

# ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

State University of New York, College at Geneseo  
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## MINUTES—Tuesday, September 27, 2011

### *Call to Order:*

### *Approval of Agenda:*

Agenda approved: Passes unanimously.

### *Approval of Minutes:*

Minutes approved unanimously

### *E-Board Updates:*

**Mike, Vice Chair:** Save the date! On October 19<sup>th</sup> during all college hour, is Rock Your Semester! Spread the word. Any assistance that your clubs would like to give would be greatly appreciated.

**Iwona, Comm. Director:** Doing a workshop on advertising on October 4<sup>th</sup>. Come learn about publicity and promotion get the word out about your club!

**Justin, Chair:** Treasurer training is coming soon! Andrew, as AAC treasurer, might represent your clubs; we'll get back to you on that. Club presidents (and treasurers if Andrew can't represent you) must attend! All training workshops will be in the college union room 322-323.

Dates: October 12<sup>th</sup> @ 3:30-4:30 pm

October 13<sup>th</sup> @ 3-4 pm

October 14<sup>th</sup> @ 11:30am- 12:30pm

Don't forget!

Also, this is a reminder that all club funds totaling over \$1,000 must have completed request forms in by this Friday! We want you to spend our money, so make sure you have everything in by Friday so we can give give give!

### *Club Updates:*

**Geography-** Wednesday, weather permitting, will be a student- professor lawn party. Chance to socialize, play some bocce ball! Doty Field, 2:30pm.

**French-** N/A

**Psychology-** Next week is mental health awareness week. Showing *Eternal Sunshine of a Spotless Mind* October 3<sup>rd</sup> @8pm in Newton -room TBA

**Philosophy-** Last week was an interesting talk on free will vs determinism. This week will be on collectivism vs individualism.

### 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
<i>Comm. Director:</i> Iwona Drapala	iad1
<i>Advisor:</i> Provost Carol Long	long

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**History-** Sporcle parties! This Friday new members will be taken down to the airfield to start training, hopefully they can start working there soon!

**PRISM (Math)-** N/A

**Sociology-** 2<sup>nd</sup> place (to their surprise and delight) at a Habitat for Humanity competition! Nicely done Sociology club!

**Spanish-** Wednesdays meeting will have a professor panel. People can pick a professors name out of a hat and ask them random silly questions. Sounds muy fun.

**Chemistry-** On October 16<sup>th</sup> the club will be volunteering at the Rochester Museum and Science Center.

**SOTA-** Cothurnus is going to the Stratford festival in Canada! This is a great annual trip, tons of shows at a fair price. Very exciting!

**School of Business-** The New York City trip was fun and informative like always! Big lights, big city, big accounting firms. ☺

**English-** Last week's meeting had a great turn out, 24 people. This week they will be discussing the worst books ever, with hilarious excerpts included.

**Anthropology-** At the last meeting they discussed attending a meeting concerning AAA forum. Also, calling all guys! There is only one guy in the club and 15 girls. He needs a bromance ASAP!

**Speech Pathology-** Members volunteered to assist the handicapped. Brownie points Speech Pathology club!

**Political Affairs Committee-** They are excited for their DC trip in December.

**Physics-** The fall picnic was a great success.

## **Provost Time:**

Celebrating the Sciences went great. The alums that attended were fascinating, other clubs should think about asking so exciting alums to come visit. They are great connections for when you leave college.

The college's Study Abroad/ Study Away fair is Wednesday October 5<sup>th</sup> from 11am- 3pm. Check out the study away internship in Washington D.C. It's a new program from fall, spring, or summer. Internships create fantastic connections. It's a science policy based program, but all majors are welcome to apply. There are five \$3,000 scholarships through the school. There are also three \$2,000 from D.C for STEM majors. It's a nine-credit internship, with three academic credits and three leadership credits. (I apologize if any of this information is incorrect; please double check with program advisors at the fair on Wednesday)

## **Treasurer's Time:**

Off campus events: 3,500 dollars

On campus we have 8,000 dollars

## **Old Business:**

N/A

## **New Business:**

**04-1112:** Corhurnus Club needs \$1500.00 for the Stratford Shakespeare Festival. It's a great trip to Canada that the club goes on every year. They get to talk to the actors and see four shows.

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There are 48 people attending with majors ranging from math to theater to English! The trip costs around \$10,000, with \$3,000 being paid for by Corhurnus, assuming they receive the money from AAC.

Steve motions to waive the first reading. Justin warns everyone that it is policy to have two readings so that everyone can have time to think motions over before passing them. He recognizes the body's right to wave the second reading, but discourages it. The body votes on motion to wave the second reading. It passes 8- 6, with 1 abstaining.

Justin reminds the club that AAC does not reimburse the club for professors attending the trip. The representative says that the club will pay for the factuality separately from AAC funds. Justin then reminds the representative to go to the SA office for passenger- driver agreement forms.

Q- Is this the clubs only spending for the year?

Justin- They might come back later in the year asking for more.

Justin reminds the body that for funds of \$500 and up, the club must have the fund more than a week before the event.

The reading passes unanimously! Have fun in Canada!!!

## ***Open Discussion:***

Justin wants to bring an AAC sponsored speaker to campus, right now he is thinking about Bill Nye the Science Guy!!!

Who do you all want to see?

Q- What do the speakers credentials need to be? Do they need to be academic?

Justin- Preferably, but not necessarily

Q- Can I motion to bring Bill Nye as a speaker

Justin- We'll see, if everyone is interested maybe.

Some other suggestions are Neil deGrasse Tyson and Elie Wiesel. Justin asks that anyone with suggestions please email him.

Q- That would be us hosting a speaker for the whole campus?

Justin- Yes. It would be an "AAC presents..." speaker. And it would probably not be able to happen until next semester.

Provost Long suggests looking at the MacArthur Fellows as possible guess speakers.

## ***Adjournment:***

7:59 PM