11/17/16 Senate Minutes
7-9 Carroll Room

I. Attendance taken

II. Rebecca talking about SAF
   A. Dorie Klein (All Campus Senator): why has there been an increase?
      1. Because the registrar estimated the number of students wrong so we
         needed to raise the amount to get to $30,000
      2. (Katie Chong has a breastal fitbit)

III. Charter Presentation: Scopes
   A. Five College Group for Students of Color
   B. Intersection between environmental and racial justice
   C. Activism
   D. Smith is the first chapter: leadership in Smith first, provide an example for other
      campuses
   E. Collaboration with other organizations
   F. Approximately 10 students interested so far
   G. Traci (): How will funding work in terms of the Five Colleges?
      1. Mostly focusing on Smith funds. Are aware of other resources
   H. Zoe Brian (): Are all groups available to all five college students?
      1. Yes. But to have “Five College” in your name you need to have at least
         three chapters. (thanks Tamra)

IV. Charter Presentation: DISCO
   A. Collaboration between Domestic and International Students
   B. Bridging the cultural divide by pairing students (international and domestic)
C. Outings to American and non-American activities, events on campus, panels, places to stay over breaks

D. Dorie Klein (All Campus Senator): how much will you coordinate with ISO?
   Have other people expressed interest in the club?
   1. They talked to Dean Kaitlyn and they would want to work with ISO, but ISO has a different purpose specific to international students. They want to build community between international students AND domestic students.
   2. They have a lengthy list of potential members who they reached at the org fair.

E. Janis (SGA P): Funding?
   1. Ex: Macleish, more local, less expensive.

F. Sarena (): Will the Board continue to be a mix of domestic and international students? Are there any checks on that?
   1. They want it to be a fair. But not a rule. A recommendation.
   2. Sarena: International Chair, Domestic Chair?

G. Jiaxuan Tong (Green Street Senator): Secretary Position?
   1. Also a historian role. Secretary role could be expanded

V. Minutes Approved (24-0-1)
VI. Vote on SAF (25-0-0)
   A. This will be sent to the student body to vote on in December

VII. IDP Conversation-- Janis Luke
   A. There used to be a one-credit class on race
   B. We are bringing a new proposal to the deans, curriculum committee
   C. IDP: Interdepartmental course on intersectionality
   D. Janis is looking for Senators to work with her on this proposal

VIII. Secretary Conversation-- Katie Chong
   A. Silvana is no longer the Secretary
   B. We need a new Secretary from Senate
      1. Sit on Senate and Cabinet
      2. Secretary is not just an access point to Cabinet. There is work: publicity, note-taking, bonding.
   C. We will be voting the first meeting after Thanksgiving Break
   D. Sarena Shafner (Lower Elm Senator): Can you be a committee chair and the Secretary?
      1. Yes, but it’s going to be a lot of work. No excuses.
   E. Carrie Lee Lancaster (West Quad Senator): How will this work?
      1. First meeting after Thanksgiving Break, nominations, quick speeches, a vote.
   F. Why shouldn’t Student Body elect this position?


1. Bylaws! (has to come from SGA, elected by a simple majority)

IX. Seven Sisters and Review of the Last Weeks
   A. Katie Chong thanks everyone for last week- those who came and those who didn’t.
   1. Katie is doing okay, except she has to go on an airplane and that stinks because she has “individual butt spasms”
   2. Katie is now giving motivational speeches
   B. Seven Sisters- Bryn Mawr yay sga students
   1. Carrie Lee Lancaster (West Quad Senator): Had a good time, the workshops were pretty good. It could have gone better, but overall got some good ideas from other colleges about how they ran things and networking
   2. Next year conference will be at Moho
   3. Emma Stewart (Parliamentarian): it was disorganized. We are gonna do better in two years
   5. Carrie Lee Lancaster (West Quad Senator): Wellesley has a ballot initiative every year for something that affects the whole student body-- a grant from SGA basically. We should implement it.
   6. Jiaxuan Tong (Green Street Senator): Sometimes another school puts their Senate meetings on Facebook Live.

C. Review of Last Week
   1. Basically, we want other people to come talk to us
   2. Annika (East Quad Senator): if we reach out again in January we can probably get the first Latina Senator Catherine Cortez Masto to come here.
   3. Love campaign on campus-- post-its and affirmations
   4. Say thank you to people who made a space
   5. Holding a letter-writing session for Congressional advocacy
   6. Sarena Shafner (Lower Elm Senator) reaching out to orgs and their involvement is super important as well.

X. Senate Feedback Form
   A. Go to Smith Social Network and go to Senate, go to “more” and click on “forms.” It’s Senate Feedback Form. Click “Manage Forms”
   B. Make sure Senators look at the feedback form and respond by area, bring to open forum.
   C. Senators are not seeing “manage forms”
   1. Tamra is on it. Every Senator needs to be listed as their position. Katie will do this.
XI. Committee Updates
   A. Sarena Shafner (Lower Elm Senator): Financial Services Committee met with Andy Cox today to talk about dining plans and other issues
      1. Alex Dupey (East Quad Senator): how can Adas and off-campus students get access? Apparently there is a program that is subsidized meals for these students that is not advertised. How can we regulate swipes better? A job position. Centralized Cooking Place and then drive meals to the houses…?
      2. Centralized Dining seems interesting. Could improve food quality and cut costs.
      3. Subsidized Meals: program is you purchase the number of meals you want at $5 a meal.
      4. Meal Swipes: stricter monitoring, less doors open.
      5. Miranda Coleman (All Campus Senator): how many swipes would be proposed for the new system?
         a) The food won’t be taken away from us.
      6. Katie Chong: let’s invite Andy Cox back
      7. Traci William (Ada Senator): CCCP Committee, Sam is waiting to get on this calendar.
   B. Rosie Altucher (Curriculum Committee Chair): Curriculum Committee will be tabling tomorrow to get information on how students feel about class size.

XII. Open Forum
   A. Emma Stewart (Parliamentarian): Leading Ladies is performing their fall show this weekend- Once Upon a Mattress
   B. Traci William (Ada Senator): BSA is having their anti-colonialism Thanksgiving meal in the next week.
   C. Katie Chong (SGA VP): download the Corq App-- see what’s happening on campus. Free food.
   D. Alex Dupey (East Quad Senator): Dining Services just released a new app with ~rating~ functions.
   E. Miranda Coleman (All Campus Senator): website is much better.
   F. Julia Child Day is good.
   G. Janis Luke (SGA P): Some dining halls will be keeping their soda machines open.

XIII. Meeting Adjourned at 8:27 p.m.