SGA Cabinet Meeting Minutes
March 28, 2013
Campus Center, Room 204
7:00 PM – 9:14 PM

Present: Catherine Aguilar, Kenzi Green, Elis Lee, Molly Lonigan, Liz Rich, Mac Hamilton, Greta Stacy, Elizabeth Thompson, Kristen Miao, Ana Chkhikvadze, Sabrina Camboulives, Jana Burke, Sarah Hussain, Taylore Shaw, Gloria Lee, Meghna Purkayastha

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Regrets: None

Call to Order: 7:00 PM

I. Enrollment/Admission with speaker Audrey Smith re: trans*students
   a. Smith has a record number of applications that increase each year
   b. Smith will stabilize the first year class to be 640 students
   c. Full time student equivalent is 2,635 students
   d. This year’s first year class was 651 students
   e. Classes of 620 students is what admissions is aiming to admit in the future in order to stabilize
   f. Smith was over enrolled and was not able to accept any spring transfers
   g. Please respond to admissions assessment

II. Minutes
   a. Kristen Miao moves to pass the minutes
      i. Elizabeth Thompson seconds the motion
      ii. 13-0-3

III. Committee and Initiative Updates
   a. Liz Rich, Curriculum Committee Chair
      i. CAP Policy Subcommittee meeting this week, discussed proposal to be considered by full CAP re: online course transfer credit
      ii. Social Justice and Campus Politics event between students and faculty yesterday went well, it would have been great to have had better student participation (and thanks to everyone on cabinet for their support). Another one will take place on April 17 from 12-1 and will follow roughly the same format.
      iii. Met today with Provost Schuster, we discussed the plan going forward for completing the SCC’s social justice course inventory proposal. I’ll have more details following CAP’s meeting tomorrow regarding specific dates and such.
iv. Working with committee on different JYA related issues, setting up meetings with GSC staff.
v. For next year’s appointments, due to a spike in interest following the interim appointment earlier this semester, we will have students interested in joining the committee first fill out an application before being interviewed. With other graduating committee members I created an application, which Greta sent out this week.
vi. Went to Diversity Planning Committee meeting about transwoman admissions policy
vii. Will be on How to be an Ally Panel this weekend

b. Greta Stacy, Elections and Appointments Chair
   i. Registration has started.
      1. Registration will end April 5th at 5pm.
   ii. Appointment Sign-ups are on the door of the SGA Office.
      1. Sign-ups will end April 12th when the SGA Office closes.
   iii. Interviews will start on April 15th.
   iv. Reminder: Running Mate Tea is tomorrow at 4pm in CC 102.

c. Kristen Miao, Judicial Board Chair
   i. Sent out application materials for next year’s Chair and Vice-Chair.
   ii. Will soon (hopefully by next week) post the general Board application link on the Judicial Board website for the 2013-2014 academic year.

d. Gloria Lee, 2015 Class President
   i. An email with important events such as Ring Ceremony and merchandise information will be sent out.
   ii. Gloria Lee will be meeting with Sara McGuire to go over the details for the Ring Ceremony.

e. Mac Hamilton
   i. Meeting on Trans*women at Smith with student groups and the Diversity Planning Group
      a. Helping to plan open forum on Trans*women
      ii. Meeting with Laura Rauscher and Lili Siegel about dis/ability issues
      iii. Planning an event with Diversity Committee, “Debunking Disability,” on Thursday, April 4 at 7 PM in Seelye 110
      iv. Will be speaking at ‘How to Be an Ally’ Symposium, helping with the 10 AM \ panel on ‘Faith and Taboo: Allyship Within and Beyond the Boundaries of Religion and Spirituality’ and 2:40 on the ‘What Smith Can Do Better’ panel
   v. Met with Pamela Nolan Young to finalize proposal for Fall 2013 Diversity Committee Training
   vi. Big publicity push for Microaggressions Tumblr this week
   vii. Finalizing Smith Quidditch support letter

f. Elizabeth Thompson, House Presidents Association Chair
   i. The Hunt is next week April 2 - 6, winners announced April 7th at 2:30pm in Weinstein Auditorium
g. Ana Chkhikvadze, Organizations Resources Committee Chair
   i. ORC committee size changes will go to Senate next Tuesday.

h. Meghna Purkayastha, Class of 2016 President
   i. Class T-shirts being sold in care packages and tabling in the CC
   ii. Lemonade Stand next week, Open Campus
   iii. Six Flags trip budgeting

i. Sabrina Camboulives, Sustainability Chair
   i. Met with the Committee on Sustainability on Monday, March 25th. We discussed policy regarding mail stuffings in our campus center mailboxes. Most flyers go straight from students’ mailboxes to the recycling bin. We will be encouraging various offices on campus to offer an “opt out” option for students who do not wish to receive these flyers.

j. Kenzi Green, SGA Vice President
   i. Heard proposal from Organizing for Undocumented Students (OUS) for a resolution that would urge the Office of Admissions to add a tab to their admissions website clarifying the admissions process for undocumented students.

k. Taylore Shaw, Class of 2014 President
   i. Class of 2014 Cabinet team building scheduled with Sara Mcguire next Wednesday with new cabinet members (including newly elected secretary Emily Thomas)
   ii. Coffee and Donut Social with WOZQ scheduled for April 19, 2013 (12-1 pm) on Chapin lawn

l. Sarah Hussain, Class of 2013 President
   i. Senior Ball planning
   ii. Senior Week draft started

IV. Discussion & Polling/SGA Elections Update
   a. Registration is currently open, however, the website is not yet up and running
   b. Running Mate Tea is tomorrow 4pm in CC 102
   c. For appointments, all the sheets are on the SGA door
   d. Curriculum Committee is the only committee has a preliminary application
   e. How can students be involved outside of SGA?
      i. Go to CC 106 for more information
   f. Refer to Greta Stacy’s committee update for upcoming election and appointment events
   g. No matter what, no decision is being made this year regarding social justice being integrated into Smith academics
   h. Working to have a question on the spring ballot, hopefully with a link to a document, asking students whether or not they agree with the social justice integration into Smith’s academics
      i. Because the criteria has changed, Liz Rich wants to make sure students are voting based on their statements
   j. Next week, Liz Rich will have an update regarding a poll asking students about their
thoughts on social justice integration into Smith academics
k. SGA Cabinet members should look at their constitutional bylaws to see whether or not changes need to be made to their bylaws by April 2nd (so that the constitution can be voted on April 9th)

V. Fireside Chat(s)
   a. Chance for administration to have a discussion with students regarding the trans*student issue
   b. Student Life Administration will be there to take students question and bring their questions back to administration
   c. Will be held Wednesday, April 10th at 4pm
   d. Send Dahna your list of questions before April 11th

VI. Conference Policies

VII. Budget Requests

Adjournment: 9:14 PM