

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

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MINUTES—Tuesday, October 18th, 2011

Call to Order:

Approval of Agenda:

Agenda approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes approved unanimously.

E-Board Updates:

Mike, Vice Chair: Tomorrow from 2:30- 3:30 pm, it will be Rock Your Semester! Hopefully everyone comes and eats free CAS food. You can choose classes, learn what to expect from classes, and look at syllabuses.

November 15th, get your resource on here during our regular meeting.

And on November 15, there will be a professor recognition dinner in the ballroom. There will a representative subcommittee formed to select the winners and plan the even. We would like club help for teacher nominations. It is to thank teachers and remind everyone of all of the professors' scholarly work.

Andrew, Treasurer: Andrew attended treasurer training for all of the clubs. Reminder: all receipts by 14 days after event. One club hasn't done that, so please make sure to submit them, as it is required.

Iwona, Comm. Director: "What Mike said!" If you have a professor in mind that you want to recognize, please email to AAC account. In the email include your name, major, professor's name, department, class or how else you know the professor. Email any time soon, also tell your club members. We want to recognize excellence!

Dara, Secretary: Have a good midterm week. Also, please register as a member of Academic Affairs Committee on Knightlink.

Justin, Chair:

SA general meetings are ten times crazier then AAC meetings. Tomorrow there is a big reading for a \$50,000 dollar increase to the concert fund, so please come tomorrow if you have an opinion.

Club Updates:

History- First orientation for the airfield museum is on Friday. They are bringing nine new kids. They will be looking at uniforms, equipment, and possibly starting work on a stake display

French – n/a

Executive Board

<i>Chair:</i> Justin Shapiro	saaac
<i>Vice Chair:</i> Michael Vaughn	mpv4
<i>Treasurer:</i> Andrew S. Perry	asp8
<i>Secretary:</i> Dara Gell	drg7
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Anthropology- The club is having a pumpkin sale. It is tricky organizing the moving of 300 pumpkins!

PRISM- They had a game night and they played taboo. They are going on a maze trip on October 29th, which the group will hear more about this soon. The maze is in Rochester from 3-7pm. They are meeting in south parking lot at 2:45. Everyone has to use math to get through the maze, but it is so lots of fun.

Sociology- During the AAC meeting there is a forum on gender issues happening.

Chemistry- The club is going to the Rochester Museum of Science. The club is volunteering to do demo for children on Saturday.

English- November is National Novel Writing month. The challenge is to write a 50,000 word novel in one month! There will be events on Facebook and writers house

Geology- n/a

Spanish- It was a small meeting last week. They discussed new club policies, such as a new rule that all members must attend 50% of the meetings. They also talked about service events. They went to the diabetes walk and helped with flood relief in Owego. Next week they will be carving pumpkins.

Geography- They went to a museum in Ithaca.

SOTA-n/a

Business- n/a

Speech Pathology- Sunday is the walk in Rochester fundraiser for speech pathology clinics. The club is planning on attending.

International Relations- n/a

Psychology- Club members helps at the alternatives for battered women event yesterday. Lots of was money made! On November 2nd there will be a bowling professor-student mixer

Biology- The club is currently selling merchandise

Provost Time:

You guys are doing wonderful stuff!

The Provost asked the dean's office to try revamping the advising program. If you have suggestions on how to process, please help, we want to improve. Peer advising? Professional? Faculty? Please share your opinions to help the students get as much for the program as possible. Also, the school is currently trying to fix problems with class enrollment. There are real pressures on the sciences and other department, which cause bulges in enrollment. The problem can only be fixed gradually though. Please share any ideas to ease pressures, possible though advising or recruiting students. Possibly they could instate hard caps on majors, though that is not the preferred choice.

Tomorrow, October 19th a Saint Marys professor, who is on the middle states accreditation team, will be visiting the school. This is a preliminary meeting, like a warm up for March visit with the whole team. Some time in November there will be an open forum on the report he gives after his visit tomorrow. The report will be available to all. Hopefully everyone will pay attention if you have time. This is our ten-year visit, so the accreditor will look at whole institution. This is a good opportunity to look at college and to share your experiences and perceptions.

Treasurer's Time:

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Off campus we have 8,000 dollars

Old Business:

08-1112- Anthropology club's trip to Montreal

The club had a "newbie meeting" on Sunday at 8pm to invite non-anthropology club members on the trip. They put down their \$50 deposit, meaning they bought their slot at the conference. There will be a grad school fair with 19 colleges there. The trip consists almost evenly of anthropology and non-anthropology majors. The trip is November 18-20th. There will be seven cars driving. Once again, the club representative reminds the group that this is the club's only big trip. She says, "we are almost set to go, we are going! Just letting you guys know!" People are really excited to go.

Discussion:

Justin says, "As rows of ducks go, if they have any ducks they would be in a row"

There is a motion to vote on the reading. The reading passes unanimously/

New Business:

09-1112- Biology club's "Zoo Snooze" at the Buffalo zoo.

This trip is for all of the biology majors that are not pre-med or pre-dental. The Buffalo zoo snooze is an interactive display where people sleep surrounded by glass and animals interact with the visitors all night.

The next day the group as a free pass around the zoo. They can interact with animal's vets and animal specialists, which is great for pre med and pre vet students. They are not renting a bus, but rather they are organizing car pool. This money is for admissions. The biology representative says that the club would great appreciate AAC's support.

Justin offers the club living accommodations at his home in Buffalo. Then he asks why they are only allocated \$3.00 for food, and if dinner is subsidized.

The biology representative replays that the cost for admission provides dinner and breakfast. The trip will cost the club \$17 with AAC funding.

Discussion-

Vote passes unanimously. Justin says, "Thank you for not motioning to wave first reading."

Open Discussion:

Justin says "Rock your semester is tomorrow. I need at least one person from your department to sit and answer questions for an hour and 15 minutes and you get free food. It is in the lobby of union tomorrow. It really is helpful for freshman; it is like an informal Rate My Professor"

Adjournment:

8:02 pm

Respectfully Submitted by Dara Gell, Academic Affairs Committee Secretary