

AGENDA • SG SENATE

09 - 10 STUDENT GOVERNMENT



02/05/10 | 1-3pm | SAU 1829

1) Call to Order

Called to order at 1:02

2) Roll Call

President	x(late)
Vice President	x
Finance	x
Programming	x
Public Relations	x
Director of Services	x
Student Relations	x
Organization Recognition	
KGCOE	x
SCOB	x
CIAS	x
GCCIS	x
COLA	x
COS	x
Women's Senator	x
CAST	x
RHA	x
NSC	x
NTID	x
OUTspoken	x
ACA	x
Global Union	x(late)
WITR	x
CAB	
Greek Council	x

OCASA	x(late)
Reporter	
SAAC	x(late)
Academic Senate	x
Staff Council	x
Freshman	x
Grad	x
Dr. Heath	x
Karey Pine	x

3) Speak to the Senate

4) Approval of Minutes 1/5

- a. Greek: I'm marked as absent, should be marked late instead
- b. Greek motion to approve pending change, seconded by COS

5) Presenters

- a. Student Health Center by Cassandra Jordan
 - Cassandra: I'm the director of the Student Health Center. Thank you for the invitation. I'd like you to meet my assistant, Patricia. She is responsible for the supervision of support services and staff. How many of you have not ever been to the Student Health Center? We function as your physicians office does at home. We are a basic clinic. We do most of the things there that you can get done at your doctors office. We have physicians, nurse practitioners, nurses, interpreters, health educators, and support staff. There are 22 of us in all. There is never a day when we are not busy. We probably see more patients a day than any one doctor office. We are open Monday thru Thursday from 8AM until 7PM and on Friday until 8AM until 5PM. There are no evening services. There is the RIT Ambulance which is 24 hours a day and free to students. Most of our responses are not life and death situations. You can typically wait until the next day for most things.
 - Cassandra: When the Health Center is closed, you can call Public Safety and they will tell you what's available. You need to know what your insurance will cover. Sometimes our ambulance will respond and they can advise you if your problem can wait or if you should go somewhere. You can always refuse transport. There is a clause in our brochure which talks about confidentiality. When we transport you to another facility, we don't contact your parents. The receiver has to do that.

- Cassandra: Undergraduates pay a mandatory health fee every quarter. So when you come to the Health Center, it pays for your office visit. It may not pay for some things that have to be done when you get there. For graduate students and students on coop, you are not billed the Student Health Center fee, so you may choose to pay the fee for the quarter, or you may pay each time you come into the office.
- Cassandra: There is a nasty fee you may come to see me about, its a no-show fee. You make your appointments and its your responsibility to show up. If you don't tell us, you will get charged a \$50 fee. If you call right before, you won't have to pay. All students are required to have insurance. You need to know what your insurance covers and what it does not cover. Anything we cannot do in the Health Center, you pay through your insurance. Sometimes that can be very expensive. Anything we can't do here, will definitely require insurance.
- Cassandra: We have done an agreement with Wegmans to take student insurance and deliver medication to the Student Health Center. Since you have been there, you know what we do. We provide general medical care. We have the services of a psychiatrist who works with the Counseling Center. The psychiatrist does not provide therapy, Counseling does. We have the Women's Center. Women can get emergency contraceptives but will not be given out over and over. Men can also get testicular exams, and women can get gynecological exams. Men and women can be tested for STDs. Most lab work is done in a community based lab which is sent out. We have an electronic connection to them and get results as soon as they are ready.
- VP: Do you have the stats on what students use? Like how many use the Wegman's thing?
- Cassandra: We don't have that right now, but it is growing.
- Pres: Where do you see the Health Center going in the next five years?
- Cassandra: We have an alliance in the works with Rochester, which may increase what we can do. Honestly, as a Student Health Center, I don't want to mislead you into thinking we will expand a great deal. We will continue to improve what we do and work on doing it more efficiently. We sit in a medical rich community, we are a small fish in a large pond. It is not the university's desire for the Health Center to become a major contributor to the health care world. We are adequate. We do have some specific needs for expanding staff but I don't think you'll see a tremendous change in the next five years.
- Patricia: I think in the next five years you'll see some electronic changes. We plan on rolling out a portal for students to use. From a technology standpoint we'll be a lot further along than we are now.

- Cassandra: The thing you do need to understand is you won't have access to everything. It will be a limited appointment making thing for some cases. We do have real concerns about confidentiality and security.
- Pres: When you see the trajectory of the student body growth over time, I think one of the breaking points similar to parking lots and food lines, one of them is the Health Center. I know when I was here this winter, there was no seating in the waiting room.
- Cassandra: That was a unique occurrence because of the immunizations. I have been here 27 years, as we get more students we still hover around 16,000 visits a year. Only about 6,000 of the 17,000 students use the Health Center. I'm not suggesting we don't need more and I think once we demonstrate we're crowded and need more appointments we can. Most students can get a same day appointment.
- VP: Most students are home for 30 minutes between classes and have to wait that whole time. Are you working on that?
- Cassandra: We are constantly working on that problem. Every time you wait, chances are people are working while you wait. We did add one more staff member and we have two lines for phone answering. We can also run reports as frequently as we choose which tells us how long someone had to wait. Most of the time when you call, it's because the person is working with another student to find appointments that work. We are constantly trying to work with you and improve things.
- VP: Thank you very much. We'll work together.
- Cassandra: Any suggestions you have, we're open to them.

6) New Business

a. Readership Program

- Pres: I'm going to talk about the Readership Program. Last year we had a budget of \$30,000. This year the budget was \$25,000. I wanted to know if you like it and if you think your constituents like it. I know we sometimes have an issue with staff taking them. I think that's one of the only issues. Do you think we should continue to advocate for it?
- Dir of Serv: I think it's a good program and I feel maybe we could do a better job targeting newspapers people want to read. I'll notice one will be completely empty and one will be full. I don't know if we can pull the data from the readers to see how many papers are going to staff.
- Stu Rela: It's a good way for us to have our name out there. It's more educational based.
- GCCIS: I think it's a great idea.

- NSC: I agree. I think it's important for students. I know the staff taking them is an issue, I know some areas don't have the card swipes. I think we should look for card swipe machines for there.
 - Pres: Typically the racks are residential where there isn't a lot of staff.
 - CAST: I think we should advertise more. I know my class last quarter had no idea about it.
 - Dir of Serv: The only complaints I heard was when they weren't showing up at the beginning of the quarter.
- b. SG Updates
- VP
 1. VP: There was a loophole in Freshmen registration and ITS is working on it.
 2. Dir of Serv: It's not just a Freshmen problem, it's a registration problem. They might fix it.
 - Greek
 1. Greek: We have moved into our new space.
 - Freshman
 1. Freshman: I met with Howard Ward and he is working on something dorm side to get students together more. During the spring quarter I'll be managing a team that researches other schools and what they do. It'll be like a common room or a lounge but big. If anyone has suggestions I'm open to comments.
- c. Committee Updates

7) Old Business

- a. Freeze Fest
- Pres: I'm going to talk about required events. Saturday at 5pm is the Campus Center opening, let's get students there. Sunday is our Superbowl party. We've increased the budget 4x compared to last year.
 - Prog: Sunday there will be food at 2pm. I will be in the field house at 2:30, come meet us around 2:30 – 3:00. We need help for setup.
 - Pres: Saturday wear your polo shirts during the day, the Freezefest shirt Saturday night, and the new SG t-shirt Sunday. Every year people leave to avoid cleaning. So please stay and help.
 - Prog: We have two more boxes of t-shirts to roll. Make sure you come in to help today.
 - Dr. Heath: Since the Senate meeting is ending early today you can go roll and eat cupcakes.
 - Ryan: I'm the Director of Campus Life. We have so much this weekend. We have Rail Jam in an hour, Pulse Happy Hour, Gospel Fest, Kathy Griffin, the dedication tomorrow, different activities throughout the day such as horse and carriage rides, Unification,

the ice disco, and the s'more lounge. There is a whole schedule here in this brochure.

- Karey: This is the one huge weekend that is born from you. If you are not there it will look really silly. Bring everyone. Read your schedules and know what is going on. We will be asking you what worked and what didn't.
- Ryan: Next year we are thinking about plans to make it bigger and better. We're hoping to make it a yearly event.

8) Adjournment

- a. CIAS motion to adjourn, seconded SAAC
- b. Adjourned at 1:57

Announcements

Next Meeting

February 12, 2010 SAU 1829 1 - 3pm