

STUDENT ASSOCIATION MEETING  
State University of New York, College at Geneseo



Student Association meetings are Wednesdays at 6:15 pm in the College Union Hunt Room. All are welcome to attend.

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*Executive Committee*

President:	Nicholas Spengler
Vice-President:	Tyler Ocon
<b>Directors:</b>	
Academic Affairs:	Justin Shapiro
Business Affairs:	Brittany Wolf
Inter-Residence Affairs:	Carly Annable
Public Relations:	Lindsey Hebell
Student Affairs:	Stasia Monteiro
Student Programming:	Heather Bristol
Advisor:	Patty Hamilton-Rodgers

*PROFESSIONAL STAFF*

Dir. of SA Programs,	
Personnel & Finances:	Kate Rebban
Administrative Assistant:	Nancy Chirico
Graphics Coordinator:	Kristen Fuest
Service Manager:	Dianne Krenzer



**Call to Order:** 6:15 pm.

**Approval of the Agenda:**

Brittany makes a motion to make an amendment to 47-1112. Change the amount to \$859.16. We are adding \$20 because of changes in transportation toll fees. Seconded by Justin. Motion passes 7-0-0.

50-1112 should be changed to “be it resolved the SA executive committee”. Seconded by Brittany. Motion passes 7-0-0.

42-1112 should add in “no later than” on the second line of the revised subsection 1. Seconded by Tyler. Passes 7-0-0.

Agenda passes 7-0-0.

**Approval of the Minutes:**

For open discussion, the name is “Ray Spear” instead of Paul Schacht.

Minutes pass 7-0-0.

**Updates**

**President, Nicholas Spengler updates:** No new updates.

**Vice-President, Tyler Ocon updates:** No new updates.

**Director of Business Affairs, Brittany Wolf updates:** Active Minds and Crew budgets are frozen.

**Director of Inter-Residence Affairs, Carly Annable updates:** This past weekend IRC Halloween programming went really well. Over 200 people attended each program and raised \$180 for the Make a Wish Foundation. This Sunday at 5:30pm we are co-hosting a GOLD workshop on bullying.

**Director of Public Relations, Lindsey Hebell updates:** This week I will be working on an overall social media campaign.

**Director of Academic Affairs, Justin Shapiro updates:** #Ahoy. No business last night at AAC. In SA I am the unofficial SA grandmother.

**Director of Student Affairs, Stasia Monteiro updates:** The Intercultural Dinner was a tremendous success. ACE has been taking a small break before Holiday Jubilee.

**Director of Student Programming, Heather Bristol updates:** This Friday, at 7pm in Wads, KINO is showing “Harry Potter 7 Part 2”. There will be prizes. Also, AC is having a t-shirt design contest. We will be giving \$500 in prizes to the top 3 designs. You can come pick up information from me at the end of the meeting.

**Kate Rebban, Director of SA Programs, Personnel, & Finances updates:** No new updates.

**Patty Hamilton-Rodgers, SA Executive Committee Advisor updates:** No new updates.

**Open Updates**

Malcolm: SUNY Assembly: This past weekend Sean and I went to Latham to represent Geneseo at the annual fall conference. This is one weekend every semester that delegates from all 64 SUNY schools make decisions on issues of student governments. The conference went very well. There were 8 minor resolutions and 3 major resolutions. All 8 were passed. The first major resolution was withdrawn. On Saturday morning we made a change to the organizations bylaws. We heard from the new CFO of SUNY. He gave a presentation on the policy that SUNY is introducing now called “Shared Services”. It relates to the 3<sup>rd</sup> major resolution. The last resolution was one relating to the idea of sharing presidencies. Over this past summer it was proposed that the presidencies of a few SUNY’s be merged. Each of the 3 pairs, rather than having one president, they would share a president between two campuses. After discussion, something completely unprecedented happened. Getting all delegates to agree on anything is impossible. For the first time in the organizations history 71-0 we unanimously voted to denounce the idea of shared presidencies. This is a big deal. We have taken some big actions before, but never have we agreed unanimously on anything. You will all be hearing more about it in the coming weeks and months. We also discussed the legislative agenda for the student assembly. I will be working with SA exec on bringing in some resolutions in particular areas. Feel free to email me mc32 if you want to know more about SUNY assembly.

Model UN: We went to Georgetown last weekend and we got an award. We had a minor crisis- getting stuck in an elevator for 20 minutes. We passed a resolution to get out of the elevator, and we did.

GAGG: This Saturday GAGG is hosting a mini-con. Come play games all day in the Union.

Women's hockey: We have a home game at 4pm on Saturday versus Oswego.

Swing Dance: We are hosting a dance this Friday at 8:15pm in the Union and there will be a free beginner lesson for anyone who wants to try it out.

Stasia: I attended the multicultural leader discussion today. One thing that came up was a large concern about discrimination on campus. I want to reiterate, if you feel there are issues on campus that aren't getting addressed, please contact me or any of the administration. I and the campus do take this very seriously.

Tyler: This Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup> is Islamic culture night in Newton 209-210 at 6pm. There will be free food, a discussion on Islamic culture, the religion in itself, and the religion in relation to the past and present.

Charles: Next week is national French week, events every day starting on Tuesday.

Nick: Real World Geneseo is going to happen; it will be modeled after MTV's Real World. Twenty five different students get put into a hotel for a weekend; it counts for class credit. I have the paperwork here. I want to hear opinions on Letchworth, since it will not be open next fall. They will turn the Knightsport into a dining hall.

Mark: I don't think that's a good idea for Mac's Place because that's the only place where we can do things

Dara: Will MJ be open for nighttime?

Nick: I'm not sure.

Malcolm: When Letch goes down, it'll be down for at least 2 full academic years. CAS at all levels is bracing for the loss of Letch. They are looking into every option they have available. They will be completely gutting it inside.

### Old Business

42-1112: BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE make the following change to SA Financial Policy in Section 4, Article L as reflected in the attached rationale.

*Second of Two Readings*

Justin says after a disastrous presentation I have decided to radically change my proposal to the attached one. We are doing this because when boards aren't full it can take 3 weeks to elect a new board, and then we cannot use funds for retreats. Still a lot of passive voice is used in the subsection, but it's the best I could do.

Malcolm asks I didn't quite hear the amendment; did you amend the reading in the agenda?

Justin says yes.

Tyler says even though I admit you might have taken a little bit of a "shalacking" last week, I do appreciate that you are making these amendments in order to make the financial policy more adaptable.

Malcolm says I like the idea of this change to last week, and I like this wording as well.

42-1112: *Second of Two Readings*, Passes 6-0-1 with Justin abstaining.

45-1112: BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE allocate up to \$150.00 from Budget Increases, Account 1099, to SA Programs, Account 1002, to fund a start up budget for People for Animal Welfare (PAW).

*Second of Two Readings*

Kate says we are asking for this money mostly for a gas fund to go to a shelter. We go every week, multiple times a week. It can be really expensive. Also we want to advertise to get our club out there.

45-1112: *Second of Two Readings*, Passes 7-0-0.

46-1112: BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE allocate up to \$577.48 from the Conference Line, 1002, to Japanese Culture Club, Account 1901, for funding to the East Coast Japan American League Conference.

*Second of Two Readings*

JCC is going to this conference on November 18th. We need this amount of money to cover most of the cost including transportation and lodging.

Stasia asks can you remind me what the nature of the conference is?

Representative says it's going to be a lot of interactive discussions and activities. There are video viewings and discussions with other Japanese clubs.

46-1112: *Second of Two Readings*, Passes 7-0-0.

47-1112: BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE allocate up to \$839.16 from Conference Line, 1002, to Amnesty International, Account 1910, for funding to the Amnesty International Northeast Regional Conference.

*Second of Two Readings*

Matt says we are asking to cover transportation costs, tolls, lodging, conference costs, and food. The tolls have increased a bit.

Malcolm pointed out that tolls have increased, and he was correct. Also we thought for the activities during the evening we would have to go downtown again and pay tolls again, so we changed it to \$45 per car, to make sure that we have enough. The only thing I

forgot to say is that after the conference there is voting for the directors. All the members will have the right to vote. It will be great to show that not only is our organization continuing but Nick, a Geneseo alumni, is being very successful in the business world.

Brittany asks are we allowed to cover personal costs?

Kate says we pay to and from, not when you're there. So if you decide to go downtown you have to pay that.

Brittany says we will keep it at the same amount, but bring in the receipts.

Matt says \$77.60 is the total cost for the vehicles there and back.

Malcolm asks when it says \$25 that was in the paper work that was per car, so it was already counting on \$50? And then you fund 50% of the cost?

Brittany says yes that's why I added \$20.

Dara asks they are paying for food at the conference? Does SA pay for half the food at a conference in theory?

Tyler says we can pay a certain amount per person and it can't exceed another specific amount.

Charles asks how much is the food budget?

Matt says it covered dinner on the way there and meals there since the conference doesn't cover it.

Kate says it would be personal if they decided to drive somewhere else to get dinner. Locally that wouldn't be considered a personal cost.

Justin says I think it's really cool that Nick is running for the Amnesty Board of Directors. Please vote for him and tell him I say hello.

47-1112: *Second of Two Readings*, Passes 7-0-0.

### New Business

48-1112: BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE allocate up to \$600 from Budget Increases, Account 1099, to Geneseo Ultimate Frisbee, Account 1411, to Line 20, Programming, to add a "Gas Reimbursements" Line to their budget.

*First of Two Readings*

Audrey and Sam say we asking for gas now since we never realized it was a possibility before. Compensation will allow us to go to tournaments further away. It allows us to seek out more competitive tournaments. Usually we go to RIT, Buffalo and Fredonia. Our girls' team is trying to get more established playing separately from men. This will allow us to go to more tournaments without them. Normally it's a pretty male dominated sport, so last year it was nice to learn from other women. From the ultimate restructuring of the divisions, we face schools that are the same size rather than nearby, so it will give us gas money to get to those tournaments. Right now we have a very young team. The team make-up is constantly fluctuating. We want to bring as many people to tournaments as possible for support and to play. Sometimes it isn't fun to play with 5 people on the sidelines that could afford to come. Typically we don't bring that many people to far away conferences. For 6 cars to travel to Clarkson it's about \$177 and we typically go to 4 tournaments per semester. If we want to include Clarkson as a standard tournament, we roughly figured it out to cost around \$600.

Justin asks how much is it per person for gas right now?

Sam says right now it's about \$10.

48-1112: *First of Two Readings*, Passes 7-0-0.

49-1112: BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE allocate up to \$1800 from Budget Increases, Account 1099, to Club Sports Association, Account 1400, to for more uniforms needed than they currently have funds for.

*First of Two Readings*

Sam says Club Sports has \$2000 in the line for uniforms. Two teams need a large number of uniforms this fall. Women's Ice Hockey needs about \$2,006. This is good considering that uniforms last 8-10 years; they are the same as the men's and they currently don't have enough. Ultimate Frisbee is the same- we don't have enough for all our players. The cost for that is \$1600. We are asking for \$1800 to ask for additional unforeseen expenses and if we don't spend it we won't.

Tyler asks did you mean supplementing, or are you replacing all of them?

Sam says replacing all because it will be a new design and new colors. We wouldn't look like a unified team if we wore many colors.

Tyler asks right now you have 30 dark and 30 light jerseys in reserves; by replacing them won't you run into a problem?

Sam says we are opening the order up to have people buy their own. I'm predicting that most of the team this year will be outfitted with jerseys they bought themselves, and those on reserve will be for the next year and the year after.

Malcolm asks might I recommend modifying dropping the spare preposition "to" on the reading.

Tyler makes a motion to amend the reading to eliminate the word "to". Seconded by Brittany. Motion passes.

49-1112: *First of Two Readings*, Passes 7-0-0.

50-1112: BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE approve Musicians for World Harmony's fundraiser to benefit the Music Heals Center in Uganda.

*First and Only Reading*

Melissa said we are looking to get our fundraiser passed. We will have a table in the Union; we will be selling these t-shirts for \$20 each. The money will be going to the non-profit Musicians for World Harmony, which go straight to Uganda. We will also sell buttons for \$1 each. That money will go towards concerts we want to put on next semester.

Tyler asks where will you be getting t-shirts?

Melissa said we already have t-shirts from the non-profit.

Kate asks are people preordering them?

Melissa said the head of the organization already paid for them, we are getting the money and sending it back to the non-profit.

Kate says all the money needs to go to their SA account.

Brittany says they had the shirts already before they were SA funded.

Kate asks you purchased the shirts correct?

Melissa said yes.

Tyler asks did you get these shirts before you were SA funded or after?

Melissa said before.

Kate asks how will that person get paid back? If you approve it the money has to go back to the SA account.

Carly asks when is the event?

Melissa said next week.

Carly says I would like to suggest that we move to table the reading so we can work this out before we vote on it. I don't think we all understand entirely what is going on.

Heather says if we table it they will not be able to do this fundraiser which is not fair.

Kate asks has the person who bought the shirts been reimbursed?

Melissa said no. The founder of the organization bought the shirts, and we are in close contact with him.

Patty asks from the fundraiser we will pay him back for the shirts directly?

Melissa said yes.

Kate asks if you don't sell them can they go back to the organization? You're not paying back a student that paid out of pocket. How many did you order?

Melissa said I'm not sure how many we ordered. We wouldn't return them. We bought a bunch of them thinking we would sell them throughout the semester.

Patty says the money goes to the nonprofit, then the nonprofit can take care of reimbursing. So that takes the SA out of the loop.

50-1112: *First and Only Reading*, Passes 7-0-0.

### **Open Discussion**

Malcolm says I want to make a brief request of SA exec. I would be personally okay with you guys spending more of the student activity fee to replace the toner on the printer.

Tyler says there has been a mechanical problem; we have been working on it.

### **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lena Freed  
Recording Secretary