Call to order: 7:00 PM

I. Call to order
   A. Happy Mountain Day!

II. Minutes
   A. Shreeya Rajanarayanan moves to approve the minutes. Last week minutes pass 14-0-1

III. Bias reminder
   A. Cabinet members must be unbiased when discussing funding policies
      1. Due to conflict of interest issues, members who have requested funding are asked to recuse themselves during policy discussion.
      2. Cabinet members who have requested funding must leave the room during review of requests.

IV. Funding policy discussion
   A. Ideas for funding policy revisited
      1. The Frances Plan (#1)
         a) Stipulate number of times you have applied and the dollar amount you have received, thereby having SGA look over the funding application.
      2. Cap on number of funding per year (#2)
         a) Two per year limit of conferences, while having the option to petition to the third.
3. Frances Black moves to approve option 1, “The Frances Plan”. Ellina Nektalova seconds the motion. Motion passes 10-3-1.

V. Funding requests from 09/19 meeting

A. Elizabeth Yun and Shreeya Rajanarayanan propose funding solution: to fund persons $0 from the SGA Conference Fund when requesting from an organization, and shift request to the ORC fund because has larger budget.

B. Dawn Ginnetti moves to fund Person A $400, Catherine Aguilar seconds the motion. Motion passes, 11-1-1.

C. Ellina Nektalova moves to fund Persons B,D,C,E $0, Prina Patel seconds the motion. Motion passes, 12-0-1.

D. Ellina Nektalova moves to fund Persons F,G,H,I, K $0, Frances Black seconds the motion. Motion passes, 12-0-1.

E. Jennifer Pekol moves to fund Person L $186, Ellina Nektalova seconds the motion. Motion passes 12-0-1.

VI. Dean Mahoney to cabinet

A. Dean Mahoney introduces herself, and explains that she visits cabinet members every year and enjoys it.

B. Cabinet introductions

C. Dean Mahoney wanted to remind the cabinet that this is her last year at Smith College at Dean. She is a firm supporter of women's education. Hopes that the new Dean of the College will as well.

1. Search team has been instigated to start looking for a new Dean; two students on the board. Wants to make sure that students have the opportunity to meet candidates.

2. Dean of the college is in charge of relations with Students, Student Services, Student Support, Student Life, Campus Engagement, Lazarus Center for Career Development, Class Deans, Enrollment, Registrar Office, strategic planning for the college, student planning for Work and Life, Counselor Services and oversees the Global Studies Center and CEEDS program.
3. Dean of Students and Lazarus Center reports to Dean of the College
4. Works very closely with Honor Board and the Curriculum Committee, and Tamara Bates (advisor to the SGA).
5. Dean Mahoney has some questions to raise:
   a) Lingering set of Students Demands from Spring 2012 activism. Brings deep concerns about diversity at Smith. The process took a long time, and was presented in late spring. Dean Mahoney’s staff is looking over the list of demands currently. It is SGA Cabinet's prerogative to pursue what is necessary and/or relevant. Dean Mahoney would like to see what direction SGA Cabinet is hoping to go towards.
      (1) Transparency—Dean Mahoney wants to be available and accessible to other students. She hopes that Class Deans will be accessible and instrumental in expressing the concerns and responding to them.
      (2) Hopes to work with Frances Black at the Curricular Level
      (3) Hopes to work with Nancy at the Social Justice Level
      (4) Dean Mahoney speaks about holding future conversations addressing the issue, describing it as a work in progress.
   b) Mail Room Dilemma—
      (1) Not about the physical lockers in the mailroom, but just the organization of it. Hopefully the ordering of more lockers will alleviate the situation
      (2) Sorting of mail and retrieving of mail will be approved upon
      (3) Dean Mahoney reassures us that this will not happen again next year
      (4) The reason why we moved to locker system because most of the mail that students were receiving were packages. Last year’s mailboxes served for the purpose of letter mail and students had to still wait in line for packages. The volume of
packages last year was overwhelming so a new system was funded.

(a) Catherine Aguilar brings up the point of the time delay in receiving a package. It is not acceptable for students who need a medical prescription, or other important documents/packages. But Laura from the Control Room at Senate last week assured students that the number of lockers will be doubled in about four weeks.

(5) Dean Mahoney describes this being as a hard transition to a new mail system. Administration didn’t expect this delay and disorganization.

(a) Nahee Kwak brings up the fact that packages are now being lost because of the huge volumes of packages that have been arriving.

(b) Gussie Gronquist wonders how the Mail Services will be working with Publicity and communication with the rest of the student body.

(c) Ceci Gonzales brings up an issue from her house- a student came to her house regarding the limited number of hours in picking up the package.

(i) She is reassured that packages and letters are not thrown away.

(ii) Prina Patel reads an email regarding how the Mail Room sent an email saying that old mail will be discarded and regarded as abandoned property.

(d) Frances has a question about the accessibility of sending mail/packages. Option of FedEx packaging.

(i) Nancy Chen questions why the Mail Services
stopped taping and packaging packages. This makes the process difficult because most students do not own packaging tape.

c) Dean Mahoney brings to attention the Inauguration for the new President of the College. There is a student party the night before and the morning after there are two panels. This should be a serious academic procession and students are expected to be clothed.

(1) One talking about past college presidents talking about the importance of higher education. The will be discussing how higher education should be accessible to everyone.

(2) A woman who founded the Students Defense Fund and others will be represented in the second panel.

VII. Cabinet updates

A. Ellina Nektalova- Highs: went through a good number of cases. Lows: no lows

B. Prina Patel- She and her cabinet thought about of lots of good activities for her class

C. Leslie Hillshamer- Election registration was strong!

1. Class 2017 class- 9 presidents running
   a) Vice President-5 candidates
   b) Treasurer-2 candidates
   c) Secretary -1 candidate

2. Historian-2 choices, 4 people

3. Academic Honor Board-5 candidates

4. Sustainability chair-2 candidates

5. 2014 Class Cabinet

6. Class of 2015
   a) Treasurer-1 candidate
   b) Historian-1 candidate

D. Nancy Chen- Dealt with sorority issue from last week. Met with the girl that wrote the
email, along with the rest of Residence Life, Low: dealing with some problems in her committee.

E. Catherine Aguilar - In Senate, Seven Sisters Coordinating Board passed so now conference can be held in Vassar, Jennifer Peckol presented ADA bylaws at Senate

F. Elizabeth Yun - Working with SGA funding policies

G. Shreeya Rajanarayanan - Working with senators and new liaisons

H. Nahee Kwak - No cabinet to work with as of today

I. Ceci Gonzalez - HPA meeting cabinet, meeting with Resident Life to talk about sorority incident

J. Ellen Kim - finalized a lot of the calendar work for the rest of the year. Low: did not get many submissions for T-shirt Class of 2017 design contest

K. Jennifer Pekol - Ada class is hosting two open forums to get input on what they would like to put forward for the Student Demands on Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday evening. Next Wednesday they are hoping to elect new people for Ada Class cabinet

L. Dawn Ginnetti - Judicial Board has t-shirts and is wearing them at meetings and at hearings.

M. Frances Black - Met with provost on Monday. Has a meeting with the Committee on Academic Priorities. She will be submitting an agenda for her committee.

N. Meghna Purkayastha - Presented Seven Sister Coordinating Board Coalition Constitution at Senate. It was passed! Going with Gussie to the Five College Meeting tomorrow.

O. Gussie Gronquist - Sorority issue has settled down, Five College Meeting tomorrow. Had meetings with each cabinet member over the past week.

VIII. Mailbox update

A. Laura Smiarowski from College Relations came to Senate to speak about the mail situation

B. there is a timeline regarding the situation regarding accessibility, and the number of mailboxes issues will be addressed in hopefully a timely manner
C. Laura is open to talking to students about it, wants to do a publicity piece about it and promote the fact that change is coming!

IX. Funding requests from 09/26 meeting
A. Ellina Nektalova moves to fund Person A $625.86, Frances Black seconds the motion. Motion passes 12-0-1
B. Ellina Nektalova moves to table Person B and C’s the funding request. Catherine Aguilar seconds the motion. Motion passes 12-0-1.
C. Meghna Purkayastha moves to fund Person D 0$, Ellina Nektalova seconds the motion. Motion passes 12-0-1
D. Ellina Nektalova moves to fund Person E $106.50, Dawn Ginnetti seconds the motion. Motion passes 12-0-1.
E. Sawyer Fund
   1. Frances moves to fund Person A $0, Jennifer Pekol seconds the motion. Motion passes 12-0-1.
   2. Frances moves to fund Person A $0, Dawn Ginnetti seconds the motion. Motion passes 12-0-1.

X. Adjournment
A. Call to adjournment: 8:56PM