

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



Student Association meetings are Wednesdays at 6:30 pm in the College Union Hunt Room. All are welcome to attend.

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Executive Committee

President:	Doug Sinski
Vice-President:	Tom Sochia
Directors:	
Academic Affairs:	Meghan Pipe
Business Affairs:	Mark Petrie
Inter-Residence Affairs:	Mary Bock
Public Relations:	Jake Griffin
Student Affairs:	Will Labate
Student Programming:	Nick Spengler
Temporary Advisor:	Dr. Robert Bonfiglio

PROFESSIONAL STAFF

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

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85-86 ***Open Discussion***
Doug Sinski

86 ***Adjournment***

Call to Order: 6:30 P.M.

Approval of the Agenda:
Passes 7-0-0

Approval of the Minutes:
Passes 7-0-0

Updates

President, Doug Sinski updates: Ke\$ha presale tickets are coming out on Saturday and Sunday. The ticket office opens at 10 A.M. There are 2700 tickets and there are more than that number of students. So that means tickets are limited. There are probably more than that amount of people in Rochester that want to see her. I would like to see it sold out to Geneseo students. You can buy up to 5 tickets at regular price. Collar is still popped for advocacy; vote in the referendum to keep it mandatory or voluntary. USAEC, we had our chair resign this morning, we need a USAEC chair to run the elections. If you are interested in this at all, the guidelines are fine as is, we need someone to make sure that the elections continue to run smoothly. Please come talk to me, as we will be having an emergency SA meeting on Sunday to hopefully appoint some people to this organization so we can have elections and the vote for the referendum. Also to echo everyone else, please buy a ticket to the bus trip because your program could be next. I am bringing my vuvuzela, you can get one on amazon and if you have a student account then you can get free 2 day shipping. Its 112 decibels of Bb. Also the Winter Ball is going to be a lot of fun, your SA board will be there in full force, I'll be wearing a suit and I will look classy.

Vice-President, Tom Sochia updates: First off I wanted to say congrats to AC because The Elders put on a phenomenal show. Next week I hope you guys all join us for our mock funeral for budget advocacy and to sign letters for your representatives. It will be in the Union Lobby. Like Meghan was saying for the March trip please buy tickets. I have let every single faculty member know that's in the College Senate. A lot of your professors are well aware that this is happening, so don't worry about missing classes.

Director of Business Affairs, Mark Petrie updates: I still need budgets from a couple of you. Some of the clubs are PSA's, AC, Baseball, Volleyball, Swing Club, BSU, WAC, Amnesty, LSA, and more. You have until this Friday. Also, for budget hearings, the sign-up sheet is now on the SA door.

Director of Inter-Residence Affairs, Mary Bock updates: We are working on a couple of big all campus events for the end of the year. I also hear that there are murmurings of a "Wicked" trip. I will bring more to you in upcoming weeks.

Director of Public Relations, Jake Griffin updates: I've met with some of you guys about the referendum. I'll meet with the rest of you this week and next week. If you want to do something exciting for me when I come that's great, if not, that's fine.

Director of Academic Affairs, Meghan Pipe updates: At AAC last night we kept going with a couple of new readings on our agendas. We had a pretty good discussion about the bus trip on March 1st. If you have any questions for me you can ask during open updates. If you're unsure about format or how you can become involved please talk to us, there are still spots on the bus for you to come. Also we are working on revamping the website; we did a mini photo-shoot last night which should be on there.

Director of Student Affairs, Will Labate updates: Coming up this Friday is the Winter Ball. It's going to start at 8 P.M. in the Union Ballroom. All of the ACE groups are putting on wonderful demonstrations and AC has gotten a great DJ to come and play some music. Also coming up next week is the budget cut funeral. We will be shredding the syllabi of the courses that Albany has forced us to cut and having people express their concern through writing letters to the state saying it's unacceptable. It's from 1:45 P.M.-3:45 P.M. on Wednesday in the Union Lobby. There will be refreshments. It will be a kickoff for the week after for the bus trip to Albany on March 1st. We have at least 30 people who are coming. Tickets are going fast, so please before next Friday go to the College Union Ticket Office to buy one. It's only \$5 and you get that deposit back. It's very important and we want to get as many people as possible to come on the trip.

Director of Student Programming, Nick Spengler updates: Today we had another record breaking art exhibit opening. Its called Camera Bikes Slims. The Lady Gaga themed lip sync will be on March 1st. I want to say again that the Winter Ball is this Friday, so be there.

Kate Rebban, Director of SA Programs, Personnel, & Finances updates: Just a reminder, all the club sport teams or anyone who is traveling on behalf of your club, please fill out the driver and passenger forms. It's a college policy and is helpful for us because one team got into a car accident last week. They are all okay, however the cars are crushed.

Dr. Robert Bonfiglio, SA Executive Committee Temporary Advisor updates: Not present.

Open Updates

Will: Who has seen the scary poster on campus with all the smoke and the program areas? Well if you haven't, keep an eye out because they are up everywhere. It has a number for you to call which is the governor's office. There is a short script to tell to the governor.

WAC: I wanted to thank anyone who came to see the Vagina Monologues because we raised a lot of money for charity. We are having our annual dinner it's Willy Wonka and the Feminist Chocolate Factory. Dinner is at 6:30 P.M. and doors open at 6:00 P.M., tickets are \$5.

Rugby: We are starting a fundraiser selling Little Caesars pizza kits. If you are interested in buying any of these products let me know after the meeting, it's going towards our budget and things like that. They're really good and moderately priced.

MUN: Model UN will be shipping out to Boston to represent Geneseo this weekend.

Democrats: In the event of a special election, if anyone needs to register to vote then contact me.

GAGG: Next Saturday night we are having a Late Knight event which we've never done before. If you've ever wondered what tabletop role-playing games are about, come and find out.

BSU: Will be having our annual Soul Food Dinner next week, Saturday at 4:30 P.M. Students' tickets are \$6 and we will be selling them tomorrow and Friday only.

Old Business

70-1011: BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE approve the new Stipend format that will take effect during the 2011-12 and 2012-13 academic years.

Second of Two Readings

We're in need of wax and scrapers.

70-1011: *Second of Two Readings*, Passes 7-0-0.

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I'm Tom. Just like it sounds, our dues got bumped up so we are looking for some more money to cover that need.

71-1011: *Second of Two Readings*, Passes 7-0-0.

73-1011: BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE approve the probationary status of Geneseo Cheerleading for the 2010-2011 academic year.

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For Cheerleading we are trying to get probation status to get back on SA.

73-1011: *Second of Two Readings*, Passes 7-0-0.

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Like I said last week we want to go to the DC Lindy to go dance and learn new moves. When we register we can have everyone register and print out the receipt and have SA reimburse us later, because Paypal will read all of us at once as credit card fraud.

74-1011: *Second of Two Readings*, Passes 7-0-0.

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Dianne is here from the Ticket Office for the first two computers. They are approximately 7-8 years old. We are operating our ticket system on one and general office procedures and things on the other. They tend to be running slow. Before we have an issue and they go down I have an opportune moment to replace them. For AC the computer on the left side is getting worse, so we badly need a new computer. Everything goes the same for the prices as aforementioned.

MUN asks in terms of what you're purchasing now is there a guarantee for them to last?

Dianne said the overall ticketing system does not require an extreme level of a computer. We just want to make sure that it is at the right level for operation. CIT says that it should work for a while.

Mary said ultimately these computers are going to last a long time, but 3-4 years from now those computers are going to seem huge. I think that they need them now but I don't think it's fair to say we need them to last 10 years.

Nick said the current one is 8 years so I don't want to wait to the last minute.

Justin asks, what will happen to the memory already on it?

Nick said the equipment will be salvaged. If we need anything, the files would be pulled off and then cleared out.

77-1011: *Second of Two Readings*, Passes 6-0-1.

New Business

78-1011: BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE allocate up to \$25 from Budget Increases, Account 1099 to Inter-Residence Council, Account 1201 to make pins to sell for Housing Works.

Second of Two Readings

We are Brittany and Carly and we're on IRC. We want to make a couple of changes. Amend the charity to Housing Works (not Broadway Cares). Basically we're going to a regional conference and every time you go you have a focus project for a charity and this is the charity. We are asking for \$25 to use money for the pins. Also we would like to ask if we can waive the first reading because we want to start fundraising as soon as possible.

Justin asks how much will the pins be?

Brittany says a dollar.

Motion to waive first reading. Seconded.

Motion carries 6-0-1. Now reads second of two readings,

78-1011: *Second of Two Readings*, Passes 6-0-1 with Mary abstaining.

79-1011: BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE approve the fundraising request by Inter-Residence Council, Account 1201 to raise up to \$300 from selling pins and t-shirts to raise money for Broadway Cares, the focus project for Mini No-Frills at NYU.

First and Only Reading

We want to amend the dates to February 17th-March 4th. Basically it's the same conference but we're asking for permission to sell t-shirts as well as the pins to raise money.

79-1011: *First and Only Reading*, Passes 6-0-1 with Mary abstaining.

80-1011: BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE approve the changes to the Alliance for Community Enrichment Constitution.

First of Two Readings

I'm Will, and I am here to propose changes to the ACE constitution. We are just doing a few changes. The big thing is ACE does not have an exec board. This year we have a budget of \$12,000 or close to that, but no exec board except for me. So if I can't attend a meeting it doesn't happen and if I can't do any duties, things don't happen. This is a problem, there should be some sort of vice chair to run a meeting if the chair can't. The vice chair would act as a secretary/treasurer, since there's not enough to pay for both. The vice chair, under "duties of vice chair" acts as treasurer by doing POs and orders items. Also acts as secretary by recording the minutes and helping to send them out. Then the vice chair would fulfill the duties of ACE chair with approval of SA president because that position needs to approve even a temporary filling of that position. You also have to add to impeach that position the procedures are similar to ACE reps. This is instilled to try to stop any violation from occurring, and if it persists the ACE chair will address ACE and ask for the vice chair to be impeached. It will be approved with 2/3 of all members voting yes. Procedures changed from unanimous to 2/3. They could just vote no because they were a representative and keeping themselves from being impeached.

Justin asks ACE reps wouldn't have to go to SA meetings anymore?

Will says they would still have to. ACE reps and SA reps are 2 separate positions; it would only be ACE reps that this applies to.

Tom asks for article 6 section 1, for the absence of the ACE chair would you want to add something that said the vice chair would take place instead of you having to appoint someone each time?

Will says that is covered in article 4 section 4, when the chair is unable to do so with approval of SA Exec, I interpreted absence of ACE chair meaning the position was vacated totally. Again it would be before November when there's a special election and after the SA would appoint someone. It's up to the voters or the SA president if they want to appoint the chair. They can certainly be a candidate, there's nothing stopping them.

Meghan says the logo on the first page is beautiful.

80-1011: *First of Two Readings*, Passes 6-0-1.

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I'm Meghan Pipe. So we are requesting to host the luncheon for GREAT Day this year. It's something that SA hasn't been involved in, in the past and I think that it provides an interesting outlet for us to get involved since it affects all of us of us on campus.

Hopefully we will all take part in it; we are celebrating all the work we do and the nights we stay up doing it. We are requesting

money to subsidize this luncheon since it's available for the whole campus. It's not just a one-time allocation of money we'll also be working with the committee to publicize more to get underclassmen to come. It's the 5th year that this is being run now and there's an underrepresentation of freshmen and sophomores. If they got involved earlier then they would know more about it. We are looking to get student volunteers to work the actual event. If you are interested please get in touch with me.

Doug asks is that also going towards creating endowment at all?

Meghan says I meant our involvement as a board this year isn't just a one-time event.

81-1011: *First of Two Readings*, Passes 6-0-1.

82-1011: BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE allocate up to \$5,000 from SA Reserves, Account 4000 to SA Programs, sub-line *Student Organization Conferences*, Account 1002.

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I'm Mark Petrie. Somewhere in this packet is the actual number for this account. We have about \$1300 left. I have about 2 readings and we'll need around \$3500. This will give us that and plenty more for a couple more organizations that want to do a student conference.

82-1011: *First of Two Readings*, Passes 7-0-0.

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We are Liz and Chris. We're looking for \$2500 to go to Powershift, a national environmental conference in Washington D.C. We've been to the past 2 conferences. They are held every other year and we want to go and see Geneseo represented.

Will says I think it's really great that you're planning on sending 52 people. That's really impressive and it's really important that we're represented in this.

Doug says yes that's awesome and I'm sorry that the max allocation is \$2500.

83-1011: *First of Two Readings*, Passes 7-0-0.

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First and Only Reading

I'm Anton and I'm treasurer of Slavic Club. Last semester the event with KINO didn't work out so we are moving the money to cultural events and programs.

Will asks what cultural events/programs do you plan on putting on?

Anton says dancing workshops, and more. Chris will talk in ACE. We're applying for some more programs this spring, probably the 8th of March, which is Women's day. We're still planning but we will make sure to use this money.

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First of Two Readings

We are asking for a budget increase of \$800 to buy a bunch of different prizes to increase attendance for the film in Wads for March 1st at 7 P.M.

Mary asks when is the date of the event?

March 4th, sorry. I misspoke.

Chris asks have you been having problems with attendance?

Yes a little bit. Inception didn't do as well as I had hoped due to planning and pricing. I want to make sure that I get as many people as I can into Wadsworth.

Meghan asks when will publicity start for this movie?

Posters have been created, I'm getting the PO to be sent out for printing. The Facebook event will be created soon and What's Up emails will go as well. It should all start hopefully tomorrow.

Nick says this movie has great potential on this campus.

85-1011: *First of Two Readings*, Passes 7-0-0.

Open Discussion

Doug: I come to you guys to discuss the possibility of increasing the referendum. Currently the cost per student is \$85, which is one of the lowest SUNY wide. I am looking to discuss the opportunity of increasing it to \$100 which would give us an additional \$75,000 a semester leading to \$150,000 total. There are so many things we could do with that money. The most direct thing we could do is have a great concert every semester. That's just one idea of many. We could send people to 30 additional conferences, could look at financial policy to maximize the amounts we could give to organizations. Look for more partnerships with the Geneseo Foundation. The possibilities are endless. It's a fantastic opportunity for the SA to really start engaging more students. I think someone may have said "no money no problems" but I disagree. In this case we would have 99 problems, but money wouldn't be one. I want to hear from you guys, what you think of this. It will be up to you and your clubs organizations to get out the vote.

Chris: I would have to support this because that's something that's held static when there is inflation. It's an increase of \$20, and you pay \$8000 for tuition here anyway, a small increase wouldn't cause waves.

Doug: This SA fee hasn't changed in several years, the cost of live entertainment has more than tripled in the past year alone.

Pride: I understand the point of inflation and all, I'm wondering, this year are we finding ourselves low on money?

Doug: No but we are drawing on reserves. We are doing unsustainable spending. This is a long term endeavor to have us not spend out our Reserves which are there in the event that the referendum is voluntary.

Will: I want to say that not only can every dollar purchase less now, but again how many of your clubs purchased food during the last year for your events? Yes, a lot of your clubs have. Food prices have skyrocketed, look at prices that CAS charges for their catering. Getting \$15 extra per semester will go a long way.

Meghan: I want to say even at a time when SUNY and Geneseo don't have any control over our budget at all we find ourselves in a position where we do have control over that. We can raise our fees whereas a lot of other areas don't have that power. We should utilize this ability.

Tom: To go off of what Meg said, a lot of our SUNY budget is getting cut, so now we have an opportunity to have some extra funds. We can have all these student programs and even more that maybe some of the clubs have gotten money from different departments for different movies and that might be unavailable, so we need to be able to depend on this if we want to continue. We won't be seeing any tuition increases.

Mary: Also as an SA we are very unique. Even though our money can't fund the academic programs themselves we provide academic money we have scholarships, grants, and study abroad scholarships. We try to give money back to academics and not just fun stuff.

Doug: Ultimately it comes back to you guys. We need at least 20% of the school to vote on these things. Vote for the referendum as well as the increase. It's up to you guys, the reps, to go back to your clubs and tell them your intentions, and tell them what you think about it.

Will: Also tell your friends not only your organizations. Tell everyone you know on the campus, it's crucial, even if they're not in your clubs.

Kate: When is the referendum?

Jake: March 8th-10th. It's on Knightweb, the posters will be hung tonight and the Facebook group is on.

Meghan: It's the same place and time for when you will vote in the next elections.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lena Freed
Recording Secretary