

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

State University of New York, College at Geneseo
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MINUTES—Tuesday, September 14, 2010

Executive Board

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Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Approval of Agenda:

Agenda approved: Passes unanimously

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes approved: Passes unanimously

E-Board Updates:

Justin, Treasurer: Office hours will be held at 2.30 – 3.30 on Mondays and 11.30-12.30 on Thursdays.

Meghan, Chair: Office hours will be held at 10.30-1.00 Mondays and Fridays, and 10.00 – 11.00 on Tuesdays.

Checks are issued on Wednesdays, so make sure you have enough time.

Club Updates:

Emily, English: Reading of favorite poetry during meeting.

Pallavi, PRISM (Math): Sweat Shirt and water bottle sale soon.

Kathy, Speech Path: retreat for children with developmental problems.

Nick, Political Affairs: Planning a trip to Washington D.C.

Audrey, Anthropology: no new updates.

Brendon, Econ Society: collaborating on ideas for the article in the bi-weekly.

Steve, Philosophy: held discussion on identity

Allison, Accounting Society: no new updates

Theater: school of the arts is presenting Museum in Brodie, which started this week Tuesday and continues through Saturday.

Samantha, Geology: Selling Apparel

Sociology: no new updates

Steve, Psychology: held second meeting

Jenny, Chemistry: no new updates.

Matt, Amnesty International: Planning a trip to Boston, meeting on Thursday.

Megan, Spanish: No new updates.

Kathleen, Geography: e-Board meeting on Wednesday, planning a trip to the geographical center of New York State.

Mariel, Biology: starting t-shirt sale soon, Alzheimer's walk, Teresa House walk.

Joe, Physics: Planning a trip to Niagara Falls to tour power plant; colloquium in the Physics department on quantum mechanics, quantum physics, open to all in Newton 204.

Chris, Astronomy: no new updates.

Nick, History: planning trip to Washington DC next Monday.

Jesse, French: Planning upcoming trip to Montreal.

Emily, School of Business: accounting society is holding a "Meet the Accountants" on Thursday; mixer Friday.

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Treasurer's Time:

Off campus events: 6500.00 dollars
On campus we have 2340.41 dollars

Old Business:

04-1011: Be it resolved that the Academic Affairs Committee allocate up to \$1,500.00 to Cothurnus for their annual trip to the Stratford Shakespeare Festival in Stratford, Ontario:
Second of two readings.

Planning to go to Stratford Canada on Friday, October 8th to the 10th and staying 2 nights. All different majors and years are welcome. Are advertising with messages in "what's up", posters, and are requesting full amount from AAC, because the totals of everything are coming close to are 6 thousand. The \$1,500.00 will be used for the ticket fund and for residence. The students will pay for their own meals.

Discussion: what's Cothurnus: theater club.

Passes unanimously.

New Business:

05-1011 Be it resolved that Academic Affairs Committee appoint Provost Long as the sub-committee's Adviser for the 2010-2011 school year. First and only reading.

Provost long served as adviser last year, had some great discussions about administration, and it's great that we have her as a resource to know what's going on campus.

Passes unanimously.

06-1011 Political affairs club is Planning trip to Washington D.C. and requests \$1042.12. This trip creates an opportunity to students pursuing law degree. This is the third annual trip; it was a lot of success over the past years. Fifteen people will be going, and it was advertised in "what's up." Only asking \$99 per student, but it was originally \$168 without AAC funding. The whole trip will total \$2977.50. Students will spend 3 nights and 4 days in Washington D.C. Will be going from October 14th to the 17th, which is the weekend after we get back from fall break. This is the first of 2 readings.

Passes unanimously

Open Discussion:

Elimination of the Who's Who awards and possible replacements- AAC has traditionally been in charge of every year. It's a national recognition thing, which students apply for. We have a sub committee, however it's been underutilized, so there are alternatives to run this program, like getting in contact with Follett and Sundance to create a textbook scholarship with the money instead.

QuizBowl at Geneseo- AAC used to run QuizBowl, which is a regional competition in February, but we can try to get a quiz team going, and plan to have a Geneseo tournament, with random teams and see if we can get the ball rolling for a regional tournament.

Rock Spring Semester- Started last year, it is peer advising geared toward new students that might not have good sense of the department in what they're thinking of majoring in. Every department has a table where different professors provide syllabi, so there's a glimpse of what's

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being provided. No date has been set up yet, but we'll figure it out a date that would be best for registration.

SA update about the Spring Concert – want an increase for 70k more for the concert. It's a lot of money, it's an investment, so at Wednesday's SA meeting, it will be brought up in open discussion.

Provost Long: She is involved in curriculum issues, looking at a curriculum change in upcoming years. Talking about 4-course load, not a 5-course load; most courses would be 4 credits, not 3 credits. Also looking at change in general education requirements, specifically at ways to internationalize curriculum.

Also, there will be one more meeting to submit readings of over \$1000.

Provost Long: Thinking about Washington Center which provides internships in Washington DC, specifically semester-long internships. Will be looking for nominations and applications of students that may be interested. Students would be working for 30 hours, and scholarships are being looked into. While interning, students will also be able to take 1 course.

Adjournment

This meeting was adjourned at 7.27 PM.