1) Call to order
Meeting was called to order at 1:00pm.

2) Roll Call and Approval of the Minutes

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

Motion to approve minutes by Freshman.
Second by ACA.
Approve 12
Opposed 0
Minutes are approved as submitted.

3) Speak to the Senate
2nd year student- new media publishing. She is concerned because they are changing the program without student input. She thinks that they shouldn’t combine everything into new media. They should have asked for student input before combining the two programs to new media publishing.

CIAS- I was not aware of this change. This sounds like a big issue and I will bring it up to students in the forum.

Finance- because they are changing the program my graduation date keeps changing. It is a concern of mine. They need to stop jerking the students around.

President- I sit on academic senate and will bring this topic up to them.

Student- the changes will be brought to that meeting and they will be voting on it and are hoping it will be approved.

RHA- I sit on the same committee as Ed does, and it was brought up at the last meeting. The main concern was that the number of students entering that program are diminishing. That is why they wanted to bring the two majors together. If you would like to give me your concerns I will bring it to the next meeting.

Vice President- if there are more people that should be heard, please have them come in to talk to us that would be great. Give your concerns to Sarayu and Caitlin.

4) Cabinet Reports

President- The center of campus life is going under evaluation. You might be asked to answer a few questions. Next week I will be out of time on Tuesday and Wednesday. Sasha will be in charge.

VP- next senator lunch will be next Sunday. It will be the Sunday before week 9. I will send out more information. Looking into Live Well Eat Well. I will be out the following Tuesday and Wednesday. I didn’t do goals this week b/c there wasn’t many updates.

Rep- met with the skeptics and they need to rewrite their constitution.

PR- there are 6 piles of flyers that need to be hung up. Please return the tape.

MSO- next Sunday will be the next presidents roundtable in clark c.

Historian- reminder to send me excuses even if you will be late. Also I will leave the box in the back so everyone can choose their seats.

Programming- superbowl: we will be meeting at 4:30 in Fireside lounge. Please stay after meeting today to help carry soda upstairs.

5) Senator Discussion

VP- Cabinet has been talking, and we agreed that these meetings have been really long. We would like your thoughts and feelings about sg.

Reporter- I know you send out the agenda the day before, but things always get handed out at meeting. If those could get sent out before hand.

GCCIS- I think that is a bad mentality to have. It is your job to know what is going on.

CAST- One of the things I use to keep myself organized is I schedule the hour before meeting to go over the meetings and everything else. I highly recommend it.

GLBT- the cabinet and senate reports take up a large portion of the meeting. I don't know how to change that, but maybe if we wrote them down on paper.

KGCOE- the reason we do reports is so that everyone knows what is going on. If we could put our report on the agenda maybe we could get through it faster.
VP- something I thought that might work: We schedule presenters at the beginning of quarter. I would really like to speed these meetings up. If we scheduled presenters every other week, and when we didn’t have a presenter then we could do reports.

CIAS- I think biweekly reports would be fine. There might be more progress that way.

GLBT- I agree.

VP- I would like a show of hands who would like to send reports ahead of time. Majority. All in favor of biweekly reports- majority.

COLA- we wouldn’t be talking each week would we?

SCOB- if we send you reports what would the point of one-on-ones be?

VP- senator reports are to get everyone on the same page. One-on-one should be a time to share your concerns with me.

GLBT- I think biweekly reports would be a good idea, but we should be able to read our own reports.

KGCOE- we should be able to elaborate on our reports.

VP- do you send reports to me weekly or biweekly.

PR- didn’t you try to do this in the beginning of the year?

VP- no. Senate meetings next quarter: You will send me reports biweekly. They will be on the agenda but you can talk about them.

Collette- What about signing up for events and things like that.

CAST- the bylaws say that we should have a weekly report.

NTID- I don’t see effort on the senators parts to come to my events. Two people come to my events. Where was everyone else?

REP- it is a two way street. People should come to your events but they will be more likely to come if you go to theirs.

CIAS- last week at pulse happy hour was really great. I think we should definitely do that more often.

CAST- I have a lot of scheduling conflicts.

GCCIS- my schedule gets blocked off very fast. I normally don’t have a lot of free time to work with.

Global Union- If I can’t attend I ask my eboard members to attend.

NSC- I would recommend to send eboard members. This Sunday for super bowl party I offered students to walk with NSC to the party.

VP- How about the issue of passing out material and asking for people to sign up? Jen you mentioned sending them out before meeting and I will start to do that. But what about sign ups?

GLBT- I’m on three committees. I don’t know about other senators, but maybe you leave them in the sg office. Everyone is supposed to have office hours, the can sign up if they have time.

CAST- maybe sasha could ask us during our one-on-ones.

COLA- I think we should have them at meeting. It is our job and we should be held accountable.

Women’s- planning together on certain events might be easier.
VP- what I am hearing is we can have the sign up sheets in the sg office. I’m assuming that everyone is really busy. The problem might be that you have scheduling conflicts.

GCCIS- You hit the nail on the head. You should keep doing it at these meetings. We need events to be fully staffed.

KGCOE- maybe try to expand our group a little. Instead of having the 30 of us doing everything, ask people who applied for postions to take on some of these committees and such.

President- That is a great idea. I have actually asked a few people to do that for me.

RHA- You should keep the sign up sheet during meeting.

Global Union- If you could balance the committees between the 30 of us. Maybe a spread sheet or something like that.

MSO- maybe we could have the sign up sheet sent out in advance too. If we have that information ahead of time that would help.

NTID- what Christie said is a good idea. My parents are coming this weekend. I’m stuck with the sg events and trying to spend time with my parents. If I have it in advance that would be very helpful.

Freshmen- I think it should be sent out in advance it would be a big help.

VP- thanks for your participation and ideas. Hopefully next quarter will go smoothly.

Freshman- I had the meet your sentor night and it went great. There were about 30 people there.

CIAS- Jim Fischer- college town- they had been losing money with textbooks. In order to save art supplies and computer stuff. Barnes and Noble is helping them sell text books. What ever art supplies are in the book store now will be in barnes and noble. I’m having a meeting next Friday. We will have a CIAS career fair.

WITR- with the power readings it is evident that the giants will lose the superbowl.

COLA- I talked to Paula about a bike path. It was brought up last year, but there was no budget for it. They will be evaluating it again.

Greek Council- Rich is stepping down from presidency and our vice president Rob Dixon will be taking his place.

GCCIS- I had a meeting and we talked about dorm openings. The students want to dorms to be open atleast a day early. The vote would be: would you come back on Saturday or not if you had the chance (after winter break)? Or would you just like to be able to come back earlier on Sunday? The RIT Inn is available for students and their families. It costs $23 a night. Students don’t like that though.

Saturday:20

Sunday:1

RHA- We had the pbj jam. It was great to see lots of people there. Thanks for coming everyone!

KGCOE- this past Saturday was the KGCOE winter ball. It was a lot of fun and we had a great turn out.

CAST- I have been meeting with people who are interested in sg next year. I have been setting up appointments.

Reporter- we have a new editor in chief. Her name is Laura. She can’t make these meetings so I will be the sg rep.
Women- I'm new and thanks for voting me in. I've been meeting with people on campus. There is lots I would like to do. Thanks!

SCOB- the newsletter is ready to go, we just need a name. We would suggestions for names.

Global Union- Last few weeks we have been meeting with cultural clubs on campus for unification. It will be this weekend. We have also been discussing problems international students have been having.

NTID- last Wednesday we had a big success at the bus forum. There were lots of people there. We got a lot of feed back and people concerns. The first was stopping at the Jefferson road plaza. It has been set up that we will be stopping there now. Rustic Village didn't have any shelters. Paula Benway talked with RTS and they will be making a shelter for them.

NSC- hosted several events during spirit week. Pulse happy hour was a huge success. We heard many comments form NTID students saying they liked seeing new faces. PBJ Jam was a great success. Jan 29 we had a free breakfast for students. The weather cooperated. We had an appreciation day for the department of student services. It went over very well and it led to a forum for interpreting issues. NSC has a new web master Michael Cremple.

GLBT- last Thursday met with admissions. We discussed other ways I could find out who my constituents are.

Technology- planning on how the new wireless will be. We made a couple of decisions. 6 years is too long to implement wireless. Wireless in the dorms is a higher priority than the apartments.

6) Advisor Reports

7) Presenters
   a. Peter Briggs and James Fischer – Bookstore

8) New Business

SCOB- what is the deal with the cos senator.

VP- Jawad resigned. We will be advertising for that position soon. He was the only person on the ballot. We can not appoint anyone.

9) Old Business
   a. MSO Revisions-Motion to discuss Student Government Organization Guidelines. Motion to approve SG Organization Guidelines made by RHA. Second by KGCOE.

   Favor: 14
   Opposed: 0
   Motion passes.

   Amendment to bylaws. Motion to vote made by RHA. Second by Freshman.

   Favor: 13
   Opposed: 0
   Motion passes.
b. Voting on Good Samaritan policy- Motion to discuss by GCCIS. Second by KGCOE. Motion to vote by RHA. Second by CAST.
Favor: 14
Opposed: 0
Motion passes.

10) Announcements and Comments
   a. CAB – Major Concert: Jacks Mannequin. 2/8/08
   b. CAB - Friday Night in the Ritz: Guitar Hero contest. 10pm, 2/1/008
   c. CAB – Cinema Series: Superbad 2/7/08
   d. CAB – Lazer Tag. SLC, 6pm-1am, 2/9/08
   e. CAB - munch-a-bunch o' wings. SDC Main Lobby, 1pm, 2/16/08.
   f. Global Union - Unification (Cultural performances by over 10 organizations) : Saturday Feb 2nd. 7pm to 9pm in Ingle Auditorium. Tickets $2 pre-sale/ $3 at door. Win an Ipod Nano or $75 gift certificate to any restaurant.
   g. SG – Super Bowl party. 5pm, 1/3/08
   h. Sheryl Swoopes presentation, “Being True to Yourself”. Tickets are $3 for students and $7 for general admission. Clark Gym, 5-7pm, 2/2/08.

Motion to end meeting made by CASR. Second by SCOB.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:33 pm.