

RHA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEETING

March 14, 2007

Roll Call; Absent: FSA, ESA #1, #2, CHill #2, FC, Smith, ULC #1.

Guest Speakers

Approval of the Minutes

Minutes from March 7th approved.

Executive Reports

President: Tim Gallagher

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-Housing sign ups are down; they're goal is that it will be up tomorrow. This won't affect preferences.

-It happens every year. You have until the 20th to sign up.

-NCC-IT apps are online. The NCC-IT studies underneath Paul to become the NCC position for next year.

-I met with transportation. They're talking to someone about changes and suggestions. I talked about concerns that we had and the GLC green route getting another bus.

Vice President of Administration: Patrick Wiseman

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-IDC met this morning, minutes will be online from this morning.

Vice President of Communications: Adam Weiss

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-Secretary training will be happening this week. I'm expecting most of them and some have contacted me. If you see them in the halls let them know and remind them that they have to get in contact with me.

Vice President of Programming: Megan Brodale

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-We're planning RezFest and reverting back to the old version and theme. It was originally panned as an alternative to Greek Week. We're basically putting on a Greek Week version for housing. There are going to be medals and it going to be lots of fun.

Treasurer's Report: Lisa Stuber

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Programs: **\$ 28,837.61**

Capital Outlay: **\$ 13,277.28** *Last weeks total; treasurer unavailable.*

She's out sick so the totals are from last week to give you an idea.

National Communications Coordinator: Paul Anderson

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-No-Frills was this past week. A few things went on. Tim was involved with a piece of leg for alumni association.

-We elected a new director for region and is replacing the old guy.

- 3 positions open on the board.

- We also got points of interest on issues we've been having.

Standing Committee Reports

Residence Hall Improvement Committee: Matt Scrudato

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-You need to come to me about capital improvements if you would like them.

-We've been working with Glenn and the GLC about they're improvements.

Elections Committee: Xi Liu

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Programs Committee: Megan Brodale

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Public Relations Committee: Amanda Kilbrew, Ravi Trivedi

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Information Technology Committee: Marc Bruce

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Internal Development Committee: Patrick Wiseman

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Special Committee Reports

- Housing Priorities Committee;

A lot of freshmen signed up for housing priorities committee. We need more diversity and would like more upper classmen. If you know anyone who is interested please let them know.

Special Orders

EO 07-019: SGA Residential Campaigning Regulations

Every year the SGA lets us set policy about how candidates run and campaign in residence halls. Generally the policy is that if you let one candidate of an office into campaign, you have to let all the other candidates of that office in as well. Additionally, you still have to conform to housing policy, i.e. they have to have an escort etc. SGA campaigns start the day after spring break.

SSA; Wryen: If we say yes do we have to escort them?

No, they just need to be escorted by someone living in that dorm. We are in no way responsible for the candidates.

SSA; Brian: Does anyone in that dorm qualify?

Yes, the specifications are the same as in the housing policy.

Old Business

- 07-044: FFM-FC Hall-Olympics **P** **\$3100.00** Hector R. Alejandro

We have the burger bowl reserved, and a max of 800 residents. Not much else to say since we presented last week.

A2; Ryan: Are you going to be mandating that people wear proper attire and have you run this past risk services?

We'll be cleaning up the area before the event to make sure there are no dangerous materials.

CHill; Iain: Pre-made burgers?

Yes, Boca Burgers.

CHill; Matt: Have you gone before risk management with these ideas?

We have a waiver they would sign.

CHill; Matt: Have you gone before them?

No.

Towers; William: What events will there be?

lists off events

Chill; Iain: How will you be handing out the prizes?

We're forming committees for prizes to be dispersed.

???: Who will be in the dunking booth?

People ranging from myself to RLCs to PLs.

???: How many funds are left in your HC budget?

About \$500 in FFM.

A2: How are you going to decide about the charity?

It's going towards relay for life.

FoC: Lists off which account funds should be taken from.

- Egg toss; P
- Sack race; Co
- 3-Legged; Co
- Relays; CO
- Balloon catch; P
- Rubix cubes; CO
- Slip and slide; stricken due to the fact that we have plastic in the Fun Shop.
- Cups; P
- Plates; P
- Food; P
- MP3; P, provided four or more were purchased

- T-shirts; P
- PS2; stricken due to the fact that it exceeds the \$100 limit.
- Pizza; P
- Misc.; P

Motion to amend with FoC recommendations:

???: Is there a way to suspend to \$100 policy?

Yes, but I do it and I don't see a need.

Amendment passes

Chill; Iain: I feel it's a well organized event. This is the ideal event.

Glenn: How are you going to prevent people from outside from coming in?

A lot of competitions are hall to hall and building to building. You have to sign up in the dorms to participate.

Towers: Can you run off CO items?

Runs off CO items.

Bill passes.

• 07-045: GLC Treadmill CO \$5000.00 Tobey Fowler

We're trying to get a treadmill since the residence of the GLC nocturnal and the CRC is generally closed during those hours. *lists off Stats* It was one of the cheaper yet worth while treadmills. It has a commercial motor (AC motors can be used for more than 5 hours a day). GLC has passed and allocated \$800 of its budget. We only have \$1200 left so we're willing to donate a good amount of the money towards this. We're asking for funds out of CO and we know it's a lot of money, but I want you to keep in mind that it's less than 50% of CO left and we need to spend this money. We currently have 2/3s undergraduate residents there, but with the new housing in the NAA it will most likely revert back to a majority of grad students. FoC can't approve things that are free on campus so keep in mind that it's just recommendation.

Additionally, keep in mind that our students can't access the free service of the CRC at all times.

"The only thing worse than an angry grad student, is a fat and angry grad student."

We also talked to the CRC and the AA and neither of them have treadmills. Additionally, we've gone through the CRC so we're getting a discount and we're going through people we trust.

SSA; Wryen: How many students?

300

RHIC: Passed it and we can install it.

FoC: Couldn't pass it since it is available on campus already.

Glenn: They've done they're research and they've made sure that they have the best quality product that doesn't exceed practical cost and I feel it will build community.

CHill; Iain: They've done their research and gone everywhere they could. They've gone to both the AA and the CRC.

SSA; Wryen: I was a little worried about using this much money for 300 residents at first, but the more I look at it the more I realize that this must also take into account future residents.

Towers; William: Where does this money go if we don't spend it?

It gets rolled over to next year.

Towers; William: I think we should pass it; it's good for people who need it.

Motion to vote: Passes

• 07-046: Whitewater Rafting Trip P \$400.00 Sheldon Smith

Jason White; PL in Glenn presenting.

Our plan is to take residents from FE north and we're asking for \$390 (amended). \$13 per resident and they pay \$13 themselves.

FFM; Aya: If it gets passed when are the sign ups?

We'll delegate that to the hall councils.

???: How much is Glenn giving?

The maximum amount, \$4 per resident going.

CHill; Iain: Have you done this before?

Yes

Towers; William: Could you guys suspend the bylaws and get more money from the local hall councils?

We tried that last week and it was denied.

FFM; Aya: What if it rains?

ULC; George Ray: There's no HC contribution?

No.

CHill; Matt: Is there a way you could take care of transportation?

Generally we take MARTA in large groups.

Open Forum

BroHo; Ben: Can we suggest that they facilitate to build a bridge over North Ave.?

It's already on their radar. They have to seek approval from the city of Atlanta first.

Towers; William: Can we do the brass bucket thing?

We'll consider it.

Brass bucket (explains)

Woodies: What dorm got their funds axed and can they get it back?

They can get it back if we feel they start conforming to policies.

Harris: How does the NAA affect prices, will apartments be cheaper?

I don't believe it affects them.

GLC; Tobey: Is there going to be any parking reform?

No, there's 750 parking spots and they're hiring 10 new cops, 5 permanently always available, etc.

GLC; Tobey: Will there be any breaks in the prices?

No.

Towers; William: Will the GA State sign be removed?

Yes.

IX. Miscellaneous Business

X. Announcements

XI. Adjournment