

Student Government Association Minutes
February 11th, 2014
Cascia Hall

President: Tony Brunco **Vice President:** John Ferraro
Secretary: Mackenzie Goebel **Treasurer:** Tim O’Leary
Member at Large: Max Zhang

Members present: Allison Langone, Sue Ung, Kate Mermelstein, Brenna McDonald, Tayla Bertolino, Shane Pacheco, Neil Gagnon, Brooke Coupal, Brendan Shea, Jennie Votta, Shelby Luna, David Qin, Julie Salisbury, Shakee Messina, Molly McKenna, Baloun Ma, Colin Sherman

Members absent: Sarah Connelly, Lauren Folino, Lauren Foster, Katelyn Davis, Ashleigh Concetti, Jessica Arsenault

- Mackenzie motioned to start the meeting at 5:10PM
- Tony went over announcements: We hit 68 units at the blood drive so our celebratory pizza party is coming soon. It’s our Valentine’s Day celebration, thanks to everyone for participating. The snowman contest on the past snow day was a success, again thanks for everyone’s participation.
- Mackenzie took attendance.
- John motioned to approve the minutes.
- John motioned to move the agenda out of order to allow our guest speakers to present.
 - Patrick Spiegel from athletics introduced the “Battle of the Classes” competition. Its purpose is to improve attendance at the hockey games. He is looking for suggestions to improve and promote the activity, which will be held on February 21st. Students in attendance at the game of the winning class will receive “VIP” access to the spring concert. An email will go out for students to nominate a student from their class. Students will earn points for their class based on when they pick up hockey tickets as a way of trying to encourage early pick up. The competition will take place during first intermission. Among questions asked by members, there was further explanation of details. Students will be filtered through several entrances, which makes it hard to track and award points for attendance. SGA members will be tabling to get nominations and gather interest during lunch Thursday and Friday, weather pending.
 - Julian, a graduate student completing her fellowship in office of the provost, will be working as a liaison between SGA and the office. She is interested in attending meetings and receiving concerns and feedback to direct to the provost.
- John motioned to put the agenda back in order.
- Max asked for reports committees.
 - Campus Life Committee: Julie reported there have been suggestions to brighten up some of the residential halls, maybe putting chalk paint on the walls or incorporating a gender neutral accent wall. Julie motioned to open a discussion about the residential hall improvements. Mackenzie likes the idea. Molly brought to attention allergies. Kate

likes the neutral color idea. Shane asked if the chalk would be black or green. Julie motioned to close the discussion. Julie also reported that Donna discussed redoing the laundry rooms in Ash and Monican, but needs to look into the contract. Donna is also interested in adding white boards to certain residential areas. Campus Life has narrowed down names for the new under 21 space and the four stand outs are Jack's Place, 47 Luge, 47 Lounge, or 47. Julie motioned to open a discussion about the name. Many members felt 47 sounds like a modern name for a modern space, but are leaning towards 47 Lounge. John motioned to close the discussion. Julie asked that the provost search committee email Donna with feedback about the interviews. For new business, the committee should discuss the possibility of a new student organization space that will stay with the Office of Student Involvement, as well as ask about the cup give-away policy.

- Dining Committee: Jennie reported the committee met with Ross and Michael and discussed Accepted Students Day. Sparky's serves better food for the accepted students because the Office of Student Involvement funds it so there is more money to work with. Sparky's will work on the presentation of their food for regular hours as well as work to improve the food served in MPR on these occasions. Jennie reported the smoothie bar is a success and there is a goal of custom orders in the future instead of just the one designated flavor per day. At the meeting, they discussed showcasing local food in Sparky's and working on incorporating more local foods. Jennie also said there will be a surprise addition coming soon within the next couple weeks.
- Finance Committee: Tim reported the committee overcame an issue with a certain organization but now all is well.
- Campus Infrastructure: Brendan reported the committee is still waiting for a meeting with Maria. For new business, Tony asked they bring up the smog between Cascia Hall and the Sak. He also suggested creating online work orders for facility concerns and incidents instead of calling 5FIX and leaving a voicemail. The committee may want to plan a sustainability forum "mack meeting" with the facilities and green team.
- Academic Affairs: David had nothing new to report.
- Public Relations: There was nothing new to report. The committee should create a Trifold Poster to go on display at events.
- Student Organizations Committee: John reported there was a potential organization that was unable to present today due to certain college policies. The committee will be working with the group in hopes they can qualify in the future.
- Relay for Life Committee: John reported Shakee designed a team t-shirt with a price of \$21 per shirt and the wristbands are selling well.
- Resident Life Committee: Tony asked that the committee meet up and prepare for a meeting with Sara Hicks.
- Get Out The Vote Committee: Mackenzie announced there will be a future meeting.
- Tony reported we will be ordering our "swag" sweatshirts, members should pay Allie ASAP.
- Tony reported the Warrior Of the Week is Chris Hart. Although Chris has a schedule conflict with the meeting time he continues to stay involved with the Relay team and is constantly tabling.
- Shelby said she has concerns about the walls of her room in House 3: infrastructure concern.
- John motioned to close the meeting at 6:02PM.