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The regular weekly meeting of the Rollins College Student Government was held on January 22, 2014 at 7:00 pm, at Rollins College in the Bierbach Reid, the Chairman and Clerk being present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as correct.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Approved
- IV. Executive Reports were given as follows:
 - a. President
 - i. Senator applications
 1. 1 Holt senator
 2. 3 seniors
 3. 2 juniors
 - ii. Potential senate speakers
 1. Penny Parker
 2. President Duncan
 3. Head of campo- Ken Miller
 4. Head of food services
 - iii. Office hours:
 1. Romulo: Friday 11-12
 2. Gianna: Sunday 3-4
 3. Gabby: Monday 4-5
 4. Alex: Monday 10:45-11:45am
 5. Rob: Tuesday 9-11am
 6. Liz: Monday 7-8
 7. Faithe: Thursday 10:45-11:45
 8. Zach: MW 9-10am
 - iv. Organizational Senators
 1. New REP senator
 2. OMA will have a new senator by Wednesday
 - v. SGA President and VP stipend split to pay exec and senators for incentive
 1. \$3,000 for 38 positions
 - vi. Fox Day Recommendations
 - vii. Update minutes in Legislation on Website (Liz)
 - b. Vice President
 - i. Senator Contracts
 1. required constituent outreach
 2. Organizational Senators have to use their constituents
 - ii. Dining Services
 1. Main Agenda: Getting another restaurant on the meal plan
 - c. Chief Justice
 - i. No report
 - d. Academic Affairs



- i. Department Chairs Meeting on Tuesday: Professors will not give students feedback until late in the process. Issues with students realizing they are failing after the semester is over. Affects bad student or honor student.
 - ii. Summer program approved in Germany and semester program approved in Ireland.
 - iii. Registration protocol changed.
 - e. Finance
 - i. Fox Funds Meeting on Wednesday
 - 1. Most you can ask for is \$2,000 per request
 - ii. Current Fox Funds budget: \$17,090.70
 - iii. Current SGA Budget: \$12,078.00
 - f. Public Relations
 - i. Website is up to date
 - ii. Lipsync email sent campus-wide
 - iii. Tabling for Lipsync
 - 1. January 28 or February 11
 - iv. Committee meeting after Senate
 - g. Student Life
 - i. Smoking Policy
 - ii. Extra \$15,000 to SHIP budget
 - 1. \$400 general cap for domestic conferences
 - 2. \$1,000 for international conferences
 - 3. App deadline is Feb 12
 - h. Internal Relations
 - i. PSC Meeting
 - 1. Committee is changing how student course evaluations affect faculty tenure promotion
 - 2. Grant Proposals
 - 3. Appeals Committee: PSC recommends slate for committee. Members of the committee do not approve of this idea due to issues of confidentiality and procedural problems.
 - i. Events
 - i Lipsync: April 2
 - ii. Legislation for lighting: \$3,500
 - iii. Spirit Week meeting Thursday Jan. 30 Warden 1-2
 - j. Advisors
 - i. No report
- V. Organizational Senator Reports were given as follows:
 - a. Panhellenic
 - i. Recruitment Orientation tonight
 - b. Residential Life
 - i. RA applications open: rollinsjobs.com
 - 1. Individual interview and group interview
 - 2. Due midnight Feb 3
 - c. Transfer Students
 - d. International Students
 - i. Florida International Students Conference



- ii. New advisor
 - iii. Survey cultural and history events
 - iv. New and improved cultural events this year
 - e. IFC
 - i. Men's Recruitment next Monday-Friday
 - f. Rollins Entertainment Program
 - i. Welcome party Jan 15
 - ii. Children's Hospital Charity event tomorrow
 - iii. Feb 2 super bowl party
 - g. OMA
 - h. OSS
 - i. OCE
 - i. Holiday Fun Fest: Success!
 - ii. Planning week
 - j. Sustainability
 - i. First meeting of the year tomorrow
 - ii. Learned from Water Bottle Campaign: new and improved this year!
- VI. Ad Hoc Committees
 - a. Food Services Committee
 - i. Adding new restaurant to meal plan
 - b. Facility Renovations
 - i. Green tour of campus tomorrow
 - c. SOS
- VII. Old Business
 - a. Discretionary Spending Legislation tabled
- VIII. New Business
 - a. Junior Senator Election
 - i. Elise Albin elected
 - b. Senior Senator Election
 - i. Alassandra
 - ii. Kyle Davis elected
- IX. Open Forum
 - a. Speakers for Senate
 - i. Trustee Member
 - ii. Campo member other than Ken Miller
 - iii. Mamta
 - iv. Head of dining services
 - v. Dean or President of Faculty (Hader)
 - b. Stipend incentive for Senators/Exec
 - i. Reduce stipend for President and VP
 - ii. Romulo is against the idea: the money could be better spent elsewhere.
 - iii. John: Great idea for incentive, even if small.
 - iv. Samar: Better idea would be providing dinner



- v. Elise: Disagrees with monetary stipend for exec and senator. Maybe academic credit instead, more feasible approach.
 - vi. Kassie: Disagrees with idea. Hold people more accountable to job instead. People should be here because they are passionate and interested about the position.
 - vii. Ed: motion for informal vote
 - 1. For: 7
 - 2. Against: 11
 - viii. Robert: A lot of schools across the country have monetary incentives. If you don't fulfill senator contract, you don't receive stipend.
 - ix. Ed: Appreciates feedback from those who are against the stipend, but this could improve the pool of candidates for elections.
 - x. Richard: Approves of the idea, but some people will run for the position only for the money, may attract people who are not qualified or attracted to the position for the right reasons.
 - xi. Bob: likes academic credit idea.
 - xii. Zach: Fewer people running for the right reasons rather than lots running for the wrong ones.
 - xiii. Rudy: wants to use the money for Fox Funds, scholarship, etc.
 - xiv. Meghan: portrays the wrong image- we are supposed to be serving the student body
 - xv. Robert: Chief Justice needs to step up.
 - xvi. Ed: we should look at the process of writing and approving the senator contracts...as of now it is sort of a top down edict from exec and has no constitutional standing.
 - xvii. Richard: credit no credit for SGA
 - xviii. Alex: PR make a survey for student body instead of voting within Senate.
 - 1. Ed: Motion to form ad hoc committee to form a new senator contract: Senator Contract Committee
Committee not approved
 - xix. Graham: get stipend after serving 2 terms
- c. Constituent outreaches
- i. Graham: hard to find constituent outreach forms
 - ii. Robert: new policy: you just email Zach giving email with info and results
 - iii. Richard: confusing-- different kinds of constituent outreach.
 - iv. Robert: should be creative, not tabling.
 - v. Samar: Students don't like the soccer stadium. May be already in the works, possibly turf.
- d. Academic Affairs
- i. Athletics getting priority sign-up for classes.
 - ii. Informal vote pro or against athletic getting priority registration with 3/2, honors students:
 - 1. For: 11
 - 2. Against: 6
 - iii. Middle ground, perhaps with the junior class instead. Or, athletes that keep above a 3.00 GPA



- e. For PR: Rollins 360: positive PR for SGA
- f. Fox Day Ideas
 - i. Buses for Beach.
 - ii. Losing money with events on campus
 1. Activities for later in the afternoon—pool party, beer garden at night. A lot of agreement.
 2. Sara: Fox Day comes from President, OSIL delegates.
 3. Zach: The school should ALLOW buses to come to campus.
Sara: It's a serious liability for the college to allow people to drink so much. Let's talk about a safer way to go to the beach.
 4. Fair on campus! Logistic issues.
 5. Barbeque ending later, breakfast is a good idea.
 6. Resolution from SGA asking for Holt to actually observe Fox Day. Good idea, but not practical because it is equivalent to missing a week and a half of classes.
 7. Paddleboarding was successful last year.
 8. Ad hoc committee to discuss Fox Day. Controversial idea.
Support for SGA to support Fox Day motioned and approved.
- g. Smoking Policy
 - i. Student Life Committee wants the opinions of SGA
 - ii. Unrealistic to ask students not to smoke. Unfair to ask people not to smoke at their home. No need to change current rule in place.
 - iii. Campus Safety does not have to enforce the policy. At other colleges, it is a *cultural* environment enforced by students. Signs for No Smoking would help, but they were being torn down. "Your Student Body Has Asked You Not to Smoke Here."
 - iv. Informal vote for having smoking zones: majority approves. Majority not in favor of smoke-free campus.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.

Faith Galloway, Internal Relations Chair