

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 #14, Wednesday, November 6th, 2013

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54 *Adjournment*

Call to Order: 6:15pm

Approval of the Agenda: Passes 6-0-0

Approval of the Minutes: The minutes needing approval from last week are on hold until next week, Passes 6-0-0

Updates

President, Forrest Regan updates: It is Veteran's Day next week, so our professional staff members will not be in and our office will have irregular hours on Monday. The office hours on Monday will be from 9am to 2:30pm. Also SUNY Student Assembly is this weekend and I will be attending with two members from The Lamron. Our newly elected SUNY SA rep will be unable to attend. We were also invited to the SUNY Trustee Forum on November 15th and I met with Dr. Bonfiglio at my monthly meeting with him yesterday. I am hoping to address the fact that SUNY SA is not an effective voice for Geneseo because it is drowned out and outnumbered. Also in my meeting with Dr. Bonfiglio I learned that Parking Services and UP are looking to set up an app for students that would allow you to pay for parking at the meters instead of using the actual meters. I also went with Katie to the SOFI Task Force meeting and I want to reiterate that the professors do look at the SOFIs and take them into serious consideration. I want to ask everyone to put your laptops away while someone is presenting their reading, it is awfully disrespectful to them to have it on and out while they are presenting.

Vice-President, Katie Becker updates: To all the club sports in the room, please let your presidents know that Wednesday November 20th we will be having a meeting of CSARC at 2:30pm to 3:30pm in CU 329. A reminder email will be sent out either tonight or tomorrow night. We may be discussing changing Article 8 involving club sports bringing readings to SA. The SOFI Task Force met on Monday with Dr. Jim Allen and there were some interesting discussions from both students and faculty. I would like to let everyone know that if we don't work to keep SOFIs around they may be taken away.

Director of Business Affairs, Rob Terreri updates: We hope that by next week we will have Driver/Passenger forms available on the College Union KnightLink page. Also, when you are turning in fund raising forms make sure that you are putting down what club it is from.

Director of Inter-Residence Affairs, Olivia Kelly updates: IRC has had two events since last meeting and they went well. The Haunted Knightsport hosted by BSU, GLK, and other ACE organizations and the Rocky Horror Picture Show events had large turnouts. I also met with the Chief of Police about the events that happened on campus that everyone received an email about. Basically, a bomb squad was called and everything was kept under control. One thing he did talk to me about is how there is a problem with communication on this campus and that is something he really wants to improve. They didn't use the NY-Alert system to inform people because of how that system tested poorly last week and instead they used the 911 list serve simply because it goes to everyone with a @geneseo.edu email. I also spoke with Dr. Bonfiglio and he wanted me to let you guys know that if you have any concerns about this incident or about anything else you can contact the college's Personal Safety Committee.

Director of Public Relations, Riley Burchell updates: Not Present.

Director of Academic Affairs, Effie Barbagiannis updates: It is currently National French Week and French Club will be holding some events in honor of that. Also, Prism is having sweatshirt sales, each one is \$25, and you can email them or find them tabling in the Fraser Lounge for more information. There is a new program call Start-Up New York in the SUNY system going on now and some new businesses may be coming to Geneseo as a result.

Director of Student Affairs, Bruno Villazhinay updates: Shine at Knight will be November 23rd and doors will open at 5:30pm and LSA's cultural dinner will also be November 23rd in the Interfaith Center at 5:30pm. The Intercultural dinner will be this Saturday, doors will open at 5pm, dinner will be served at 5:30pm, and the show will start at 6:20pm. Tickets for students are \$6, tickets for faculty and alumni are \$7, and tickets for the open public are \$8. ACE is tabling at the College Union from 11am to 5pm and you can get tickets there too. BSU's Haunted House went well and I thank BSU, KASA, IRC, Pride, LSA, and GLK for helping with the large number of people who showed up.

Director of Student Programming, Jenny Keller updates: This Thursday we will be electing a new person to Contemporary Forum and two people for the Publicity and Promotions position for next year. Applications are now closed for both of these positions. Giordana Dance Chicago will be coming this Saturday at 7pm in the Wadsworth Auditorium and it is only \$6 for students. Also, next Friday there will be a KINO event and they will be playing "This is the End" at 7pm in Wadsworth Auditorium. On November 16th Mac's Place will be putting on a show in the Knightsport at 7pm featuring the bands Head North and Red Ink.

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

Patty Hamilton-Rodgers, SA Executive Committee Advisor updates: If you are applying for a Research and Travel Grant for the Spring the deadline is Friday at 4pm.

Open Updates

Alyssa:Livingston CARES says that they are doing a Gumbo to Go and if you haven't gotten a ticket for it already that they are still selling them for \$10. All the money goes to Livingston CARES and the food consists of gumbo, cornbread, and cookies. The Lamron updates that they have many eBoard positions open for next semester, including News and Design positions, and that anyone interested should stop by The Lamron office for more information. Geneseo Volleyball says they are having a tournament on November 17th at Ithaca College and GAGG says they are holding an RPG Night at the Fireside Lounge this Friday at 9pm. Women's Ice Hockey says they are having their second home game on Saturday at 8pm. Olivia reiterates that everyone should put their laptops away while people are presenting their readings.

Tabled Business

31-1314 BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE allocate up to \$5459.13 from Permanent Equipment Account 2000 to SA Ticket Office Account 1014 to provide furniture for an office update/renovation. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE allocate \$1321.00 from Budget Increases Account 1099 to cover the cost of labor, delivery, and installation.

First of Two Readings

Rob motions to untable this reading, seconded by Bruno. Motion passes.

Rob says Dianne in the SA Ticket Office is looking to do some remodeling around the SA Ticket Office. He says she asked us to fail this reading.

31-1314 Reading fails 0-6-0.

Old Business

None.

New Business

32-1314 BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE allocate \$150.00 to Chess Club Account 1002 from Budget Increases Account 1099 to purchase WINTD Software and chess clocks.

First of Two Readings

Chess Club says that this reading is separate from their last reading, though the materials being requested are similar. The software they are asking for is \$90 and the chess clocks are \$60 and both of these items can be used in the upcoming tournament and future tournaments. They also state that these items can be loaned out to other clubs that ask for them and that their rationale includes details about the software. The last page of their rationale is only to display the design of the chess clock and that the clocks they are looking to purchase are much cheaper than the ones on that page.

GAGG expresses concern as to whether or not Chess Club will receive these items in time for the tournament they are holding. Chess Club says they figured out a plan to make sure that if this reading and the next reading pass they are able to get the items on time. This plan includes picking up the chess clocks from the Rochester Chess Center after the readings pass. Kate said SA is tax-exempt and Chess Club should double check the cost of the chess clocks they want to order before next week's reading. GAGG asks the SA Executive Board if SA were to allocate more money to Chess than they need if money left over will come back to SA at the end of the semester and Rob says that whatever isn't used will return to SA at the end of a fiscal year. Jenny asks if anyone figured out if other organizations on campus can use the WINTD Software as well and Chess Club clarifies that clubs can use it even if it isn't for chess purposes. Effie addresses the fact that waiving the first reading when Chess has a good plan in mind would be uncomfortable and that they have a well put together reading this week. Jenny agrees with Effie and also says that she appreciates how much Chess listened to their suggestions from their last reading.

32-1314: *First of Two Readings*, Passes 5-0-1 with Jenny abstaining.

33-1314 BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE allocate \$459.80 to Community Health Alliance Account 1924 from Budget Increases Account 1099 for CHA Fall Feast on 11/17.

First of Two Readings

Community Health Alliance first asks to fix the amount of money being allocated on the agenda from \$439.80 to \$459.80 and Rob clarifies that that was simply a typo. CHA says they want to hold a fund raiser on November 17th for their club that has a focus on healthy and local foods. They say there are four confirmed for this dinner and that much of the money will go to their fund raising requirement and the rest will go to their sister organization for Haiti called HOPE. They also say they received a \$500 grant from CAS for food, but they are requesting \$300 to help provide more food for a larger turnout to this event. They are hoping to get between 50-

80 people to attend. It is estimated that it will be \$16 per person and that CAS catering sent them the wrong forms so they are waiting for CAS to send the correct ones. They say they have received some donations from businesses on Main St. and they are hoping to do a small silent auction for those.

First GAGG points out some confusion over the number of hours in CHA's rationale regarding SA Tech which is promptly resolved. Katie asks who the four performers are that CHA hired for the event and CHA says they have String Band, BTL, Exit 8, and Hips & Harmony. Olivia asks if they will have time to set up given how much time they have the Ballroom booked for and CHA says they will consider booking extra time just in case. Marianne asks why CHA doesn't consider having this be a yearly event and CHA says this will be their first time doing this event and they don't want to commit to it being yearly yet. Marianne also asks if CHA will cap the attendance to this event at 50 people based on how much money they are putting into food and how much money they are charging to attend. CHA says they are waiting to see what CAS has to say before they know for sure. GEO asks if CHA has any other means of getting local food for this event besides through CAS and CHA says they tried that and that CAS told them they will get as much local food as possible. Effie suggests to CHA that they go to CAS to make sure this is happening and she is excited for them. Rob asks them to put a quote from CAS in his mailbox as soon as they receive it. Olivia motions to amend reading, which is seconded by Rob. It passes and the reading now reads to allocate \$459.80 instead of \$439.80. Bruno suggests to CHA that if they need help with the event they can always ask ACE for assistance. Jenny asks when they will be selling tickets and CHA says they cannot advertise until SA approves of both readings. Rob clarifies that if this is already in the budget CHA can advertise for the event, they couldn't advertise silent auctions or extra money for things not approved yet by SA. They would also need to have the SA logo on all advertisements. CHA brings up the point that SA Tech is not in their budget and they cannot advertise the event until SA approves of both readings because of this point. Effie motions to waive the first reading and Jenny seconds. Olivia says that CHA really planned the event out and put their reading together well. She also expresses that it isn't their fault that CAS gave them the wrong information and that that shouldn't hinder them from getting the first reading waived. Bruno asks when CHA started planning the event and CHA says they started planning it about October. Jenny says that the more time they have to advertise the event the more students they are likely to get to attend as a reason to waive the first reading. Waiving the first reading passes.

33-1314: *Second of Two Readings*, Passes 6-0-0

34-1314 BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE approve the fundraising request of Community Health Alliance's Fall Feast on 11/17.

First and Only Reading

CHA reiterates that most of their fund raising money goes to their budget for their fund raising line and the rest goes to HOPE the non-profit organization.

GAGG asks what henna is and Forrest says that Brianna is showing off some henna she is wearing to the floor. Jenny asks if CHA can tell everyone more about the Haiti non-profit organization that they will be donating money to. CHA explains that this non-profit is a Rochester-based operation that goes to Haiti multiple times a year to help with earthquake and development relief. Kate reminds CHA that it should always be specified where the money is going to and that they did not specify in their rationale what the charity is. CHA states that they will not be advertising for the event that the money will be going to HOPE, but that is where it will most likely go once the money is in their budget and they will ask SA Exec later on for permission to donate. Olivia asks that they specify what a silent auction is and CHA states that they are doing this because raffling is not allowed they will have people silently bid for a prize.

34-1314: *First and Only Reading*, Passes 6-0-0

35-1314 BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE allocate \$100.00 to Men's Tennis Account 1916 from Budget Increases Account 1099 to cover the cost of Tournament Fees.

First of Two Readings

Katie motions to table the reading for procedural reasons, Olivia seconds the motion.

35-1314: *First of Two Readings*, Tabled 6-0-0

36-1314 BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE approve the fundraising request of Outing Club Account 1923 for the purpose of selling Club T-shirts.

First and Only Reading

The treasurer of Outing Club says their club would like to sell T-shirts to their members. She also mentioned that the T-shirts will have trees, mountains, and climbers graphic on them with a tagline of "leave no trace".

Women's Ice Hockey asks if these shirts are only for Outing Club members and the Outing Club treasurer said anyone can order them if they like. GAGG representative asks how this would be considered a fund raiser if the T-shirts are intended for Outing Club members. Outing Club says that they are asking their members to help pay for part of the cost and want to hold a fund raiser to help pay for the rest of the cost. Jenny asks if this would count as a personal item expense if the T-shirts are for the whole club and Rob answers that if Outing Club is collecting money from its members to pay for part of the expense it does not.

37-1314 BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE allocate \$3,500 to AC Contemporary Forum Account 1305 from Budget Increases Account 1099 to host Jamie Tworkowski from To Write Love on Her Arms, on Dec. 3.

First of Two Readings

Miles, from AC, says they are hoping to bring Jamie Tworkowski to Geneseo to speak on issues of mental health. He says that this speaker currently visits other colleges across the United States talking about mental health issues including depression and suicidal tendencies and expresses options for individuals to seek help for these issues. AC feels this would be a great program to bring to campus because this could help students on campus who may be suffering from a form of mental health issue. He also says in the rationale that the date for the event should say Dec 3rd and not Dec. 5th, since that was changed the day of the meeting. He stresses that the date for the event will be most beneficial to students on account of how soon finals week is and how stressed out students will be once they start. Miles says that the reason they are asking for \$3500 because the large expense of this speaker may leave the next AC Contemporary Forum Chair with little funds for next semester. He also states that this number may change because he is currently looking for other organizations to co-sponsor this speaker event, therefore asking for an amendment to change it once he has confirmation from other organization.

The GAGG representative asks if the guest speaker has any psychological training or any background in psychology. Miles answers that everyone working in the To Write Love on Her Arms organization have degrees in psychology though he does not know the degrees specifically and can bring them in for the next reading. GAGG asks what AC plans to do to advertise the event and AC states they hope to work with Health and Counseling and Residence Life with basic promotion. GAGG advises them to make sure that the RAs in residence halls keep putting up posters they are given based on their past experience in that regard. AC adds that they are applying for a IRC Wellness Grant for \$500 that will hopefully contribute to paying for the speaker. Effie asks what would keep the next AC Contemporary Forum Chair from doing another budget increase reading if the current AC Contemporary Chair doesn't leave them with sufficient funds. AC says that it doesn't prevent that circumstance, but because a less experienced individual may be taking his place next semester he wants to make that transition easier for them for future events planning by leaving some money in their budget for them to take advantage of. Rob asks how much did AC use in their Speaker Line and how much they have left over and AC says there should be \$8500 and that the speaker's fees cost \$7500. AC also says that they are still negotiating with the speaker's agent on lowering the price; which means the amount of money they are asking for may change as well depending on what is agreed on. Lamron asks if the speaker will be bringing a co-host to this event like he has done at other colleges for this talk since they usually travel together for this type of event. AC says the speaker's agent has not mentioned this yet and that he assumes he will after they have negotiated the price further based on both speakers' schedules. WAC asks if the AC representative is aware of "the Love on Her Arms" past affiliation with anti-LGBT agendas that practiced "conversion therapy" when it was founded and that they distanced themselves from that only after they were discovered to have these ties. She asked this especially considering Geneseo's LGBTQIA community. The AC representative says he was unaware of this issue prior to the meeting and if willing to research into the speaker's more recent speeches in regard to this issue. Gina asks where this event will be taking place and AC clarifies that it will be held in Newton 204. GAGG mentions in a point of interest in response to WAC that in the SA Guidelines for Events that any material that is considered to be prejudiced in any way will result in the event being shut down immediately. Kate asks if Miles will have enough time to get the contract together and advertise for the event given how much time is left before the semester is over. AC says they are working with Forrester and planned for if the event ran late into the semester so once this reading passes they can go through with contract with the agent. Katie asks if this reading theoretically does not pass if AC can still find other means of funding for the event. AC says they are currently working with IRC and Health and Counseling to see if they will help fund the event or not and they are hoping that they can come into the next reading asking for less money if they do receive that help. Marianne asks if AC has done research on where the money given to the speaker goes within their organization and AC says it goes directly to the speakers non-profit and that he is not sure how it is divided up. Marianne suggests to AC that they do more research on the concerns and issues WAC brought up as well as where the organization's proceeds go. Jenny points out that AC Contemporary Forum has a good track record with the two events they put on this year and she would like to encourage SA to pass this reading because it would give the organizations AC is approaching for help funding the event to get back to them on that matter. Effie and Katie state that their biggest reservation about the reading stems from the fact that AC has the money in their budget already for this event despite any good intentions of leaving the next AC Contemporary Forum Chair with a large budget to work with. Bruno agrees with Katie and Effie on the issue of money. Amnesty International thinks this is a good opportunity to raise awareness of a big issue on campus that is often overlooked. GAGG says hoping to leave some money for the next in line shows good foresight and Jenny hopes everyone can be swayed to pass the reading considering he will most likely be coming to the next meeting asking for a different amount. Olivia says her concern is that Jenny is on the Executive board for AC she doesn't feel comfortable saying no to the reading based on her lack of experience with it comparatively, deferring to Jenny on how it should be run. Effie asks to clarify again if AC can still book the speaker if the reading isn't passed and AC says they technically can. GEO says they appreciate the fact that AC wants to bring light to this issue on depression and anxiety and they also thank WAC for bringing up the important issue surrounding the Love on Her Arms organization. AC also asks WAC if they could email him any further information they have on the controversy before next week's meeting to help with their further research. Lamron points out that it would limit the next AC president if they came in with a small or no budget. Bruno says he is taking into consideration what Jenny said even though he is not in favor of giving a budget increase when there is already enough money in that budget for the event. Olivia motions to Call to Question. It is explained that a Call to Question dissolves the speaker's list, Rob seconds, and a straw poll is held. A vote is held to dissolve the speaker's list and it passes 5-1-0

37-1314: *First of Two Readings*, Passes 4-0-2 with Rob and Jenny abstaining.

Open Discussion

Katie says that she encourages everyone to really advocate from themselves and if you are having a hard time hearing from an organization to stay in contact and get that information. Bruno says he needs to see SEAA after the meeting and Olivia reminds everyone that if they have a concern about safety on campus they should email her about it for more information.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Jade Burton
Recording Secretary