SGA Cabinet Meeting Minutes  
November 8, 2012  
Campus Center, Room 204  
7:02 PM – 9:00 PM

Present: Catherine Aguilar, Dahna Black, Odette De Jesus Marti, Mac Hamilton, Elizabeth Thompson, Jana Burke, Sarah Hussain, Taylore Shaw, Gloria Lee, Rae-Anne, Ana Chkhikvadze, Meghna Purkayastha, Kristen Miao, Sabrina Camboulives, Greta Stacy, Liz Rich,

Tardy: None

Regrets: Kenzi Green, Molly Lonigan

Call to Order: 7:02 PM

I. Minutes
   a. Elizabeth Thompson moves to pass the minutes
      i. Jana Burke seconds the motion
      ii. Motion passed 11-0-3

II. Committee and Initiative Updates
   a. Liz Rich
      i. Met with people in the Sophia Smith Collection about social justice work taking place there
      ii. Hoping to bring Loretta Ross in the spring as activist-in-residence through the SSC
      iii. Funding for the Sophia Smith Collection-need more $$$ for important work, maybe something to bring to trustees in the spring
      iv. Presented to Senate the three different models for social justice requirements
      v. Curriculum Committee decided to bring Latin Honors SJ distribution back to CAP, will present November 16
      vi. Presenting to CAP on social justice curricular initiatives
      vii. Presenting an ask for tenured track faculty for ESP Department to CAP
      viii. Meeting with Provost Schuster next week
   b. Jana Burke
      i. Wine and cheese next week
   c. Elizabeth Thompson
      i. HPA did not meet this week due to elections
      ii. Got a lot of positive feedback on the newsletters
      iii. Next week is Thank-A-Donor Week
      iv. Friday of next week is “I Love My House” Day
      v. Next batch of newsletter will be printed by next Tuesday
      vi. Op-ed by student for Amherst College sexual assault incident
   d. Mac Hamilton
      i. Working with Residence Life for training for next year
      ii. Assumptions Project has been drawn to a close
iii. Two diversity representatives will do a statistical analysis about the Assumptions Project
iv. Microaggressions Tumblr is up and running; available at http://smithmicroaggressions.tumblr.com
e. Ana Chkhikvadze
   i. ORC is done with spring 2013 budgets
f. Greta Stacy
   i. Rides to the polls were successful
   ii. Will compile an official report about the event
g. Sarah Hussain
   i. Will not be holding a second pub crawl this semester due to weather and hopes to hold a non-alcoholic event instead after Thanksgiving
   ii. Advertising sweatshirts next week
h. Sabrina Camboulives
   i. Met with Committee on Sustainability November 8th.
i. Taylore Shaw
   i. Held first team building exercise with cabinet
   ii. Have CDO event regarding maximizing your junior year, Nov. 28th
   iii. Praxis Survival Guide for the Junior class
   iv. Center for Work and Life will hold 4 topic events in the Spring
   v. Will send postcards to the Junior students who are abroad
   vi. Secretary elections will be held next week
j. Meghna Purkayastha
   i. Met with cabinet last Friday
   ii. Ice breakers with cabinet
   iii. Met with Catherine Aguilar and Rae-Anne Butera last week regarding presidential responsibilities
   iv. Will meet with cabinet regarding class fundraising events
k. Catherine Aguilar
   i. Seven Sisters Conference was successful
   ii. Possibly sell Seven Sisters Leadership Conference shirts
l. Gloria Lee
   i. Working on W(h)ine and Cheese Event
   ii. Working on Spa Night Event

III. 7 Sister Leadership Group Discussion

   a. Need to communicate with other SGA cabinets about social justice issues
   b. Need to come up with list of who to talk to for various issues
   c. Talked about different social justice issues that our 7 Sister Colleges are facing
   d. Sexist speech came out of Barnard College; mentioned that they could have been provided with more support from the 7 Sisters
   e. Haverford and Bryn Mawr have similar relationship that Smith has with Amherst
   f. Formal and informal ways the 7 Sisters can support each other
   g. Want to make 7 Sisters Facebook Group Page so that we could keep in touch

IV. Request for Proposal—CollegiateLink
i. Would manage student organizations on campus
ii. This platform would meet Smith’s needs
iii. Got a request to fund it for 3 years from SGA’s reserve to fund large scale campus initiatives

V. Speakers
   i. Pamela Nolan Young regarding sexual harassment
   ii. Someone from the CDO regarding diversifying resume, maximizing college experience
   iii. Someone from Women and Financial Independence
   iv. Provost Schuster

VI. Visibility Goals
   i. SGA Profile - Articles in the Sophian about what your committees do by December 1st (Mac in the spring)
   ii. Huge pins for backpacks
   iii. Nametags every once in awhile; Polos on Thursdays.
   iv. Think about utilizing the First Years and their voices

VII. Budget Requests

VIII. Announcements
   a. 5 College SGA Dinner and their Advisor to the SGA, November 9th at Mount Holyoke
      i. Cabinet members attending: Gloria Lee, Sarah Hussain, Mac Hamilton, Elizabeth Thompson, Taylore Shaw, Odette de Jesus, Mehna Purkayastha, Dahna Black, Rae-Anne Butera, Greta Stacy, Liz Rich

Adjournment: 9:00 PM