Senate Minutes: October 16, 2012

A. 7.05: Call to Order

B. 7.06: Roll Call
   1. Absent: Waka Kobayashi, Mursal Naderi, Kyle Palmore, Sophie Bandurski, Lisa Kelley, Carletta Traylor, Jamie Keene, Olivia Fitzpatrick-Lauzier, Sarah Ana Seligman, Catherine Cain, Nabilah Ahmed
   2. Quorum: Not met

C. Announcements
   1. October 20 World Squash Day Clinic for those (who can't play) and play
      a. Located in the Squash Courts - lowest level of Ainsworth gym
      b. 10am-12pm
      c. Under head coach Tim Bacon
      d. Based on experience
      e. Squash team to provide rackets
      f. Show up and leave any time
      g. Five twenty minute modules
      h. sunlee@smith.edu

D. Campus Police
   1. Campus Police number: 413-585-2490
   2. Introductions and Roles
      a. Officer Jen Galvin
         i. Been on the department four years
      b. Jeremy Kenneson
         i. Been on the department since 1999
      c. Jen number two
         i. Came to Smith in July
         ii. Was at Hampshire for four years
      d. Roles
      e. Do a lot of community policing
      f. They come to teas for:
         i. Meet and greet
         ii. Alcohol awareness programs
         iii. Contact Scott Graham (sgraham@smith.edu)
      g. They have beer goggles!
      h. Intimidating when they have to be - otherwise they are nice, friendly people
      i. They offer safety programs
         i. Basic introduction to the RAD program
         ii. Teach simple strikes, knee strikes, how to escape when someone grabs you from the front
         iii. Ground defense
      j. RAD class is currently going on right now (two more classes) - will do another one in the Spring
i. If there is enough demand, they will do another one before the December break

k. There was a huge issue with laptop theft last year
   i. Eleven were stolen in 2011
   ii. Some of these were Smith students - they were caught and charged
   iii. Other thefts were boyfriends, girlfriends, other college students
   iv. One of the prime locations for laptop theft is in the library - when you go to lunch or the bathroom
   v. They have secret ways of uncovering stolen laptops
   vi. Mac Laptops have an application that says: find my Mac!
   vii. Another app, Prey, takes photos of the robber as they are running away  
       1. tracks GPS location

l. High rate of bike theft on campus
   i. Remember to lock up the bikes to something that cannot move
   ii. Scroll the numbers if you have a combination lock
   iii. There is also a bike safety day in the Spring
   iv. Cushing house is the worst for not locking up their bikes - lock them up!
   v. Students should take advantage of the Bike Kitchen at Smith
   vi. For $25 a semester, you get a bike, a helmet and a lock
   vii. Located at the lower part of Talbot House
   viii. For more information, go here: http://sophia.smith.edu/bikekitchen/Bike_Kitchen_Site/index.html
   ix. Check craigslist.com if your bike is stolen - many thieves attempt to sell them online!
   x. The thief will sometimes change parts of the bike, like the handlebars, so check carefully

m. Engraving process
   i. Campus police can engrave laptops, phones, bikes etc. so that they are easily identifiable if stolen
   ii. Makes thieves more hesitant to steal an engraved laptop - not as easy to sell
   iii. Remember to have serial numbers for stolen items, the campus police can run the serial numbers if they come across a group of laptops

n. The campus police are police officers for the State of Massachusetts
   i. They have authority to arrest, prosecute, serve warrants etc.
   ii. Their jurisdiction is on campus
   iii. They have gone through highly intense training process at the State Police Academy to become campus police - same training that the state police get, it is condensed into 16 weeks (624 hours of training)

o. Their main concern with alcohol intoxication is safety - they do not worry about age at that time, they just want to ensure that these students are safe
   i. Always contact the campus police when there is a problem with alcohol - do not face the consequences of what will happen if you do not
ii. Even if you try drugs, or you believe you were spiked, call the campus police to have them check up on you - because of the Amnesty policy, they will not get you in trouble, they just need to make sure you are safe

3. Questions
   a. When is Smith having their golf cart event on campus?
      i. Waiting for approval
   b. Are you allowed to persecute these offenders?
      i. The campus police are willing to do what the students want (i.e. if they find a student laptop, the victim can choose what route to go for punishment)
      ii. The campus route for stealing is much harsher than the courts, but it is up to the students
   c. So you don’t tell the victim who the thief is?
      i. The campus police protects the safety of all students involved, but sometimes the thieves will reach out to the victims and apologize
      ii. They have gone to court many times on cases
      iii. The judge is very lenient towards Smith College students
   d. So the deans know?
      i. Yes, the deans are informed about the situation
      ii. These cases can also go to the Judicial Board
   e. Have you had to arrest people for fighting? Are there violent crimes on campus?
      i. Students do get arrested
      ii. They are police and have certain rules they must follow
      iii. Victims can decide what route to follow unless the injuries reach a certain degree (physical violence)
      iv. There are different levels of arrest
      v. They take domestic violence really seriously - they have gone through a specialty training
      vi. The campus police go through many specialty training programs
   f. Can you talk about rides late at night on campus, or transports to hospitals?
      i. They do transports to health services, or hospitals
      ii. They do fingerprints if you need to get these done for a job
      iii. They will jump start cars
      iv. They will do safety escorts from building to building if you do not feel safe
   g. Do the campus police do escorted walks from downtown Northampton to Smith?
      i. The cars stay on campus, but the campus police will meet students on the perimeter
   h. How does the well-being check work?
      i. There are many reasons for these checks
      ii. The campus police will go to the student’s room and check to make sure they are safe
      iii. Often parents have campus police do well-being checks when they get worried
In terms of the safety escort, do you escort intoxicated students home if friends are worried about their safety?
   i. Yes - they will want to assess the situation, find out what they drank, when their last drink was students will not be in trouble for drinking

What qualifies calling campus police for suspicious people on campus?
   i. Anything that makes students feel uncomfortable on campus justifies making a complaint to campus police
   ii. Try to get as much information about the person as possible before making the call

Can you comment on the blue light system?
   i. The blue lights are located around campus
   ii. Push the emergency button on the callbox to talk to campus police
   iii. If you are being chased, hit the callbox, then run to the next one and hit that callbox - leave a trail

Can you text campus police?
   i. As of now, no.
   ii. If you are in your room, get your dorm phone off the hook for many seconds - it will do an emergency call to campus police
   iii. They can get an immediate location for you
   iv. Campus police dispatch can hear everything through the phone
   v. Can also be used for medical emergencies

What is the number you call from campus landlines?
   i. x800

If you get stuck on another campus, is there anything campus police can do to help?
   i. They have picked students up in the past, because they do work for the other colleges. They can do a relay if they are not busy and staffing allows for it.

Can you talk a little bit about the approachability of campus police?
   i. They are all very approachable, even if they can look quite imposing

E. Committee Updates
1. Campus Police Committee
   a. Lighting Walk will be November 5
   b. It will be senator-led
   c. For more questions or concerns about the lighting on campus, email tpeterso@smith.edu

2. Curriculum Committee
   a. A series of Roundtable Discussions October 23-25th
   b. Tuesday Dinner
   c. Wednesday Lunch
   d. Thursday Lunch or Dinner
   e. These will be to discuss if students want a social justice requirement implemented
   f. Email Liz Rich if interested for location and further details erich@smith.edu
3. Elections and Appointments Committee
   a. Voting started Monday
   b. You can vote for the class of 2016, 2014 and 2013
   c. Voting will end on Friday at 4pm
   d. www.smith.edu/voting
4. Rules Committee
   a. One Charter in for the Bearded Ladies
   b. Sent it back with corrections, and the organization will send it back with changes for approval
   c. Then they will be coming to Senate, so it is vital that we meet quorum
   d. We cannot pass charters without passing quorum
5. Dining Committee still has not met, because of Smith Campaign
   a. Will be meeting soon
6. SGA Cabinet presented to the Board of Trustees on Friday about:
   a. Social Justice in the curriculum
   b. Board of Trustees already really excited to learn what the students have to say
F. More Announcements
1. This weekend is Montage
   a. in JMG Hall
   b. Saturday at 8pm
   c. $1 for students
   d. $5 for adults
   e. Class of 2013 wine and cheese event for Parents Weekend is this Saturday at 4pm in the Art Museum lobby
2. EKTA is hosting Mendi night
   a. Friday night at 5.30 for dinner and henna
   b. In Davis Ballroom
   c. $5 for presale
   d. $7 at the door
   e. Free show at 7.15
3. Campus police department meet and greet
   a. Friday 9am-5pm in CC103
4. Presidential Debate will be shown tonight at Neilson Browsing Room
   a. 9pm
   b. Hosted by Smith Dems and Government Department
   c. Limited to 100 people
G.8.38 Adjournment