

# AGENDA • SG SENATE

08-09 STUDENT GOVERNMENT



Sept. 12, 2008 | SDC 1300

- 1) Call to Order
  - a. Called to order 1:00
  
- 2) Roll Call

*President	X
*Vice President	X
*Finance	X
*Programming	X
*Public Relations	X
*Director of Services	X
*Student Relations	X
*Organization Recognition	X
*Webmaster	X
*KGC OE	X
*SCOB	X
*CIAS	X
*GCCIS	X
*COLA	X
*COS	
*Women's Senator	X
*CAST	X
*RHA	X
*NSC	X
*NTID	
*GLBT	X
*ACA	
*Global Union	X
*WITR	X
*CAB	X
*Greek Council	X
*OCASA	X
*Reporter	X
*SAAC	X
Dr. Heath	X
Colette Shaw	X
  
- 3) Approval of Minutes
  - a. Motion by Dave to approve, seconded by \_\_\_\_
  - b. Noella changed from last week

#### 4) Speak to the Senate

- a. Park Point representative Heather Martin: Park Point residents met about parking, wanting a solution, upset that no one knew about the change until they arrived on campus to start classes.
  - Motion by Dave to talk about this, seconded by \_\_\_: majority ruled.
  - GCCIS: what do they want SG to do about it?
  - Heather: We know they have no parking but we need an answer. It's not Park Point's problem, we need
  - Park Point resident: There are tons of RIT students who live there, why are they being treated like as on-campus with parking and nothing else?
  - Park Point resident: If Park Point 900 of the 16500 students, they don't make up a percentage of the school. If we're so small why can't we park?
  - Park Point resident: Meet half way, one pass per apartment.
  - Justin Resident: Rode the bus and saw empty spots
  - Heather: What about people who work on campus early or planned their schedule around getting to and from campus with a car. Don't want a fight, why did this happen so fast?
  - VP: How do you regulate who gets a pass in the apartment if sharing?
  - Heather: That would be hard.
  - Phil: Carpool?
  - Resident: Don't want to drive with strangers.
  - Justin Resident: Rode the bus yesterday, too many students on the bus. Didn't come to RIT to not be able to drive.
  - Heather: Not RIT and PP can't drive but RIT Inn can. They may live further away but the bus can go back and forth.
  - Cory: You're upset you weren't informed about parking. What about a quarter or so to park and then have to work on another mode of transportation. Lot near Cross Roads at least a couple rows of empty spots. PP can park in certain places for this time.
  - Adam: You work in the office. Has PP taken a professional issue with this?
  - Heather: PP wants students to work with RIT on the issue. What's going on? What can we do before people in the office take action?
  - Matt: SG represents all students. Perkins and Colony not informed either about parking on campus. Culture change, we have to get used to it. RIT spoiled to any city school. If we had a flawless bus system, short term parking, maybe that would be a solution. Jumping on bus to get to school, better than looking for a spot.
  - Business Senator: Colony, Perkins, UC can't park on campus?
  - Emily: Yes, that is correct.
  - Heather: PP not on campus. We're only on campus when it comes to parking. Internet not working well but we don't have RIT Internet, only RIT parking.

- Jonathon Maurer: Work with associate director or Parking and Transportation.

1. Started by putting out RFP's.
2. Parking advisory group.
3. Finalists were interviewed for developing parking, transportation, bikes, and pedestrians.
4. March April May 3 sessions. PPT on parking website.
5. At the completion there was a report explaining everything. Presented to SG and governance groups.
6. Strategy phased 2008-2009 was decided on, PP not included. S
7. G requested PP be included with with the other apartments. Administration opposed but SG wanted it so it was agreed.
8. When it was set up it was late.
9. 2 additional buses added to make it a 10 mins wait.
10. Dedicated to transportation solutions.
11. Only had the summer to implement solutions, not where they should be but working on it.
12. Solution continues to look bad for parking at RIT. (Sent paper around)
13. Surveys of parking lots done during first few weeks.
14. Busy time, 250 parking spaces. Expected as consequences, we would have 100's if not 1000's of spaces for PP but excess spots eaten up by RIT's growth. More faculty and staff on campus. Construction taking up parking. Major special event during a peak time of 400-500 parking, we will not be able to park reserved parking or commuters.
15. RIT growing fast, positive for community, negative for parking.
16. Not enough to support growth.
17. Referring to diagram, shows challenges from parking and transportation stand point. Parking inexpensive, cheap, convenient, want it to be where they need it.
18. Remote lot with shuttle transportation.
19. Preventing students (freshman) for bringing cars and using those lots as remote parking with shuttles.
20. Parking garage, \$20,000 per space about \$2,000 per year of its life.
21. Other options that seemed expensive before now looking pretty good.
22. Keeping surface lots inexpensive but there isn't going to be parking for everyone; someone has to give it up.
23. Going to provide help to those people (apartments) and have it be high quality.
24. As a community decisions need to be made to manage growth moving forward.
25. Need strong student representation in student advisory group.

- Emily: Heather should be on that committee;
- Casey: Rewards for people who walk or bike. Cool to do that.
- Jonathon Maurer: Pay to not bring car. We don't charge people to park. Charging people makes them think about other options. Rewarding
- Phil: Path to PP?
- Jonathon Maurer: During initial plans there was a plan. Department of Conservation changed them, wetlands couldn't be developed.
- Heather: Had PP known that they would have done something else.
- Senator: 8:10 waiting for bus not home to 9:30.
- Paula: Call them and tell them about problems. Been riding themselves, trying to fix everything. Need to know in order to fix. Don't want people to go through that. Want to correct service response.
- Emily: Riding the bus, what was your experience?
- Paula: Crowded, good to see validates it.
  1. Jumped bus to bus.
  2. Other three relatively fine, off by a minute or so here and there.
  3. Had complaints about drivers leaving the bus, monitoring that.
  4. Union drivers started driving Sept 1<sup>st</sup>.
  5. Been watching, working together to make it perfect. Didn't happen last week, this week still iffy.
  6. Looking for improvements into the quarter.
- Org Rec: Students don't know who to call/e-mail in order to send feedback. Added two buses, with all the changes that might not be enough. Work out the kinks and maybe add a few buses.
- Paula: Not aware of PP being added. Didn't know buses were driving by stops full, need to know this. Doing a temporary shadow bus in order to monitor that situation. In a month if we have more information and we feel we need more, coming into winter quarter and everything parking will make other changes. Need info now to make decisions.
- Emily: Two buses funded by Wilmoreite?
- Jon: Not the majority of the fund.
- Emily: So RIT was going to pay before PP was in and then PP came in?
- Jonathon: No, final decision for buses not done until PP was not to park on campus.
- GCCIS: Last year, we had to vote on something that would hurt constituency. Approve something that would frustrate people. Rushed, kinks.
- Matt: Communication. This wasn't brought to students well enough. Communicate with students for solutions. Routes, no need for buses doing the same route all the time. Orange and brown line. When can we see changes? When will we know?
- Jonathon: Parking Advisory Group. Two staff council, two academic senate, public safety. Purpose of group is to work through issues. Group the administration looks to when we ask for resources. Administration

- looks for parking advisory group to approve those (more covered spots, etc.). Suggest participants in this group. SG decide who and how many.
- Heather: SG people living in RIT Inn? Why PP can't drive, why can RIT Inn? Make parking cost money, PP will pay for their spots. Why can freshman park in spots PP could use.
- Emily: Be on the advisory board.
- Jonathon: SG should decide who should represent that.
- Emily: Meetings closed?
- Jon: No, but should be notified due to having to pass a desk to get to the meeting.
- VP: No promises about parking but SG will rectify shuttle. Solutions for clubs, art students. Need to move on.

## 5) SSO Presenters

- a. Reporter: Laura. Only four colored weekly college magazine in the country. Completely student run. 6000 issues every Friday. Print facts as known, unbiased. Content must be relevant to RIT community. Factually correct, responsibly reported. Never intentionally misquote interview subjects. Unbiased. Views, Editorials, RIT Rings are opinions of author. Spark dialog. Get stories from four different editors. Press releases from other organizations. Writing must be from on staff reporters, can ask for advertisements of events. Can send press release to Reporter so they can look at writing a piece on you. Story suggestion to website. Can call RIT Rings. Letters to the editor, no longer then 500 words, must be 6 days before the issue. Tale to the editor in chief.
  - WITR: when did the 500 word go into effect?
  - Laura: Not strict, just conserves space.
- b. WITR: 70 or so members, website redone last year. Can see top songs that have been playing. List of upcoming concerts around Rochester. Various programs on the station. Working on pod casting, not done but working on it. Schedule online. Only at WITR: list of recordings, automation logs, second largest vinyl collection in NYS, can see who is listening over the internet, e-board files on site, see last 10 reviews CDs. Major goal to cut down on paper, go mostly electronic.
  - Emily: Community members and students?
  - WITR: Yes
  - Matt: Have music you're allowed to play?
  - WITR: basic guidelines.
  - Senator: Talk shows?
  - WITR: There was one but it was canceled, he didn't want to do it anymore.
  - Cory: Advertisements on the station?
  - WITR: Yes, forms at the station and might be going online.
- c. CAB: Student service organization. Diverse entertainment. Events staff and publicity staff. Movie every Thursday night, Friday night in the RITZ, Saturday night stand up every other week, special events once a quarter, recreation and travel trips, major concerts, senior events work with RLI making senior only

events, and marketing staff promotes events.

- VP: How can organizations work with you?

- CAB: Contact us from the website about your event.

d. Merry Schading: Finance reports. If you need to buy something go to her or Carol or Dawn. EAF in order to make sure what you are going to buy is ok. Have one ready and signed. Kathy Hall can sign up to \$100. Dr. Heath, Carol can do more. Lenient with SG Cabinet and Senate. Tax exempt, cannot have tax on the receipts. Visa transactions went up 50% last year. Help appreciated. Don't give out account number for SG when EVRing an event.

- Cory: Financially certified?

- Merry: No.

- Emily: Issues with BJs.

- Merry: Have to look into that, hearing a lot about it.

- Matt: Kathy and I went, need your RIT ID.

- Senator: Wal-Mart issues.

- Merry: Ask before they ring it up, make sure they know how. E-mail or stop by with questions.

## 6) Cabinet Reports

a. Emily: still accepting NTID applications for senator. Have 3-4 applicants. Opening up graduate senator. Sign up for one on ones, bring goals. Right down office hours.

b. Matt: Put out NTID senator applications. Went to NTID retreat over the weekend. Had two workshops. Biggest feedback, want SG at more NTID functions and NCS meetings. Went to PP open discussion, more of a bash on Wilmorite about Internet, cracks in walls. SG not sitting on Eisenhart Selection Committee. SG will have a rep on the rewards committee when their selection is brought to them. USA Today- will be going over budget this year, more people reading about the election. T-shirt sizes and check for errors on your position.

c. Alay: \$33,000 left. Two or three organizations coming in working together for events.

d. Kaitlyn: Horton speaker registered, requested interpreters, send out e-mail to MSO's work on speech.

e. Matt: Beating CAB in ticket sales for Brick City.

f. Gerry: Meeting for iTunesU earlier. Create a rollout plan. Logistics for the plan. Work out and polish community watch program. Adding photo gallery and video streaming to website.

g. Kari: Working on publicizing Bill Nye. Add next Friday. Fliers out this week. Putting together kits in order to decorate your space in your college.

- Senator: Have a TV, just need it installed.

- Kari: Need pictures for certain people still. Need to get pictures ASAP.

h. Kiersten: GA for CCL: reviewing club recognition.

i. Stephanie: Committees to sign up for. E-Board members meet if you can't or someone else in your organization.

- Matt: Institute Council is important. Big decisions happen there. Please attend or have someone go.
- Emily: Date and Time
- Stephanie: Wednesdays 3-4:30. If you didn't get e-mail RSO's let her know.

## 7) Senate Reports

- a. KGCOE: meeting with Dean canceled. Rescheduled for Thursday. Starting to work on SG PR publicity, get name out of Rochester, into the US. Once a week, different times, table in Erdle Commons for ideas.
- b. Greek Council: Laura- Tail end of recruitment. Numbers looking good.
- c. RHA: Phil- BBQ Monday. Events in the works, RITchie's all around challenge.
- d. CAB: Megan- Crack Tour, Croc Tour, Brick City. CAB is hiring Grad Assistant, two event managers, one additional staff artist. Younger people that can be trained and stick around for a couple years. If interested send to website.
- e. Reporter: Laura: first 32 page magazine this week.
- f. GCA: Career fair. Meeting with constituents.
- g. COB: Dave- COB Picnic coming up, e-mail going out
- h. CAST: Frank- meeting for community improvement committee. CAST picnic Sept 30<sup>th</sup>.
- i. OCASA: Jackie- Coffee Break for transfer students. Using notebooks for student complaints mostly housing and PP concern.
- j. GCCIS: Dave- meeting with Dean on Monday. Clubs better this year, hockey night GCCIS is first night this year, tailgate party in RITZ before then, thunder sticks. Sharon Mason meeting from networking Women in Computing project, how can he help. Tanga new to Dean's office, runs alumni relations for the college. Wants to start new program student alumni network.
  - Matt: Open lab?
  - Dave: Have to sit down with IT department. Used to be a giant open lab, now it was broken down to separate services, big lab broken down into classrooms. Thought they hadn't cut down on tutoring or hours available. Space in 70 is big problem.
- k. WITR: New finance director, getting e-board financially and ever certified. Updating constitution. Working on pod casting. Going paperless.
- l. Global Union: town hall meeting for international students.
- m. NSC: Noella- interviewed people for NTID senator. More exposure to deaf community. Met with Alan Hurwitz. Audism Awareness. Color printing getting set up in lab for students.
- n. Cory- last year, posted activity for what we should be doing. Getting professors to use myCourses. Working on getting rid of GLBT senator, making an MSO instead to just represent organization.
  - Megan: None of my art teachers use myCourses. Don't like computers.
- o. ACA:
- p. Women's: Women's Center Student Advisory Board meeting this morning. Movie

about suffrage movement, sign ups for voting, beautifying bus stops.

- Cory: Voting thing CCL is doing, you can register with Phyllis Walker in the SAU and Gracie's.
- Megan: Absentee Ballot?
- Emily: Working on that.

#### 8) Advisor Reports

- a. Dr. Heath- Tunnel Tours were told to FYE class. Conversation with new CIO, asked about SG. Would love to go and hear students' ideas. Not overwhelmed, good guest to invite in. Campus Center/SAU- things are still progressing, demolition within next few weeks.
- b. Collette- FYE open, love to have you tell people what you can do for them.
  - Emily: Thinking about having senators going to their college FYE classes, other senators fill in holes.

#### 9) Old Business

- a. Parking- covered earlier.
- b. Housing- Matt: dorm challenge. Hard for hired admin to dedicate a week when they have a family. Time frame.
  - Motion for discussion Dave, second Cory.
  - Dave: Anything to say Kurt? Yield to Cory.
  - Cory: one overnight would be fine. Show up at the beginning of one night, there all day and night, shower in the morning then you can go.
  - CCA: Longer than 24 hours. Not enough time to see what everyone goes through. Dorm with students in a five or a four to see how hard it is. Ok with people with families, students away from families. They should experience that. Two or three days.
  - Jackie: Maybe a weekend. Student schedules varies, kids are there, can't drive on campus either. Can't do a meal option have to do Gracie's. Weekend has them around students longer.
  - Emily: Don't want to cut into their leisure time.
  - Phil: Agree with cutting leisure time too much to ask. Have to go stay the night, whole experience, eating the food.
  - Global Union: Thursday Friday Saturday, mixture of classes and weekends.
  - Dave: Do we have admin who is willing to do this or interest?
  - Matt: a lot of admin excited, but in Student Affairs. Mock move in on a Sunday, move in shirts, move out then have a forum where they talk.
  - Megan: High school fund raiser, teachers selected to wear costumes based off of money raised.
  - OCASA: Dr Heath doing it?
  - Heath: Don't know if on the list.
  - Gerry: Develop a kind of real world TV type of thing.
  - Emily: Can we do this?
  - Kurt: Call about reconfiguring room if there are a lot of people. In res halls everyday. Understand challenges. Possible to run, great idea.



10) New Business

11) Adjournment

- Motion to end meeting by Dave. Seconded by Phil.
- Meeting adjourned at 2:57.

Announcements

- Student Leadership Summit - September 13