## 2010-2011 SG Senate Meeting

9/10/2010



Present: President, VP, Finance Director, Public Relations, Programming, Student Relations, Organization Recognition, Director of Services, CAST, SCB, CIAS, GCCIS, KGCOE, COLA, COS, Women's, Cross Registered, CAB, Global Union, Greek Council, NSC, Reporter, RHA, WITR, SAAC, OUTspoken, ACA, OCASA, Academic Senate, Staff Council, Dr. Heath, Karey Pine.

Non-Present: GCCIS Senator.

# **New Business**

#### **VP Nomination:**

- Greg gives nomination for vice president Dave Mullaney.
- Dave Mullaney: 4<sup>th</sup> year engineering major, 4 years worth of SG experience.
- RA for the last two years (Gibson, NRH) served in committees across campus, SG and own interest.
- Goals: Work hard to establish relationships, provide services to the senators to ensure their success.
- KGCOE: Believes Dave would be an incredible asset to SG, he's worked in SG longer then most and believes there isn't anyone better.
- OCASA: Dave always willing to help.
- Please stand when sharing with the senate.
- Organization Recognition: Gave sufficient help with SG over the summer.
- No objections to the nomination.
- Voting Process: Aye raise hands at the same time, if anyone objects you must vote "no", If you abstain that is up to you and no one is going to check with you.
- 16 yays.
- 0 nays.
- Celebration noises in the background.
- Dave officially leads Senate meetings as the new Vice President.

#### Introductions: Who is at the table with us?

- **Greg Pollock: President**, 4<sup>th</sup> year communication with concentration in business.
- RA, NTID.
- Pittsburg, PA.
- Looking forward to an awesome year.

- Kaitlyin Parenti: Programming Director, also from Pittsburg.
- Same position two years ago.
- **Jeff Barnette Organization Recognition,** grad student in science concentration psychology.
- Asian deaf club, etc.
- Sarah Thompson Finance Director, international business student
- Director of finance
- Staff assistant for three years.
- Nathaly Mendez NSC, NTID president.
- Majoring in accounting.
- Woodbridge, Virgina.
- NTID business club president.
- Alicia Wooten Cross Registered, 4<sup>th</sup> year biomed.
- San Antonia Texas.
- Cross registered senator.
- Asian Deaf club president.
- Steven, ACA.
- · Special interest housing
- RA
- Cares a lot about the community.
- Bharat, global union.
- 4<sup>th</sup> year mechanical engineering.
- Involved with International house.
- Andy Watson WITR, 3<sup>rd</sup> year ME. WITR.
- General Manager of WITR.
- Cesario Mendez, CAST.
- New York.
- Unity House.
- Northstar center.
- Danaury Lorenzo, Green Council
- OCASA
- Various Eboards
- Greek Council
- Victor Santiago
- CAB representative last year
- In charge of three e boards
- Art house

- Dr Heath. VP student affairs.
- Co advisor of student government.
- Carrie Pine, Advisor.
- Director center campus life.
- Student life team at NTID
- Res life several roles.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> year advising student govt, advised RHA and NSC.
- Renee Cook, COS.
- -5<sup>th</sup> year environmental science
- Madeleine Villavicencio, Reporter.
- Editor chief magazine
- Reporter for three and half years
- 4<sup>th</sup> year new media major.
- Becky
- Double alumi from RIT
- Paul Rosenberg
- Chair of academic senate and chemistry department.
- Returned to rit in 2000
- Hometown in MA
- David Vogt, SAAC
- Filling in for SAAC
- Marissa Giambrone, Public Relations
- Director of PR
- Half the year last year
- Tom the photographer is here.
- Chris Scott, KGCOE
- Freshman senator last year.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> year chemical engineer
- Only returning senator.
- Todd Chaikin, OUTspoken
- OUTspoken
- 4<sup>th</sup> year student
- Prior VP of OUTspoken
- Colleen Kelly, RHA
- RHA president this year.
- VP for 2 years
- Residence Halls Representative

- 4<sup>th</sup> year civil engineering major
- Various clubs
- Brad Fuller, SCB.
- COB senator
- Transfer student
- VP of SMG.
- Su Lu, COLA
- -Pittsburg
- COLA
- Bussiness major, double major
- 1<sup>st</sup> year in SG
- Nicole Stevens, OCASA.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> year ultrasound
- Rochester
- 2<sup>nd</sup> year as rep for OCASA
- Orientation
- Deirdresha Wint, Women's Senator.
- Brooklyn
- Unity House
- 3<sup>rd</sup> year political science major
- First year in SG
- Vincent DiCairano, CIAS
- CIAS senator
- 2<sup>nd</sup> year fine art photo
- NY
- Photo house secretary
- Kathy Hall
- 23 years
- Greg 9<sup>th</sup> president.
- Happy to help with anything.
- Thanks to senators for front desk.
- Terasia Chloros, Student Relations
- 3<sup>rd</sup> year SG
- Freshman senator
- Director of student relations
- RΔ
- Rob Federici, Videographer.

- 4<sup>th</sup> year digital cinema major
- 2<sup>nd</sup> year with SG
- Videographer
- Gillford
- Ashley Waldron, Content Manager
- 2<sup>nd</sup> year ME
- Content manager
- Good relationships with everyone
- OA this year.
- Tom Newton, Photographer.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> year
- Photographer for SG
- Photo major
- Potsdam NY.

## **President Pro Tempore (Action Item):**

- Any SG senator can fill this position.
- Dave absent from the meeting, he or she becomes head of the meeting.
- Senators are welcome to self nominate.
- Majority vote to fill position.
- Teraisa: Nominate Chris Scott, familiar with bylaws, familiar with how everything works.
- First and second motion for Chris Scott.
- Chris Scott accepts the nomination.
- 14 votes yay.
- 0 votes Nay.
- Chris fills President Pro Tempore.
- Presentation before next action item to help show how everything works.

### Fall Elections: NTID, Freshman and Graduate.

- 3 senator positions must be filled: NTID, freshman, Graduate.
- Will be the "go-to" person for this year.
- Proposes we clarify and alter the fall election process for this year.
  - Fall Elections Committee: Usually VP as chair (this year Terasia)
  - 1 cabinet member

- 2 members of senate
- 1 advisor.
- Procedure?
  - Pick up an election packet.
  - Must obtain 50 signatures from the students they would represent.
  - Interviewed by the fall elections committee.
  - Choose three finalists.
  - One week to create a bio for themselves and a presentation to be voted on at senate.
  - Shows commitment and dedication.
- Candidate could be videotaped and played at senate if they are not able to attend the meeting.
- Elections take place in Week 8.
- A bio template is in the fall elections packet.

### Questions?

- CAST: When would we vote on the members of the committee?
- No Vote, just asking people.
- CKGCOE: Motion for approving.
- OCASA: Seconds.
- 16 yays.
- 0 nays.
- Approval has been granted, will moved forward on Monday.
- Interested students? Send them our way!

## **Presentations**

#### **Dave's Senate Presentation:**

- First thing on agenda: Roll call.
- Need someone from each constituent!
- If you cannot make it, it is YOUR responsibility to find someone to fill your position. MUST be in writing E-mail is acceptable.
- Promptly at 1 pm PLEASE try to be here on time!
- Agenda: Items, Reports, Announcements.
- Scheduled, do not need to open the floor to talk about them.

- Reports are updates given to senate.
- Announcements are not gerneally spoken about during the meeting, at the end.

#### **Roberts Rules of Order:**

- YOUR responsibility to make a motion when you feel the floor is ready to vote.
- Two types: Good and bad.
- Good: I motion to APPROVE bylaw changes...
- Bad: I motion. Avoid double negatives and confusion!
- Always take a minute to decide on the clearest method of presentation.
- If someone seconds a motion, the motion then stands and MUST be voted on.
- If you wish for more discussion, vote the motion down, THEN continue discussion.
- You can always motion again afterwards.
- Motion for something not on agenda, the motion maker must speak first and the "seconder" must follow.
- If you have something to say, always raise your hand. ONE speaker at a time!
- Speak once acknowledged by Chair of Senate.
- Stand up always and speak up! (CLEARLY) when you have the floor.
- PLEASE have a different point to bring up if you raise your hand in senate!
- DO NOT drag the discussion on—you don't need to tell the floor you agree.. unless
  you have a new POINT.
- Speak for your constituents, NOT from personal bias and back stories.

#### **Voting Procedure:**

- There are those who can't vote and those who can.
- College Senators may vote.
- Community Senators may vote.
- RSO's representative student organizations may vote.
- SG cabinet may NOT vote.
- Student Service Organizations may not vote.
- Governance Groups may not vote.
- Advisors may not vote.
- Staff may not vote.
- Vice President (Chair of Senate) has a TIE breaking vote.
- President has VETO power over the senate.
- Senate may override the VETO as well.

#### Questions?:

- If you would like an agenda item created E-mail VP during the week in order to tweak the current agenda.
- OCASA: Introduce ourselves each time we speak?
- Always give your name and your organization.

#### **How Committees Work:**

- Terasia in charge of committees.
- Senate Members required to sit on two committees.
- Reach out to all others.
- Do the most work without doing it alone, one of two students with faculty and staff.
- Parking (for an example) got rid of double parking, etc.
- Adds a student voice not normally heard.
- Over 54 committees.
- Reach out to other students but we start in SG.
- People really want student opinion and feedback.
- Working with students interested in SG but have no position as well.
- There to represent SG, hoping we can hear reports on these committees while at SG.
- PLEASE take these assignments seriously.
- Staff DOES really care.
- Faculty and staff come to SG, not the other way around.
- Chair your own committee that can help you work on your own goals and commitments.
- Senators will be provided with the list of students from the club fair day.
- Chris created freshman committee, 8-10 students who acted as ears and eyes around the campus, offered ideas.
- Don't have to meet every week, hopefully once a week?
- Bounced ideas off them, helps in a larger representation.
- Need help planning and hosting events, etc. Committee members are normally very helpful.
- Don't represent SG we ARE SG. RIT cares enough for OUR opinion that's CRITICAL!
- Don't JUST help SG they help us.

## **Questions?**

- OUTspoken: Are committees announced?
- Presented at senate whenever one comes up.

- Women's Center: Do we stay on the same committees all year?
- Some go throughout the year, some are short, it varies completely. Wait and see type.
- On going committees there is a preference to keep the same people.
- Terasia is the Point of contact, let her know if you cannot make it to the committee to which you are assigned.
- No more questions.

## SG Events!

- SpiRIT fridays!
- Friday's wear orange and brown! Show school spirit!
- RITchie walks around and gives out presents and gifts.
- Hockey tickets, etc.
- All for students wearing orange and brown!
- Be RITchie and the ones who walk around with RITchie!
- Normally ranges for an hour.
- Could hand out fliers, etc.
- Senators please wear orange and brown!
- Everyone wears orange and brown something SPECIAL will happen!
- Meet and Greet for all the nominations for the senators!
- September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 6 7 pm.
- Spetember 24<sup>th</sup>, 3-4 pm right after senate.
- Pizza on both occasions!
- Make Up Party for all the ladies.
   TBA.
- Apples Fest TODAY!
  - Hosted by NSC
  - Frisina Quad, right outside Commons.
  - Apples, Caramel, Chocolate!
  - All hands on deck if you're available 4 8 pm!
- Homecoming:
  - Don't leave town or get SICK, please!
  - October 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup>.

- Al Pacino is coming to speak.
- How many people have seen his movies?
  - Almost everyone!
  - Al Pacino movie night, pillows, blankets, popcorn!
  - More details to be announced.
  - Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>, night, Friday!

# **Reports**

## **Senate Reports:**

- Terasia: 220 people interested at club fair day!
- M Lot 6 pm Carnival, Free, all spinning rides!
  - Today is unfortunately the last day.
- SCB: Anyone interested in business, please give emails to Brad for a business meeting in which he would like you all to be involved.
- Dave: Met with Terasia and Chris Bailey Student advisement committee, concerns about their relationship with the SG Graduate Senator.
- Concerns with how we elect, etc.
- Promised three things:
  - Provide them with election material so they can push candidates.
  - Make sitting on their committee a mandatory charge for the graduate senator.
  - Elections review committee trying to bring it back.
- CAB: We the King and J-Co October 8<sup>th</sup>
  - Lots of Pringles products
  - Craig Ferguson as our comedian for homecoming.

## **Advisor Reports:**

- Advisor Reports:
  - Information sheets in order to contact the advisors easily.
  - 3 important dates:

- Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Inspiration Retreat, 9:30 am 6 pm.
- All be a part of the journey!
- Come up with your goals BEFORE the retreat.
- October 15<sup>th</sup>: Friday Evening kick off for brick city.
- Our Favorite Faculty members program.
- College Senators Please be present at the welcome.
- College senators please fill out a sheet for your favorite faculty to see if they are available.
- College senators PLEASE sign before leaving!
- October 16<sup>th</sup> Al Pacino!
- SG initative.
- Welcoming those coming to the field house.
- Aftwards meet and greet with Al Pacino.
- CAB and SG will be collaborating because of Al Pacino's reputation.
- BE available for his itinerary from noon to 5 pm on this day!
- Apple Fest:
- Today from 4 8 pm, SG office to prepare and then we will all head over together.
   Two Meet and greets: September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 6 7 pm and September 24<sup>th</sup>, 3 4 pm.
   Pictures of people after the meeting to put on the walls and eventually on the website.
- ACA: Sunday the 12<sup>th</sup>, 2 pm 5 pm
   Welcome back dance on the greek lawn.
   October 2<sup>nd</sup>: La Mezcla SAU Hispanic culture and heritage celebration
- SAAC

October 16<sup>th</sup>: Open for the men's hockey teams Sea of Orange hopefully again this year

Motion To adjourn the meeting: Seconded by ACA.