

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.

**MINUTES #8, Wednesday, September 25, 2013**

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*First of Two Readings*

28 ***Open Discussion.***

28 ***Adjournment***

**Call to Order:** 6:19pm

**Approval of the Agenda:** Olivia Kelly motions to amend reading 18-1314 to read “appoint Josh R to the post of Student Court Chief Justice for remainder of their time as an undergraduate student at Geneseo.” Effie Barbagiannis seconds the motion.

*Passes 7-0-0*

**Approval of the Minutes:** *Passes 7-0-0*

### Updates

**President, Forrest Regan updates:** I was asked to look for student representatives for the Interfaith Center Board of Directors, which meets four times a year, so if anyone is interested in getting more involved with the Interfaith Center please let me know. Also, could the Crew representative see me after the meeting as well.

**Vice-President, Katie Becker updates:** A couple of updates for all the club sports teams. The 3rd of the Anti-Hazing Presentations will be taking place tomorrow at 2:30pm in CU 322. Once again, make sure all your new members attend these presentations. The 4th and last of these presentations is taking place Tuesday at 5:30pm in CU 322. Please also check your mailboxes in the SA Office, I was just handed some freshmen interest sheets signed up on clubs sports in general so you might get a few new names for next semester. I’m currently working with Crew Club and Ski Team to come up with new uniforms for them- that has been on going. Forrest and I met with Dean Sancilio today regarding the general policy of Responsible Community Action Policy or what we call Medical Amnesty Policy. You’ll hear me when I refer to it for the rest of the year as RCAP instead of Medical Amnesty because it is not exactly medical amnesty policy. We talked to him about that today and we’re going to be working on getting that information out to all the students over the course of the year. So, if you have any questions on that please let me know, we’re going to be making ourselves as visible as possible to talk about this policy.

**Director of Business Affairs, Rob Terreri updates:** After this meeting, could the Quidditch Representative and Ultimate Representative please see me. Also, if your organization’s presidents and treasurers have not come to officer training please make sure they contact me as soon as possible. Those of you who have not will be getting an email shortly, so please contact me before I contact you. My email is sadba@geneseo.edu.

**Director of Inter-Residence Affairs, Olivia Kelly updates:** If anyone is interested in applying for the NEACURH Regional Conference it is not too late, application is open until Friday at 4pm. The link for the application is still at [tinyurl.com/neacurhregionalsapp2013](http://tinyurl.com/neacurhregionalsapp2013), so you should definitely check it out. This Sunday at the Saratoga Terrace from 9am to 11am there will be an informal interview process with everyone else that applied. And if you are interested in becoming a National Communications Coordinator for the Inter-Residence Council, representing SUNY Geneseo at the Regional and National Level, letters for that are due Friday October 4<sup>th</sup> in my mailbox at 4pm. And the elections for that will be October 7<sup>th</sup> at 8pm in the Hunt Room during our IRC meeting.

**Director of Public Relations, Riley Burchell updates:** You should mark your calendars on October 9<sup>th</sup> because our SA meeting will be a little bit longer in addition to the readings. Eight representative from CAS will be coming to talk about CAS news, CAS rules, update us on progress with Letchworth Dining Hall, and then hold a small question and answer session. Again, that will be October 9<sup>th</sup>. Again, my office hours are Monday from 1pm to 2:30pm, Wednesday from 1pm to 3:30pm, and Thursday from 2pm to 4pm. So, feel free to stop in during my office hours or email me at [sapr@geneseo.edu](mailto:sapr@geneseo.edu). Tomorrow at Niagara Hall at 7pm Forrest, Olivia, and I will be holding a Student Government Workshop and we will also have promo items for you and a lot of fun information. On that note again, at Jones and Steuben Hall council meetings at 6pm to 7pm and 9pm to 10pm we will also be giving our spiel there. Lastly, I ordered some stickers and I have some more promo items in the works, but in the meantime if anyone wants any planters please come to the SA Office and we will give you as many as you want.

**Director of Academic Affairs, Effie Barbagiannis updates:** We have approximately 10 AAC mugs left, so if you still would like one please ask. They are available and very beautiful. Biology Club will be having their Fall trip, they will be going zip lining, and there will be flyers for that up soon. There will be an interest meeting for the Anthropology Association Conference Wednesday October 2<sup>nd</sup> in Sturges 214. Also if you want to order pumpkins for any event or to decorate your home you may order them through the Anthropology Club. You can do so by emailing them at [amw24](mailto:amw24@geneseo.edu) and [jtv13](mailto:jtv13@geneseo.edu), both @geneseo.edu. This Monday, Prof. Greenfield will be coming to English Club and singing at 7pm in Welles 115. The Society for Opportunity in Business is holding a Clean or Clean Up this Friday. Also, Accounting Society will be hosting a Meet the Accountants night October 1<sup>st</sup> at 6pm. Spanish Club is offering tutoring in Newton if anyone is interested, you can email them at [spanish@geneseo.edu](mailto:spanish@geneseo.edu). This Friday, Geology Club will be holding a Geology Alumni Discussion Panel in Newton 202. Finally, we will be starting our Faculty Lecture Series and our first topic will be medical ethics. We will be having a panel of three to four, possibly five, faculty who teach about medicine and our tentative date for that is October 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Director of Student Affairs, Bruno Villazhinay updates:** ACE met today working on upcoming cultural dinners and there will be a cultural dinner on November 9<sup>th</sup>. Also JCC will have its Game Night and Potluck tomorrow night from 6pm to 7pm and GCCC Moon Cake Festival will be around the same time. PRIDE's Second Chance Prom will be October 19<sup>th</sup> at 10pm.

**Director of Student Programming, Jenny Keller updates:** The concert coordinator has sent out the second survey that is available online now for you to pick the seven out of the top 35 artists. It is available on KnightLink and there is also a link on the Spring Concert's separate Facebook page. Also, Iron Man 3 is playing on Friday at 8pm in South Hall Quad. The last movie that played there was Anchorman 3 years ago. There will also be free prizes to win at the screening. On Saturday the 28<sup>th</sup> SVET is performing, as I mentioned before he is an electronic violinist. Tickets are available for students at \$6 and you can buy your tickets at the Ticket Office in the basement of the Union. Also on Saturday, there are four spots available for the Career Connections Brunch. If you are still interested in attending, you must register through GOLD.

**Kate Rebban, Director of SA Programs, Personnel, & Finances updates:** None.

**Patty Hamilton-Rodgers, SA Executive Committee Advisor updates:** None.

### Open Updates

The Lamron: On Wednesday The Lamron is holding elections for Assistant Sports Editor and for Public Relations Assistant at 2:30pm if anyone is interested please email us or ask me about it.

WAC: On October 5<sup>th</sup>, Chances and Changes- the domestic violence shelter in Livingston County, is having a walk at Highland Park. The walk starts at 9am and registration is at 8am. It is a really great shelter and so you should sign up for that. You can sign up at their website or you can just go to Highland Park at 8am. There will be prizes and free t-shirts.

### Old Business

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*Second of Two Readings*

Chris: I am confident that I made clear last week what this is all about, but basically every year GAGG has Running GAGG- our annual convention. It is fairly large among the gaming conventions held by colleges though we are not nearly as big as one of the more professional ones. We are hoping to get a guest, which usually brings in more actual college students since that has been a problem for us in the past. We tend to get more off-campus individuals and, before I came here, it would get around seven actual Geneseo students each year. Overall, we are hoping to get a cool guest who can bring in more of our fellow classmates.

Forrest: Are there any questions for GAGG?

Riley: I apologize if you have covered this already, but you said you wanted to bring in a speaker to increase your audience to include more from the actual student body. How are you going to decide which ones to bring in? Are you going to do a poll among the students?

Chris: We generally go with whoever responds to our invitations because usually there are only one or two a year who get back to us. But if it came down to a choice I would imagine that we would poll it among the club, since they tend to be the ones most interested in it. Additionally, we will go with the most well-known that we can.

Forrest: Are there any more questions? Is there any discussion on the reading?

16-1314: *Second of Two Readings*, Passes 6-0-1 with Rob abstaining.

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*First of Two Readings*

Katie: Just to let everyone know, if you are a member of the Club Sports Association, and club sports in general, what you have to do if you are looking to adjust your money outside of your budget you have to email me as the Vice President and Chair of the Club Sports Association. After that, I'll inform all the Presidents we approve and then you can go ahead and present it here. So, just for clarification and future instances keep this in mind, please talk to me about it after this meeting. Therefore, I motion to table the reading.

Effie: Seconded.

17-1314: *First of Two Readings*, Tabled 6-0-1 with Katie abstaining.

18-1314 BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE appoint Josh R to the post of Student Court Chief Justice for remainder of their time as an undergraduate student at Geneseo.

*First and Only Reading*

Forrest: I am appointing the Chief Justice for Student Court- his name is Josh Roychowdhury and he is very involved with many different clubs on campus. I am confident that he will fulfill the duties of a Chief Justice. Some of these duties will include whenever a problem arises with elections, he can contest the election and go through Student Court and review the policies, making a decision on whatever the issues are.

Katie: Are there any questions for Forrest?

Chris: Now you specified as part of the reading that for his time as an undergraduate at Geneseo, could we either change how it is in the minutes or would you be amendable to something just stating "undergraduate" as opposed to just in general?

Forrest: We already amended the agenda at the beginning. It will be in the minutes for next week.

Bruno: What are some of his qualifications for this position?

Forrest: He is very well-rounded from his involvement in other SA Organizations. He is a member of rugby, he's been an RA, he's done a lot with Slam Poets, and he has done plenty with similar organizations in the past. I know him and I worked with him as an RA. I am completely confident that he will be able to fulfill the duties necessary.

Jenny: What year is he?

Forrest: He is a junior.

Katie: Any other questions?

Riley: I have two questions. Were there any other applicants and is Josh here tonight?

Forrest: Josh is not here tonight and no, he was the only applicant that I've received. There were many people who picked up applications, but Josh's was the only one that I got back.

Bruno: In the reading it says that he will be Chief Justice for the remainder of his time as an undergraduate, does that mean he will be Chief Justice for his senior year?

Forrest: Yes.

Katie: Any more questions? We are moving on to discussion, is there any discussion on this reading?

18-1314: *First and Only Reading*, Passes 6-0-0

19-1314 BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE allocate \$1050.00 from Budget Increases Account 1099 to SA Programs, Account 1002, to add additional funds to Line 20 Airport shuttle.

*First of Two Readings*

Riley: I am here on behalf of students and on behalf of Dianne Krenzer, who is the Student Association's Service Manager. In the Line now, there is roughly \$6,800 to account for shuttles for students. This also includes all the LATS shuttles. Now, for every break SUNY Geneseo pairs with a company called Trailways to give everyone with a student ID cheap and affordable options to get home. However, many of those shuttles fill up very quickly and they run soon after classes end. So, Dianne proposed the idea to me to have shuttles, supplied by LATS, the day after exams and those runs would be \$350 per run. We had discussed three runs and possibly a Fall Break run, but we decided that Fall Break is too close to consider and we didn't know if we could advertise it in time to make it worth it. The runs would be Thanksgiving Break, Winter Break, and Spring Break. That comes to a total of \$1,050 for those three runs. And she brought it up to me upon request because she had a lot of students come up to her last year about it. They mainly complained that there was not enough space on the Trailways buses and that they were having trouble getting home. They had to find alternative options that were not very cost efficient for students. This is all based off of student need.

Forrest: Thank you Riley. Are there any questions on the reading?

Jenny: So the three runs you mentioned before, are those gas prices alone?

Riley: It is also the cost of the bus because LATS buses are free.

Olivia: She was asking if that's the cost of the Trailways buses.

Riley: That's the cost for the LATS buses. We usually use Trailways, but we decided to try to do it through LATS because it's cheaper for the school. It is about \$350 a run. We typically use Trailways for the holiday buses, but since we have a partnership with LATS, and I think she approached them before she approached me, it seemed like a really good option. And it is free for students who just have to show a college ID. Just for clarification, this is for LATS buses not Trailways buses.

Bruno: How would you advertise this?

Riley: We would advertise it down where Dianne works as well as advertisement through SA Meetings. Also, I don't like paper advertisements very much, but I was going to work on making some flyers to post around. I was really going to collaborate with Dianne on this should this reading pass. But from what she told me, it already sounds like she has enough student interest that there would be virtually no problem for the buses and breaks.

Chris: I am unclear on something, the reading lists that originally we had the Trailways buses which we gave students discounted price with a valid student ID and now you are saying that these buses are free. Are you saying that they will still be charging for the Trailways buses that usually run?

Riley: Trailways and LATS are two different things. I call on Olivia for clarification.

Kate: It is a free service, no matter if it is Trailways or LATS.

Riley: Trailways is free?

Kate: The Rochester shuttle, the program that this is sponsoring is free. You sign up at the Ticket Office and Dianna also has on the Ticket Office website the current schedule, so if this passed it would be added on to there as well.

Olivia: I think you are thinking of the buses that run to the downstate area, those are the discounted ones. This is just the shuttle that goes to Rochester to the airport, bus station, and train station. Those are free.

Chris: Okay.

Effie: So the dates listed are the dates to leave, what about return dates? What happens when you come back Sunday after Spring Break and there's no LATS bus?

Riley: I do not believe that the school typically has said buses.

Olivia: LATS already runs on the weekends.

Kate: It runs on a pre-set schedule that goes from Geneseo to those three areas and then the return is a set schedule. We have already budgeted for a certain number of runs. So, it is just getting an extra run. It is just leaving and they don't need any extra returning. This is because sometimes people are getting rides from friends or whatever based on their schedule.

Forrest: Are there any more questions for Riley? Okay, we are moving on to discussion. Are there any discussion points of this reading?

Olivia: Having often used this service to get home to Rochester before I owned a car, I know it is really useful and very affordable. Also it is very crowded so it is definitely a need that I've seen when I rode the bus my freshman and sophomore year. And having served with Dianne on the transportation committee last year as a junior it was a big concern of hers that I have heard quite a bit. This is definitely a need and this is very beneficial to the students.

Forrest: Any more discussion?

Jenny: I just wanted to add that I have had similar experiences too with the buses and they can become very overcrowded quickly. Some people are left behind and stranded here. I feel bad for them because they didn't register on time and I think this is a great idea and I am in full support of it.

Forrest: Any more points of discussion?

Mock Trial: I wanted to point out that I have been left off of the buses as well.

Forrest: Any more discussion points?

19-1314: *First of Two Readings*, Passes 6-0-1 with Riley abstaining.

20-1314 BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE allocate \$3000.00 from Budget Increases, Account 1099 to create a new line Livingston CARES, Account 1002 to provide financial assistance for Students participating in Mississippi Volunteer work trips for the 2013-2014 Academic year.

*First of Two Readings*

Dr. Matthews: I am Tom Matthews and I'm the President of Livingston CARES. Livingston CARES was created in the Fall of 2005 when Hurricane Katrina occurred and we have taken 28 trips to Mississippi. Believe it or not, and you may find this hard to believe, there are still 4 or 5 thousand families on the Gulf Coast of the Mississippi who still need assistance. Who have been waiting patiently to get assistance because there are families who could not afford to rebuild and get back in their homes without volunteers. We want to continue that project and we made an agreement which included the student government at the time that we would do this for a period of ten years. This will be year eight. Now one of the things that we have experienced in the last two years is your support of \$2,100 that we have used to assist students with financial grants upon request- they have to fill out a form and make a request. This is because what we do with Livingston CARES is we charge what it costs and there are a number of students and a number of faculty and community people who can't afford what it costs. So, our policy is to charge what it costs and then try to help those who cannot meet those costs with some assistance. That is what we have been doing and we thank the student government for your support. This year we experienced a huge increase in the air fare for March/Spring Break, which is very popular and always fills up. And the air fares went up over \$150 and, as I was writing this, they increased the fare with a surcharge of \$25. And because we are dealing with the airlines, the air fares during Spring Break are higher, but this year in New Orleans there is a Jazz Festival and they know they can sell those seats. So, they are not going to lower those fares as a result. Even the group fares are ridiculously high. So to help combat this, we are asking for another \$900 in addition to the \$2,100 that we have received to give grants to students. This would help us bring that cost of that March trip down significantly because it is over \$750 and we wanted to try and make that fair for that fee for March at \$650. That is a hundred dollars more than last year, even at that. Alissa is here with me today, she is one of the student members of our Board of Directors of Livingston CARES. Five Geneseo students are on the board, by the way. We have been wrestling with how to handle this issue and did you all receive the email about the CARES' trips? You should have on Sunday, I think it was, about the six trips- three to Biloxi and three to Staten Island/Long Island. We are moving ahead because we have to register people because, especially for the March trip, buy those tickets since the airlines reserve the right to continue to raise the price until the tickets are actually issued to the individual. And that is new, we have not experienced this in the past. Alissa, would you like to say anything about your experiences? Alissa has gone on both of our trips to Staten Island where she lives and to Biloxi. In fact, I met her dad, who was repairing his house after Hurricane Sandy. So, here she is working on other people's homes.

Alissa: As Dr. Matthews said, I am on the Board of Directors for Livingston CARES and I went on the Biloxi trip my freshman year and helped out with Hurricane Katrina relief before Sandy hit. And then last year, my sophomore year, Hurricane Sandy hit and I did lose my house, but everyone is safe so that's what matters. We worked together and we developed the Staten Island trip and we also have the Long Island trip for Hurricane Sandy victims as well. We would really appreciate the help. We are going to use the \$2,100 for the normal scholarship assistance that we usually do and then the \$900 just to help for the Spring Break Biloxi trip because it is \$737; which is very expensive for students.

Forrest: Are there any questions for Dr. Matthews or Alissa?

Chris: This is more of a question for the SA Exec. They have been doing this trip for about eight years and I remember voting on it in previous years. Why are we creating a new Line for it? According to this, we are creating a new Line account, 1002, to provide financial assistance.

Forrest: It is not budgeted every year.

Kate: It has never been budgeted.

Forrest: It is good to have people come in and talk about it every year also.

Olivia: Do you have a lot of returning students or do you feel you get a new group regularly?

Dr. Matthews: We do get returnees, which is wonderful that people have the experience, I have never talked to a student yet that hasn't said this wasn't a life changing experience. A lot of students like to go back, we don't put any restrictions on that, though I did for a couple of years. And then it was first-come-first-serve and we'll save out some spots. The people who want to go seem to be able to get their forms in. Possibly a 20% return rate I would say of students.

Riley: Have you started advertising or holding any interest meetings for the Spring trip?

Dr. Matthews: No. Normally, we would have had this out already three weeks ago, but when these air fares starting increasing so much I was struggling with what to do with this. I wanted to have a Board and our students in the conversation. This is why we haven't yet, though we are about to have three informational sessions about the trips soon. One is tomorrow actually and then there are two next week in the residence halls.

Riley: The second part of my question would be would you 100% foresee the heightened costs of the trip affecting your ability to fill these slots for this trip?

Dr. Matthews: Air fares are kind of crazy. Actually, group fares differ from single fares and sometimes you can buy a single fare cheaper than you can buy a group fare. I have had that happen. For example, on the January trip we know some of you were home, that some of you can't leave from the Rochester airport. So, what we do is we arrange for people to fly out to NY or Albany, but we still have to get that group fare of ten out of Rochester. Once we get that and we don't lose our deposit, then we will deal with those on an individual basis as opposed to group.

Olivia: You may have answered my follow-up question, but do you guys prefer new people going on the trip or do you give preference to first-come-first-serve?

Dr. Matthews: We do it on a first-come-first-serve basis. I did for a couple of years try that, but it didn't seem to matter, so I just kind of dropped that. If we experience that as a problem, we will simply adjust that.

Riley: So your answer was "yes" that you foresee the higher air fare costs affecting how many students you can get to come and how many spots they can fill on this trip?

Dr. Matthews: I don't know, the March trip is very popular and it is Spring Break. It is a little different than the others. I actually have 28 spaces reserved in accommodations in Biloxi and we are only putting out 21- meaning we only reserved 21 air fares. If we get to 21 and there is still a demand then we will be able to do eight more. But I don't know, that is hard for me to tell where that price break is. That is why I struggle, that is why we had this long conversation.

Alissa: The reason that we held off so long was because we wanted to talk to our Board and talk to the students to see what the response was, and it seems like that \$100 increase is going to make a difference for what people can afford. So, we are a little bit worried that the additional cost would keep some people away from the trip.

Forrest: Any other questions? Any discussion?

Effie: I just want to say that I went on the trip my freshman year in May and it was great. I do support this reading a lot. I do think that an extra \$100 increase would certainly make a difference for students. I remember it being \$500 and thinking that that was reasonable, but having other people struggle for \$500.

Dr. Matthews: That was my sentiment exactly, what do we do about this? The May trip we are not announcing because we don't even have good fares yet, so hopefully that one is cheaper.

Forrest: Is there any more discussion?

20-1314: *First of Two Readings*, Passes 7-0-0

21-1314 BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE allocate up to \$1,208.44 from SA Programs – Conferences, Account 1002, to GEO, Account 1909, to attend Power Shift 2013 from 10/18 – 10/20.

*First of Two Readings*

GEO: I am here to represent the GEO and we have a group of 20 students not only from GEO but also Eco House residents and Outing Club. Basically, we have a variety of people from different organizations that are on our list to attend Power Shift 2013. Power Shift is a biannual national conference bringing together youth leaders from all walks of life like college students, young environmental justice leaders, many people of faith, young workers to come together to learn from one another. And to work towards figuring out what we can do to help figure out some really pressing environmental issues that phase our generation. GEO has gone to Power Shift in the past, I know last year there was a trip to Power Shift on a state-wide level. I actually went my freshman year and it was a really pivotal experience for me. I didn't attend Geneseo at that point, but what it did was it motivated me when I transferred to really find an organization just because of that experience that I had. We are asking for the amount of money that we are because what we want to do is really make sure that the trip is affordable for as many students as possible, simply because it is rather costly to travel these days as you have heard from the previous reading. We have already asked the Sustainability Commission for funding for \$1,000 to fund all the registration costs, so we are not asking for registration since that has been covered. We are asking for transportation, for bringing us there and back. For lodging, we are planning on staying at a church and we are asking for \$10 per student as a donation to

the church and we are asking for food money as well. This will all total at \$1,208.44 just to keep the cost down as much as we can so we can make it as accessible to as many students as possible.

Forrest: Are there any questions on the reading?

Katie: I would like to know how you went about more or less advertising Power Shift to different clubs.

GEO: GEO is one of those organizations that has connections with other ones, so all we did was we sent out some informational emails and we did a lot of stuff on Facebook and Twitter promoting it. Also we did some promoting interest meetings at GEO meetings, starting to use those as interest meetings. We had a lot of people bring it to Eco House Hall Council and I know one of our members brought it to Outing Club. We've been using that, social media, and word-of-mouth as a method of advertising. We have gotten a diverse group besides the typical eBoard and GEO members.

Forrest: Are there any more questions on the reading?

Jenny: Is this the first time GEO has ever attended Power Shift?

GEO: No. There is one other girl, who is a senior this year, who attended her freshman year on the national level with a group of other Geneseo students and in the off-years they have attended.

Olivia: Did you determine the \$10 cost per person or did the church estimate that?

GEO: What we did was we asked them if we could do a "work for stay", which means we said we would do some project like paint a library or clean. And typically it is customary to give them some sort of donation when you attend conferences and you stay at a church. We also talked with our members and we felt that was a price that people would feel comfortable with.

Forrest: Any other questions? We are then going to move on to discussion.

Chris: I would like to say that this is a great thing that you are doing.

Forrest: Any more discussion?

Katie: I agree with Chris that this is a really interesting opportunity for students to learn more about these issues and figure what we are all going to do with our lives.

21-1314: *First of Two Readings*, Passes 6-0-1 with Olivia abstaining.

22-1314 BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE allocate up to \$1,244.30 from SA Programs – Conferences, Account 1002, to Geneseo Quidditch, Account 1418, for a Tournament at the University of Maryland from 10/26 – 10/27.

*First of Two Readings*

Katie: Unfortunately I have to motion to table again to figure this all out and then you'll be on your way.

Effie: Seconded.

21-1314: *First of Two Readings*, Tabled 6-0-1 with Rob abstaining.

23-1314 BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE allocate \$130.00 from Budget Increases Account 1099 to provide a start-up budget to Chess Club, Account 1002.

*First of Two Readings*

Chess: I am representing the young, re-vamped Chess Club under the brave leadership of James Hilton, our President, last year and this year. He got the whole club restarted last year and we have grown a lot since then. We had a successful tournament last year, the first annual Geneseo Chess Club Tournament and we had over 50 people attend from Rochester and the surrounding area. At the Student Expo we got a lot of interest from students and attendance to our meetings has increased a lot. Therefore, we need a lot more chess boards in order to facilitate the masses, this is basically what we are asking for. We are asking for enough money to pay for 20 chess boards, which we are getting at a discounted price from the Rochester Chess Center.

Forrest: Are there any questions on the reading?

Chris: I noticed that you have a non-applicable budget and membership dues, so first what are you paying for with membership dues and have you considered getting a budget?

Chess: We are planning on having further readings for budget increases later on, this is a preliminary one basically. Just to get us started.

Chris: What are you using your membership dues for?

Chess: We don't have a specific use in mind yet, we are going to need money to fund things like the start up for our next tournament. We are trying to have one each semester now. We need to have some money in the treasury in order to mediate financial problems that arise before we actually have money allocated for the actual tournament budget directly from SA.

Chris: Is this every week people pay \$2 or is it just a one-time payment?

Chess: It is a one-time payment.

Chris: And you are asking for 20 chess boards and you are projecting an income of \$20, with membership dues being \$2, so that means you are expecting 20 boards for ten people?

Chess: That is minimum, we have had about ten persons in attendance last year and we have had over 25 at recent meetings. We also need to use them at other occasions in different locations simultaneously like for tabling.

Riley: Can you tell us about the specific chess boards that you are going to be purchasing?



Chess: It is a large board about that big, it is a mat more than an actual board, and it rolls up for easier transportation. But it is also cheaper. It has green and white tiles on it and it comes with big plastic chess pieces, anyone can use them. It is all minimum expense. I have used many of that kind of board before, they are typical at tournaments, and they do last.

Kate: The budget you submitted just states chess supplies are \$130 and membership dues are \$2, that's subtracting out, so you are only asking for \$110. When you do the budget the income is subtracted out from the expense, what you are asking for then is \$110 the way this is submitted. Is that correct then?

Chess: Yes.

Kate: And when will you start collecting membership dues?

Chess: I am not sure. I would assume it will be soon.

Volleyball: Assuming the Chess Club is just starting, that collecting could have been started by now? In other words, the dues could have been collected right away but they are trying to attract new member to the club so feasibly that would be put off for a little. I feel that the kind of money that he is asking for is for establishing the base for the club. He could increase the dues, but as they stand right now he is just setting the base.

Chess: I would agree with those points. The dues are meant to act as a base for our treasury and \$130 is the exact amount that we want for the 20 chess boards. We were hoping that the roughly \$20 in dues can be a base for that for future expenses.

Kate: The dues are income, they are not an expense so you may want to make an amendment on that.

Rob: Are you asking for a \$130 budget or a \$110 budget?

Chess: We are asking for a \$130 budget.

Rob: I would like to motion to amend the reading's budget to read \$150 for chess supplies. I mean, if it's not correct. So, here's what's going to happen guys, there is a misprint on the reading's budget where they are asking for a \$130 budget, however on line 10 minus line 01 equal \$110. So, line 10 chess supplies is being increased to \$150 minus line 01 to equal an actual budget of \$130.

Forrest: So, there is no need to amend the agenda. Does anyone have any other questions for Chess Club?

Effie: This is a logistics question, why isn't there a rationale?

Chess: I don't know, I made a rationale and I was unavailable to submit it until later in the day and our President decided to submit this budget.

Effie: So it got lost somewhere along the way?

Chess: Yes.

Effie: So for next week's meeting we can have a rationale?

Chess: Yes.

Forrest: Any more questions? Is there any discussion?

Jenny: I was an active member of the Chess Club last semester and I fully support the reading, but I abstain because I don't know much about this semester in particular.

Olivia: I feel that Chess Club does a lot of work, not just for the SUNY Geneseo community, but for the Village of Geneseo as well. I think it is really important to SUNY Geneseo but also to village too.

Riley: This is a really good example of new interests coming into the Geneseo scene and a good instance of students taking initiative and making a club, for everyone to enjoy. Also, chess is good.

Forrest: Are there any more points of discussion?

Mock Trial: I actually have a question, who is the supplier for the new chess supplies?

Chess: The Rochester Chess Center.

Mock Trial: Thank you. By the way, I appreciate you making a new Chess Club.

Forrest: Is there any more discussion for this reading?

Katie: I think all good schools should have a good chess club.

23-1314: *First of Two Readings*, Passes 6-0-1 with Jenny abstaining.

### **Open Discussion**

None.

### **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:14pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Jade Burton  
Recording Secretary