**Minutes for Senate Meeting 2/11/15**

**Called to Order: 8:48 P.M**

**Opening Roll:**

* Roll called by Sen. De La Cruz.

**Public Comment:**

* Holly Barker-Flynn- Serves as the Director of New Student Programs.
  + February 19th, Orientation Assistant Applications due.
* UAlbany Stock Exchange, want to invite baseball player to speak at UAlbany.
  + Sen. Markisello will send information to the Senate.
  + Sen. Henderson: How much will it cost?
  + Sen. Markisello: Will be in e-mail sent tomorrow.
* Sen. Dunleavy: Next Wednesday YAL will be hosting Semester General Interest Meeting.

**Opening Remarks:**

Sen. Markisello: First meeting of Constitutional Convention last Sunday. Hammered out twenty things they want to talk about. Meeting Sunday at 1 P.M, open to the public.

Sen. De La Cruz: No Remarks.

**University Report:**

* **No University Report**

**Judicial Report:**

* **No Judicial Report**

**Board of Finance Report:**

* Had budget packet meeting Monday night, a lot of student groups were there.
* 5 student groups have already submitted. They are due February 20th.
* Doing normal contract reviews.

**Executive Report:**

Gender and Sexuality Concerns:

* Tomorrow is Vagina Monologues mass meeting.
* All female play.
* Meeting will discuss the production plans for the play.
* Love is Love Demonstration will be next Friday at 1:10 P.M. Meet in Campus Center at 1:05.

Community Affairs and Outreach:

* Getting student groups to volunteering for Pine Hills improvement initiative.
* Pine Hills Clean Up on April 18th.

Academic Affairs:

* Jobs Fair at SEFCU Arena tomorrow. Shuttle from Social Science to SEFCU running all day tomorrow.
* Anyone who wants to volunteer for the event can come to Kylie.

Multicultural Affairs:

* All inclusive Fashion Show will be March 10th.
* In need of interns for the department, if interested stop by SA and pick up an application.

Programming:

* No Report, Not in Attendance.

Legislative Affairs:

* Councilman Commisso will be proposing a law to require meters in Albany taxicabs.

Communications:

* Working to promote the Pine Hills Clean Up event.

Dippikill:

* Tabling went well on Sunday

Student Group Affairs:

* Not in Attendance

Comptroller:

* Got rid of all SA debt this week after dealing with credit card issues.
* Sen. Markisello: Are we really at Zero?
  + Yes.
* Sen. Webb: Very proud of Comptroller’s Office.

Marketing:

* Purple bracelet given out if you go to events.
* Purple bracelet gets you give aways.
* Promoting the Pine Hills Clean Up.

President/Vice President/ Chief of Staff:

* President Agyemang apologizes for missing last meeting, had meeting.
* Some information related to Speaker Series was released before Contract was signed. This is really a poor reflection of the Student Association. This information should not be posted on social media.
* Not enough Senators at SA events, we need to be unified and work together.
* No bus for Empire, but will continue fighting for it.
* Sen. Webb: I completely agree with trying to get more Senators to events. Suggests an official list for Senators of events.
* Met with Alumni Association last Saturday, building good relationships there is really important.
* Had a meeting with Athletic Department staff to encourage student attendance at games. Article published on this issue.
* New Assistant Director of Marketing for Athletics.

**Committee Reports:**

Rules and Admin:

* Didn’t meet this week.
* People have approached Sen. Webb with bylaw proposal changes, please see him if interested.

Appropriations:

* Met right before this meeting.
* $46,079.74 in Supplemental Allocations, $2,000 in New and Unfunded.

Government Operations:

* Didn’t meet this week, will be meeting this weekend.
* Agrees with Pres. Agyemang, no leaks.
* Subcommittee met with Directors of Programming and Marketing.

Community Outreach and Engagement:

* Will meet after the Senate meeting.

Constituent Relations:

* Will be meeting next Wednesday before Senate.

**Legislative Agenda:**

**Motion to add Bill 77 to the docket.**

***Passed by Unanimous Consent.***

**S.1415-075R Glass Bottle Resolution**

* Only two recycling machines on campus.
* Encourages more machines to be on campus.
* Machines don’t accept glass bottles but should.
* Sens. Chowdhury, Eager, Kamins. Evanson. Henderson, Melse, Sippin, Terezakis added as Co-sponsors.
* Sen. Webb: Where does this go here?
  + Goes to President Jones and ASP.
* Sen. Webb: Do we know who handles it?
  + Probably UAS.
* UAS, Director of Sustainability added as recipients of resolution.
* Living Areas added on also.

***Passed by Unanimous Consent***

**S.1415-076 Cross Charity Derecognition**

* President Agyemang met with President of Cross Charity.
* Want to apply for grants; SA has a lot of restrictions.
* They want to be independent to have more freedom to pursue fundraising.
* President Agyemang is the founder of this organization.
* Sen. Efekoro: Can’t they be on campus and separate outside also?
  + They can do more independently.
* Sen. Henderson: We should let them do it, but they must not be able to use SA resources.
* Sen. Dunleavy: There should be a by law allowing student groups to be derecognized.
* Sen. Markisello: By Law allows Senate to derecognize student groups by 2/3 vote.
* Sen. Webb: If they are derecognized can they come back?
  + Sen. Markisello: They have to start all over again.
* Sen. Chowdhury: Do they have a budget?
  + Sen. Markisello: No, but they have an agency account with $110. Money will be transferred to them.
* Sen. Markisello: No checks will be cut to individuals right only the organization?
  + Yes.

***Passed by Voice Vote***

**SA 990 Adoption**

* 990 Tax review of SA, states what our assets are and what we spent. Prepared by our auditors, reviewed by OSI. Our equivalent of a tax return, though we do not pay taxes. Some amendments were made and sent out by Sen. Markisello.
* Comptroller’s Office reviewed it, no problems found.

***Adopted by Unanimous Consent***

**S. 1415-077 Academic Affairs Department Allocation**

* Academic Affairs usually gives a grant to help cover the costs of the Job Fair.
* All the money will go towards the fair.
* Biggest Career Fair we have ever had.
* Sen. Webb: How much money do you have in your account.
  + $100.

***Passed by Unanimous Consent***

**Old Business:**

**S.1415-072 (University Auxiliary Services (UAS) - Mackenzie Rinefierd)**

* Proposing Mackenzie to fill Lee Stanton’s position on the UAS Board.
* Sen. Chowdhury: Why was it tabled?
  + Sen. Markisello: Request by Sen. Cohen, waiting for President Agyemang probably.

***Passed by Unanimous Consent***

**New Business:**

* Interest in making new ad hoc committee to review by laws. Contradictions in by laws need to be cleared.
* Committee will be set up.
* Multiple Senators are interested.

**Closing Remarks:**

Sen. Markisello: No Remarks.

Sen. De La Cruz: Constituent Relations will host Senator tabling.

**Closing Roll:**

* **Called by Sen. De La Cruz.**

**Senate Adjourned: 9:54 P.M**

**Prepared by Austin Ostro, Secretary of the Senate**