

AGENDA • SG SENATE

09 - 10 STUDENT GOVERNMENT



05/07/10 | 1-3pm | SAU 1829

1) Call to Order

Called to order at 1:05

2) Roll Call

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

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

3) Speak to the Senate

4) Approval of Minutes

5) Presenters

a. Randy Vercauteren – Parking and Transportation Updates

- Randy: We had a news conference this morning, I was very nervous but here I feel like I'm among friends. I want to introduce Gil Ong. He manages all the things that support students throughout the year. We also have with us Sarah Kostuk who is co-oping with us. We were honored by this very group for being an Ally. We are humbled you would choose us. We know what we do is hard.
- Randy: Some of the things we did with your ideas was some of the challenged you were happening. We implemented certain things to help out. We have been doing all sorts of things behind the scene. We are a support group first. We can't say thank you enough.
- Randy: Here is what we will talk about today. We'll talk a bit about Parking Lot Occupancy, Shuttle Service, and Bicycle Path Development. This year between 9:30 AM and 4PM, the most popular lots are generally full in the general parking sections. 2/3 of the lots are general parking and 1/3 is reserved. People say the reserved lots are always empty, it peeks around 4PM. We have about 300 to 500 open spaces at our peek time except for during special events. With that in mind, what we are looking at are these open spaces. We try to have events on Fridays when our parking is less in demand.
- Randy: This is where the parking spaces are after 9:30 in the morning. I recommend for people to park over in K and ride the bus to campus. It's faster and easier. Even the farthest distances are a little over a quarter of a mile. It's a tough walk in the winter and a beautiful walk in the summer. All of this is with having people in the apartments on and around campus not park on campus. That

would be about 3,000 people trying to come for 300 – 500 spots. There is really no where for us to go. We do recommend parking in C and K. At peek time we have roughly 700 spaces open. The summary is that we recommend the current regulations remain in place. We will continue to examine enrollment. In order to maintain sustainability we cannot add more spots as well. There will be some additional spots and some loss of spots.

- Sarah: In general, everyone knows how our shuttles work here. This year we looked to see what was happening to the buses. You probably noticed that for the 8 o'clock classes and 10 o'clock classes that buses were packed. We noticed that students start arriving immediately after some of the buses. We decided to move the buses forward by five minutes. This should help relieve the buses for amount of people.
- Sarah: Also, at the end of the school day it makes it easier for students to get home. There isn't as much of a rush to get to the bus. For Park Point we noticed that 15 minutes was a crunch for the bus. We saw in the winter that the bus was late. We have decided to move to a 20 minute loop so students can trust the schedule. We have two buses running at the peek time. We'll have two buses running 10 minutes apart from each other.
- Randy: Because of the amount of people riding at night, we added another bus to the night route. There is now a bus at 8:26 for route 24. It has been a big benefit for those students.
- Sarah: So now we have the Province. We expect they will have the same amount of ridership. We had to look at how we wanted to service that area. With the time it takes to service them, we'll keep the Province on the same schedule as Colony and Perkins. Also when we looked at ridership we saw that on Friday's there are less people riding so we'll cut down.
- Randy: Gil put all these dots on the map. You are essentially a quarter mile from every building from your drop of points. The Province is confident they are opening on time. The Province installed the sidewalk you see here and are paying with RIT for the traffic light.
- Randy: We want to reduce conflicts. I found out two days ago that there was a collision between a pedestrian and a bicycle that sent the pedestrian to the hospital. We brought in an expert on pedestrian and bicycle safety. We identified safe bicycle routes today. We have a lot of walk-zones only. We put up some markings for walk zone only areas. So we are going to do some major work this summer. We are going to work from the north side to the dorms and from the south side to global village. It will be a major project. This is where all of the congestion is. So from that we came up with what we can do. We'll create a shared path and get ride of some parking spots. We have a net loss of 57 spots from

- this change. That will probably stay like that. We had to deal with the safety issue. Potentially in the future, if we ever get there, we have to realize this is where a parking garage goes. So we don't want to spend too much here. It's going to be beautiful. We're going to make this path safer for bicycles and pedestrians.
- Randy: This is the path along the quarter mile. We'll have this path along the woods for bikes and skateboards. We appreciate being here and want to answer questions.
 - Org Rec: Can you address the little lot behind the SAU?
 - Randy: This little lot will stay the way it is, we'll put some 20 minute flasher spots here. We aren't sure what to do with the rest of them. We might put some handicap spots there too.
 - Dir of Serv: When you came at the beginning of the year we had concerns of motorized carts. I know you addressed it and I have seen an improvement so thank you. Also, I know there is a loading dock there. Will that stay and is it used?
 - Randy: That is used for vendors. We had to maintain access to this spot. It is used fairly often. Also, facilities management worked on addressing this motorized cart issue and we plotted a spot for them.
 - RHA: Are there actual spots in UC for buses?
 - Sarah: Yes, they only get it every 40 minutes however. Next year we will have it every 20 minutes.
 - RHA: With the Province, what will the ride time be around campus for the night time run?
 - Randy: About 20 – 25 minutes.
 - RHA: For the new bike path. How many crossings are there with traffic?
 - Randy: Well the new one will have two crossings.
 - RHA: Where does the new bike path connect on the quarter mile for the residence halls?
 - Randy: Where it comes out of the residence halls.
 - PR: What about the spots behind the health center? Is there some sort of additional thing that can be done? I know if I go I'm very sick and I can't really make it through the parking lot.
 - Randy: I know what you mean. I hope this 20 minute flasher spot can be of help for you. I'll have to think about it more. I think its a great idea.
 - OUTspoken: There is a nice relaxing path through the woods. Do you know if people actually use that?
 - Randy: Well there are two there. We won't formally enhance that area. I don't know how many use it, we observe a few who do.
 - NSC: I was wondering when you have to go to the health center they are really sick. It's a problem when they go to the health center and they have no parking ability. If those two spots are taken, I have no where to go. I wanted to emphasize about how we are taking care of those students.

- Randy: We will have to take a look at that. I want to mention Student Speak Up Day. We are still analyzing.
- Stu Rela: Are we also moving the bike racks outside the areas where they can't ride?
- Randy: It will take us some time to really understand how to change this culture. This new area will have some covered bike spots. Gradually those bike racks will be removed as we install new ones.
- NSC: What is the visitor policy?
- Randy: They can get a day pass from the visitor center. They can get weekend passes from Parking.

6) New Business

- a. End of the Year Picnic (Programming)
 - Prog: So the end of the year picnic is next Friday between 3 and 5. It will be behind Gracie's. Feel free to stop by. There will be a BBQ and special awards.
- b. Committee & SG Updates
 - Club Review Board
 - 1. Org Rec: We accepted two new clubs.
 - Honors Committee
 - 1. Org Rec: For the 2025 vision they are implementing a request for an honors college.
 - Ombuds Advisory Committee
 - 1. Fin: The numbers have doubled for ombuds and there is still one person so they are looking at that.
 - Finance Committee
 - 1. Fin: We denied all the clubs.
 - OUTspoken
 - 1. OUT: Today we are doing the unblood drive. Right now we have fake blood set up so right now you can donate fake blood. We do have someone from the American Red Cross and AIDS Rochester.
 - SAAC
 - 1. SAAC: Today we had a bunch of 6th graders come. We give them tours around. They're on the turf playing games. They're cute.
 - Karey Pine
 - 1. Karey: We have a BBQ outside today. We would encourage you to come. We hope you come, the first 150 students get a free ticket to the game. We like to show support for all athletic games.
 - 2. RHA: Aren't all games free?
 - 3. Karey: Not if you're in the NCAA.
 - President

1. Pres: You are all going to help me write my commencement speech. So if you can think of things, write them. If you have any pictures, send them.

7) Old Business

a. Student Speak Up Day Recap

- Pres: It was a success. We got a lot of feedback from departments.

b. SG Annual Report

- PR: I gave you the list of people who still need to send them. If you guys have pictures, send that to me.
- RHA: Are links ok?
- PR: Yes. Any fun pictures in general are great.

8) Adjournment

- a. OUTspoken motion to adjourn, seconded NSC
- b. Adjourned at 2:01

Announcements

Next Meeting