



Present: President, Vice President, Finance Director, Programming, Public Relations, Organization Recognition (Now Director of Clubs and Organizations), Director of Services, CAST, SCB, CIAS, GCCIS, KGCOE, COLA, COS, Greek, Women's, Cross Registered, NTID, Graduate, Global Union, NSC, Reporter, WITR, RHA, SAAC, OUTspoken, ACA, Staff Council, Academic Senate, Content Manager, Karey Pine.

Absent: Dr. Heath, Student Relations, CAB, OCASA.

Called To Order at 1:06 pm

Approval of Minutes:

- 1st by COS, 2nd by CAST.
- 16 for, no abstentions, no opposed.
- Minutes pass as submitted.

Speak to the Senate:

- Joseph: 19th RITmo Latino Dance. On campus since we were founded. Proposal submitted to SG two weeks ago. SG has always supported us and pushed us to have this event. It is free for RIT students. Cultural dance party, two signature events free for students. We were not approved. SG felt we were being charged too much for the DJ and were asking for much more than the year before. We created a new proposal that may be more appealing. Nonprofit organization. We do not profit, goes to our national philanthropy. Students from outside RIT are a five dollar charge. 450 students on average. Off campus students, about 50. We have always reached maximum capacity at our events. RIT students enjoy us. We want to bring a special performer this year. Very reasonable price. Called DJ from NYC. Lowered price by a \$100. We are asking Center for Residence Life for some of the funds to lessen the amount asked from SG. Asking Res Life to cover DJ. \$750 would be taken off the SG asking. Tech crew expenses have already been approved by SG. We appreciate the funds we have received, but we need more to ensure this event's success. We are a small fraternity nationwide so are dues are not very large. We do tend to pay out of pocket. We need SG's help. SG has supported us for the last 19 years.
- VP: What has SG given in the past? Why only a thousand this year?
- DoF: \$2,300 last year was the total cost. This year there was a lot of "bigger and better", this year a live performance. What will they have next year that will cost even more?
- VP: Is there a reason we can't fund the \$2,300?
- FD: We could.

- VP: We need a 2/3rds majority for this vote to pass. How much are you asking for with DJ covered?
- Pres: Could we give the same amount we paid last year, without the cost of the DJ? Would that work for you?
- Joseph: That would mean a lot. Being denied was a wakeup call. Center for residence life, CCL. A lot of the other MSOs on campus are no longer allowed to fund us. This is a signature event; we could not let that happen. We have reached out to other organizations. The event is only a month and a half away.
- VP: Is there any discussion? Amount proposal?
- SAAC: 1,350 that would cover the DJ, hotel, etc. In addition to the 800 we have already given.
- CAST: Match what we did previously?
- FD: Cover everything but the live performance. \$2,115 for everything but the live performance.
- 1st by SAAC, 2nd by Women's. 13 for, no opposed, three abstains.
- Granted \$2,115 dollars.

Old Business

Horton Update:

- Programming: If your name is on this list and you can't work let me know. Pinkish color you need to tell me if you are working and how many people from eboard in VIP section. Schedule is slightly different. Reserve seat check in before the round table. 10:15 am. Upper booth will be check in. 11:15 to 11:30 am setting up the room for the round table. Food will be there. Posting a Google doc and questions to go through. Field house, door open, CAB ticket tacking. Ushering or working reserve seating check in. Everyone is split in half to monitor photos. Reception for MSO reps but not for staff. Running photo table.
- CAST: Are VIPs allowed at the reception?
- Programming: No. And E-board members do not have to work.
- CIAS: Are we meeting at the field house?
- VP: By the box office.
- OUTspoken: Ushering at 12:15pm, I plan to be sleeping. Where should I show up?
- Programming: Campus center by the fountain.
- OUTspoken: What if we do not have an SG polo?
- VP: We should have them by then.
- DofS: Polos and khakis, not jeans?
- P: Sure.
- NTID: Michael J Fox at the reception?
- P: Yes. There will be more details next week.

Downtown Bus Route:

- VP: Downtown bus route. To summarize: Last week we decided to have the bus going to east side, not on a rotational. Talk about a trial run with adding another route or changing around the bus schedule from shopping districts in Henrietta.
- COS: Spoke with constituents. I think we should add another route rather than getting rid of one. A lot of people work in the shopping district, including the mall. They use the bus in the morning to get there and at night to get back. Frankly, I think it is selfish of us to take that away from them. People can find designated drivers if this bus is going to be used mostly for bars.
- CAST: If we did propose to add another bus route, where would we get these funds from? What happens if we get turned down?
- Pres: Are you asking where the money would come from?
- CAST: Yes, and what if we get turned down with our time constraints?
- Pres: Not turning it down. Money comes from us. I would offer that if we use this as a trial, add a bus, see how used it is, how many people get on the early one, etc. We can look back and see if it is worthwhile to move the bus. It won't have an impact on everyone. Permanent would have consequences.
- SAAC: What else would that \$20,000 be used for?
- President: Flex money that the institute has to do whatever. They have room.
- OUTspoken: Can they modify the bus pass swipes so we can swipe our ID and get an obvious count of how many people are getting on the bus?
- Randy: We already count, we assume RIT riders, we count on and off on public route, we get that count and information already, laser beam counters.
- Graduate: Modifying the Saturday bus alone?
- VP: We would be adding another route.
- Graduate: Does the small time change the price?
- VP: \$20,000 is approximate.
- CAST: January to May. Could we cut it off if it isn't worth it?
- Randy: By the end of next week we would need to know how long we would want it to run for.
- VP: Yes or no to add a bus route. In favor of adding a bus route to the east end from 9 pm – 2 am?
- 18 for. No opposed. No abstains.
- Just a trial run in addition to what we already have? Trial run?
- 18 for. No opposed, no abstentions. To add a route from 9 pm – 2 am with RTS to the east end of Rochester. January to the end of May.
- Randy: With whom should I continue this conversation?
- VP: Greg and I.
- VP: Public safety follow up. Assigned the operators to sit in the waiting rooms. Hired a marketing co op for an RSS feed.

Organization Recognition Title Change:

- OR: Last week I brought a title change proposal to you all, to “director of clubs and organizations”. Any further discussion?
- DofS: Bylaw updates too. Looked over in emails. Title change, I added college of CHST and we now represent them. Only SG bylaws. There are appendices that include other bylaws, such as finance committee and club review board. Those committees will have to make the change themselves.
- WITR: Don’t changes always have to come to Senate a week before?
- Pres: We can approve Barry’s this week and CHST next week.
- DoF: I am making changes to finance committee bylaws anyway. I will make that change.
- CIAS: I motion to approve the name change to director of clubs and organizations.
- 2nd by GU.
- 18 for, no opposed, no abstentions.
- Next week we will approve CHST in the bylaws.

New Business

Student Event Discussion – Student Speak Up Day Replacement:

- VP: Real quick discussion. Count off by 6. Broke off by numbers. We have hosted the Dorm challenge, student speak up day, and the revised dorm challenge. Brainstorm for ten minutes, what you would like to focus on that is an issue in student life? Your time, your group, reconvene in ten minutes.
- VP: Group 1.
- Content Manager: Representing the less represented groups on campus. International, transfer, transgender, academic behavior, women in majors that are male dominated, cross registered students, etc. Every day we would focus on one group.
- VP: Entire student body?
- Content: The people we select to be a part of the challenge.
- Group 2: GCCIS: Wellness. We need to be physically fit. Wellness wheel. 12 components. Physical, financial, social, academic. Balance. Developing three day event that would make wellness fun, and awareness, lasting impression on students. End with a 5K run or cycling around Rochester. Bike rentals.
- Group 3. Programming: Focus on registration. Administrators to get a taste of what it is like. 7 or 8 courses. Schedule that works. Deal with restrictions, seats being held, etc. Semester registration. Cache courses you have to pay for at the end.
- VP: Hope a lot of that will be dealt with via GeneSIS.

- Group 4: Greek: Welcoming atmospheres on other campus. More of a community. Brainstormed creating welcoming areas. Dorm side, more than the retention ponds. Shake up mind set of class to room and back. Open admin series. No formal plans, idea for students to talk to upper admins, any questions in a relaxed setting. RIT bar nights. Sunday night football games, discount on wings with RIT games. Create a sense of community.
- VP: Could be buffalo wild wings.
- Greek: Jersey Shore Thursdays, Disney days.
- Group 5: DofS: What needs to be improved on campus? Campus beautification. More a part of RIT. Student speak up day. Have a box for each building on campus. What would you like to see improved in this building? Analyze suggestions. Pick a day where students help implement their own ideas.
- Group 6: OCASA: Dorms, apartments, have administrators live off campus. Live in Racquet club, Westbrook, international students placed off campus. Seminar for students to speak up with teachers about using technology on campus. Becoming more informed about what is in your food. Same transportation.
- VP: Diverse group. We will utilize all of this in a cabinet discussion. Thank you.
- VP: We are not discussing the calendar vote. Read it, seriously. Serious academic senate conversation. Fluid document over the next couple of weeks. Hopefully next week, next two weeks.
- Academic Senate: There is a lot of time. Collect questions that we can pose I would be glad to bring forward.
- VP: We could do that by email too. Commencement, winter intersession. I sent the email out; winter intersession was desired by 75% of students. Quarter stand point. Winter intersession to allow students to catch up and rejoin the class. If you have additional questions, email them to me when you can.

Reports

Senate Reports:

- Content Manager: Service and PR team SG update project. Newsletter twice a quarter. This is not complete, let us know if you see something wrong, or if we should add something write it on the back.
- DofS: It should be going out around Monday.
- Women's: This Saturday in grace Watson breast cancer awareness! Pink ribbons, hosted by sororities and women on campus to make their presence known. Ribbons are also in the SG office. Center for women and gender sent out a student advisory board application.
- VP: Senator meeting. Dr. Heath wants us to acquire a tiger. Program to adopt a tiger. Adopt a tiger, 8 dollars a month, tiger for the office, could name it Spirit. We would have to fundraise for this. Talk more next week, bake sale? Either way we are getting a tiger. Dr. Heath will be furious or happy.

- Reporter: You do not mean a physical tiger?
- VP: We would get a picture; we would sponsor it in the wild.
- DofS: Will we know where it lives?
- VP: Yes. Next week with a real proposal. Senate reports?
- CIAS: First Friday of October! Bus to all the museums. Leaves at 6 pm at Carlson loop. Booksmart, university avenue galleries. It is free. Ask me if you are interested.

Committee Reports:

- Graduate: GSAC meeting. COLA rep now. Think we still need GCCIS. We need speaker for board of trustees, fall and spring meeting. Event planning, socials and hospitalities will be GSAC responsibilities. Hosted events last year. We will use the cost of those to figure out a budget for ourselves. Relatively big event in the spring. Create a logo. Vice chair was appointed, last year's Graduate Senator.
- VP: Can you now host meetings without the chair?
- Graduate: Probably.
- Women's: Presidents commission on women who have a clear charge. Big questions: why are admitted women not choosing RIT? Data from admissions office, numbers, etc, scholarship money, appearance, etc. Questionnaires to students who decided not come here. We do however have a higher retention rate of women who come here. Focus groups, freshman, seniors. Focus is working with the students. Percentage wise it is not actually increasing. November 7th is the next meeting.
- OUTspoken: Focus on queer women?
- Women's: I have not asked, but I will.
- DofS: Tech Committee ran on Tuesday. Good turnout, good ideas. GeneSIS team partnership. Kick start the committee meeting. Wi-Fi outside, Gleason circle bus stop, notifications on mycourses. Over winter break there will be a major mycourses upgrade, notification features, can sign up for mycourses on a variety of course related subjects. FMS and RSS.
- KGCOE: Acquire with ITS. Make sure they state there is going to be those upgrades.
- DofS: Actually through ETC, tech committee involvement in getting word out to students.
- VP: Demo?
- DofS: All I know is the upgrade. I am not sure.

Advisor Reports:

- Karey: Thank you for last weekend, sorry I missed it. Looking forward to brick city weekend.
- VP: Birthday small cone gift certificates. Summer or September.
- Motion to adjourn: 1st by Women, 2nd by Outspoken.

Adjourned at 2:27 pm