative skills
      iv. Open Curriculum

V. Adjournment

Ka’Neda adjourned the meeting at 9:07