AGENDA • SG SENATE

08-09 STUDENT GOVERNMENT

01/30/09 | 1-3pm | SDC 1300

1) Call to Order

Called to order at 1:05

2) Roll Call

*President	x
*Vice President	x
*Finance	
*Programming	x
*Public Relations	x
*Director of Services	x
*Student Relations	x
*Organization Recognition	x
*KGCOE	x
*SCOB	x
*CIAS	x
*GCCIS	x
*COLA	x
*COS	x
*Women's Senator	x
*Freshman	x
*Grad	x
*CAST	x
*RHA	x
*NSC	x (late)
*NTID	x
*GLBT	x
*ACA	x
*Global Union	x
*WITR	x
*CAB	x
*Greek Council	x
*OCASA	x
*Reporter	x
*SAAC	x (late)
*Academic Senate	x
*Staff Council	x
*Dr. Heath	x
*Colette Shaw	x

3) Approval of Minutes

   a. Next meeting

4) Speak to the Senate
   a. Paul Solt
      - issue with transparency of the student government, no minutes posting since October

5) Committee Reports
   a. Elections Committee Report
      - changes to by-laws and elections rules passed out to senate
      - changes to clarify rules and make language easier to understand
      - require leaders of organizations using SG software to supply an updated list of constituents ahead of time to the committee
      - chair of elections committee establish a meeting time everyday in case needed, time is reserved but doesn't have to happen everyday
      - requesting election software to allow double majors
      - request that it be discussed if faculty members are allowed to provide opinions
      - add posting policy to elections packet
      - profile form in election packets
      - materials updated to reflect changes in rules and by-laws
      - changes be included, not just a new copy, but a list of what changed
      - three by-law parts to change
      - duties of vice-president, chair elections committee but change it to vice-president chooses a person to chair committee
      - explicit that copies are only in black and white, language simplified, posting policy change
      - can't be near voting booth on election day, can't use electronics to solicit votes
      - anyone on SG currently can't use resources to benefit them in election
      - cleared up how to handle complaints and grievances
      - COLA: removed 'of' in a sentence that it is needed in
      - its correct, there's a comma...grammar things
      - can't use Reporter, Twitter...can use Facebook, MySpace, your own website
      - added a line when applications are due and allows Kathy time to verify all candidates
      - GLBT: let us know when elections are so we can keep it in our mind?
      - Elections committee to decide
      - GLBT: allows three to four weeks of advertising?
      - Yes
      - change to director of student services chairing due to committees being under that persons job description
      - Pres: one inconsistency, what if director of services is running?

- That would be covered by vice-president being able to appoint someone
- Kathy: posting policy came from the President's Office, rules that you can't post in or facing building one
- should be covered in RIT Posting Policy, not elections responsibility
- students need to understand relevant posting policies in the buildings they are to be posting in
- SG shall oversee the running of the elections
- SG has authority to review the appropriateness of election advertising
- majority vote for making decisions, size limit for qua rem, chair can't vote unless to break a tie
- advisor on committee
- RHA motion to discuss, GLBT seconded
- GLBT: thank you for taking time to review and make amendments, pretty much every change for the better
- it probably seems like a lot of things are being changed, most everything being changed is just clarifications of what was there
- some big changes but not much
- VP: candidates can post facing building one?
- As of right now you can't
- VP: so if this changes you can?
- No, should check RIT Posting Policy
- Pres: not in the policy
- Colette: no written policy, but Kathy probably gets a call every year from the President's Office
- committee can now solicit action, if the sign posting policy is being violated by a campaign or Facebook campaigning is being aggressive then the committee can tell them to stop
- **GLBT motion to table, Grad seconded**

6) Cabinet Reports
   a. President
      - thank Kari for helping out Spirit Week publicizing
      - drastic improvements for Senate from last week
      - meeting with President went well
      - announced tuition will be raised 3.5 to 4%, need to be serious about economic issues, prepare organizations for budget cuts in case something happens
      - MSO's start talking about executive board about what can be streamlined or improved
      - who had a problem with registration?
      - Took a basic straw vote
      - will continue to apply pressure for a change in registration
   b. Vice President

- thanks for helping role shirts, office seems to be functioning for once
c. Programming
  - thanks for help with tiger idol auditions
  - thanks for all the help
  - super bowl is Sunday
  - soda pick up at three, help would be appreciated
d. Public Relations
  - just been posting for events
  - new printer is a godsend
  - tiger idol final fliers that need to be posted
  - pick up posters from Matt at the end of meeting, orange and brown fliers too for everyone to pick up
  - posters up by Monday
e. Student Relations
  - scholarships going up in two weeks, deadline March
  - PR will be read for that next week
f. Director of Services
  - SG Bugs up and running, will talk about that later, will hold lessons on it
  - charge backs are going over
  - Dir. Of Org: heard issues of charge backs, their fees covered the printer
  - charge backs cover cost of ink and paper, have to do it to use printer
g. Director of Organizations
  - sent e-mail out and only one reply from interim senator
  - some didn't get it
  - Women's: I did and I'm not a college senator

7) Senate Reports
  a. SCOB
    - nothing new, networking event Feb 6th
  b. Greek
    - highest attendance to a women's hockey game
    - new design for weekly news letter
    - clothing drive next week, selling each piece for a dollar
    - leadership summit
  c. KGCOE
    - things in progress
    - permission to open AIM account under KGCOE so people can talk after hours
  d. SAAC
    - went some places with e-board members to improve campus life
    - meeting with e-board and will bring it back
  e. COLA

- had five goals at the beginning but some were crumpled like vending machines
- collaborating with Grad on something
- COLA events coming up, such as skating night
- working on Student Advisory Board and a lock box with suggestions to get anonymous suggestions
- working on Career Fair, been difficult because RIT is very technology geared
- working to get more teachers to use tiger tracks and MyCourses
- breaks for two hour classes should be mandatory
- Grad: been working with career office for career fair?
- Yes, have meet before but not et this quarter, been working on other paths for this

f. COS
- construction going on, don't know what is being put in the building yet
- working to figure out what attendance might be, baby boomer's kids are graduating college and expecting

g. Freshman
- worked on Freshman website
- CIAS: what would be on it?
- Would be easy to navigate and have direct links to common things students look for

h. Reporter
- new issue came out, crowd source

i. WITR
- working to join national group

j. Global Union
- found three judges

k. NSC
- The World is One postponed to next Wednesday, different location
- Pulse Happy Hour next week, theme is orange and brown
- would like RITchie come to Pulse Happy Hour, know if anyone is available?
- CIAS: RITchie is still on vacation, have to find out if he is back

l. NTID
- Asian Deaf Club's Lunar Year, food, performances, costs $5

m. CAB
- tonight Friday Night in the RITs
- tonight Senior Wine Tasting
- ACA Fashion Show tomorrow
- Rail Jam coming up

n. Women's
- 4,000 responses on survey
- results coming out in March
- SAAC: raffle?

- Done Monday
  o. OCASA
    - had ski trip, went well
    - plan out apartment complexes
  p. ACA
    - Fashion Show tomorrow
  q. GCCIS
    - open houses
  r. Grad
    - business cards, met with Associate Dean
    - meeting with Dr. Johnson next week
  s. RHA
    - met with Dining Services Committee
    - trial run in spring, allowed more then one meal option per time period
    - Valentine's Day dance on Valentine's Day
    - White Out on the 6th
    - incentives for RA's not given out et
  t. CAST
    - flag football team possibly
    - contacted many faculty members to gauge their interest in a student-faculty game, and got positive feedback for a volleyball match.
    - dean would like to have a flag football league
  u. GLBT/OUTSpoken
    - after website is done, web master becomes another position on the board
    - ImagineRIT committee- looking for SG to run a BBQ in April again, all have to do is run it
    - can get names on posters for organizations that are helping out

8) Advisor Reports
  a. Kathy
    - work in office has been great
    - looking for pens that were delivered two days ago
  b. Colette
    - met with Ed and Matt Sunday night and some other leaders from other colleges
    - every college is struggling with relationship with city of Rochester

9) Presenters
  a. Bobby Colon
    - Office of Legal Affairs
    - presenting Records Retention Policy
    - issue: this institute generates a lot of documents on a daily basis, have to figure out what to do with them

- can do one of three things: keep everything, get rid of everything, meet somewhere in the middle
- problem: whenever RIT is named as a defendant in a lawsuit, have an obligation to preserve documents that ma be relevant, Litigation Hold Memo, to people who have relevant documents
- go through documents to determine if relevant and save it
- keep documents too long, costs RIT money
- have 30 – 40 years of purchase orders
- request for purchase orders from 20 years ago
- have that but machine to read orders was broken, wasted time and money to determine if had relevant records and it was determined that we did not
- policy gives definitions
- schedule identifies documents in broad categories, tells you how long you should keep these documents, and documents to keep permanently
- documents should be kept 6 years then destroyed
- identify official repository, where documents need to be maintained for given period of time
- official repository keeps it for the amount of time required, will be easier to find a document if needed
- this policy doesn't work if documents are not destroyed, therefore there is a document destruction day where everyone on campus must go through and destroy whatever falls under this policy
- SAAC: can you digitize documents?
- Policy makes no distinction between electronic or hard copy, but policy says it still must be kept minimum amount of time
- only thing that should be kept hard copy is original contracts with original signatures
- GLBT: records going back 30 years, is that current policy?
- No policy for record keeping, this is the first
- COLA: cost for policy?
- Yes, department will take day off to destroy documents, cost of storages
- some departments that would usually destroy documents right away would have to pay for filing cabinet or something for storage
- cost for paying company to come shred
- Women's: who's shredding? If people have already shredded, do they get day off?
- One person will be allowed to shred, dean must certify that documents were shredded
- CIAS: impact students classes?
- No, doing during summer
- impacts students, organizations are going to have to maintain documents that you wouldn't normally maintain, faculty members

are not allowed to keep certain student documents like grade books, grades, exams longer then two years
- could be an issue, professors like to keep things in case students want a letter of recommendation
- Grad: effect intellectual property? Such as grad students?
- There is an overlap, management policy applies only to an RIT record, created for RIT and being used by RIT
- IP student creates doesn't fall under

10) New Business
    a. Senate Goal Tracking
- filling in list
- CAST: student faculty game, yellow
- red = not much progress
- yellow = medium progress
- green = full speed ahead
- CIAS: implement Tiger Tracks, red
- CIAS: redesigning lounges, red
- CIAS: display case in SAU, red
- COLA: Green Committee, red
- COLA: Student Advisory Board, yellow
- COLA: Career Fair, red
- COLA: MyCourses, Tiger Tracks, Breaks, red
- COS: establishing new majors, yellow
- COS: co-op/internship relationship with RGH, red
- COS: new computer lab, red
- Freshman: working with redesign FYE, yellow
- Freshman: improve roommate selection, red
- Freshman: website, red
- Freshman: Freshman Advisory Board, red
- GCCIS: website, red
- GCCIS: beautification, red
- Pres: no one should be talking to clubs about becoming SG clubs, just provide a list of your clubs
- Pres: listing clubs could impact whether or not a student comes to RIT, looking for best way to provide leadership and financial support and communication
- Grad: making progress on all goals, doing a great job
- KGCOE: send Matt list of goals
- NTID: color coded listed goals
- SCOB: club portal, red
- SCOB: club handbook, red
- SCOB: business cards, red
- SCOB: business career fair, red
- Women: color coded listed goals

- VP: going to start doing this regularly, saying you met with someone does not count as an update
- VP: will start this with MSO's eventually

b. Amending RIT Posting Policy
- Pres: CCL posting policy says can't advertise alcohol
- Pres: Super Bowl posters from last year are not ok this ear because it was pointed out this year
- Women's: not focusing on alcohol
- Pres: agree, currently post about wine tasting
- Dr. Heath: SG can suggest something be done, but not within SG to change, can discuss but that won't change it
- VP: is it a campus wide posting policy?
- Dr. Heath: yes, voted on throughout institute
- Women's: what happens?
- Pres: asked to take down
- Pres: would like SG support to change the language
- CIAS: quality of event should not be determined by if there's alcohol
- Dir of Org: its a service being provided, not the center of the event, should be able to advertise services provided
- Reporter: whole document should be looked over, get a committee
- VP: agree, need a unified campus wide posting policy
- Pres: looking for one thing now
- SAAC: if you EVR an event you should be able to post
- Greek: if it was approved then it should be allowed to be posted
- CAB: doing events with alcohol, say cash bar with proper ID but don't say what it is, free alcohol shouldn't be what brings people to an event
- Pres: motion for anything?
- **SAAC motion to postpone to next meeting, COLA seconded**

c. Classroom Ethics & Expectations
- Pres: line blurring as to what is acceptable and unacceptable
- Pres: example: hat in class, if there's an argument where does that go
- Pres: ask what the best way to have this discussion is: open forum, e-mail, online forum
- Pres: quick ideas
- Many: survey
- Pres: looking for a conversation between people
- Global Union: involve person who deals with this on a regular basis
- COLA: Reporter thing
- Reporter: no
- SAAC: SG Open Forums, committee
- CIAS: start a survey to get topics, then do a forum

11) Adjournment

      a.   GLBT motion to adjourn, seconded by (unheard)
    b. Adjourned at 3:01

Announcements