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The regular weekly meeting of the Rollins College Student Government was held on Wednesday, April 17, 2013 at 6:30 pm, at Rollins College in the Galloway Room, the Chairman and Clerk being present. Roll was taken. The minutes of the previous two meetings were read and approved as correct.

Executive Reports were given as follows:

- a. President
 - i. Honorary Resolution for Steve Nielson
 - ii. Board of Trustees Ad Hoc Committee Meetings
- b. Vice President
 - i. VPSA Candidates on Campus Interviews
- c. Academic Affairs
 - i. Blended Learning designation
- d. Finance
 - i. Sunrail Update
- e. Public Relations
 - i. Tabling April 24th for feedback and water bottles
- f. Student Life
 - i. Officially vote on SHIP proposals next week
 - ii. Next week is our last meeting
 - iii. Voting to approve the changes made to the student handbook
 - iv. Any concerns about what I should bring up?
 - v. Out of SHIP money, continue pilot into the fall and reassess
 - vi. Come see me if you are interested in applying for Student Life chair
- i. Events
 - i. Last SGA Meeting will be in Bieberbach Reed
 - ii. Feedback from LipSync
 - iii. Transition Folder for next years Events Chair. Feedback appreciated
- ii. Advisors
 - a. Special thanks to Kasey

Organizational Senator Reports were given as follows:

- g. Panhellenic
 - i. SGRho new member presentation
- h. IFC
 - i. Transitioning to new Exec Board
- i. REP
 - i. Hit the Deck next Friday
- j. OMA
 - i. Week of Action this week
- k. OSS
 - i. Transfer student info sessions went well
 - ii. Looking for two new grad assistants

Ad Hoc Committee reports were given as follows:

- l. Foods Services
 - i. Presentation by Jamba Juice did not go so well

During Open Forum, the President mentioned that next week is the last Senate meeting. He also reminded everyone that this meeting also encompassed the Week of Action SGA Open Forum.

Next, a Senator said that he had been successful in changing some of the printing policies. This includes making double sided printing the default, adding a method to check printing allotment through Webprint, and possibly switching to print-heavy courses and academic related printing only next year. He also asked if there was any Senator who might be interested in following up with this issue next year.

Another Senator motioned to have an Informal vote to bring an outside vendor on campus. The floor was opened for discussion. A Senator said that she was skeptical of bringing a smoothie vendor on campus because of the proximity of Tropical Smoothie and Powerhouse, however she noted that bringing a vendor on campus means that students could use their r-cards. The President mentioned that there is a franchise fee with bringing other vendors on campus, so if Sodexo is willing to make a good investment in creating a new menu, students might appreciate having a new option. However, if Sodexo is going to have the same kinds of menu options, it might be worth it bring someone new on campus. Another Senator said that the chefs who work in the Campus Center are good, and if they were actually willing to make new things then it would be well received. Another Senator said that the new café in Bush will be Sodexo, and the new outside vendor café would be in CSS. The Internal Relations Chair said that making “fresh” food items is hard because students are in a hurry on their way to class and don’t have a lot of time to wait. The Student Life Chair said that students would be excited to have anything besides Sodexo, so she expects they would get a return on their investment. A Senator agreed and said that nothing will be as fresh as people want it, but something new will be good. Perhaps the new vendor can inspire Sodexo to do new/better things. Another Senator said that they should make sure there is something of nutritional value for INB students who are always in the CSS building. Another Senator asked if there was a way to have other vendors besides Freshens and Jamba Juice brought on campus. The Food Services Committee Rep said that it is possible but as of right now those are the only two being considered. He asked for suggestions from Senators. The President said that Sodexo needs to diversify their options, and that they are capable of doing so. A Senator mentioned that having an informal vote might be a powerful way to make the students’ voices heard. Another Senator suggested that in the past Sodexo had brought in outside chefs for a week at a time; this could be a way to try new things.

Next, the Public Relations Chair mentioned that Executive Board applications for next year were online, and to apply if interested.

Next, the Vice President asked if there was any feedback about the new smoking policy. A Senator said that it had probably caused more issues than it solved and wasn’t very effective. She said she still sees people smoking on campus because there is no way to regulate the policy. Another Senator said that he has actually seen a reduction in smoking and some people respect the new smoking areas. He said he believes there is a cultural change on campus and that it will take some time for everyone to catch on. Another Senator agreed and said that most people are getting over the changes, and smoking has been reduced slightly at least. Another Senator said that it has a lot to do with location and that some spots are used more than others. Another Senator said that it is a matter of change and will definitely be a more gradual change. Another Senator said that the Office of



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Student Success can start to implement the smoking policy with first year students through Peer Mentors and RCC courses.

A Senator mentioned that if anyone was interested in Exec next year but is going abroad for a semester, to talk to her.

Another Senator mentioned that there will be a mini marathon to honor Boston at noon on Friday.

Another Senator said that there will be a Pinehurst program to de-stress for finals. She also said there is a free concert tonight and that Rollins Hall still has open rooms for next year.

Lastly, a Senator mentioned that there will be Earth Day activities on campus tomorrow.

The meeting adjourned at 7:17 pm.

Carlee Hoffmann, Internal Relations Chair