01/01609 | 1-3pm | SDC 1300
1) Call to Order
   Called to order at 1:05

2) Roll Call
   *President
   *Vice President x
   *Finance x
   *Programming x
   *Public Relations x (late)
   *Director of Services x
   *Student Relations x
   *Organization Recognition x
   *Webmaster
   *KGCOE x
   *SCOB x
   *CIAS x
   *GCCIS x
   *COLA x (late)
   *COS
   *Women's Senator x
   *Freshman x
   *CAST
   *RHA x
   *NSC x
   *NTID x
   *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 (late)
   *Academic Senate
   *Staff Council x

3) Approval of Minutes
a. Happening Next week

4) Speak to the Senate
   a. ACS Fasion Show
      - biggest fund raiser and cultural awareness event
      - do not have enough funding, requested amount but did not receive
      - received half of what they normally get
      - preparing since mid-fall by fund raising
      - provided letter with expenses to Senate
      - Finance: what did you get last year?
      - Little over $400
      - Finance: major expenses are tech crew, FMS, ETC. Had $839 in account at the time. Did not cover tech crew because they already had an tech crew charge in their budget. Fund differently year to year.
      - Org. Rec: Reason not using budget you had?
      - Can't leave club in certain state for next year, have other things to cover in this quarter as well
      - VP: how much expected income planning on getting at this event?
      - $1200, have a history of selling out so this is just if they sell out
      - CIAS: income and budget match up
      - Finance: can't say that you're going to spend $1200 and then make $1200 and not give them any help
      - NTID: use ticket sale to replenish budget after
      - GLBT: get departments involved in donating
      - gone to them, advisor in Res Halls done as much as they can
      - show is next week, trying to do as much as they can before asking other people
      - more collaboration with other clubs this years, with more people there's more that needs to be done
      - NTID: use budget for now and use ticket sales to replenish
      - understand that, but can't expect all tickets to sell right before event. Needed the weeks before to plan. Usually how the event goes is put money into it and use tickets to sell to recover.
      - Org. Rec: what you make will refill bank account from what you spent
      - SAAC: motion to uphold finances suggestion?
      - Finance: looks to me you have enough to cover it, get reimbursed
      - not that we don't have enough now, but if show isn't successful don't want to have issues next year
      - Finance: you have enough money, if it bombs come back and SG will help
      - For motion: 11, finance committee decision upheld

5) Cabinet Reports
   a. President
- in class working on a project

b. Vice-President

- November person of the month: Cory for OUTSpoken and E-board set up
- December person of the month: Emily for Fall quarter being VP
- January person of the month: Phil for help with things like Dorm Challenge
- Dorm Challenge Sunday, 20 confirmed, Dr. Heath got their meal cards
- required attendance for this weekend
- the 18\textsuperscript{th} at 2 o'clock is a check in move in thing, not required but could use the help
- Agenda for Dorm challenge: the 18\textsuperscript{th} is check in 2-3, move in at 4, orientation, dinner at Gracie’s, 19\textsuperscript{th} go to work, breakfast lunch and dinner Gracie’s, spending time on their floor, 20\textsuperscript{th} breakfast lunch and dinner at Gracie’s, move out at 7, shuttling them to open forum at 8 (required event)
- FYE session next week, strongly recommended you go
  - OCASA: Jan 23\textsuperscript{rd}
  - Tiger Idol coming up

c. Finance

- reviewing finance committee guidelines

d. Student Relations

- orange and brown Friday’s, everyone should wear orange and brown at this meeting

e. Director of Services

- parking meeting this morning, most parking lots have 0 spaces available
- added another bus to bus routes
- new printer, PR department only for now, until we figure out how to lend it out to other groups
- blog for Dorm Challenge, videos will stream on site

f. Organization Recognition

- approved Rocky Horror as a club
- intents from: chess club
- Reporter: same group or just the club performing?
- No, 50\% or more as students and as it gets more popular more students, students running it
- if your organization hasn’t e-mailed about what you are doing for spirit week, need it ASAP

g. Programming

- sign up sheets next week for Super Bowl, rail jam, and tiger idol
- spirit week coming up, let her know if there are any changes

h. Public Relations

- main goal lately has been to advertise dorm challenge
- e-mailed last night, if you didn't put up posters last week, need to be up by Monday
- put up your fliers, its part of your job

6) Senate Reports
   a. Greek
      - two new groups coming
      - interest group for a new sorority, might have 3 new groups next year
      - planning Greek week for week 1
      - leadership summit less then a month away
   b. SAAC
      - fund raiser rose $2400
      - orange hair challenge didn't work out
      - both will do it next year
   c. COLA
      - apologize for missing last meeting, getting over flu
      - working to create College Advisory Board
      - CIAS: vending machine third floor of building, then disappeared
      - wanted one on second floor, put it on the third floor because of fire codes on the second floor
      - teachers were angry and appealed, machines were taken away because of possible fire code violation
   d. KGCOE
      - EE TA's complained about not having programs on computers, getting new programs
      - board for EE department so they can sell stuff
      - manuals that are usually printed will be put on MyCourses to save paper
   e. SCOB
      - a clubs town hall meeting rescheduled
      - clubs struggling, working with them to keep them alive
      - junior senior event for spring
      - advertising on computers for a while, will automatically update itself
   f. OCASA
      - working on spirit week stuff
   g. ACA
      - fasion show 31st
   h. Reporter
      - special issue this week, no magazine this week making a wiki page
      - RHA: votes for a topic?
      - No, voting has been taking place and stops tonight
      - once topics are chosen you can add to the pages about them
   i. Global
      - Asian awareness week coming, many events
- unification on Feb 7th
j. GCCIS
  - interim senator while Dave is away this quarter
k. CAB
  - open mic night in RITZ
  - next Thursday is the Goonies
  - Nas coming
  - Nick Swardson Feb 6th
l. NSC
  - new NSC president, old president resigned
  - Pulse Happy Hour next week
  - Org. Rec: super Pulse Happy Hour spirit week
  - Feb 6th
m. NTID
  - working to increase number of deaf staff, only have 12% at NTID
  - COLA: talking to other colleges to see if the can talk to their Deans about making that a requirement, think its a cool idea
  - haven't done so yet, just started
n. Freshman
  - thank you
  - e-mailed other applicants that ran to get their ideas
o. Women’s
  - take student survey, 3000 students replied so far
  - orange hair challenge began womens centers goal to increase attendance at womens event
p. WITR
  - replaced two turn tables
  - professor made turn table stand, made from things around station so its recycled
q. RHA
  - housing committee
    1. apartment inspections
    2. trying to find a way to provide results of inspections
    3. resending an e-mail about lamps
    4. microwave problems in the dorms, this year alarms are decreased
    5. discussed card swiping microwaves but too expensive
    6. then discussed a 30 second cap on the timer
  - dance on valentine’s day
r. Grad
  - apologize for not being here lately, personal things
  - e-mail set up
  - website for grad students, showcasing research projects
  - grad symposium, presenting thesis or projects
  - karaoke event coming up
s. GLBT/Outspoken
- small budget
- speaker series
- another SG get together

7) Advisor Reports
   a. Colette
      - yay dorm challenge
   b. Dr. Heath
      - check out the blog

8) Presenters
   a. Online Learning
      - work for Online Learning
      - Online Learning administers MyCourses server
      - 546 online courses last year
      - 34% of RIT students took one online course over the last 3 years
      - distance courses began 1979, online classes started 1996
      - Desire2Learn runs MyCourses under the hood
      - graph of student usage, faculty activity, filesize, and percent of courses using
      - MyCourses usage is all voluntary
      - most useful about MyCourses
      - RHA: homework
      - getting or dropping off?
      - RHA: downloading homework, drop box good too
      - Org. Rec: notes from previous courses
      - SAAC: knowing grades
      - CIAS: grade statistics
      - OCASA: syllabus before taking class
      - Org. Rec: discussions, especially if projects
      - OCASA: class list, seeing who's in your class
      - GCCIS: sharing source code, posting it so everyone can see
      - group lockers starting up, shared folder where as a group ou can have your files there
      - upward trend for college usage
      - PR: in CIAS defense, not really needed
      - CIAS: though it does depend on major, some courses need help, working on that
      - professors get pressured by students who want it used
      - Women's: what doing to encourage professor usage?
      - Blended learning, giving stipends to learn new approaches
      - shy students, or English is second language, NTID students all communicate easier online with discussion boards, helps learning
      - provide training every Friday
      - rank professors based on interactivity on MyCourses and recognize them
- RHA: tried looking at other statistics? Such as grades with MyCourses and without. Strong enforcer if grades are better with MyCourses
- not at RIT, have seen other studies and the are usually better though not sure how conclusive
- OCASA: some professors won't post grades, a way for students to make their own progress reports
- SAAC: like GPA calculator, input our grades so can have an our column and theirs so you can see what you need to get to get a certain grade
- Global: FYE topics how to use MyCourses, get professors to go to some instructional force
- have different training courses but are typically an hour and a half
- MyCourses spring training last spring, light attendance
- some Deans interested in adjunct training, requiring them to take it
- Grad: agree that going back and looking at past courses is helpful and see that size is increasing...will you increase server size?
- Space not a big issue, but searching through many old data to bring you your stuff
- backup and recovery is challenging too, if MyCourses needed to be restored it would take about 3 days
- Org. Rec: possibility of a download all option to save all files
- there is
- looked at statistics and not many look back at old material
- CIAS: last week heard from Provost and said it takes a long time to post grades, possible to make it easier to post grades?
- Not really, spread sheet view now that is fairly new, can import as well
- faculty can come in and learn things
- COLA: can't see any past courses on MyCourses
- call RIT Help Desk, should be a link
- Freshman: way to access other courses that a professor teaches with MyCourses?
- Not on MyCourses, can do that from Academic Planning
- Freshman: would like to see material before taking class
- can do that by registering for a bunch of classes and waiting the next day to see then drop what you don't want
- GLBT: taking feedback to Dr. Haefner or will present at Academic Senate

9) New Business
   a. MSO Stipend Proposal
      - some changes
         1. now covering up to 9 positions in total
         2. takes place next year
      - GLBT motion to discuss, seconded by ?
- GLBT: like how its up to 6 other positions
- CIAS: impact on finance available to clubs or separate?
- Separate
- RHA: money coming from?
- Believe CCL asking for budget increase
- Dr. Heath: budgets getting tighter, even if voted in it might not happen
- looking to be involved next year in how budgets are spent
- Women's: difference in Cabinet and MSO
- difference in time spent and meetings
- OCASA: they go to more meetings, cover more
- GLBT: as long as senators and VP and Pres are making same amount, have no input on the rest but went form being a senator to a president of an MSO and it makes sense they should get paid about the same
- GLBT: how affects employees paid hourly?
- Doesn't affect employee pay, different structure
- this for everyone but Reporter and CAB
- GLBT motion to approve, Global second
- in favor: 16

10) Adjournment
   a. SAAC motion to adjourn, seconded by RHA
   b. Adjourned at 2:54

Announcements