



**AGENDA – SENATE MEETING  
STUDENT GOVERNMENT  
Friday, November 2, 2007  
1829 Room SAU, 1:00 P.M.**

1. Call to order

Meeting was called to order at 1:00pm.

2. Roll call and approval of the minutes

President	x
Vice President	x
Finance	x
Director of Programming	x
Director of Public Relations	x
Historian	x
MSO Liaison	x
Rep @ Large	x
CAST	x
CIAS	x
COLA	x
COS	
GCCIS	x
GLBT	x
KGCOE	x
SCOB	x
Women's center	x
NTID	
NSC	x
OCASA	x
RHA	x
Dr. Heath	
Collette Shaw	x
ACA	x
CAB	x
Global Union	x
Greek Council	x
Reporter	x
WITR	x

Motion to approve the minutes: ACA

Second by SCOB:

Minutes are approved as submitted.

3. Speak to the Senate

Jeff Soulik- RA Selection has now started. There are several meetings over the next two months for an information session. Applications are due Jan. 11<sup>th</sup>. There is plenty of time to get it done.

Brainwreck Improve- trying to get club status and have been turned down several times. Improve groups that do performances, they have been together for over a year. They are trying really hard to get club status to register rooms and club space. We want to be able to schedule our own performances to do free shows. We put on workshops every Monday. We definitely feel like we can add to campus.

#### 4. Cabinet Reports

President- Welcome to end of week 9. Kudos to everyone. It has been a great quarter. Everyone has been working hard and thank you for that. Next week we will not have meeting because of Dr. Destler's Inauguration. Registration was brought up at Institute Council. The president acknowledged our concerns and will be looking into it. We have been going around and meeting with all of the MSO's. We are sending evaluations to everyone. Next Thursday and Friday the board of trustees will be here. Everyone should be at the inauguration. Everyone who sits on this senate should RSVP and attend the luncheon. Enjoy your break and see you next Friday. The luncheon is next Friday before the inauguration.

Vice President- This past week I met with Molly McGowan. We talked about senior activities. I would love to see a senior week. I will be on the senior committee. If any seniors have ideas for that, or anyone who has ideas for that please let us know. We would like to have at least one big event for seniors this year. For this meeting I asked you to send me accomplishments for this quarter. Senate accomplishments:

SCOB- will be starting a forum and newsletters, student exec board sub groups

GCCIS- hosting BBQ's, biweekly townhall meetings, sweatshirts

COLA- lounge facelift, making progress on ASL minors

KGCOE- winter ball, rewrite club guidelines, been designing tshirts and sweatshirts

CIAS- open online forum, healthier vending, more companies at career fairs for art students.

CAST- donuts and coffee during finals week, CAST movie night

NTID- RTS buses

Global Union- very successful costume party, first cultural workshop

IT Committee (Jerry)- email space, wireless coverage, usage of computer labs

ACA- Halloween costume party, MSO sponsorship

Great Job this quarter.

Rep @ Large- one club fill out ITF Game of Domination club, approved pending name change.

Programming- will be Chocolate on Ice Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>, SpiRIT will be Jan 25<sup>th</sup> to Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>. Let me know if you have any events during this time. We are planning the scholarship dinner. We will be passing a signup sheet for the committee for that. We are deciding at date for Tiger Idol in the Spring. We are looking to sponsor a hockey game and broomball game. Senate, would you be interested in working together to put on the superbowl party? There is a lot of participation. There is a lot of food and pizza.

SCOB- I have been talking to a couple senators and we would like to do it in spring. The senators are looking to have college Olympics in the spring.

COLA- what does putting on mean?

Programming- We would have a list of things that need to be done and we would do it together. I would like to see myself work with the senators more and see you guys work together. It is a fun a event. I know a lot of you would like to do it again. I will bring more information on a time we can meet to go over this. In your office hours, if you find you don't have anything to do I will be putting a list of things that you can do for the programming committee.

NSC- I'm always in the SDC, could you email me?

Programming- it is a lot of little things like copying papers. I wouldn't worry about it too much.

GCCIS- we keep talking about scholarship dinner, what is happening with that.

Programming- Feb 11th in the SAU cafeteria. Applications are due Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>. We are currently in the process of making the scholarships.

PR- I will pass around a clipboard for people who have not had their portraits taken yet. Please sign up. Please hang up the flyers I distributed.

CAST- where do we hang these?

PR- Hang them where you were assigned.

#### 5. Senate Reports

SCOB- Have had several meetings to start a newsletter. Met with the assistant Dean to change the display board rules.

Global Union- we had a great Halloween party, thank you to everyone who helped out.

Women's Center- instead of take back the night, we are going to do take back the cybernight. In Jan we will set up a debate for women in gaming. Gaming societies will be invited as well. Working on day trips for women on campus, out doors things. Vagina Monologue tryouts will be in December.

CAST-meeting with a lot of students and they have been saying that they don't know what SG is doing. I have been putting together a report for them.

OCASA- we now have a huge tv. We are looking to get cable. We would like to get the SG channel on it.

Reporter- we have a new column. It will be called That Girl or That Guy. We are asking a lot of questions to one person.

NSC- Last week Friday we had two events that were successful. We are looking to set something on Facebook. When we have more details we will let you know. Also we are trying to make it easier to request interpreters. We are trying to get a pulse study hour. It is from 6-8 in the evening. We invited faculty and staff. In the first week of dec. we will start working with RIT on the gambling policy. Workshops will be held. NTID committee is working on the vendor policy.

GLBT- Mike D and I have discussed there being a GLBT scholarship. Ed said that it would be great that would have other groups to have a scholarships as well. What other groups should be represented at the scholarship dinner. I see it as minorities on campus. Does anyone have any ideas?

Vice President- we came up with a list and will keep you posted when cabinet decides. We have quite a few scholarships. They will be presented to cabinet and will be voted on today.

#### 6. Committee Reports

Institute Policy- Next meeting will be Wednesday Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> 2pm in Room 2460 in the SAU.

Techonology- email space has doubled in size. It is our first big accomplishment. Student space is the same as faculty and staff. We will be starting to work on getting the residential side of campus wireless.

GCCIS- can you clarify the quota?

Technology- the quotas are now 40, 75 and 100.

Campus Improvement- There will be a one stop center for student services in a building between crossroads and building 70. Campus Watch would be student run and will be more friendly than public safety. Is it alright that our committee runs this program until it gets big enough to run on its own. It will be the eyes and ears for public safety. We are working on ID's. We spoke to Wegmans and they would like for students to be able to use Flex there. We are working on housing as well. We will have more about that later.

President- one issue is the community watch program. Would we like to sponsor the community watch?

GCCIS- what does community watch do?

Campus improvement- students will be given equipment and will patrol on campus, escort people on campus. It is more eyes and ears for public safety and escort servies.

ACA- is this like what they have a U of R?

Campus Improvement- I'm not sure if they have this there, but it is similar to what they already have.

CAST- what would keep students from posing as a community watch member?

Campus Improvement- the students will be given walkie talkies and shirts and jackets.

Finance- this quarter we spent \$9000 dollars. There is a meeting on the 5<sup>th</sup>. Meeting time will be TBA. Please send your schedules.

GCCIS- people have been having trouble requesting trouble. I think we should look into this.

Finance- there could be incomplete paperwork.

ACA- pool club came with two requests on the same day.

#### 7. Advisor Reports

Kathy- we talked about a thanksgiving basket. I'm going to pass an envelope around. Put a few dollars in and we will purchase items that we do not have yet.

#### 8. New business

Vice President- we need to vote on club guidelines.

Motion to vote on club guidelines made by KGCOE.

Second by RHA.

Favor-11

Opposed- 0

Abstentions-3

#### 9. Old business

#### 10. Presenters

- a. Dr. Fred Smith – Board of Trustees- thank you for coming to the luncheon next Friday. There will be crab cakes. We have a new chef and he is from Maryland and makes delicious crab cakes. We invite you to meet the board at least once a year because it is very important. The board of Trustees is more important to you than you realize. They have the responsibility invested in them by the state of NY to make sure that RIT fulfills its mission and strategic plan. They approve the budgets. They “own” RIT. They have the financial ability to sustain RIT. If trustees don't do their job, they are held accountable. They value the face-to-face contact they have with you. They like to get to know students and like to hear about your experiences at RIT. They want to know who you are where you are from and what your major is. Don't hesitate to ask them about themselves and talk about your experience here at RIT. Please think about ideas for innovation. The trustees are impressed with this idea. Trustees would like to know what the students are thinking about innovation. You might be asked to stand up and introduce yourselves. You might be asked to volunteer and stand up and summarize what people have said throughout the luncheon. At the tables it says trustees, staff and students. We want to make sure that everyone is spread out. If you could be there at 12:15 that would be great. Thank you for coming to the luncheon. We are trying to get alumni to become trustees. The board gets evaluated. The board members, guys will have coats and ties. Guys do not have to wear coats and ties, just look reasonably good. Do you have to dress up and no you don't. Honorary members are people who are over the age of 70 who have made a big financial contribution to RIT.

President- Please wear what you would wear to an interview.

- b. Chris Denninger – Public Safety- Rod and I are here to give an overview on what we are about. To contact us for an emergency call x3333. Rod is one of three investigators we have in Public Safety. We have the

emergency dispatch area. That is on the x2853. There have been complaints about why campus safety takes so long to respond. It is due to the number of calls we get. We have a prioritized call system. We do monthly time checks. Average response to an emergency is 3-4 minutes. Non emergency calls take about 5.5 minutes for a response. There is a crime prevention component. We make decisions based on data. How do we differ from public law enforcement: We can't arrest people and we don't carry weapons. 3N Notification Service, hopefully we will never have to use it. It should be coming out this November. We have 85 blue boxes on campus. There are 400 card readers on campus. There are 150 television cameras.

#### 11. Announcements and Comments

- a. Board of Trustees lunch. Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup> from 12:15pm-1:30pm in room 2210 of CIMS. RSVP to Jocye Johnson at [joyce.johnson@rit.edu](mailto:joyce.johnson@rit.edu) no later than Tuesday, November 6<sup>th</sup>.
- b. Send Senator quarterly reports to both Ed and Sasha by the end of today
- c. CAB Friday Night in the RITZ : The Passage Project. Friday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10pm. \$1 admission.
- d. Dan Brown and Mike Dambra. Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 11pm in Ingle Auditorium. \$1 admission.
- e. International Education week: Global Union Photo Contest. ( October 22nd to November 9th ). Theme : Cultural Fusion: More than one culture in the frame. More information, rules, forms and online submissions details on [www.rit.edu/gu](http://www.rit.edu/gu) . We have a photo contest. During week 10 and finals week students vote on it and whoever wins, their photo will be on display during winter quarter. If any of you have culture pictures you can upload pictures online.
- f. NSC- Fatsgiving is an event where there is free food and entertainment. It is in the SAU cafeteria. It is next week on Nov.10<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 9:30pm.
- g. Next Thursday is the Inauguration of the Women's center. Come out and support at 4:30 in the fireside lounge.

#### 12. Adjournment

Motion to end meeting made by GLBT  
Second by OCASA

Meeting was adjourned at 2:55pm.