Tuesday October 5, 2010

SGA Senate Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order 7:00 pm

II. Roll Call
   A. Absent: Caitlin Jordan, Katrina Dugan, Brooke Gerstein-Salerno, Ariana Ehsan, Andrea Kang, Yiwen Peng, Sarah D’Angelo, Augusta Gronquist, Zhen Zeng, Keji Fatona, Dahna Black, Galya Metanova, Linda Loi, Wiame El Bouhali, Lisbet Portman
   B. Quorum not met

III. Speaker - Dean Ohotnicky and Dean Mahoney
   A. Dean Mahoney
      1. She is the Dean of the College.
      2. Admissions, Financial Aid, the Registrar’s office, the Chapel, the Dean of Students office, Global Woman’s Leadership, Center for Environment, Center for Work and Life are just a few of the offices on campus that she presides over.
      3. She loves input from students.
   B. Dean Ohotnicky
      1. She is the Dean of Students
      2. She works with Counseling and Health Services, International Students, First Year Programs, Advising of Judicial Board, Center for Work and Life, Wellness Programs, Coordination of House Fellows.
      3. She has an IM account and has regular office hours open to all students.
   C. Some student questions involved PRAXIS, Disability Services, Study Abroad, College investments, and programs available to Smith students

IV. Minutes Not Reviewed

V. Parliamentary Procedure
   A. Parliamentary Procedure is integral to Senate to make sure that all voices are heard.
   B. Parliamentary Procedure follows a basic format.
   C. Motions are used so that members may voice their opinions.
   D. There are five types of motions and they all must be made in the positive.
      1. “I move...” is correct
      2. “I motion...” is incorrect
   E. After a motion is made, there must be a second.
      1. “I second the motion”
      2. There can be discussion and debate after the second
   F. After the second, voting takes place.

VI. Committee Formation
   A. Disabilities - Ruth Eichinger, Deborah Ahove, Naeemah Stewart, Laura Shupeck, Elizabeth Thompson, Elizabeth Tyra, Christina Park
   B. Dining - Louisa Loring, Aubry Tessier, Mary Celine Villacastin, Mary Hojnoski, Erin Hawkins, Caitlin Jordan, Lindy Jensen, Wendy Liu
   C. Publicity - Alexandra Von Mering, Glendean Hamilton, Briana Murphy, Jinan Martiuk, Elisabeth Black, Sophie Westacott, Katy Swartz, Jo-Ellen El Khoury, Hannah Woodman
D. Community - Hannah Green, Odette De Jesus Marti, Angela Navarro Fusillo, Isabelle Lopez, Sophie Sheridan
E. Difficult Topics on Campus - Elizabeth Mincer, Natalya Devaeva, Barbara Dakota, Merric Kallfelz
F. Events - Kimberly Fong, Carletta Traylor, Anna Jimenez, Hattie Ryan, Lynx Marks, Danielle Clayton
G. Athletic Association - Rachel Desrochers

VIII. Announcements
1. Smith Democrats is organizing rides to the polls from 7am to 8pm on Election Day. Please sign up to drive! Float the Vote is on Wednesday.
2. No Senate meeting next week due to Fall Break.
3. Become a fan of SGA and Senate on facebook, even if you are not a Senator!
4. Robert Smith is the new Safety Director at Smith.
5. Chapin Lawn Vigil in Honor of LGBT Students at 7pm on October 6, tomorrow. Please show your support.
6. ‘This Magazine’ is asking for open submissions. Send anything you are proud of to Ingrid Jacobsen in Morrow House.