# **AGENDA • SG SENATE**

# 09 - 10 STUDENT GOVERNMENT



# 04/02/10 | 1-3pm | SAU 1829 1) Call to Order

Called to order at 1:01

# 2) Roll Call

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

OCASA	X
Reporter	
SAAC	X
Academic Senate	
Staff Council	X
Freshman	X
Grad	X
Dr. Heath	X
Karey Pine	X

- 3) Speak to the Senate
- 4) Approval of Minutes 3/19
  - a. Freshman motion to approve, OCASA seconded
  - b. Minutes pass
- 5) Presenters
  - a. MyCourses by Ken Kindler
    - Ken: I'm Ken, I'm with the Wallace Center. Basically I'm the MyCourses administrator and the support lead for Distance Learning. There are a few upgrades coming. Version 9 will be released at the end of the month. There aren't too many significant changes from the user side, from the admin side there will be some speed improvements. There are some tools coming for course and instructional development to help faculty. Hopefully, this will help people adopt MyCourses for more classes. The feature improvements are pretty dry. Other than that, the core features aren't changing dramatically. Questions?
    - Dir of Serv: Is there any sort of local client that users can make use of to tie in to the MyCourses server to pull data from. Like Blackboard. Do we have anything like that?
    - Ken: There is no client right now. There is a Blackberry client that is more of an idea, it doesn't do much. There are some tools coming out, Desire to Learn is behind ours. The vendor is starting to move forward with some innovations. The API is coming out and we hope to have that shortly. There is some new information coming that they're taking a different approach than the API. We hope to take advantage of that. Depending on what money we get and how much development, we hope to change.
    - GCCIS: The number one complaint I hear is the time-out message.
    - Ken: I think it sucks too. I've complained to the vendor about it. They've included it and there is no way we can change it. I've

- pushed the time out to 4 hours, and the vendor is well aware of our dissatisfaction with it.
- Reporter: Is there going to be a way to delete a file?
- Ken: I don't see that coming. But there is a way for students to submit multiple times and it only saves the most recent. Instructors can set up their drop boxes appropriately to get rid of confusion.
- Stu Rela: Will there be a way to fill in your own grades? So you can include your own grades if professors don't use it.
- Ken: That is something that we can include. We're doing some work now on something similar for content. We're going to pilot in fall possibly where you can post something under content.
- Stu Rela: I didn't know that the paw print is a chat until my professor told me. Is there a way to make that more clear?
- Ken: We are going to promote aspects more. We are working on some documentation. If you go to wiki.rit.edu you can log in. I'm hoping to release this for summer. We have the tools listed and hope to use this and twitter as well as news articles to get features out there.
- Pres: I think there is a locker or group locker that I haven't been able to use because of size restraints.
- Ken: Size is an issue. We are having space concerns. The back ups are a concern. We can't really expand that space until we do something about overall space.
- Stu Rela: What about merging classes?
- Ken: The merge classes feature has been available for 11 years. We can merge any number of classes together. We try to push course merges. Though last spring they made a change where students could see the other sections but could not interact with them. But instructors can request to merge classes.
- Stu Rela: What about adding to classes?
- Ken: Instructors can add whoever they want to any course.

#### 6) New Business

- a. Student Speak Up Day
  - Pres: I just wanted to list departments who RSVPed so far. (lists all the departments) There are some departments who have said no and we need them to participate. You will be getting more details in the upcoming week.
  - Dir of Serv: We invited all the deans and only one responded?
  - Pres: Yes.
- b. Committee & SG Update
  - VP
- 1. VP: Stephen DeVay and I are working on the Student Leader Summit. If you have feedback now, e-mail me or Stephen. Either the next meeting or the one after that we'll bring it to Senate.

#### CIAS

1. CIAS: I am holding an art show and looking for peoples' work. Anyone can submit.

#### - Student Relations

1. Stu Rela: We had a lot of packets picked up for elections but not as many brought in. A lot of the races are unopposed and only one has no runners. Reach out to people who might want to run. Just as a reminder, if you are running, the SG office and all supplies in it is off limits.

#### - OUTspoken

1. OUT: The Day of Silence is April 16<sup>th</sup>. We made shirts for the Day of Silence. We're working on events, and all of next week we'll be giving out these shirts if you participate in the photo mural. Or you can buy one for \$2.

#### - Karey Pine

- 1. Karey: Today is the Frozen Four Friday. Today is the kick off and Monday is movie night "Miracle".
- 2. PR: If anyone has creative statements for banners, e-mail them to me!
- 3. Karey: We'll have media there today. Wednesday we have a bonfire. There are more rally towels coming. We also have pom poms! It is great to see that our hockey team has done great and to see the amount of spirit resulting from it. I hope this leaves you with pride for your school. As for Snoop Dog, he will be wearing an RIT Jersey. For opening acts he will show the game on the screen during breaks. Everyone is behind this.
- 4. VP: Raise your hand if you are going to Detroit next week. Ok we'll have quorum so there will be Senate meeting.

#### 7) Old Business

#### a. Club Sports Guidelines

Dir of Serv: Now that Karey got you all excited, I'm going to bring you back down. We have some by-law changes. On the first page, under the Director of Organization of Recognition, it adds her as the chair of the federation. On page four we add the classification for the different sports clubs. There is an edit on page five. Page six talks about how to go about forming a club. It points out that competitive sports clubs have to follow the guidelines in the sports clubs handbook. Page seven goes back to tier zero clubs, which are the only clubs that will be allowed to have restricted membership. Page eight talks about requirements, tier zero clubs will be excused from the all clubs meeting. Page 10 talks about the mission of the federation group, meeting format, and attendance requirements. The handbook has more. This is just a few important ones. We will also include the three changes we spoke about.

- Pres: There are a few changes, minor wording ones we need to include as well.
- Clubs Grad Assistant: You said the restrictions are for grade level, GPA, and program of study. Is there a policy about gender?
- Org Rec: We decided not to go with that. No one can restrict on gender.

## 8) Adjournment

- a. Greek motion to adjourn, seconded CIAS
- b. Adjourned at 1:45

#### **Announcements**

### **Next Meeting**