SGA Cabinet Minutes  
30 September 2010  
CC 204 7:00 – 9:00 PM


Members Tardy: Sarah Dunn, Janice Estrada

Regrets: Kat Paik

I. Call to Order 7:00 PM

II. Sustainability Operations at Smith College, Deirdre Manning, Environmental Sustainability Director
   a. Works with the Green Team every other Thursday
      i. Student-led initiatives
   b. Works with house Sustainability Representatives
   c. Send ideas to Deirdre; students are resources; dmanning@smith.edu
   d. Get materials from nearby rather than further away
   e. Saving water: new high performance showerheads
      i. “A Day in the Life of a Smith Water Bottle”
   f. Want to make sure everything we no longer need is reused or recycled
      i. Reduce, reuse, recycle
      ii. House free boxes
   g. Smith generates 276 tons of trash per year
      i. Composting
      ii. Aluminium cans can be recycled indefinitely
   h. Want food to be regional and chemical-free
      i. Can only do this certain times of the year
   i. Want to use organic fertilizer
      i. Most fertilizer is made from oil and will seep into Paradise Pond when it rains
   j. “Vampire” and “phantom” power
      i. Machines that use power even when you’re not using them
      ii. Microwaves, printers, televisions
      iii. Unplug when not in use
   k. Heating and cooling at Smith
      i. Smith has 111 buildings, some of which are 200 or 300 years old
      ii. As Smith renovates, these issues will be addressed
      iii. Have a problem? Fill out a work-order and let Facilities Management know it’s an issue
      iv. Will work with Sustainability Representatives to highlight problem areas
   l. Sustainability culture shock
i. Encourage change without being militant
   ii. Introducing culture early
   m. SGA will have a Sustainability Chair on Cabinet

III. Minutes from last week pass; vote is 13-0-1

IV. Organization Collaboration Rewards, Ali Zipparo
   a. “Conference” with chairs of organizations to promote co-sponsorship of events
   b. Leadership by Design workshop on organization collaboration

V. Walkarounds
   a. Changed date to Monday, October 4, 2010
   b. Anytime between 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM

VI. Float the Vote
   a. Smith Democrats will be tabling on Chapin Lawn on October 13 with free ice cream and voter registration forms
   b. Smith Democrats will be tabling weekly until October 13
   c. Show up with polos, eat ice cream, and register voters
   d. Post on blog
   e. November 2; rides to the polls with Smith Democrats and Smith Republicans

VII. SMAC, Shama
   a. Student Museum Advisory Council
   b. New exhibit called ‘Sugar’ – performance piece about sugar trade in Cuba – October 28
   c. Julie Bomba, Chair
   d. Meets last Friday of every month

VIII. Resource Centers
   a. Input from students on strategic planning of the centers
   b. What programming students want to see from resource centers
   c. Women’s Resource Center (third floor of Davis), Resource Center for Sexuality and Gender (Haven-Wesley)
   d. Raquel, Mac, Ketura’h, Ali, Elizabeth, Mohini, Theo

IX. Committee Updates
   a. President
      i. Meeting with Jack Misery from Advancement
   b. Treasurer
      i. Compiling funding request guidelines
      ii. Going through requests
   c. Acting 2014 Class President
      i. No updates at this time
   d. Ada Class President
      i. Postponed Ada luncheon to Mountain Day
      ii. Had elections this week, filled one position
   e. House Presidents’ Association Chair
      i. Wants Dean Ohotnicky to collaborate with HPs
      ii. Worked on Mission Statement
         1. Revising and bringing next week
iii. Brought up dining at House Presidents’ Association meeting
iv. Construction is issue on campus
   1. Elm Street construction is an issue with students
v. Wants Cabinet bonding
vi. Suggestions for visitors for House Presidents’ Association meetings
f. Elections and Appointments Committee Chair
   i. Moved elections back a week
   ii. Will email dates
   iii. Committee on missions and priorities
       1. Emailed Patrick, asked him to send out general email
       2. Find other ways to advertise position
g. Organization Resources Committee Chair
   i. Budgets finished
   ii. Approximately $200,000 left for the rest of the year
   iii. Have 2 members from Senate, need one more
h. 2011 Class President
   i. No updates at this time
i. 2013 Class President
   i. Will show “V for Vendetta” on Chapin Lawn on November 5
   ii. Had class meeting on Mountain Day
j. Curriculum Committee Chair
   i. Invited head of the registrar’s office to come speak with us
   ii. Working on a bunch of different projects
k. Vice President
   i. Kathy Zieja came to speak
   ii. Voted on committees, not finished
   iii. Elections and Appointments, Organization Resources Committee, House Presidents’ Association all presented
   iv. Next week: Dean Mahoney and Dean Ohotnicky
l. 2012 Class President
   i. Email will be out tomorrow about elections
   ii. Collaborating with senior officers on care packages
   iii. Movie screening
m. Judicial Board Chair
   i. No updates at this time
n. Diversity Committee Chair
   i. Started training Diversity reps
   ii. Talking with different orgs about collaboration
o. Secretary
   i. No updates at this time
X. Announcements
   a. Anyone else for Seven Sisters Conference?
   b. No more floats for Float Night available
XI. Adjournment 9:06 PM