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The regular weekly meeting of the Rollins College Student Government was held on Wednesday, October 10, 2012 at 6:35 pm, at Rollins College in the Galloway Room, the Chairman and Clerk being present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as correct.

This meeting was conducted as a “paper Senate” because of a town hall meeting that was held during the normal Senate time about Rollins Institutional Priorities. Thus, the meeting did not follow the normal structure and instead revolved entirely around the conversation about the priorities with Dr. Toni Holbrook. The notes from the discussion with Dr. Holbrook are as follows:

Questions about the priorities:

1. Explain more about consulting
 - a. Make use of faculty expertise
2. For the credit hour reduction what are the patterns that emerged when deciding that?
 - a. Proposal has been worked on for about 2 years
 - b. Part of the argument is that courses are more rigorous
 - c. Reduction in general education will be from 13 or 14 gen eds to about 5.
 - d. Some majors will be reduced
3. What is the 5+1?
 - a. A faculty teaching proposal
 - b. They normally teach 3 courses in the Fall and 3 courses in the spring
 - c. This frees up room in the schedule to give a course off
 - d. The plus one is used for RCC and study abroad courses
4. What is the Sophomore Year experience?
 - a. There was a major gap of students being lost between the 3rd and 4th semester and 2nd and 3rd semester.
 - b. An experience that can be modeled after the RCC courses in 1st year
 - c. Retention is at 46% to 47%
 - d. The new Gen Ed curriculum is intended to be developmental and it will build
5. Can you explain the year round curriculum?
 - a. The thoughts of the committee were that students would not be able to attend a community college during the summer to fill in the Gen Ed requirements
6. Would there also be core classes integrated into the major to facilitate transfer students?
 - a. There are no professors contracted in the summer
7. How soon on implementation?
 - a. Some of the ideas are going to be implemented as soon as now
 - b. Student success coaches are being used now
 - c. Other programs may begin in 2014



- d. The digital portfolios are being compiled next fall when the new general education is implemented
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8. Will transfer students be affected the next fall?
 - a. They must be under the new general ed requirement as they are newly matriculated
 9. How will the new curriculum affect students transferring from Rollins?
 - a. Other institutions will evaluate the courses that are being offered at Rollins
 - b. There should not be an issue transferring credits to another institution
 10. What exactly is the difference between digital portfolio and digital liberal arts?
 - a. Foliotec allows students to build four years of work in an electronic file cabinet that lets you keep certain pieces that are done
 - b. At the end of four years you can use your portfolio as type of resume
 - c. It is a permanent record of what you have learned while here at Rollins
 11. Will it affect the Honors Program?
 - a. This has not been discussed yet
 12. Is the year round school going to be starting 2014?
 - a. There is no clear answer
 - b. It is a current possibility that needs further studying
 - c. This program has become contentious among the faculty
 13. Can you explain the pervasive career planning?
 - a. Making career planning something that pervades every four years that you are at Rollins
 - b. How does your major fit what you want to do at the end of the day
 - c. Student success coaches will be used to help sort out what the students interests are
 14. The student coaches are trained to separate visions of academia?
 - a. Their role is the find out what YOU want to be doing
 - b. They are designed to find out what you personally would like to do
 15. Would a first year who would like to make a four year plan, would they go to faculty advisor and success coach?
 - a. Coach will have basics laid out and will work with faculty
 16. How do you move forward with this plan and will there be student implementation in the committee?
 - a. Not sure as to what the Board of Trustees want to do as far as implementation
 - b. Maintain all of constituents involved
 - c. Collecting feedback from the community

The Executive Reports were as follows:

- a. President



- i. Remember to attend and promote the second Town Hall meeting tomorrow at 12:30 pm in the Galloway Room.
 - ii. Review the SGA Constitution for our next meeting.
- b. Vice President
 - i. Back to regular meetings next week
- c. Chief Justice
 - i. No report
- d. Academic Affairs
 - i. No report
- e. Finance
 - i. Finance reps and I will be meeting to plan out proposal for the Finance and Services Committee this week.
- f. Internal Relations
 - i. Will be updating the SGA website soon and am collaborating with Robert on other ways to reach out to student body through the internet.
- g. Public Relations
 - i. The public relations committee will meet next week
 - ii. Don't forget to like the Facebook page.
- h. Student Life
 - i. Student Life is having their next meeting Oct. 23 (two weeks)
 - ii. Please email me with any issues you have regarding student life
 - iii. I have a meeting with Leon Hayner this week regarding some student life issues, more info to come.
- i. Events
 - i. The Pink Out is this Saturday
 - ii. Would like everyone to attend
 - iii. T-Shirts will be sold outside the game
 - iv. Please support by wearing pink to the game
 - v. Halloween Howl
- j. Advisor
 - i. No report

The Organizational Senator reports were given as follows:

- a. Residential Life – Raghavendra Kc
 - a. No report
- b. Panhellenic – Lyndsey Lang
- c. IFC – Pete McGoldrick
 - ii. Coalition for the Homeless October 25th through the 28th
 - iii. Organized by JUMP
 - iv. Brent Turner hosting Ladder of Risk Workshop for organizations
 - v. All new member information must be sent to IFC and Cynthia
 - vi. IFC info session on October 10th at 8pm, in McKean Hall
 - vii. Perhaps a Fraternity / Campus security barbecue



- viii. Campus Security is welcome to attend the IFC hosted Grill-Off (11/17)
- ix. IFC/Panhellenic Grill -off 11/17
- x. IFC supports RIP show on October 23rd at 11pm
- xi. All Fraternities are having meet and greets throughout the semester
- xii. Minimum of 2 meet and greets
- d. OCE – Michelle Preston
 - a. No report
- e. SAAC – Jenny Nilson
 - a. No report
- f. REP – Sam Finan
 - a. No report
- g. OMA – Michael Cardwell
 - a. No report
- h. Transfer Students – Gruchenska Monsada
 - a. No report
- i. OSS – Melanie Leon
 - a. No report
- j. International Students – Darshneel Rajguru
 - a. No report

The meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm.

Carlee Hoffmann, Internal Relations Chair