RESIDENCE HALL STUDENT ASSOCIATION  
ASSOCIATE COUNCIL MEETING  
Date: 11/20/2017  
Location: Lefevre

CALL TO ORDER : 9:03PM

MYSTERY ACTIVITY : 9:03PM  
We are very lucky, because in RHSA, we are blessed with the most stupendous, lovely secretary, Jules, and it’s their birthday! We’re all gonna sing happy birthday to Jules! *(Note: I love y’all a lot thank you <3)*

ROLL CALL/HALL REPORTS: 9:04PM

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| BLISS     | 3              | 3 conference | Also brought an extra RHSA shirt, but that does not count for GFPs  
|           |                |        | Got appreciated by the RAs and by Elee, had  
|           |                |        | Friendsgiving, had Open Mic with Lenape on Friday, and  
|           |                |        | decided not to have a meeting tomorrow because they  
|           |                |        | want to go home |
| BOUTON    | 2              | 1 RHSA 1 conference | Talked about upcoming event |
| CAPEN     | 1              | 0      | Had RA Appreciation and talked about Thanksgiving Potluck that was held an hour ago |
| COLLANGO  | 6              | 3 RHSA 3 conference | Discussed programs and talked about how great Thanksgiving with Friends went |
| CRISPELL  | 1              | 0      | Had Hall Gov Appreciation so the RAs got them goody bags and the President forgot to give them the goodies from Andrea, who couldn’t be there. Talked about upcoming programs and Friendsgiving |
| DEYO      | 2              | 2      | Had Hall Gov Appreciation where the RD, the RAs, and Emily gave them food and snacks, talked about future plans, and talked about street clean-up which took place on Sunday |
| DUBOIS    | 7              | 7      | Had Hall Gov Appreciation with Jennifer, and talked about programming |
| ESOPUS    | 4              | 1      | Talked about future programs and celebrated Hall Gov Appreciation |
NRHH: 9:09 PM
We just elected our new president, Rui Gomes, and finished up voting on awards, as well as our honorary member. Those will be given out at our induction ceremony on 12/3 in SUB 62/63. The following Sunday, 12/10, we are having the Self-Care Fair from 12-4, and the week leading up to the event is Love Yourself Week. NRHH is going to go to different organizations that week to help them learn about self care. Tori, I have a question. Can hall governments help out? Dubois (Tori) - Hall governments can come too and they can have a table at the Self-Care Fair. You can come with your hall government and present your idea of what self care and self love are. Reach out to me if you’re interested.

SENATE : 9:10PM
We met with the Diversity and Inclusion Council this past week. There’s going to be a survey emailed out to students by 11/21 about the name changes of certain buildings, so look out for that and be sure to take part. We also signed a resolution for the MoE and sent it to Governor Cuomo so he won’t increase our tuition. We made a CAS survey that’s going to be sent out soon through Blackboard, so be sure to answer those questions so we can improve food on campus.

OLD BUSINESS : 9:11PM

Motion to Open: Scudder
Second: Lefevre

NCC
Hey everyone! So this past weekend, we went to the Regional Leadership Conference at UCONN. It was a blast! We got to attend cool programs, bond, and meet a lot of different people. Thank you to our delegates, Jamie, Pharez, and Phil, as well as Catherine and Ellee, and thank you to Chrissy for driving five hours just to get there and a lot more to get back. Now, you have three more people you can talk to about conference. There’s going to be another one coming up in the spring, so get ready for that. If for some reason you didn’t want to talk about conference with me, you now have three more people you can go to.
Hey everyone! So, it’s that time y’all have been waiting for! It’s time for a GFP update!
Bevier has 266.
Bliss has 351.
Bouton has 398.
Capen has 287.
Collango has 696.
Crispell has 627.
Deyo has 477.
Dubois has 275.
Esopus has 303.
Gage has 285.
Lefevre has 582.
Lenape has 761.
Scudder has 585.
Ridgeview has 418.

Great job guys! You’re all doing great! You still have a few weeks until Banquet.
Mario - Hey everyone! Jennifer is still talking.
Thank you. Hall of the Semester is announced at Banquet, so you still have time. Look for more ways that you can get GFPs. If you come to my office hours, I will happily help you. Good luck, everyone!

NEACURH
Like I said earlier, it happened. Same thing I said last time. That’s it.

    Motion to Close: Crispell
    Second: Dubois

NEW BUSINESS : 9:14PM

    Motion to Open: Collango
    Second: Deyo

Palisades
Hello everyone! So, you have new posters in the folders for the Palisades mall trip! The Palisades trip is on 12/2. We’re going to be meeting at Lot 28, which is the one on Route 32, at 9:30am. You need to put down a $5 deposit to hold your spot, and that is due the Friday before, please and thank you. You can drop that off during any of our office hours and we’ll be more than happy to sign you up. Hang up posters, get ready to spend some money, and work hard to get that money so you can spend it. See you there!

Elee - Just so you know, you do get your deposit back. It’s just to hold your spot. Also, not just RHSA-affiliated people can go. The trip is open to anyone on campus.
Crispell - Can we sign up more than one person at a time?
Elee - Sure! Bring $20 and you can sign up five people….I’m not a Math major.
Lenape - How many spots are left?
Elee - I want to say that 20 people have signed up?
Andrea - So, like, 60...maybe? Enough for you to bring yourself and all of your friends.
Drake BUZZ Trivia

What’s up guys? Drake BUZZ is on 12/8 in SUB100N from 7:30pm-9pm. We’re so excited to have you! It’s going to be different than karaoke because we’re going to do trivia! You’ll find out more about how that’s going to work when you get there! We’ll show you shirts at the next meeting. Sam is wearing one right now so you can see that now. Sam, take your shirt off.

Sam - I mean, if you say so.
Emily - Wait, no. Please take your jacket off.
Sam - I don’t want to take off my shirt.
Elee - Sam is going to keep his shirt on. You’ll see the shirts eventually.
Collango - What is the date again?
Emily - 12/8
Lefevre - And what’s the location?
Elee - SUB100N

Banquet

And now time for what I’m sure is going to be the highlight of your semester...RHSA Banquet~

Andrea - Open up your folders and take a peek, take a gander, at the beautiful invitations made for you. Bask in the glory. Love it. Marry it. Treat it right. Isn’t it beautiful? Don’t you love it? RHSA Banquet happens every semester. It’s semi-formal, and it’s luau-themed, so come, look fancy, get a lei. It’ll be happening 12/11, only three days after Drake BUZZ. It’s on a Monday in the SUB MPR. We’re meeting at 8, which is an hour earlier than we normally do, so we can get you in and out. We’re also going to be having food, and not on-campus food, but off-campus food, so come! Come get your grub on. Come get your RHSA on. RSVP sheets will be given out to you next week, so start asking your hall government members if they’re interested, because if you sign up 6 and 10 show up, that’s going to be awkward and uncomfortable because I’m making a seating chart.

Elee - You don’t want to sit at a table by yourself.
Andrea - Or not be able to get food.
Crispell - What about people with allergies?
Elee - That’s going to be on the RSVP sheet. You can write their names and what they’re allergic to, so then we can accommodate everybody.
Andrea - And wear some floral, maybe?
Dariana - She’s been talking about floral for months.
Emily - Floral suits only.
Andrea - Good thing Palisades is happening before Banquet, so you can be sure to get something floral for yourself!

Motion to Close: Dubois
Second: Deyo

UPCOMING EVENTS 9: 20PM

Palisades, December 2nd, Palisades Mall, Meet at Lot 28 at 9:30am
Drake BUZZ Trivia, December 8th, SUB100N, 7:30pm-9pm
Banquet, December 11th, SUB MPR, 8pm
HALL CONCERNS : 9:21PM
Collango - The showers. Apparently, someone recently complained that they were too hot, but not, it’s literally ice water in Andrea’s wing.
Andrea - I submitted a work order.
Collango - BK said to say it.
Andrea - Have you talked to your RD?
Elee - Wait until you talk to your RAs and RD to find out if the work order has been processed, because you should give that some time first.
Deyo - Our elevator technically works, but it doesn’t tell you what floor you’re on and it opens on random floors.
Crispell - Has the soap situation been fixed?
Elee - I’m going to be talking about it in a minute.

STUDENT CONCERNS FOLLOW-UP : 9:22PM
In regards to the broken ATM in the SUB, there is a new ATM! Go try it out!
In regards to the blockage in the Crispell lot, it’s almost all gone.
In regards to the soap, I need to know what halls this is a problem in. Can you please raise your placards if you’re having an issue with getting your soap refilled?
Collango, Bliss, Crispell, Scudder, and Esopus raised their placards.
In regards to the Lefevre hall elevator, it’s being handled. RD Chrissy is a star and has been in communication with Carina and Facilities about the issue. Residents living in Lefevre will receive information as soon as Chrissy does.
In regards to the heating in Humanities and van den berg, is it just uncomfortable or are students completely bundled? Also, can I get specific rooms, if possible?
Ridgeview - On the first floor, towards the back of van den berg, the rooms closer to the firehouse are more cold while the ones further from that aren’t. The computer lab is burning hot, which I am okay with, but some people aren’t, and then I have a classroom that’s literal ice.
Scudder - The first floor of Humanities, in the back, during 8ams, there’s no heat, and when it’s that early in the morning, it’s uncomfortable. People keep on jackets and hats. That’s room 116.
Jennifer - Humanities 118 and 218.
Dariana - Humanities 205.
Deyo - van den berg 106.
Emily - Humanities 111.
Bliss - Humanities 115 is burning hot, which makes no sense.
Scudder - Humanities 114 is quite cold and Humanities 205 is too warm.
Collango - Humanities 305 is a sauna.
Ridgeview - van den berg 111 is cold and Humanities 315 is cold.
Deyo - Humanities 215 has the AC on.
Dubois - Humanities 111 had the AC on today.
Lenape - Humanities 315 varies. It’s either really cold or really hot.
Elee - For future reference, please hold up placards whenever you need to speak. I know a lot of you, but sometimes I blank on what hall you’re from, and it also gets confusing for minutes reasons.
Ridgeview - Humanities 015 is super warm.
STUDENT CONCERNS : 9:26PM

Elee - The custodial staff doesn’t go into CSB 221. It’s constantly a mess. There’s chalk all over and garbage everywhere. My professor spoke to custodial, and they said that they don’t go in there because they aren’t staffed enough.

Ridgeview - Two incidents. One, I almost got hit walking across a crosswalk by a New Paltz driver, and then another almost hit me while texting and driving and I’m very upset about it. Our generation is the one that gets blamed for texting and driving, but it’s definitely the older generation.

Dariana - Please take pictures when you see workers texting and driving. Get photos of the act as well as the license plate and email them to us.

Elee - If you do that, make sure you tell us the date and time of the incident so we can trace it back to who it was.

Ridgeview - The one today was brown and happened around 2. I mean, it was a brown van.

Crispell - Who do we go to to get the Purell stations in Humanities filled? I know you said to find workers for the ones in the SUB and Hasbrouck, but should I find custodial in Humanities?

Elee - Does anyone know where custodial is in Humanities?

Crispell - I see the workers, but not all the time.

Dubois - I think they’re on the first floor by the women’s bathroom.

Elee - Also, you could try going into the IT office on the first floor and telling someone there, so they can let someone know.

Collango - First, on the walkway from the library to McKenna, there are loose tiles and people are tripping.

Elee - Can you be more specific?

Collango - That was the information I was given. It’s the tiles going from the library to McKenna.

Elee - Are they loose?

Collango - Yes, loose. Another question. Is the MLK center being moved permanently or temporarily?

Elee - They’re working on finding a new location both because the current location was flooded, and because it is too small for the size of the program. My assumption is that they wouldn’t go back to a place that was too small.

Jennifer - Today, I was walking in the Lecture Center, doing that thing where you go from Humanities to the library, and someone was working on the ceiling tiles while classes were switching. He dropped one of the tiles and it almost hit a girl, and debris was falling. It was careless and scary.

-- What has a bed but does not sleep, and can run but cannot walk? --

Lefevre - The back entrance of the SUB, by Pomodoro’s. The bricks outside on the floor turn in when you step on them. This is the fifth time I almost tripped on them.

Crispell - The tiles on the SUB concourse still have not been fixed. I ride my bike on the concourse and it makes noises when I hit them.

Lenape - So I don’t know if it’s true for all public restrooms, but I used one in Humanities and there was a guy in a wheelchair, and there’s no button for the doors. If I wasn’t there to hold the door for him, it would have been a lot harder for him to get in. I don’t know if that’s true for all of the public restrooms, but it’s true in Humanities at least.

Dariana - In the women’s bathroom on the second floor of Humanities, the faucet has been leaking since the start of the semester. It’s the first sink closest to the door.

Bliss - I feel like the whole class registration system is not good. I’m a senior, so I should have priority, and I got into one class, had to be overridden into 3, and am still waiting to hear back on one that was full that I need to graduate next semester. The website logged me out twice and I had to keep logging back in while it kept crashing.
Elee - What’s your major?
Bliss - Communication Disorders
Elee - A big complaint has been that class registration times are during classes. They disperse the times throughout the day because the website gets congested and crashes. It seems like the only times available to everyone are before 8am and after 9:15pm. Should we ask for them to work with those times? Or would you all prefer it to be the way it is?
There was a mixed response, with a bit more negative than positive.
Eva - Something that was suggested to me was to have the times during the 15 minute breaks between classes. We could even have those extended during that week and have the times stationed during them.
Elee - Is that more acceptable?
The general consensus was yes.
Emily - Also, if they’re during your class, most professors are very understanding of you leaving for a minute. I’m sure you can leave and come back if you have a laptop. The biggest issue is the server itself crashing.
Elee - I mean, I’ve had a professor who said no, but the server crashing is definitely the worst part. Could that be fixed by registration being more spread out?
Dariana - What if they staggered it by weekends? Like, over the course of a month. Seniors go one week, juniors the next, etc.
Elee - It takes a while before the professors are assigned their classes, and then the Schedule of Classes is released, and then two weeks later is the deadline for registration for the students who get advanced registration, and the next week is registration for everyone else. We’d be cutting it really close.
Dariana - What about weekends and Wednesdays?
Elee - So more spread-out?
Bliss - I know, at other schools, you get a shopping cart that you can fill with classes, and then when it’s your time to register, all you do is hit submit.
Elee - I know that we do it this way because classes fill up, so what if, 20 minutes before you register, all of your classes fill up? Something you should know is that a lot of classes have invisible seats in them. Classes that come up as full aren’t necessarily full. Always email the professor asking for an override because there are seats saved specifically for that reason.
Scudder - I think the complaint is that you can disperse the times as much as you want, but there’s just not enough space. The ideal number of classes taken per semester is five. However, three-quarters of my friends are taking four, and I’m taking 3 GE’s next semester because I can’t take any of the classes for my major, and we don’t have enough classes or spots for people to keep their financial aid.
Elee - What’s your major?
Scudder - Theatre.
Elee - I know that happens to underclassmen because they give preference to upperclassmen. That’s why underclassmen are encouraged to take their GE’s early. I’m hearing that we need more classes for Theatre majors and Communication Disorders majors?
Scudder - I’m also a Deaf Studies minor, and because they opened up ASL as a language, they aren’t giving enough classes to minors and majors.
Elee - There should be another course offered?
Scudder - Yes.
Deyo - I’m in Computer Science, and I’m concerned that, if they crash when the registration window is an hour and a half long, they’re going to crash even more if the window is only 15 minutes.
Elee - What if they started during the 15 minutes, but were still an hour and a half?
Deyo - That might be okay.
Elee - Just to give people in class a chance.
Jennifer - What if they cleared for major classes when you meet with your advisors? I know some majors do and some don’t.

Elee - They don’t do that so people who have priority can get into those classes before ambitious underclassmen.

Jennifer - I’m an International Relations major and some classes, people take because they want to have the professor. Those get filled up because upperclassmen want the professor and take it even though they don’t need the class. What if the advisors pre registered only for people who need to take the class for their major? I don’t mean major electives, but classes like Methods and stuff. People are taking those classes for other disciplines. I’m in a Philosophy class right now that I need, but people take Theory because it’s a better professor.

Elee - I know what you’re talking about because I’m the same major, but some majors are different. Some are more step-by-step. I think that would make sense for seminars and capstones, but for other classes, I think that might get too complicated and we might have the same issue.

Lefevre - I don’t know what majors they do it for, but for some, you can go to your major advisor and get cleared for up to 2 or 3 classes to pre register for, but maybe they can open that up to other majors? Some people register even before the Honors kids for the classes they really need.

Elee - Talk to your advisor if you’re that worried about it.

Collango - If we keep the current system, it would be fair that professors should have to allow you to either take out your laptop in class or sit outside to register. I don’t think it’s fair that you don’t get to sign up for classes you want because you’re in class.

Elee - We’re also going to be talking about this next week.

Collango - In reference to Lefevre’s comment, I think that’s a good idea. I know Photography majors have an issue getting into classes.

Mario - Point of Order, if you’re just agreeing with a previous point and repeating it, there’s no point and you’re just wasting time. Just yield to redundancy.

Scudder - I’m a transfer. They save spots for transfer students and first-years for orientation. Maybe they can save spots in classes for those who register later? Like, leave five classes open for only first-years, or leave a class open just for people in that major?

Elee - I don’t know how they would do that in the system. The reason it works for transfer students and first-years is because those classes don’t show up until orientation. I don’t know how they would make that happen during the week of registration, because upperclassmen have priority over underclassmen, so that would get in the way of that system.

Ridgeview - If you can’t get into classes, keep checking over break. Over the summer, I got into two classes because I kept checking.

Scudder - Quick idea for when there aren’t enough seats. What if they had classes dedicated for students in specific years? My friend didn’t get into a single class because they’re a first-year.

Elee - I don’t understand what you mean.

Scudder - Like, what if they had, for example, Calc 1 classes that only first-years could register for?

Elee - Those exist.

Dariana - There are classes that are designed in a way that you can’t take them if you’re above or below a certain year. They exist. You just have to read the fine print.

OPEN FLOOR : 9:46PM

Scudder - I’m doing some research on UPD and I’ve hit a dead end because they won’t tell me anything, so if you have any information or anything at all you can tell me about UPD, tell me as soon as you can. You can email me at riverag6@hawkmail.newpaltz.edu.
Scudder feat. Bengi - I have more Jewish things to say. So on 12/12, the JSU is having their Hanukkah Party! We’re going to light candles, so it’s gonna be lit. The party pretty much consists of casino games and a Chinese auction where you use gelt to get prizes. There’s also going to be latkes and sufganiyot. It’s going to be really awesome, so come by to learn more about Hanukkah. It’s in the SUB MPR. I don’t remember what time.
Deyo - Reminder that if you’re interested in Self-Care Fair, come see me.
Crispell - On 12/1, from 10-12, it’s the last Late Night at the Union of the semester! They’re going to be psychic readings and stuff. Come on by! SUB100.
Collango - We are excited to say that, finally, the murals in Shango are going to be covered. I’d like to give a special thanks to Elee and all of RHSA for letting this be our legacy. Look our for fundraisers, because we need to cover the payment, but we’re just excited that they’re going to be covered.
Capen - Voting for SA will be open soon. Look out and vote. It’s important.
Scudder - So we’re having a program called Smash Out Your Stress on 12/9 at 2pm in Parker Quad. We bought a lot of piñatas that are going to be full of candy and notes of love. We already FUSEd Parker. If you want to come, bring your stress and get ready to smash.
Bouton - I’m running for SA, so vote for me if you want.

PASSING OF MOLLY THE MOOSE : 9:50PM
Bliss gave her a lizard, and is giving her to Lefevre!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK : 9:51PM
“People always tell you, ‘Be humble. Be humble.’ When was the last time someone told you to be amazing? Be great! Be awesome!” - Kanye West

ADJOURNMENT 9:51PM
Next Meeting in Bliss!
HOW has he done it?

without falling?

has he cheated god at last?

no.

he has simply befriended the spirals