Tuesday October 20, 2009

SGA Senate Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order 7:00 pm
II. Roll Call
   a. Missing/Tardy: 15
   c. Quorum met
III. Passing Minutes
   a. Minutes corrected
   b. Minutes passed
IV. Announcements
   a. Political events
      i. Wednesday Oct. 21st: Governor Deval Patrick speaking at UMass from 12:15 pm to 1:30 pm in Student Union Cape Cod Lounge
      ii. Saturday Oct. 24th: phone bank from 1pm to 4pm (location TBA) for election of Virginia Governor, hosted by Smith Democrats
      iii. Sunday Oct. 25th: Bipartisan tea from 1pm to 4pm occurring in the Campus Center Carroll Room, co-hosted by Smith Democrats and Smith Republicans
   b. Fine Arts
      i. Thursday Oct. 22nd through Saturday Oct. 24th: Production of “Mrs. California” at 8 pm in Theater 14
      ii. Saturday Oct. 24th: screening of “Art 21” a PBS show at 7 pm in Hillyer Graham Hall, hosted by the Art Resources Committee
   c. International events
      i. Monday Oct. 26th: general interest meeting for anti-genocide group from 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm in Campus Center Rm 204, hosted by Smith STAND
      ii. Saturday Oct. 31st: Sudan 5k run at 2 pm in downtown Northampton
   d. Class events
      i. Wednesday Oct. 21st: “Sophomore Showcase” at 7 pm in Campus Center Basement TV room
      ii. Sunday Oct. 25th: powderpuff game between juniors and seniors; tailgate at 2 pm on Athletic Fields
   e. Cultural events
      i. Friday Oct. 23rd: Mehndi Night at Davis Ballroom. Dinner starts at 5:30 pm. Free show is at 7:15 pm. Pre-sale tickets are $6. Tickets are $7 at the door.
V. Senate announcements
   a. SGA website will be revamped
   b. Senator Faceboards on the website to feature senators
   c. Senators should read SGA Cabinet minutes to stay up to date, can be found at http://smith.edu/sga
d. Tom Laughner from ITS will be unable to come to Senate to speak; senators should contact VP Eliza if they would like to meet with him in a small group outside of Senate

e. Join Senate Facebook group

f. VP Eliza’s office hours are Tuesdays 3-4 pm

VI. Guest Speaker: Rae-Anne Butera

a. “How does Smith work?”
   i. Board of Trustees
      1. [http://www.smith.edu/trustees](http://www.smith.edu/trustees)
      2. Have fiduciary duty to college: concerned with Smith’s long-term financial well-being

   ii. The President
      1. Carol Christ
      2. Recruits donors for the college
      3. The public face of Smith

   iii. The Provost and Dean of the Faculty
      1. Marilyn Schuster
      2. Manages the faculty
      3. Oversees curriculum, majors, concentrations

   iv. The Dean of the College
      1. Maureen Mahoney
      2. Oversees all administrative offices that influence students lives

   v. Other senior staff members

b. How to succeed at Smith
   i. Know your resources and use them
   ii. Work within the system
   iii. Use Class Dean’s office when in doubt

VII. T-Shirt Orders

VIII. Committee Time

IX. Adjournment 8:27 pm