Tuesday September 23, 2008

SGA Senate Meeting Minutes

I. Call to order:  7:04
II. Roll Call
   a. 5 Missing/Tardy
   b. Quorum Met
III. Announcements
   a. Mountain Day: Senate is still on at usual time
   b. Trustees are coming October 17th, tell Megan or Marlowe anything you think the trustees should know
   c. Hot Topic: Ryan Sorba Event, “Free Speech or Hate Speech” in CC 105 at 12pm
   d. Arts Lounge: need people to do exhibitions, please take slips of paper to let your house of this opportunity
   e. Please make sure to CC all three of us on house updates
   f. “Date with an Administrator” please take advantage of this
   g. “Getting real with Privilege” Inter group Dialogue, 7.30-9pm
      i. White privilege
      ii. Male privilege
      iii. Class privilege
      iv. Hetero privilege
      v. Campus action
IV. Guest List
   a. Emily Nagoski (Wellness & Health Coordinator) will be presenting on October 7th
   b. Paul Ominsky – Public Safety
   c. Betsey Hopkins (Baird) - Alumnae Association
   d. Nancy Young – Archives
   e. Kathy Zieja – Dining
   f. L’Tanya Richmond – Multicultural Affairs
   g. Bob Lesko or Brett McGuiness - Facilities Management
   h. Steve Davis - ITS
   i. Dr. Jaffe – Health Services
   j. Liz Hait, Hannah Durant & Becky Shaw - Housing and ResLife
   k. Dano Weisbord - Sustainability
   l. Audrey Smith – Dean of Enrollment, Princeton Review Rankings
   m. Dean Ohotnicky – Dean of Student Affairs
   n. President Christ – Women in leadership positions topic
   o. Women and Financial Independence
   p. Dean Mahoney – Dean of the College
   q. Debra Shaver - Admissions
   r. Ford Hall update
V. Senate Goals
   a. More parking issues (new parking lots)
   b. Maturity with opposing views – Awareness about different perspectives
   c. Micro-fridge for each house that has kitchenette
   d. Make washer/dryers free (at least less expensive)
   e. Soap instead of hand sanitizer in bathrooms
   f. Making campus more accessible (for people with disabilities)
   g. 24 hour space/food on campus
   h. More One Card machines
i. Traditions – decorating fountains, ghost tour
j. Why a Women’s college? Empowerment awareness
k. More dining on Green Street
l. Cultural awareness on campus, minority views (not held by majority, i.e., conservative)
m. Once a month transportation/shuttle to Boston and Holyoke Mall
n. Create more events to help students get off campus (get a school bus?)
o. 5 college networking – events as mixers
p. Sustainability – reducing electricity
q. 5 college course problems with registrar, misrepresentation
r. Transparency – visibility on campus
s. More houses serve early breakfast
t. Publicize Smith beyond New England (using media outlets)
u. Street corner – stand up free speech corner

VI. Elections and Appointments
a. Revised rules
   i. No paper campaigning
      1. Waste of paper
      2. Hard to keep track of
   ii. No banners hung off of Seelye – only in Campus Center
   iii. Donations are not monetary – only materials, and can’t be extravagant
   iv. Announcements in computer labs and libraries no longer allowed – study spaces
      1. Classrooms and dining halls is okay as long as you don’t interrupt
b. Purpose of revised rules:
   i. Want to make sure all elections are clean, no candidates are targeted
c. Vote: 55-1

d. Signups start tomorrow at noon www.smith.edu/voting for first-year positions and a few
   Ada-Comstock positions
   i. No campaigning until you hear from Laura Winkler
   ii. Must be signed up no later than Sunday Night, must be signed up before meeting
   iii. Must come to mandatory meeting Monday at 7pm
   iv. October 4th campaigning can start

VII. Parliamentarian Procedure
a. How to address fellow senators
b. Tabling discussion
c. Making a motion

VIII. Committees
a. ORC
   i. Rachel Prehodka (Lawrence)

b. Archives
   i. Arielle Thomas
   ii. Diane Castillo (Park)
   iii. Sara Beth Joren
   iv. Ryan Rasdall
   v. Morgan Otto-Berglund
   vi. Emma Schlatter

c. Rules
   i. Lauren Young
   ii. Dagny Broome
   iii. Martha Geaneas
   iv. Kieran Johal
   v. Connie Van Treptow
vi. Raquel Paulino
vii. Nivia Alvarado
d. Curriculum
   i. Aparna Kamath
   ii. Jill Flashner
   iii. Mel Choyce
e. ENA
   i. Sara Gardephe
   ii. Hailey Bird
   iii. Ashley Daley
   iv. Sarah Musiker
   v. Katy Ryan
f. Dining
   i. Shannon Shirel
   ii. Melissa Lee
   iii. Caroline Sutcliffe
   iv. Molly Crevey
   v. Roya Mohammadi
   vi. Katherine Patrick
   vii. Alicen Roberts
g. Events
   i. Paola Tineo (chair)
   ii. Jessie Kaplan
   iii. Jada He
   iv. Kate Alev (secretary)
   v. Gui Bin Zhang
   vi. Katie Gerber
   vii. Meredith West
   viii. Grace Burberry-Martin
h. Community Outreach
   i. Eve Hunter
   ii. Kate Durkin
   iii. Lauren Egbert
   iv. Jenna Christie
   v. Iris Howorth
   vi. Emma Shreefter
   vii. Yekaterina Doljenkova
   viii. Kim Crawley
   ix. Nicole Miles
i. Difficult Topics
   i. Nisha Joshi
   ii. Megahan Hall
   iii. Gerica Lee
   iv. Hayley Raetz
   v. Miriam Awaisi
   vi. Fatima Razza
   vii. Janie Moffatt
   viii. Jennifer Arias
   ix. Mia Weiss
   x. Emily Radwin
   xi. Abigail Nasshan
A look ahead to next week…

The “Recognized Organization” Transition process will begin next week. You will receive an email of organizations that need to be passed in order to be an SGA organization and those that are already an SGA organization – please read over them!

Make sure to email your committees and elect a chair or co-chairs and a secretary.

Continue thinking about the Senate Goal and sub goals!

Not allowed to get food/drink during senate ➔ bathroom breaks are okay