

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



Student Association meetings are Wednesdays at 6:45 pm in the College Union Hunt Room. All are welcome to attend.

MINUTES #27, Wednesday, April 3, 2013

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Executive Committee

President:	Carly Annable
Vice-President:	Justin Shapiro
Directors:	
Academic Affairs:	Dara Gell
Business Affairs:	Casey Howard
Inter-Residence Affairs:	Silvia Roma
Public Relations:	Forrest Regan
Student Affairs:	Sadie Baker
Student Programming:	Matt Bower
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

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Open Discussion

Adjournment

Call to Order: 6:47 pm.

Approval of the Agenda: Passes 7-0-0.

Approval of the Minutes: Amendment to Updates by Silvia from “emphasis” to “emphasize”.
Passes 7-0-0.

Updates

President, Carly Annable updates: This week, I met with Dr. Bonfiglio and Silvia and we had a nice conversation. Other than that, I wrote a spiffy fundraising memo to all the clubs and organizations about our fundraising policies because there has been a number of issues with that as of recently. You should be expecting that in your organization mailboxes by the end of the week.

Vice-President, Justin Shapiro updates: Medical Amnesty rally is officially on. We’ll start down at the Union Plaza at 2:30 pm. There will be a microphone for people to speak. If any of you are interested in speaking at the Medical Amnesty rally, just send me an email at savp@geneseo.edu. I’ll either put you down to speak at the Union Plaza or up at the College Green depending on your confidence and the strength of your voice. We will be marching from the Plaza to the Green to show student support for this policy. Second of all, letters are still available for people to sign. I have extra copies in the SA office. After you sign, bring them back to CU316 sometime before noon on Friday because the College Council meets at 1:00 pm. Thank you for the strong support so far. We have received about 250 letters and our goal is to amass 500 letters in total. Also, if you think that your organization would be interested in participating in the rally, distributing letters, or be part of advocating Medical Amnesty, please send me an email. Community Health Alliance, I’m looking at you. Mike was really working on this. Come see me after the meeting so that I can take your information down. Second of all, I have two resolutions from the Student Caucus. Student Caucus is a group of student senators on campus. Sometimes they pass resolutions that show unified action from the Senate and alert them about the student body’s concerns. The first one is “Be it resolved that the Student Caucus support the inclusion of a Medical Amnesty Samaritan Clause in the book of conduct”. The second one is regarding a policy to limit the ability of certain students with over 16 credits the chance to walk in Commencement if they can’t finish their credits in the following semester. Basically, if they want to walk in May, but they can’t finish in the fall semester of the next academic year, they won’t be able to walk. It’s kind of ridiculous since Commencement is just a ceremony. You aren’t guaranteed a diploma. You do want to celebrate four years of hard work with your colleagues. So the Student Caucus is concerned about this policy. The second policy reads, “Calling upon our fellow Senators to, because we believe that this reading deserves close scrutiny, and furthermore, be it resolved that the Student Caucus believes that any student who wishes to walk at Commencement with peers, given the completion of a certain number of credits or completion of their graduation requirements, should be able to walk.” If you are interested in learning more about that policy, email me at savp@geneseo.edu.

Director of Business Affairs, Casey Howard updates: I have two updates. Budget Review will be presented to SA Exec sometime early next week. Therefore, it will be made public to all of your clubs sometime on Tuesday or Wednesday. The appeal schedule will be posted on the door of the SA office. The appeal process will go similarly to the process of the budget review. I am currently having technical issues with my transfer to Gmail so if you have questions, you can email me on my personal email at clh16@geneseo.edu. A reminder on fundraiser requests, if your club is planning on doing a fundraiser request, even if it’s covered by your budget, you need to go to College Union Activities room 321 to have it approved. If it’s not in your budget, whether or not it’s for a charitable organization or for you, you have to receive our approval. You need to submit the proper paperwork to Nancy in the SA office.

Director of Inter-Residence Affairs, Silvia Roma updates: IRC elections were two nights ago. We filled all but one position. We will be electing the Programming Coordinator this Monday. Also, I met with Dr. Bonfiglio and Carly yesterday morning. That was really great. The 2013-2014 IRC Constitution and bylaws passed at IRC so that will be coming before SA next week. I’m really excited.

Director of Public Relations, Forrest Regan updates: This Monday, I started some presidential duties. I met with Kate and Dianne from the SA office along with Andrea and lots of others from the Brodie Ticket Office to go over our memo of understanding and sharing our services. This afternoon, I also met with the future SA Exec and we spent half an hour taking nice *Lamron* photos. That was fun. We are all looking forward to our transition with Changing of the Guard which is on May 1. Last year, we had a whole ceremony in MJ which I am also considering for this year, although I don’t have as many funds as we did last year since I was working on the Referendum. If anyone has any suggestions from how it went last year, let me know. Regarding the budget advocacy trip, there might be some funds to get a small gift for people who are attending. Not that you shouldn’t go for fun and to advocate but there might be some knickknacks for those of you who do go. We also heard from someone who went on the trip two years ago, so if any of you went on the trip previously, it would be great to hear from you about what it was like and what should be changed or kept the same.

Director of Academic Affairs, Dara Gell updates: My first announcement is really important. The Professor Recognition Ceremony is on May 1. Nominations close this Friday so you have until Friday to write three sentences or three pages, however long you want, nominating a professor who is great. I can’t emphasize enough how the professors appreciate getting the award from the students. This is only the second year that we are working with the Teaching and Learning Center. I can tell you that last year, the professors really

appreciated receiving the award. It looks great for the department that the professor is in. You don't have to nominate within your department. The application is completely anonymous. Things to write about are how they impacted you academically and their accessibility outside of the classroom. The application is on Knightlink. I put it on the seniors' page on Facebook and I know that it's under Geneseo Compliments. We currently have 83 nominations. We are trying to get 100, which is 2% of the college population. Please nominate your professors. *Welles Report* is accepting submissions for their publication until Sunday. Provost Long, soon to be interim President Long, spoke at our meeting yesterday and stated that they have eight new tenure track line positions starting this year. They picked 11 ambassador scholars this year and received twice as many submissions. I'm sure Justin will talk more about it but a week from today is the rally for Medical Amnesty Good Samaritan Law. I hope that you will all be there. Also, please sign the letters. We are halfway to our goal. We currently have somewhere around 218 signed letters and we want to get around 500.

Director of Student Affairs, Sadie Baker updates: I have sheets for all of you about the budget advocacy trip. It will be on Monday, April 22 and we be departing the Union at 6:00 am. Please sign up before Friday, April 12. The trip is free but you do have to pay a \$5.00 refundable deposit. The money will be returned to you on the bus. If you are missing classes, you can acquire a letter from me to hand in to your professors. It basically states that they should let you go on this trip and not penalize you for missing class. Geneseo Chinese Culture Club will be having their annual Dumpling Festival on April 20 at 6:00 pm at the Saratoga Commons. It is \$6.00 for nonmembers and \$4.00 for members. Black Student Union raised \$300.00 for their Building Minds in Sudan fundraiser. That will go to building schools in Sudan. Shakti, with APO and MSA, will be holding a fundraiser on the 10th and 11th for an organization called Women for Women. You will be able to get henna done on your hand. WAC and Pride are having their dinner on April 13 at 5:30 pm. Tickets are \$6.00 for students, \$7.00 for faculty and staff, and \$8.00 for the general public. There will be aerial acrobats, food, games, and a kissing booth.

Director of Student Programming, Matt Bower updates: This weekend is Sibling's Weekend and there is a bunch of stuff going on. Registration is Friday from 4:00 to 6:00 pm in the Lobby. That night we have the Exotic Animal Show, which is always a success, at 9:00 pm. At 10:00 pm, IRC is hosting a "roller-skate and ice cream" event in Kuhl Gym. On Saturday is Create a Critter in the Knight Spot, where you can make a stuffed animal. At 4:00 pm in the Ballroom, there will be a dinner and KINO will be showing *Brave* because that's the theme of the weekend. At 6:00 pm, there will be dessert in the Lobby. At 7:00 pm is Sideswipe, which is the big Limelight show in the gym. Immediately following Sideswipe is the GLK Carnival, which I think goes until midnight, in the Union Lobby. The last event for Sibling's Weekend will be on Sunday; *Grudge* will be shown at 10:00 am in the Ballroom. As for non-AC related events, on Saturday at 9:00 am is Walk for Water and on Sunday at 10:00 am is the Crop Walk. If you want to donate money or provide advocacy, these are great causes to do that.

Kate Rebban, Director of SA Programs, Personnel, & Finances updates: Just a reminder that SA Merit Awards information is on our website and applications are due on April 8.

Patty Hamilton-Rodgers, SA Executive Committee Advisor updates: GREAT Day is in 12 days. We have a record 965 people registered this year.

Open Updates

Alyssa: On April 20, we are having our Media Prom. It will be hosted by *The Lamron*, GSU, and GSTV. It will be in the Knight Spot at 10:00 pm. There will be free food and prizes. It is a masquerade theme so dress up. It will be fun so I hope to see you all there.

Tessa: Women's Rugby went to a tournament in Rochester this weekend and we won second place and the spirit award. We played against teams like Cornell and University of Buffalo.

Malcolm: The annual spring SUNY Student Assembly Conference is coming up in a week and a half. It's from April 12th to the 13th. We have several student representatives going. Shawn Malone and Carly are our voters. Carly may be signing a waiver vote, I'm not sure. The agenda and resolutions for the meeting are all up on the Student Assembly website and I encourage everyone to go and read them. Talk to SA if you have any opinions on the resolutions. I will say that in four years of knowing the organization, I have never seen a business agenda as packed as this one. I have extreme pity for those who are trapped in the business meeting. I'm sorry for you guys. Visit www.studentassembly.org and take a look at what's going on before our delegation leaves.

Carson: Community Health Alliance would like to announce our next healthy cooking class. It's next Tuesday at the Interfaith Center at 6:00 pm. A Wegmans' chef will be coming to show us how to prepare a meal. We will be making creole jambalaya, and we will have both vegetarian and carnivore friendly options. You should all come. You can sign up on the Googledocs and the link to that is in the What's-up emails.

Silvia: We are still accepting applications for the NACURH Conference, which is the National Association of College and University Residence Halls. If you are not a graduating senior and you want to attend a really cool program, which is from May 30 to June 3, this is an option for you. Applications are available on tinyurl.com/NACURH2013. If you have any questions, please talk to me after the meeting. It's a really great leadership experience opportunity as well as programing experience opportunity. Also, on April 10, APO is having their bone marrow drive from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm in the KnightSpot. You are registering to donate bone marrow, not donating bone marrow at that time. It is a 10 minute process. You should come before or after the rally.

Slavic Club: On April 21, French, German, and Slavic Club will be having Eurofest. It goes from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm. There's going to be great food, performances, music, etc.

Model UN: Geneseo Model UN had its fourth and final conference of the year last weekend. We won seven individual awards and we won best delegation at the conference. Thank you for your support throughout the year. We're looking forward to next year.

GEO: There is currently a student green survey online. Students can go online and vote to have a mandatory fee in place for Geneseo to move towards sustainability decisions. You can find it on the Geneseo Environmental Organization's Facebook page. Some people are also making it their statuses. I'm not sure how else to find it.

Carly: I met with Anderson who is implementing that survey and it's inspired by SUNY Plattsburgh. They have an optional sustainability fee there. It's around \$3.00. I think she wanted it to be more optional here too.

Dara: AAC elections are going to be on April 23. If you're interested in getting involved, you are welcome to talk to me about the positions that are available. We have PR, Secretary, Vice Chair, and Treasurer positions available. You just have to send me a small blurb about the position that you are interested in and why. You need to be available on Tuesdays next year at 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm. You can email me at saaac if you're interested. Also, I want to congratulate Model United Nations because I was at the conference and you guys were amazing. Amnesty International is having a speaker who is an Iraq veteran. He is going to be talking about land mine awareness. That will be tomorrow at 6:00 pm in the Fireside Lounge. It is open to everyone.

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Matt: Nothing has really changed from the proposal. We are still looking for travel expenses for Alfonso Triggiani who is a world class ballroom dancer. In response to the taxi costs, we sent him an email of the budget funds and he approved them again.

Casey: Have they started the contracting process?

Carly: They haven't been exposed to the contracting process before so I will be working with them. Have you talked to Nancy or Kate about the contract process?

Matt: No.

Carly: Well, if this reading passes today, you'll want to talk to them after the meeting to start the contracting process.

Matt: I think it's great that you took advantage of the opportunity presented with his wife coming here.

Dara: I know from personal experience that a taxi one way is \$52.00 so I hope that he doesn't get sad, but other than that, it's a great reading. Nicely done.

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GAGG: Nothing has changed with the proposal. GAGG was very active in the last two weeks. Last weekend, we had our mini-con which was really successful. We had a few big events running and had about 60 people attend. This week we started running our humans vs. zombies game which has been really successful. Attendance is a little bit lower than last semester but that happens a lot in the spring semester. A lot of the freshmen who play in the fall either stay or don't.

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Kate: Nothing has changed since last week. The Ticket Office would like the laptop for flexibility to move back and forth from the Ticket Office here to the one in Wadsworth. The current Boca printer is 20 years old. It is still working but she would take the older Boca printer and put it in Wads. The rest of the equipment is needed to connect the laptop to the Boca printer.

Matt: Does that mean that next year we would be able to sell tickets in the lobby?

Kate: Yes.

Silvia: I think that this is great. I also think that it's really great that you're still going to use the current Boca printer.

Chris: I'm confused as to the exact meaning of the docking station?

Malcolm: A docking station is basically a physical piece of computer hardware that you slide your laptop into to make it a substitute desktop computer.

Casey: Just to clarify why this reading is so long and clumsy. It would be multiple readings but she doesn't want to get one piece of equipment without the other.

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George: When I gave my initial reading last week, I was under the impression that I was doing a reading for a bunch of computers that was going to be installed in the SA office. That was not the case. That was due to a miscommunication between me, Casey, Carly, and Kate. I went back and took a look at the extra functionality that I would like in SA Tech's computer if we could get it. I would ask that SA amend the reading and have it reflect the indicated computer that I have given to Casey. Basically, the two big improvements of this computer over the computer that we initially did the reading for is that this one has an actual video card. This would allow us to use the backup only as a backup. To be brief, the processor comes with a small video card that is not meant for everyday use. The processor on this computer is a little bit larger and faster. It would give us a bit more computing power.

Malcolm: Are you still asking for the LCD speaker bar and monitor?

George: Yes.

Malcolm: The change would increase the request from \$497.00 to \$750.00?

George: Yes.

Malcolm: It sounds like you're completely changing the nature and purpose of this reading as well as what you're asking for. Why not ask for an amendment to either strike out the first part of the reading or withdraw this reading all together and put in a second reading asking for what you're asking for?

George: The reason is because I need this computer as soon as possible. Since I'm still asking for a computer and I'm still asking for a computer that has the same functionality as the first one, I thought it appropriate to do an amendment to the reading.

Casey: If I could jump in to answer the question really quickly. I suggested that he make an amendment to the reading because it's still being purchased for the same purpose. It's still going to SA Tech. It's not changing where the computer is going. It's still going to be doing the same things. When he found out that the computer would be just for him, he found better specifications suited for SA Tech's needs. It's still the same nature, just a different amount.

Malcolm: He said that he thought he was presenting for computers for SA last week.

Casey: Last week's reading was for SA Tech's computer. He came to the presentation not realizing the change made to the reading. It was just miscommunication. He didn't know he was presenting for a new computer for SA Tech and not SA Tech and SA until his number was called. Could you just speak to what you would be able to do with this new computer that you wouldn't be able to do with the \$497.00 computer?

George: Certainly. So the reason that I included a video card and a faster processor is so that SA Tech has a computer that we can work with for the foreseeable future. A dedicated video card, even if it's not the top of the line, would allow us the potential to purchase drafting software somewhere down the line in the future. We receive setups and instrument schedules all on computer drafting software that we can potentially look at before we do large downloads for places like the gym or Wadsworth. It gives us a little bit more flexibility and gives us a machine that we can carry on further rather than coming back every three or four years for a new computer.

Justin: Have you looked at any other vendors?

George: I was told we had to go through CIT.

Carly: In order for us to have CIT help us during technical difficulties, we are required to use HP or Mac because that is what they are capable of dealing with.

Dara: When you originally came in, did you choose the computer that you chose because you thought that it was going to be in the SA main office?

George: No. The way it worked out was that I needed a new computer for a long time. I talked to Kate and through numerous conversations we thought it was easier to do a giant reading for a number of computers, one of which would end up in the SA Tech office. But there were some discrepancies as to how many machines we wanted and my computer is really bad and I need one now.

Dara: So when you showed up, you were told that your computer is the only one for the reading?

George: Yes. I was quite surprised.

Chris: Does this mean that there is in the works a reading to replace all the computers in the SA office? They are terrible.

Carly: Yes. I am currently drafting up a replacement plan because all of the computers in the SA office are terrible but we don't want to spend the money to replace all of them at once because that is a large amount of money.

Malcolm: Dara's question and the answer to it helped me iron it out but I want to make sure that I actually understand what happened. You were looking to replace the computers for SA and SA Tech all at once. You're looking at this computer tonight for SA Tech and the computer from last week for SA itself. Then SA dropped out of the reading last week but it was one of the other computers left on the reading last week. So last week's reading was supposed to be for you, but it just had the wrong computer on it?

Casey: Sure.

Malcolm: Please explain this to me because I'm really confused.

Casey: Essentially, we were going to order five computers, one for George and five for us. He was going to choose the same computer just for the ease of the reading. When he found out that the reading would be about a computer for Tech, he had a different computer in mind than the model that would have functioned fine for SA but not fulfill all the needs of Tech as well. When he found out that he could choose a different computer, I told him that since we're spending the money anyways, might as well select one that serves SA Tech's needs better.

Malcolm: But he didn't know until the beginning of last week's reading that it was for one computer rather than for five?

Casey: Yes.

Malcolm: Okay. Now I'm starting to understand.

Forrest: How much does this drafting software cost and when would you get it?

George: Drafting software, depending on the licensing you get and the subscription fees that you pay, cost anywhere from \$2,000.00 to \$3,000.00. That's why it would be a future thing that potential tech directors could look into. I just want them to have a machine where that is a reliable option and the future reading would just be for the software and not the software and a new computer.

Casey: I think that SA Tech needs a new computer, badly.

Dara: I'm glad that this all got worked out and you got a computer that serves your needs better. It doesn't make sense for you to have the same computer as the one in the SA office since you do a lot more work with it. I'm happy that it worked out.

Motion to amend the reading from "\$497.00 from Permanent Equipment, Account 2000 to SA Tech Services, Account 1004 to purchase a HP Compaq Elite" to "\$750.00 from Permanent Equipment, Account 2000 to SA Tech Services, Account 1004 to purchase an HP Z220" by Casey. Second by Justin. Passes 7-0-0.

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Tessa: My name is Tessa and I am the president. This is the rest of the eboard. I'm just going to go over the basic parts of the tournament and Rachel is going to go into the specifics. We've grown a lot over the past few years. There's been a lot of realignment of conferences and us playing different teams. We've gone to the same tournaments every spring so we've looked and reached out to find better competition. We debated over a few and we found this tournament to be in our best interests and the best financial plan. In this tournament, we would be playing teams like MIT, Radcliffe, and Stony Brook. Hopefully it will get our name out there and help us grow as a club rather than just play the same Rochester area schools that we have been playing.

Rachel: In the past few years, we've placed first or second in most of the tournaments that we've gone to so we're really looking for that higher level competition. For the attached conference form, it's a bit confusing. For transportation, we didn't put it in our budget this year, so we're asking for gas fees and tolls. That's all calculated using Google Maps and toll websites for different states. For meal tickets, it's kind of confusing. Because we're a team, we're going to be lodging at one of our teammate's houses. Because we're lodging there, we thought it would be easier to submit a list of food items that we purchase from Wegmans instead of just using the meals portion. We're asking for two dinners because we're going to be on the road, but we reduced the cost to \$10.00 because it's a quick thing. The \$200.00 that we're asking for comes from the Wegmans list. It will cover breakfast, lunch, and dinner for one day and breakfast and lunch the next day. It's essentially five meals for 23 girls for \$200.00 which is much less than what it would be with the meal sheet. We're just trying to save costs there. We are mandated to send 23 students. I don't know if I have to amend this, but one of the drivers was changed and so #19 is not driving anymore.

Dara: That's fine, don't worry about it.

Tessa: We have a very large team, about 50 girls. Only 23 girls are going to this tournament. It's based on experience and trying to get the higher level of competition that we have. But we have a lot of girls who joined this year. For the girls who are not going to this tournament, we are sending a team to Buffalo to play against teams from Buffalo State and Fredonia so that everyone gets to play that weekend.

Forrest: When is the next tournament that you are going to send the other girls on?

Tessa: They are going on the same day.

Dara: You have here that you're calculating dinners, but are you also asking for two other dinners?

Tessa: Yes.

Dara: So you're going to be doing both of those meals

Casey: Yes because they are still within the \$31.00 per person maximum allotment.

Tessa: Two dinners are on the road because we will be driving on Friday and Sunday and the one dinner is the pasta dinner on Saturday.

Casey: I think that it's really well done and I like how you typed in everything. And I think you did a good job in minimizing costs and things like that.

Justin: Just for clarification, if you're a club sport and you're asking for funding outside your budget, you need to go through Club Sports first. I don't know if you knew that.

Tessa: We did that.

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James: My name is James Hiltunen and I'm the President of Geneseo Chess Club. On April 27, we were going to host a Geneseo Chess Championship Tournament. Our advisor was really pushing for it. As a club, we decided that it would be a great way to fundraise for American Cancer Society. We thought that \$650.00 would be a good amount for prizes and it would be a good lure to have other schools come. I've already emailed Cornell, University of Rochester, Fredonia, SUNY Buffalo, and SUNY Brockport and they've expressed interest. Cornell, University of Rochester, and SUNY Buffalo are already coming. If we had prize money, it would be more of a motivation for people to come.

Malcolm: You state that you're going to have a trophy for the top student or faculty member at SUNY Geneseo. If you're inviting students from other schools, are you giving the trophy to the top player at Geneseo, wherever they end, or is it to the winner of the entire tournament.

James: I'm glad that you asked that because the trophy that we're getting would be a fixed cost. The trophy would have eight slots to engrave a name, so we would hopefully be hosting this tournament for seven more semesters. In school tournaments, they usually have a trophy to create a competitive atmosphere between the students and faculty. The trophy would be for just students and faculty from Geneseo. The winner from that group would get their name engraved on the trophy.

Malcolm: But it would not be the top player of the tournament?

James: No. They would get the top prize but not their name in the trophy.

Malcolm: Your rationale says that you're asking for \$650.00 but if you add up the breakdown, you get \$550.00. Where is the other \$100.00 from?

James: In order for us to hold a USCF, United State Chess Federation, tournament and be rated, we have to pay \$40.00. I emailed USCF and we're getting a discount. Typically, it would be around \$60.00 to hold a USCF rated tournament. I wanted to provide a cushion for that and the extra is to cover the engraving process for the trophy, which costs around \$20.00. Another section is \$100.00 for refreshments.

Malcolm: Have you looked into getting a CAS grant?

James: No, but we will look into that.

Malcolm: You said that the raised money from the tournament for the Chess Club will go towards new chess equipment and travel costs. Where exactly are you guys planning on traveling in the next month or two with the academic year almost over?

James: We do make weekly travels down to Rochester. The Rochester Chess Center is one of the biggest in the nation. Fortunately, they have a chess tournament every Saturday. We've been travelling since about a year ago to go to Rochester. The money would help with the gas costs. It would also help with transportation when we go to Cornell or any other school, because they have a tournament coming up which we don't know if we can budget for.

Malcolm: Since you are doing this partially for charity, do we need another form for the fundraising request and if so, where is it?

Casey: They have to submit it.

James: Okay. I'm glad that was brought up.

Chris: I don't see where you actually intend to have the tournament.

James: We first looked at the Ballroom but that's booked until next semester. We also looked at the Knight Spot but that's also booked because the President is having some get together there. We're going to have it at South Hall, which is where we meet right now, in rooms 241 and 245. We also have a room in Fraser scheduled out just in case we have more players than anticipated. That's where we're planning on having our tournament.

Chris: In that case, please correct me if I'm wrong, but I think that CAS has an exclusivity contract with us that any money spent on refreshments for any events on campus must go through a CAS grant or purchased through them.

Malcolm: It needs to be purchased through them, not necessarily with a CAS grant. Though, you should make use of your \$500.00 CAS grant. You only get one \$500.00 grant a year, but I don't see you using it for another event so late in the year.

James: So I can apply for a \$500.00 CAS grant? Sorry, we're a new organization.

Malcolm: You can get two CAS grants a year. One is a large grant for \$500.00 and the other is a small grant for \$100.00. Considering you're a new organization, I don't think you used your large grant.

Casey: Where would you plan on housing the trophy until the next tournament?

James: I think that's something that we would have to talk to with Chip. I talked to Geneseo alumni, they did a tournament like this, and they had the trophy in the gym. That's where they kept it and I thought that'd be good so that's probably what we're going to try to do.

Malcolm: I was concerned about the budgetary aspect of this that I forgot to ask my one purely interest question. You mentioned three different sections here, which are Open, U1400, and Unrated. Can you tell us a little bit more about what those are and what the breakdown is?

James: Sure. The USCF chess players have a ranking system. Under 1400 is for beginners or people who have learned some chess strategies but haven't gotten to the higher ranked players. Right now, the top players at Geneseo are about 1800 to 2000. But we also have a lot of players starting out who are around 1400 to 800. To make the tournament fair, I wanted to make sure that the beginner players would be encouraged to keep playing chess, so there is a prize for them too.

Malcolm: So U1400 is for players who are ranked 1400 and lower?

James: Yes. U stands for under.

Malcolm: What about Open and Unrated?

James: Open would be for the top section. That would be anyone from 1400 to grand master. Probably the highest we would see is 2400 from the Rochester players. I'm personally about 2150. The unrated players would basically be the players who have not joined the USCF. If you haven't paid the \$24.00 per year fee to the United States Chess Federation, you're not a rated player so we have a section for those individuals.

Malcolm: This tournament would be open to any Geneseo student and faculty, regardless to membership in the club?

James: Yes. Anyone who wants to come is welcome. What is kind of cool that I've learned recently is that there is a faculty chess league. There are a couple of police officers in it. The English department battles with the Math department a lot.

Kate: You have recently been re-recognized. Are there a lot of seniors or are there a lot of underclassmen that will sustain the club next year?

James: I'm a junior this semester. Basically we recently found a really strong group of freshmen chess players, which is exciting because they can carry on the club.

Dara: Is this only a one day tournament or do you have to worry about housing?

James: Yes, it's just a day tournament.

Casey: Do you have enough chessboards and supplies for the 50 people that you anticipate on coming?

James: No, we do not. We have about 15 boards and 15 sets which will equal 30 players. The norm for chess tournaments is for the players to bring their own boards and chess clocks. It would reduce costs. Also, some people have nice equipment that they want to work with.

Malcolm: With the expectation to bring their own boards and clocks, does that mean that people who are coming from other schools are expected to bring their own stuff but beginners and those who wander in will be accommodated by the club?

James: Yes. That's something that people who usually play already know. For beginners, we don't anticipate more than 30 players so we will have enough boards and sets. If we do, that would be really nice. We usually have an extra board anyways.

Dara: I want to thank you for being patient with us. We recognize that you're a new club. We are always available to talk before the meeting. You can always talk to us and avoid all this pressure here. I think that this is a really great thing, especially since you're a new club.

Tessa: You were talking about where you're going to store the trophy. We are giving out awards this year, and we can't store them in the gym anymore because we are not varsity sports. We were walking around with Chip in the Union since our alumni are looking to purchase a trophy case for us. We were looking next door and all of the desks have bookshelves with decorative things on it. Chip said that it would be really cool if we can change that into something more student-oriented. We talked about putting plexiglass over that and putting clubs sports trophies in them, and you guys could put your trophy in there. The room gets locked so it's free from vandalism.

James: Thank you for telling me.

Casey: I just wanted to suggest you come talk to me or Kate after this meeting. If the reading passes this week and next week, I want to go over how you can get this money, about CAS grants, and things like that.

James: Sure. Are you guys up there at a certain time?

Casey: Kate is up there every day from 8:30 to 4:30 pm. I have my office hours on the door if you want to look them up. We can talk after the meeting.

86-1213: *First of Two Readings*, Passes 7-0-0.

87-1213 BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE approve the attached changes to the Alliance for Community Enrichment's constitution and bylaws.

First of Two Readings

Sadie: ACE has a constitution and bylaws and there were problems with them so we made some changes. I'll go over them really quickly and you can follow along if you so desire. The sections are now in numerical order. In Article VI, Section IB, which talks about what happens if we have no ACE Chair, we put in a line saying that the primary candidate for consideration will be Vice Chair. It certainly doesn't mean that the future SA Exec has to put in the ACE Vice Chair if they don't seem fit for some reason. However, considering that SASA's primary purpose is for community enrichment, it makes sense to have the incoming SASA be very familiar with it. And that person would be the Vice Chair. That's it for the Constitution and now moving on to Bylaws. ACE has seen some events that people really put in a lot of effort to put together and was really excited for, but didn't necessarily see the turnout that they were hoping for. This sometimes happens with clubs all over campus. We really want to be sure the student mandatory fee is being used to benefit the most students as we can possibly benefit. So we inserted a new section, Section ID, to make sure that as many students on campus know about the events and therefore have the opportunity to come and benefit from those events. This says that "ACE events must be advertised in accordance with ACE advertising guidelines. The ACE advertising guidelines shall be reviewed and updated at the first ACE meeting of each academic year. If a sponsoring ACE organization fails to advertise in accordance with the advertising guidelines, they will be placed under bad financial standing of the remainder of the academic semester." Malcolm pointed out to me earlier today that putting a club under bad financial standing for the academic semester does not match with our Section IV under which clubs are put under bad financial standing for two weeks. I will be taking it back to ACE to see if we are going to keep the financial standing for the entire year and if so, what language to use to make that happen. There is also a document in here referring to the ACE advertising guidelines. That's it.

Justin: In Article VI, Section IA, it says that the SA Executive Committee will designate someone to be appointed but Section I B states that the President will?

Sadie: That should say committee. I don't know why it doesn't. I will also bring that back, thank you.

Malcolm: There are a couple of things that I wasn't able to get to because of the limited time of the meeting. Bylaws Section IIID is another place you talk about bad financial standing for the rest of the semester. When you go to adjust the first one, bring this one up as well.

Sadie: I think that what happened there is that if bad financial standing is not rectified in two weeks, which is what Section IV tries to explain, then it would last for the entire academic semester. But that is not clear, so I will bring it up and see if we can change it to something else.

Malcolm: Another issue is in Section IVAiii, it says "An organization fails to send their ACE Representative or proxy to the weekly meeting" but Section III is pretty clear in saying that you need to miss two meetings before you're on bad financial standing so those two contradict each other at the moment. Section IV states that if you miss one meeting and you're in bad financial standing, but Section III refers to two. You need to change it to something like missing two meetings in a row.

Sadie: I will certainly bring that up to ACE.

Malcolm: At your request, you wanted me to bring up Article VII, Section IIA in the Constitution; right now the "quorum will be determined by the ACE Chair with a simple majority of the voting ACE Representatives". The problem I have with the language is that it says that there is going to be a vote at the beginning of the first ACE meeting at each academic year and the vote can set quorum at whatever they want it to be. They can set quorum at two members if they want and quorum is that number until the end of the year. It could be absurdly high, it could be absurdly low. You want to set a permanent quorum figure that would be constant year to year. Or take quorum out entirely, which then you go to the default definition which would be the majority of the ACE board. Both would work, but having ACE determine its quorum year to year and be able to change that in future meetings is really not a healthy idea.

Sadie: In response to that, ACE doesn't set its quorum year to year. It's always a simple majority of the representatives. I think that that is what the sentence says but I did ask Malcolm to bring it up because I wanted to know what people who aren't familiar with ACE interpret that line to say.

Silvia: I agree with Malcolm. It does seem a little bit vague and confusing. By saying that quorum will be decided by the ACE Chair, the ACE Chair would be deciding on what quorum is and then it would be voted on, with the simple majority of ACE reps at that time, on what quorum is. That's one interpretation. At this point, it does read a little bit like that.

Sadie: I will also bring that back to ACE and see if we can make it say what we actually do.

Casey: Regarding the guidelines regarding advertising, I think that that is a smart move just because ACE holds a substantial budget for program funds. I think that encouraging your organization to think about advertising and bringing your funds to good use is responsible on your part and your reps part. I applaud you for it.

Sadie: I initially imagined these guidelines to be a document that got passed out as a suggestion and aid but it actually became something that a rep said that we should be held to.

Matt: I have a few little changes. In Bylaws Section IVA, there is an extra space before "An organization fails..." Also, on Section IVF, it starts with a,b instead of i,ii,iii.

Sadie: Could you point out the location of that again?

Matt: On page 2, on Section IVF, it starts with a,b instead of i,ii,iii. Also on page 3, Section VIA, there are extra spaces before certain organization names.

Malcolm: I think that the document was just incorrectly formatted.

Sadie: Yes. In the actual document, those spaces aren't there. I don't know why they're there in this copy.

Dara: Could we edit this outside of this meeting?

Justin:

Casey: I think going off the same mentality I had with the AC Constitution, I think the issue with the quorum is pretty substantial. I would be interested in tabling it until we had a better version and then going two weeks with that one because I want a better version to work off of and if there are any more amendments we want to make, we're not limited to that one week.

Sadie: That doesn't pose any problem for ACE to do that.

Malcolm: I support Casey's motion because I only got this in the middle of the afternoon. I had to rush reading through this. I saw a lot of things that could use some improvement but they weren't important enough functionally to worry about getting them in before the reading. I would certainly support taking a little extra time in getting this right rather than making this just functional.

Motion to table the reading by Casey. Second by Silvia. Tabled 7-0-0.

87-1213: *First of Two Readings*, Tabled.

Open Discussion

None.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anna Choo
Recording Secretary