SGA Senate Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order 7:01 pm

II. Roll Call
   a. Missing/Tardy: 13
   b. Absent Senators: Sarah Yarborough, Julia Whall, Zanetta King, Briana Parker, Gabrielle Mohamed, Eunice Zhao, Sarah Kim, Rajiha Mehdi, Shama Rahman, Melissa Lee, Ana Chkhikvadze, Eva Albion-Wright
   c. Quorum met

III. Passing Minutes
   a. Minutes corrected
   b. Minutes passed

IV. Announcements
   a. Midnight Madness is on Tuesday Dec. 15th in the ITT from 10 pm to 12 am. Games, snacks, and pizza will be involved.

V. New ORC members
   a. Liz Rich, Comstock
   b. Sarah Perkins, King
   c. Jessica Wignall, King

VI. Committee progress report
   a. Difficult Topics On Campus committee report
      i. Bike racks
         1. Working on adding them to areas on campus which need them
   b. Events
      i. Extending gym hours
         1. Conversations with administration has indicated it may not be feasible this year
         2. Lynn Oberbillig has expressed interest in changing and extending gym hours next year
   c. Dining
      i. Extending dining hours and making them more flexible
         1. Meeting with Kathy Zieja yet to occur

VII. Prospective Charters
   a. Futsal
      i. To bring futsal (a European style of indoor soccer) to the Smith community
   b. GAAPE: Global Action Against Poverty Everywhere
      i. Discussion of revisions to prospective charter

VIII. Charters
   a. SmithSTAND
      i. Motion to pass charter
      ii. Motion failed, charter not passed
      iii. Recommendation by Senate to SmithSTAND to revise their charter and approach Senate again during the spring semester
   b. ACP: Aspiring Childbirth Professionals
i. Motion to pass charter
ii. Charter passed

IX. Discussion of possible new Senate goals
   a. Need a goal to replace successfully completed soap goal
   b. Recommendation to bring in Director of Disability Services to discuss accessibility issues
   c. Possible public awareness campaign for personal hygiene and keeping ourselves healthy, especially with the current threat of H1N1 flu virus
      i. Possible guest speakers: Dr. Jaffe and Emily Nagoski
   d. Work with SGA cabinet to bring back Smith traditions
      i. Sophomore Carnival
      ii. Hosting teas to raise awareness of old Smith traditions
   e. Public Safety issues
      i. Bring Public Safety in to talk about concerns
         1. Public Safety is not willing to pick up students late at night from downtown Northampton
      ii. Maybe organize a student-run service willing to walk students around campus late at night
   f. Sustainability issues
      i. Make biodegradable plastic-ware more widespread across campus
   g. Fair trade issues
      i. Campus center sells a lot of non-fair-trade items
      ii. Will have to look into feasibility of replacing common brands with fair-trade items

X. Adjournment 8:25 pm