

STUDENT ASSOCIATION MEETING

State University of New York, College at Geneseo



Executive Committee

President: Brendan Quinn
Vice-President: Jarah Magan
Directors:
Academic Affairs: Diana Zuniga
Business Affairs: Adam Gross
Inter-Residence Affairs: Vinita Mishra
Public Relations: Chad Salitan
Student Affairs: Jason Park, Acting
Student Programming: Nicholas Guy
Advisor: Tamara Kenney

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Dir. of SA Programs,
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Student Association meetings are Wednesdays at 6:15 pm in the College Union Hunt Room. All are welcome to attend.

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Call to Order:

The Meeting was called to order at 6:15 pm with all members of the Executive Committee present.

Approval of the Agenda:

Adam moved to amend the new business readings to say 19,20,21-0708 instead of 20,21,22-0708.
Approved 5-0-1 with Adam abstaining.

Approval of the Minutes

Reading 17-0708 minutes should say SMA instead of MSA. Adam said the SA logo should be the new one. Vinita corrected her updates from last week. Regional Conference applications were due on 9/26, not in October.
The minutes were approved 6-0-0.

Updates

President, Brendan Quinn updates:

Brendan attended the IRC meeting and was the open discussion speaker. He also attended the ACE meeting, CAS Board of Directors, divisional student campus life with all the staff members. There was a presentation by Chip Matthews on organization recognition. He went to the organization recognition meeting on Monday so SA will continue to be recognized. He will be meeting with Dr. Bonfiglio on Thursday and he will be at the homecoming parade on Saturday. SA is looking for students to be on Student Court and USAEC, Undergraduate Student Association Election Committee. Brendan makes the appointments which will be approved by the SA executive board. USAEC runs elections on campus, candidate publicity, guidelines, as well as elections appeals. There are 10 positions open. Applications are located outside of the SA office. These positions do not require a lot of time commitment but if you are intending to run for class office or SA executive board, you cannot be part of the USAEC. Brendan is also looking for 2 students to fill the openings for Student Court, Chief Justice and Associate Justice. He is looking for candidates with parliamentary skills, especially for the chief justice position. The Chief Justice candidate also needs to be someone that will be able to review and fix the Student Court guidelines. If you have any questions about these positions, email Brendan at sapres@geneseo.edu.

Vice-President, Jarah Magan updates:

None

Director of Business Affairs, Adam Gross updates:

2nd Treasurer Training session will be on October 3, 1:45 in CU 322/323. Geneseo Organization for Deaf Association's budget is frozen since they missed two SA business meetings.

Director of Inter-Residence Affairs, Vinita Mishra updates:

Applications for the Regional Conference were due on 9/26. If anybody is still interested in going, please contact Vinita. IRC had their first full board meeting. They are getting ready for a mini-retreat with the full board.

Director of Public Relations, Chad Salitan updates:

Chad will be going to organizations' meetings. If any organization wants free advertisement on the Lamron, email Chad at sapr@geneseo.edu. Chad is offering a chance to win a SA glass jar full of candy. Return a confidential questionnaire about SA at the next meeting. This is so that SA can better serve its organizations and to get ideas for open discussion speakers.

Director of Academic Affairs, Diana Zuniga updates:

AAC now has a full board after elections. Diana will be going to a task force meeting with the Curriculum Review committee on Thursday. Contact Diana if you have any opinions, suggestions, or questions you want her to bring up at the meeting.

Interim Director of Student Affairs, Jason Park updates:

There will be a meeting for Intercultural Dinner after the SA meeting. BSU joined the intercultural dinner, which makes participants to 8 organizations.

Director of Student Programming, Nick Guy, updates:

Nick attended the CAS Board of Directors meeting on Tuesday. CAS will have a new executive director, Mark Scott, starting 10/1. There are open AC positions in the coming up elections. Contact Nick if you are interested in joining AC. Window Painting is today. Tomorrow night is Lip Sync, and Friday will be the Luna Negra dance group for only \$5 for students. Saturday night will be fireworks.

Kate Rebban, Director of SA Programs, Personnel, & Finances updates:

None.

Tamara Kenney, SA Executive Committee Advisor updates:

None.

Open Updates

Club Sports Association updates:

Jen from CSA updated on the games from last week. Tennis won against RIT on Sunday 5-4. They also won against Binghamton. Crew will had a scrimmage against UofR. Ultimate will have a game in Buffalo this weekend. Water polo is also having a scrimmage against University of Rochester. Women's Ice Hockey will have their first game against UofR. CSA's next meeting will be on 10/10, 1:30pm in Schrader 1.

Geneseo Area Gaming Group updates:

Bill from GAGG updated that they will be hosting a Board Game event, including possibly Candyland, during Late Knight on Friday.

Model United Nations updates:

Humza said MUN will be going to their first conference of the year in Georgetown on Thursday.

Happy Birthday Chad!

Old Business

17-0708: BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE allocate up to \$360.00 from Budget Increases, Account 1099 to Student Music Association, Account 1604 as per the attached budget.

Second of two readings

Jesse from SMA came back this week with answers from last week's questions. As for possible speakers, they are hoping to host Mercury Rochester Opera Company. Two of the lead role performers are interested in speaking at Geneseo. As for the duplicating, Dave of SMA is skilled at Adobe and will design posters himself or will ask SA graphics for designs. Jesse requested to raise their budget to \$400.00. Line 10 will be for office supplies, \$20.00. Line 20 will consist of events line, \$300.00, Holiday Party, \$115.00, and Original music "composium", \$115.00. Line 01 will be \$150.00. Supplies will be for general office supplies, and extra duplicating costs. Programming line will be \$300.00 for two speakers. By decreasing the number of speakers, SMA will be able to make one speaker event better. Holiday Party and the "composium" were originally at \$130 but they proposed to reduce it to \$115.00 to balance out the budget. Since there will be fewer events but since SMA is asking for more money than last week, they increased the fundraising to \$150 from \$100.

Questions:

Jarah asked if the speaker event can be funded with only \$150 since they are professional musicians. Jesse answered that Dr. Froriano informed the speakers that this is for a students' club and that they do not have a lot of money. Adam asked how SMA will fundraise. Jesse clarified that they will be charging for the Holiday Party and the "composium". SMA is not planning to charge for the speakers. Brendan clarified that if any club charges admission for its events, according to Financial Policy, student must get the lowest ticket price. There has to be a differentiation between student and faculty/general admission prices.

Discussion:

Nick was impressed with SMA's new budget. SMA found a middle ground between SA's request and SMA's original budget request. Jarah agreed but SMA's new requested budget seems too high for a new organization. Vinita said SMA's budget seems reasonable and praised SMA for using local resources. Nick moved to amend the reading. Chad seconded. Brendan clarified the amendment. Line 10 will be for office supplies, \$20.00. Line 20 will consist of events line, \$300.00, Holiday Party, \$115.00, and Original music "composium", \$115.00. Line 01 will be \$150.00. The total budget will be \$400.00

Discussion on the motion to amend the reading:

Jarah said she still thinks the budget is too high. Adam thought since SMA is still only going to have two speakers, their income line should be lowered. Chad said from looking at SMA's success last year, they are capable of raising \$150.00. Humza from Model UN said that they will be able to raise that money considering their success last year, and they can alter the ticket price as they see fit. Adam agreed with Jarah and said that the budget is too high for a new organization.

17-0708, voting on the motion to amend the reading, passed 4-2-0 with Vinita, Nick, Diana, and Chad voting in favor and Adam and Jarah voting against.

Reading now reads BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE allocate up to \$400.00 from Budget Increases, Account 1099 to Student Music Association, Account 1604 as per the attached budget.

Kate clarified that clubs must work with the SA ticket office when selling tickets. Adam said the changed budget is more appropriate than the initial budget.

17-0708, second of two readings, passed 5-1-0 with Jarah voting against.

New Business

19-0708: BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE approve the fundraising request of the Student Music Association, Account 1604 for the MADD A capella Concert on 13 October 2007 to raise up to \$900.00

First and only reading

Jesse from SMA said SMA is conducting a fundraiser for MADD of Rochester by having an A capella concert. The concert will be on 10/13 in Wadsworth Auditorium at 7:30pm. 4 A capella groups on campus, Southside Boys, Exit 8, Hips and Harmony and NARD

will be performing. SMA will be charging \$3 for students. Minus the Tech Expenses, they are projecting a net profit of \$820. They would like to take donations as well at the concert. SMA will hire two tech personnel for approximately 4hours each.

Questions:

Adam asked where the event will be. Jesse answered that it will be in Wadsworth Auditorium. Jason clarified that SA tech will be there for approximately 4 to 5 hours. Tamara noted that SA tech fee will be more than the expected \$80 since SMA will be hiring two students for about 4 hours. She asked if SMA booked the Auditorium. Jesse said that they did.

Discussion:

Nick said that this fundraiser is a great event. He reminded SMA that they must differentiate the ticket price and that student must get the lowest price.

19-0708, first and only reading, passed 6-0-0.

20-0708: BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE approve the appointments of Diana Zuniga and Chad Salitan to the Undergraduate Research and Travel Grant Committee.

First and only reading

Brendan appointed Chad and Diana to serve on the Undergraduate Research and Travel Grant Committee. This committee decides the recipients of the grants. Grants are funded by SA and Geneseo Foundation. An undergraduate student must meet with a faculty advisor, go to a workshop, and create a proposal in order to get the grant. Three students serve on this committee. Brendan, as the president of Student Association Executive Committee automatically serves on this committee. He appointed Diana because of her position as the director of Academic Affairs. Brendan appointed Chad since he expressed interest in the committee.

Questions:

None.

Discussion:

Vinita said she has full confidence in Diana and Chad on serving this committee.

20-0708, first and only reading, passed 3-0-2, with Chad and Diana abstaining.

21-0708: BE IT RESOLVED THE SA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE allocate up to \$559.51 from Budget Increases, Account 1099 to Geneseo Environmental Organization, Account 1909 to fund the Electricity and Water Conservation Contest from 5 October to 30 November 2007.

First of two readings

Kathleen from Geneseo Environmental Organization explained their Electricity and Water Conservation Contest for this year. They are planning to have the contest from 10/5 to 11/30. Three main objects of the contests are to raise environmental awareness on campus and off campus, to promote environmentally healthy practices on campus and to encourage forming habits that conserve energy. By saving electricity and water, there will be less chemicals going into the environment, less power plants and water treatment plants, less pollution and we will save money. Last year was a success and they are hoping to continue this year as well and build a tradition of energy conservation. Last year, each student saved 12 kilowatt of electricity over two months period. That amounts to about 35,000 kilowatt hours on campus, which is 54,000 pounds of carbon dioxide that we did not put into the atmosphere and saved the college about \$2,800. Allegany, the winner of last year, received a pizza and ice cream party. The contest will be very similar to last year and it will be all residence halls including Saratoga. At the end of the contest, all fee paying students will be able to attend a breakfast themed party in honor of the winning hall. GEO is planning to have a guest speaker or a forum discussion on environmental issues at that party. They will measure the electricity saved by comparing every month to average of the past three years and taking the difference and dividing that by the number of students in the halls. Water will be measured in the same manner. Winner will be determined by calculating the percentage saved for electricity and water and adding the percentages and that will become points. The hall with the most points wins. GEO will advertise this event with traditional colored posters in residence halls with facts, unconventional signs made out of recyclables, e-mails like whats-up and residence hall mailing lists, radio, GSTV, and Lamron. They are also trying to get the Rochester news to come like last year for advertisement. Incentive of this contest will be the party at the end of the contest. It will be a breakfast themed party taking place in Newton 204 on December 8th. All students will be welcome. There will be breakfast foods, coffee, juice, etc. They will also need plates, silverware, etc. GEO is planning to get all the food through Wegmans since they have good prices and have a good bakery. Maximum cost for the party will be \$559.51. This contest is to stop pollution, save money and to raise awareness on campus about environmental issues. GEO hopes to make this a tradition and continue for years to come.

Questions:

Jarah asked why they are starting when Fall break starts. Kathleen answered that not everybody goes home during breaks and readings are taken once a month by facilities so starting on the 5th or the 7th will not change the statistics. GEO thought earlier they tell the students about the contests the more effective the program will be. Also by starting early, students may turn their computers and lights off when they go home for break. Jarah asked how off campus students will be incorporated into the contest. Kathleen said Geo will try to set up a table in the union or library and pass out lollipops with facts about how to conserve energy. These facts will help off campus students learn how to save energy in their own apartments off campus. Jarah asked if it was an option for off campus students to sign up with a hall and be involved in the contest. Kathleen answered that it will be hard to gauge how much off campus students saved their electricity since students will not have information on past energy usage. Off-campus students with friends in the dorms can encourage those friends to save energy. Brendan said that CAS installed new washers and dryers in the southside residence halls. They are new machines and are more energy efficient than the machines on northside. He asked if there is a way to calculate

that difference in the contest. Kathleen said that she was not aware of that information but she can ask facilities if they have specifics on that information and how much difference that will make. Brendan asked if GEO knew where the electricity was coming from. Kathleen said that last year she was told that the electricity came from Wheeling electrics and transported by RG&E lines. Tamara asked if GEO looked into incorporating staff, faculty, and the academic buildings. Kathleen said GEO talked about that but they wanted to get the program going early on in the year to get incoming students get in the habit of conserving energy. To do so, they had to work from what they had last year. GEO is looking to add more to the program every year. GEO will look in to that during spring semester so they can include them the following year. Tamara asked if they looked into Wal-Mart for supplies since they may be cheaper than Wegmans. She also asked if GEO looked into getting donations since this is a contest to lower costs. Kathleen answered GEO wanted to get everything from Wegmans since it will be convenient and many members of GEO has disagreements with the Wal-Mart company. Brendan asked if GEO members were okay with getting Styrofoam cups. Kathleen responded that they checked for alternatives but they were expensive. They are concerned with the environment but they thought it was not fair to spend SA money for over priced cups. Jarah asked if CAS is allowing food from Wegmans. Kathleen said GEO already talked to CAS and that they are getting a waiver. Jarah asked if it was possible to sign up with a residence hall. She personally feels that she will be more motivated to save energy if she can sign up with a residence hall. Kathleen responded that GEO talked about that option but they felt that it would not be feasible for people to sign up with a residence hall. Alicia stressed that this contest is not just for halls. Their goal is to encourage energy saving practices even if the student is living off-campus. There are programs for off campus students during the contest to encourage them to save energy. They may not be directly involved in the contest but off-campus students are able to learn how to save energy as well. Kathleen said that the point of the program is to learn how to save energy. Francesca from LSA said that the idea to sign up with a hall is good for off campus students since it opens up the contest them and can encourage them to save energy. This way all mandatory fee paying students have a chance to be included. A student living off campus commented that she was encouraged last year to save energy in her own apartment since she saw the sign in the academic building. She feels that this program is about saving energy than anything else. Diana asked if GEO is willing to reconsider the sign-up idea. Kathleen said that GEO will look into it. Sean from GEO suggested if changing the name of the program to energy conservation program from energy conservation contest. Kathleen said GEO can look into that as well. Sean added that for the problem of machine differences in north and southside residence halls, GEO can encourage northside students to hang their clothes to dry instead of using the dryer. Neomi from BSU asked if GEO looked into getting supplies from Dollar Tree. Kathleen responded that GEO had not and they will look into it. Nick asked if GEO will look into changing the title of the program and the sign up idea. Kathleen said that GEO will. Emily from Pride asked if GEO had any concrete ideas about presentations. She suggested having off campus students can get in groups and present how they changed their practices to conserve energy. This way, off campus students can get involved. Kathleen said that GEO did not have concrete ideas about presentations yet and said Emily's idea is very good. Jason said that Saratoga Terrace had problems with the heaters last year and asked if there's a way to make up for that. Kathleen answered that Saratoga will still be able to save water and that can compensate for the amount of electricity the use. GEO decided to keep Saratoga in the contest since administration should see how much energy they are using. That is a reality to school and it is a problem that needs to be dealt with. Jason asked why GEO chose Newton. Kathleen answered that GEO tried to get the Ballroom but it was booked for that weekend. They chose Newton since it has a large capacity and is suited for discussion and presentations. Jason asked if GEO looked into getting the Fireside Lounge. Kathleen said that Fireside Lounge may be too small for their purposes.

Discussion:

Adam said he loves the idea of changing the name from energy conservation contest to program. He feels that that is a more appropriate name and will incorporate all fee paying students. Contest limits the program to off campus students. Nick said he is very impressed with the amount of work they put into the program and commended them for expanding the program every year. Vinita said that this program's aim is to save energy and raise awareness to all fee paying students. She feels that everybody is involved and that contest aspect of the program would encourage more people. Diana wants to see the suggestions brought up at the SA meeting to be considered for next week so she feels more comfortable with the program. Jarah said she wants to see more ways that off campus students can be involved. She feels that there can be more changes made to the program to better it. Kathleen asked Jarah if she had any other suggestions for the program. Jarah responded that she would like to see all the residence halls and academics involved so Geneseo campus can conserve energy. Sean from GEO asked if Jarah can come to a GEO meeting to share her ideas. Jarah said she would attend GEO's meeting. GEO's meetings are on Mondays at 7pm in CU319. Alicia said that their ultimate goal would be to involve all students, faculty, staff, and consider all buildings. GEO does not have the resources to do that now but they are hoping to achieve that in the future.

21-0708, first of two readings, is passed 6-0-0.

Open Discussion

None.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 pm. Next week at the meeting, Dr. Bonfiglio will be present to speak during open discussions. Thank you for coming and see you next week!

Respectfully Submitted,
Nobu Iwata

Recording Secretary