# McMurtry Town Hall – 11/15/2011

#### SA:

- Pet Policy
  - You will have to have your dog on a leash and most animals will not be allowed in most buildings
- New language programs
  - Possibly change intro courses to 5 hours
  - In the survey results received students were in favor of this
- Steam Tunnel Tour
  - There is one this Thursday
  - Check recent daily announcements for more info about how to get in on the action
- Writing Program
  - They want everyone to have writing and communications experience
  - Current ideas are:
    - Get rid of COMM 103
    - Require a freshmen seminar
    - Have an upper level writing class in your major
  - They are also trying to create a writing center
- Leebron will be at the SA meeting next week which will be an open discussion (9PM Farnsworth next Monday)

#### Field a Vision:

- A Rice student got a grant to start the Field a Vision program with juniors at Wheatly College
- We are sending them on an ASB trip to Florida and we will be having an awesome laser-tag fundraiser
  - There will be an email going out in upcoming daily announcements about this

#### **BSA/Kids Meals:**

- The BSA will be hosting a volunteer event to help feed children aren't able to provide themselves with meals every day
- It will be on December 2<sup>nd</sup> 9am-12pm
- Keep an eye out for more upcoming announcements about this event

#### RPC:

- Nutcracker tickets are on sale at the RMC info desk for \$15
- Willy Week Themes:
  - If you have an awesome theme idea email it to tcm4@rice.edu
- Esperanza Lost and Found is at the Info Desk
- Snow Day Study Break (Dec 6<sup>th</sup>)
  - Puppies and Food!!!

### Socials:

- Public Party Planning
  - Our public party (holiday themed) is December 2<sup>nd</sup> and we need help planning everything
    - Of course, new students can get service hours for many of the rolls that need to be filled
  - If you would like to be a part of this come to the planning session on Thursday at 8pm in the Commons
- Server Training
  - If there are not enough people who are server trained who volunteer to help, then we might be holding a server training test taking party this weekend

#### Hall Reps:

 Hall Reps have been selected but we are not announcing them just yet because we are waiting for confirmation from a few more of them

#### **H&D Cleaning Policy:**

- Party Cleaning Policy
  - There is an additional burden that the custodial staff must bear after parties
  - We are trying to start a policy where students can help clean up after parties are thrown so that we are not forcing the custodial staff to clean up since it is a more than normal amount

## **Beer Bike Biker Limits:**

- There has been a proposed change to the number of bikers
- Every college gets one vote as does GSA in this matter, so our McMurtry Beer Bike Coordinators sent out a poll on the listserv about what all of us think
- The proposal is for between 5-10 bikers on each team
- This would decrease the duration of the race as well as decrease the possibility of a crash
- However, this would decrease the number of people involved, which might decrease the excitement of the whole beer bike event

## **McMurtry Quiet Hours Proposal:**

- It has been reworded and simplified
- One important addition is that the Chief Justice will evaluate whether a complaint is legitimate
- Motion to vote:
  - Unanimous Pass

#### Other:

- Mr. Rice is this Sunday at 6pm in the RMC. You can buy tickets from our McMurtry nominee, Peter Abraham
- This Friday night is our College Night! Our theme is "Get Lei-ed" so put your hawaiian shirts on Friday morning. Activites will start in the quad at noon. We will have a limbo contest at 4. There will be PRIZES! There will also be a photo booth, which we need help painting the backdrop for (meet in the commons at 8pm on Thursday if you would like to help or get new student service hours).
- McMurtry track jackets are still for sale. They are \$30.
  Talk to Tristanne or Sena soon if you would like order one.
- December 1<sup>st</sup> will be McSkate!!!! For those of you who do not know, McSakte is when McMurtry, as a college, takes a trip to the galleria for ice skating.