1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Russian Club Charter Presentation
   a. It’s important to have resources out of the classroom, and it would draw 5 College students to Smith because right now they have to go off campus for Russian events.
   b. They won’t require any language knowledge; events and meetings will be open to anyone with an interest.
   c. Senator Maya: In the past, Senate has suggested that you not require dues, since there’s funding available. Is there a reason why you asked for dues?
      i. It was part of the old charter. They’ll remove dues from the charter.
   d. Senator Dorie: The club has been inactive in the past. is there renewed interest in the club now?
      i. Lots of students within the department have indicated their interest.
4. The Real Food Challenge Charter Presentation
   a. Group of student activists working towards a $1 billion shift in the food system. Colleges sign a commitment saying they’ll invest 20% of their dining budget in “real food” by 2020. 30 universities have committed so far.
   b. They already have a group meeting once a week and considerable momentum on campus. President McCartney said she would be interested in signing off on the commitment.
   c. Charting the group would allow them to create working groups and help make these strategic purchasing shifts.
   d. Senator Rose: You can’t really compare Smith with USC because they’re bigger. Is there a school similar to Smith that’s committed?
      i. Bard is one example. Dining staff, administration, and students are all interested in pushing for real, sustainable food.
   e. Senator Maya: Your membership requirements are a little vague. Could those maybe be clarified?
      i. Membership requirements would entail that members come to two meetings a month, with weekly meetings.
5. Educational Outreach Programs Charter Presentation
   a. They do short-term education outreach programs, so they wanted to have a name that reflected that (instead of the name Spring). The only other change was adding a no hazing policy to their charter.
6. Mathematical Modeling Club Charter Presentation
   a. The club will help guide students in the Math Modeling Competition, hold weekly workshops, form teams, and meet with other teams to form strategies.
   b. They will also host alumnae panels, run weekly study groups, and publish a short newsletters with updates and job opportunities.
c. Senator Rose: When will the meetings be held?
   i. They haven’t decided yet.
d. Senator Stacey: Will it be a print newsletter or an electronic newsletter?
   i. Electronic, but they might not have it right away.
e. Senator Dorie: Will the focus be on the competition or on learning skills?
   i. The focus will be on learning skills, but the competition is just a fun way to apply those skills.

8. TEDxAmherst Outreach at Smith College Charter Presentation  
   7:28PM
   a. TEDxAmherst aims to emulate the TED platform by bringing speakers to campus and plan the spring TEDx conference. There has been a lot of interest in establishing the TEDx presence on campus.
   b. Smith isn’t ready for a TEDxSmith program yet, so this would enable students to be active in the TEDxAmherst event process.
   c. Senator Catherine: Why do people who attend TEDx have to send in a resume?
      i. They reach out to sponsors to fund the conference, and the sponsors are interested in recruiting among conference attendees.
   d. Senator Ashley: How do you select the participants?
      i. There’s a separate committee that picks the speakers.
   e. Senator Rose: Why would it not be called TEDxSmith?
      i. They first need to learn about funding, holding the conference, planning, etc. They don’t yet have the infrastructure to run a full TEDx program.
   f. Senator Stacey: Do you see your organization needing any funding?
      i. They want to be able to use Smith’s resources to advertise—tabling, etc.
   g. Senator Ellen: What specifically would the club be doing on the Smith campus?
      i. Basically, they’re just trying to market and reach out to Smith students.
   h. Senator Sarah: Will they be streaming the videos?
      i. Maybe not on the day, but the whole thing will be recorded.

9. Approve minutes from 4/7/15  
   7:42PM
   a. APPROVED 33-0-3

10. Vote on Campaign Guideline Changes  
    7:43PM
   a. APPROVED 35-0-2

12. Vote on ORC and Finance Committee Changes  
    7:44PM
   a. APPROVED 35-0-1

10. Open Forum
   a. Committee on Investor Responsibility Discussion  
      7:45PM
      i. They’ve come up with bylaws for the CIR to present to the administration.
      ii. They will serve as a resource to gather information, outline recommendations, and serve as a liaison between students and the administration.
      iii. They will make a proposal to the Board of Trustees, foster engagement, conduct research, and recommend investment tools and options.
iv. There will be a 1-2 year commitment for students and a 2 year commitment for faculty, staff, alumni, and trustees.

v. Senator Marisol: Are all of the members of this committee voting members, and are all the votes even? Will this go outside of the scope of fossil fuels?
   1. Yes, yes, and yes. They’ll be initially focused on fossil fuels but they will also focus more generally on investor responsibility.

b. Dining Committee 8:00PM
   i. Update on the search for the new director of Dining Services: They interviewed people yesterday and they have three candidates coming to campus to tour. Let Rose know if you’d like to to meet with the potential head of dining services with questions.
   ii. Also, please return your plates, cups, etc. Do not throw them away!

c. Rules Committee 8:03PM
   i. Want to discuss TEDxAmherst Outreach at Smith. Consider whether or not this organization is to support students at Smith or to support an external organization. Is this really something Smith needs?
   ii. Senator Marisol: This organization actually would help Smith students, but we should make the approval of their charter contingent on some kind of Smith-based community service effort.
   iii. Senator Emma: Agrees that this wouldn’t directly benefit Smith--the benefits of the club are murky.
   iv. Senator Katie: There would definitely be students interested, but it seems like we’re basically lackeys at TEDxAmherst.
   v. Senator Rose: It seems like people are more interested in trying to get into the conference instead of trying to actually help with the conference. Also, how would the funding work? Would Smith money be spent to fund the Amherst event?
      1. It depends on how their charter is written but potentially yes.
   vi. Senator Catherine: Smith’s affiliation with TED could have great benefits for students and the college.
   vii. Senator Ruth: A small school like Smith can’t host a conference like this, and it would be great to be able to be a part of this thanks to the consortium. Also, as an org they’d be able to arrange transportation with SGA vans.
   viii. VP Katherine: The issue at hand seems to be what exactly a student organization is. That might be an important discussion to have.

11. Announcements 8:15PM
   a. Send out your house emails and CC sgasenate@smith.edu
   b. Upload your community service hours/engagement points on the SSN
   c. Next week is the last Senate meeting! It is imperative that you come because we have four charters to vote on and we cannot push this back any further. There will be ice cream so please come! There will also be a group picture at the end.

12. Adjournment 8:19PM