Senate Minutes March 13th, 2013

I. Meeting called to order at 6:09 pm
II. Quorum Call
   a. Present: 19
III. Approval of Senate Minutes
   a. Motion to pass
      i. Second
   b. Minutes passed
IV. Approval of Cabinet Minutes
   a. Motion to amend that Public Relations Chair Billy Finnegan was present, he was just late.
      i. Motion approved
   b. Motion to pass
      i. Second
   c. Minutes passed
V. Special Business
   a. New Club
      i. Guitar Club
         1. They are already an established club on campus, but they would like to be SGA recognized. They have levels of difficulty, including beginner, moderate, and advanced.
         2. Questions
            a. Senator Gary Duff asks how many members they have
               i. They have 20-30 members
            b. Senator Ortal Weinberg asks what kind of funding they are asking for
               i. It will probably not be too much, since they will only be asking for picks and clamps
            c. Spirit Chair Melanie Perry asks if they plan to perform and who is teaching the lessons
               i. They are performing next week in the Gameroom and they are having a show at the end of the year
            d. Senator Arthur Currier asks if they are going to do any fundraisers
               i. They are participating in Hofstra for Congo.
         3. Speakers
            a. Motion to skip debate and go straight to a vote
               i. Second
            b. Vote on skipping debate and going straight to a vote
               i. Motion passes
   4. Vote
      a. For: 17
      b. Against: 0
      c. Abstentions: 2
   5. Guitar club passes and is now and SGA recognized club
   b. Club Tournament Portfolio presented by David Caputo
      i. Purpose of club tournament is to created a sense of unity within the teams
ii. 4 different events throughout the months of April
   1. Trivia
   2. Volleyball
   3. Scavenger Hunt
   4. Tug of War

iii. All events will have food provided by Lackmann

iv. Clubs will be awarded for placing in events, as well as for attending events.

v. Prizes
   1. Money up to $250 for t-shirts
   2. Pizza party for up to $100
   3. Lunch with an administrator

vi. Event will be promoted through Public Relations!

vii. Programming Chair Chelsea Gillyard asks if even if a club does not win in a game, they will still get points in attendance. So a club can not win any game, attend them, get 700 points, and get a prize?
   1. The point system was developed to keep track of attendance.

viii. Senator Ortal Weinberg asks how the point system will be tallied.
   1. The points will be calculated at the end of the tournament

ix. Senator Aly Guarino asks what is considered club attendance? Is it one member, two, or ten?
   1. On the online form, there will be spaces for how many members are attending. Clubs will need a minimum of 9 and a maximum of 12.

x. Appropriations Chair Megan Andrews asks when the portfolio is being sent out to clubs?
   1. David created the template this afternoon and sent it to Robyn. He is waiting for her to get back to him.

xi. Rules Chair Alyssa O’Brien asks if any clubs have signed up yet
   1. Not yet. The form has not gone up yet. Once it has been approved by Robyn it will go on the website.

xii. Senator Aly Guarino asks if there is a way to email all of the clubs in the event that they don’t see the flyer?
   1. Yes, Club Relations Chair Cameron Freitag can email them.

VI. Executive Board Reports

   a. President Ron Singh
      i. We have had a really good showing at Student Appreciation Week! Students were very excited, and we had excellent participation from Senators.
      ii. The last time we checked, we had a little over 600 polls!
      iii. Visit other committees! Help them if they need help!

   b. Vice President Andrea Standrowicz
      i. Wants to reiterate everything Ron said! She is very proud of all of us and how awesome this week has been.

   c. Comptroller Yeri Lee
      i. Made a pie chart! From the beginning of the semester until now, clubs spent $75,000 of SGA funds and around $18,500 of their income.
      ii. Funding for Relay For Life onsite fundraisers!
          1. Relay teams can submit their electronic budget proposals.
          2. They will allocate up to $150 for on site fundraising events.
          3. Only for undergraduate teams
iii. Collegiate Link finances are updated
iv. Budget Weekend is April 18th, 19th, and 20th!
v. Yeri will have additional office hours in case any clubs stop by!
d. Secretary Alyssa Legnetti
   i. No report

VII. Committee Reports
   a. Appropriations Chair Megan Andrews
      i. The total amount requested was $6,373.55, and the total amount allocated was $5,633.96.
      ii. SASA actually requested $1,200, not $1,020
      iii. Motion to pass
          1. Second
      iv. Minutes passed
   b. Club Relations Chair Cameron Freitag
      i. Club Congress was on Monday and it went really well!
      ii. No meeting this week so no report
   c. Programming Chair Chelsea Gillyard
      i. Build a Friend was last Friday and it was AWESOME! There was an amazing turnout!
      ii. SWEAT U was also a huge success! There were 40 people there, which is amazing for a weekend fitness class at 11:00 in the morning.
      iii. Jail and Bail is this Friday! BUY A WARRANT IT’S SO MUCH FUN!
          1. If you want to volunteer, sign up on the Google Doc!
      iv. Relave is April 13th!
      v. Marc Elliot is tonight! Hope to see everyone there!
      vi. Athletics is working on a tyedye event on April 13th in the afternoon! That day, there are about seven home games happening, so athletics is planning a fun event!
      vii. Class Committee is working on class pinnies! They will be about $10.
      viii. Novelty is planning events for next semester
      ix. Multicultural is planning events for women advocacy speakers. They are also doing work on a fashion show that they want to have in the fall.
      x. Promotions is working on Svet Promotions!
      xi. Motion to pass
          1. Second
      xii. Minutes passed
   d. Public Relations Chair Billy Finnegan
      i. Last night, some flyers were finalized!
      ii. Ron’s bipartisanship flyers were finalized by Maura.
      iii. Quarter Sheet is going to be made for Town Hall which is next Wednesday.
      iv. Jesse and Billy have begun planning a Suggestions at Hofstra in person
          1. Tentative date for this is April 3rd.
      v. Billy and Ortal began planning the press conference for the second semester. It will be invitation based, and Ron’s State of the SGA report will be put online.
      vi. Committee is also going to the Budget Weekend flyer
      vii. Motion to pass
          1. Second
      viii. Minutes passed
e. Rules Chair Alyssa O’Brien
   i. First rules meeting with Alyssa as chair was last night!
   ii. Guitar club came and we helped them with their constitution.
   iii. Senator Tevon Hyman brought up some ideas about Rules maybe taking on a polling project.
   iv. Motion to pass
      1. Second
   v. Minutes passed
f. Spirit Chair Melanie Perry
   i. CAA trip was this past weekend and it was a huge success!
      1. We lost the first game but that’s ok! It was a great experience!
   ii. Worked on planning Hofstra-palooza.
   iii. Working on common hour music and sent a proposal to Sarah Young in OSLA
   iv. Made nomination form for the athlete spotlight.
   v. The compliments event is happening, they just have to book a table.
   vi. Talked about new ideas for next semester that came out of the SGA at the Corner event.
   vii. Motion to pass
      1. Second
   viii. Minutes passed
g. Student Services Chair Jesse Lender
   i. Brainstormed ideas about putting on a community service event separate from the Community Service Day.
      1. Looking to do something a little bit different and out of the ordinary.
   ii. Motion to pass
      1. Second
   iii. Minutes passed
h. Academic Affairs Chair Jesse Lender
   i. The Provost Scholar reception has been set for April 18th, (Thursday) from 4:00-5:00. Sign up sheet is being passed around
   ii. Reached out to Academic Scheduling about getting clocks on the south side of campus.
      1. Waiting for results to get back from polling
   iii. Reached out to the Plant Department to see if they could help hang the clocks if we eventually get them.
   iv. Motion to pass
      1. Second
   v. Minutes passed

VIII. For the Good of the Order
IX. Announcements
X. Snap Cup
XI. Motion to adjourn
   a. Second
XII. Meeting adjourned at 7:13 pm