SGA Senate Meeting
15 November 2011
CC 103/104 7:00 – 9:00 PM

I. Call to order 7:02
II. Roll call
   b. Quorum met
III. Presentation from the Center for Community Collaboration
(http://www.smith.edu/ccc/courses.php)
   a. General Information
      i. Center formed in order to bring together community based services
      ii. Place for students to gain support for their ideas for community projects
      iii. CSO- gives students the ability to start their own non-profits or volunteer
      iv. Outreach programs- Summer Science & Engineering Program for High School
         Girls, programs for middle and elementary school students, teachers, etc.
      v. Community based learning courses
      vi. Community based research
   b. Center for Science Outreach
      i. Goals:
         1. Connect students, faculty, and staff with k-12 students
            a. Provide resources such as microscope access
         2. Create opportunities for students to pursue the sciences as a career options
            a. J-term and summer course opportunities teaching in local schools
            b. Opportunities to teach, support teachers, and mentor students
   c. Questions
      i. Are there programs for students outside of the sciences?
         1. Yes.
      ii. Do you have information on what topics faculty are currently researching?
         1. The Center is currently working on it
IV. Minutes approved
V. Discussion of Coca-Cola on campus
   i. Dining Committee - Pepsi is likely to be in fountain machines next semester because our current vendor, Al's Beverage Company, now carries it.
   ii. Many senators asked their housemates about the issue and the majority of students want to keep Coca-Cola off campus
   iii. One house wants Coca-Cola in vending machines
   iv. What are the other options besides Pepsi or RC Cola?
   v. A lot of students do not like RC Cola
   vi. How can we best voice our opposition?
      1. Petitions to take back to houses?
         a. After SSJIC event?
   vii. Many students do not know what the issue is all about
VI. Announcement from Curriculum Chair on Course Cri-tea-ques
   a. Course critiques have been changed
   b. Your opinions influence tenure decisions
c. Event tomorrow night in CC 103/104

VII. Open forum/Announcements
a. Tomorrow is 'I'm a Senator' day
b. Nosotras- Taste of Latin America at 5pm and Taste of Latin Rhythms starting at 10:00pm this Friday
c. Al-Iman-Middle Eastern dinner this Saturday
d. BSA dinner this Saturday 5:30-8:30 in Mwangi-dinner 5 dollars in advance and 7 dollars at door
e. Dining Committee
   i. Discussed dining menus at last meeting with Kathy Zieja
   ii. There are no plastic containers allowed in dining halls on Julia Child Day.
   iii. Dining Services is working on bringing back Recipes from Home. Senators should email the Dining Committee.
   iv. Dining Concerns
      1. For themed dinners many students appreciate other cooks coming in to prepare recipes
f. SGA Cabinet Meet and Greet tomorrow at noon
   1. There will be cookies and cupcakes.
g. David Gregory from ITS is coming to discuss the change to G-mail emailing on campus.
h. Class of 2015 will be having a meeting to discuss Winter Wonderland event
i. SSJIC and Queers and Allies- Coming Home Queer- tomorrow at 7pm in CC 102
j. Sexhibition general interest meeting- this Thursday at 7:30 in Resource Center for Sexuality and Gender
k. Elections and Appointments is looking for a senator to be on the Bookstore Advisory Committee contact- Greta Stacy (gstacy@smith.edu) or Christa Chiao (cchiao@smith.edu)
l. BSA- SAMI (Students Against Mass Incarceration) meeting- Monday, November 21st 4:30-5:30 pm in Mwangi
m. Smith College Orchestra- Triple Threat: All Beethoven Concert-Saturday Nov 19th at 8pm
n. "Under Rich Earth" will be shown at 7:30pm on December 5th
o. No Senate meeting next week

VIII. Adjournment 8:12pm