RESIDENCE HALL STUDENT ASSOCIATION
ASSOCIATE COUNCIL MEETING
Date: 11/6/2017
Location: Deyo Hall

CALL TO ORDER : 9:06PM

MYSTERY ACTIVITY : 9:06PM
Emily will be leading our Mystery Activity today!
What up? So, all week, we’ve been doing Social Media Challenges, and I’ve seen you guys out there liking all of my stuff and posting your own stuff, so I’m going to take a video of all of you and put it on the RHSA Instagram. Give me some yells!

ROLL CALL/HALL REPORTS: 9:07PM

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NRHH : 9:10PM
Yesterday, we voted on inducting new members, so that’s exciting! If any of those members are here tonight, please stand when I call your name. Our new members of NRHH are Jackie Rankal, Lindsey Mayer, Nicole Santamaria, Laura Scarimbolo, Maria Santana, and Samantha Becker. That’s all we have right now. We’re voting on awards to give out at inductions. That’s it!

SENATE : 9:11PM
At our last meeting, we spoke about the $4,000,000 deficit that the school is in, and what the administration is planning on doing about it, whether that be adding onto tuition costs or cutting faculty. PresCab is coming up, which RHSA is also a part of. We also talked about CAS, and how we had the Ultimate Flex but now we don’t. We’re trying to figure out where that money is ging. Has is supposed to have a new bakery opening up. Elections for Senators are coming up. You’re going to be getting an email about that either tomorrow 11/7 or the next day, and elections are going to begin on 11/17. We are currently electing a new Senate Chair. If you’re interested in the position, the requirement is that you have to have served at least one semester as a Senator. We meet Wednesday at 6:30pm, and if you want to be nominated for the position, let me know.

OLD BUSINESS : 9:12PM

Motion to Open: Capen
Second: Dubois

VP
Hi everybody! So, if you’re on Facebook, you should go to Residence Hall Student Association. The first post says to please take the Spirit Week evaluation survey. We’re trying to make ourselves better and make our events as fun as they can be. You get GFPs for taking the survey, so it’s a super easy way to get GFPs, and it makes us better and your events better.

Spirit Week
So, Spirit Week happened last week and it was great. I saw you guys participating and that was awesome. I’m helping Jennifer count GFPs now and we’ll have an update for you soon, soon being whenever I get around to counting. BUZZ on Friday was awesome. Y’all are wearing the great shirts, so thanks Sam and Andrea for those. Field events and the lip syncs was also really awesome. The lip syncs were really good this year. Now, we’re here.

Motion to Close: Scudder
Second: Lefevre

NEW BUSINESS : 9:14PM

Motion to Open: Bouton
Second: Ridgeview

AC Retreat
It’s happening on Sunday 11/12. I know, it snuck up on me too. It’s going to be at Wooden Wheel, and we’re going to have so much fun. Be at the Lot 28 bus stop at 11:30am sharp. We won’t be waiting for
you. If you’re late, that sucks. If you haven’t turned in your sign-up forms, and I’m looking at two halls, please make sure that you give them to me after the meeting or no one in your hall can go.

New Paltz, New Perspective
Hey guys! So, same thing as last week. If your org got an email from Andrea and I, please respond. We want to hear back from you guys and get the ball rolling. The event was supposed to be next week, but we pushed it back. The new date is TBA. If you have any questions at all, please let me know. We’d love to see you all there!

Motion to Close: Collango
Second: Lefevre

UPCOMING EVENTS 9:16PM
AC Retreat, November 12th, Wooden Wheel, meet at 11:30 at Lot 28

HALL CONCERNS : 9:16PM
Emily - Mine isn’t a concern, and is instead a congrats. The screws in the women’s bathrooms are finally covered. It has been an entire year of me complaining, and it took our lovely VP and SRA Andrea to do this, and I just wanted to thank everyone involved.
Jennifer - In Crispell, we have a bit of a mice problem. We’ve submitted a lot of work orders and nothing’s been done. Every time a program is held in the basement, people complain. The mice are small and harmless, but they’re scaring residents, and it’s also just annoying.
Collango - The ink in the printer in Shango hasn’t been replaced in a while.
Emily - In reference to a previous comment, it’s not that the ink hasn’t been replaced. It wasn’t calibrated correctly. I’ve talked to the RAs about it and they said they’d do it when they could.
Chrissy - You can submit a ticket online!
Collango - The Wi-Fi on campus in general is horrible.
Elec - You’re about to find out more about that.
Ridgeview - Can I pose a question to other halls?
Elec - Wait until open floor.
Collango - Again, people have been complaining. The washing machines just keep breaking and we keep requesting for them to be fixed, and Hailee said we should maybe just get new ones.
Collango - In reference to a previous comment, I brought it up to the RD and she brought it to Facilities, and they were working to get the College washing machines fixed. Please just keep submitting work orders.
Andrea - There are at least 5 and at most 7 working washing machines right now. I haven’t checked the ones in Shango yet, but I know there are at least five.
Esopus - There’s only one working microwave in Esopus for the whole hall.
Elec - Isn’t that all halls?
People disagreed, saying they had more than one.
Chrissy - One is purchased from the RA budget and they maintain that one. If you want another, talk to Ronnie and see if you can take it out of your Hall Gov budget.
Esopus - We used to have two microwaves, but one day, the other one just disappeared, like poof.
Elec - Have you talked to your RAs or RD?
Esopus - No.
Dariana - I know that Lenape had a huge microwave issue last semester, and our RD said that Res Life does not have to necessarily provide you with a microwave. It’s not a requirement; it’s just something that is common.
Deyo - More of a question than a comment. Esopus, has that microwave been cleaned?
Esopus - Yes.
Deyo - Okay, because I know that other halls have been threatened with their microwave being taken away if it’s not cleaned.
Collango - Earlier in the year, we requested more garbage cans around campus. Now, we don’t even have one in front of our hall. It’s just gone.

STUDENT CONCERNS FOLLOW-UP : 9:22PM
In regards to students finding bugs in their salad, sometimes it just happens with locally-grown food because there aren’t any pesticides. Having locally grown food was something that was pushed for by students. If you happen to find a bug in your food, let a manager know and they’ll get you new food or a refund. There’s not really an all-encompassing answer. It’s just a case-by-case thing.
In regards to the charging stations at Hasbrouck, they should be fixed.
In regards to the hand sanitizing stations, workers fill those up, so if you see that one is empty, let a worker know.
In regards to the ATM issues in the SUB, a complaint has been filed to the bank by the SAUS office.
In regards to the construction in Smiley, Art majors should be receiving updates via email about the project. There is not currently an estimated end date.
In regard to information about medication distributed by the Health Center, students are given discharge paperwork that says what the medication does, so make sure you read that.
In regards to the Wi-Fi issues, the administration knows that it’s been spotty. IT has been working on it. If you’d like to get updates, follow @np_techupdates on Twitter to see what’s going on. For other individual answers, submit a ticket. A ticket is basically a work order, but for technology. The website to submit tickets is newpaltz.teamdynamix.com/tclients/home. That website will also be in the minutes. By submitting a ticket, you can get individual attention.
In regards to the individuals not following the rules in Crispell Lot, you can call UPD and give them license plate numbers.

STUDENT CONCERNS : 9:26PM
Dariana - Okay. The water fountains in front of the bathrooms on the second floor of Humanities only dispense hot water. It’s disgusting and I’ve been deceived several times. I like to drink water. I don’t like to die of thirst. It’s not cute. It’s really hot water and I don’t understand how it happens. It just happened to me the other day. I can’t live like this.
Andrea - Fool me once, shame on you. Fool me twice, you need to get it together.
Dariana - I ran my finger under the water the other day to test it and it was cold, but then when I put it in my bottle, it was boiling. I’m not here for it, Chrissy.
Elee - Well, that’s weird. We’ll definitely bring it up.
Crispell - If there could be a water bottle-refilling station in the New Science Building, that would be great. There are only water fountains and I have lots of friends who spend a lot of time there and like to drink water, and the closest water dispenser for bottles is in Element 93.
Lefevere - So, the door to get into CSB on the side by the greenhouse doesn’t open with the button. Well, the first door opens, but the second one to actually get into the area where the classrooms are doesn’t. I try to use it all the time and it doesn’t work. That’s really bad for people who actually need it.
Collango - In reference to a previous comment, that button is not connected.
Elee - Has that door always been broken? I remember it working. Am I just making up this memory?
Lefevre - The side door by the greenhouse.
Elee - Oh, okay, I was thinking of a different door.
Lefevre - The buttons for the gym also don’t work as of the last time that I checked.
Emily - Mine is a UPD concern. So, the other day, we had a problem with a resident after field events and UPD was called. I was consoling the student and she was trying to explain what was happened, and the officer was barely listening to her. As she got visibly more upset, he began looking around as if she wasn’t answering his questions. She was crying, but was still relaying information, and she eventually got angry and yelled and he started laughing. It was my first time dealing with UPD like that and I was shocked and not impressed, and I felt bad for her because she was hurt and couldn’t go home, and he was laughing at her.
Collango - In reference to a previous comment, I heard something today at Black Solidarity Day. A student complained that a UPD officer had stopped him and his friend while they were walking through the parking lot by the library, and the officer commented, “There’s a sidewalk, like, right there.” They then went to the sidewalk and began to walk away, and the officer was like, “Wait, I was just joking. Why did you take that seriously?” With police brutality being such an issue right now, I think officers should be more considerate.
Dubois - I’m not sure exactly how to go about this, but there should be sensitivity training with UPD officers. UPD was called on my friend the other night because she was having a mental breakdown, and she was freaking out even more because the counselor on call heavily suggested that she go to the hospital. The UPD officer, attempting to calm her down, said not to worry, and that they would only keep her for around 24 hours, because “I’ve only seen them keep the really bad people for more than that.” First off, that was super insensitive no matter what, and second, she’s still there and this happened last week, so I can only imagine how she feels now.
Capen - As a Senator, we have meetings with UPD. It would be helpful to have the names of the UPD officers so we can say something to the chair of UPD about this, so if you have the names, we can go do something about this.
Emily - I don’t know the name of the officer off the top of my head, but I can get that to you.
Elee - We can do that after the meeting.
Jennifer - When you do programs with UPD, they don’t send you an email about whether it’s happening or not. We were going to have a program in Crispell with UPD recently, and the officer showed up without any confirmation email, so we didn’t know he was coming. If they could send a confirmation email, that would be cool.
Collango - That happened to one of our RAs as well. She had even moved the date of her program to accommodate them, and then they didn’t show up.
Dariana - The doors in The Roost to get out by the main entrance are ridiculously heavy and when I go to fill up my water bottle in the morning, I almost hit my face on the door. I guess that’s my fault, but why is it so heavy? I’ve also had residents think that it’s closed because they just can’t open the door.
Lenape - In reference to a previous comment, the Wooster doors by Humanities are beyond heavy and if it’s windy, it’ll push you back.
Crispell - The one-way street by the parking lot by the New Science Building is closed, and I ride my bike from Crispell to there all the time, but now it’s chained off. There’s no sign or anything
Elee - Does anyone know if that’s related to the construction?
It’s closed off for pipework, and should be open again soon.
Lefevre - Two things. First, I don’t know why the doorways leading into the stairs of Humanities are always locked. So many students try to get through that door and I don’t know why it’s locked. It would be so much easier if they would be open.
Sam - Last year, someone said that if you try to open it from the outside, people can get hit in the face, so they lock it.
Lefevre - Okay. Second, of the entrance for one of the buildings has five doors, why do I have to try all of them to find one that’s unlocked? Why can’t they all be unlocked?
Elee - Which building in particular are you talking about?
Lefevre - Most of them. Most recently, the main doors for CSB. There are three and I have to check them all for no reason.
Collango - In reference to a previous comment, the one on the right is always open.
Lefevre - It’s also an issue in the gym.
Elee - That’s a traffic issue. That’s why there are arrows.
Collango - That’s also for sign-in purposes, so people can’t get in without signing in.
Scudder - So, last night, people were doing Black Solidarity Day stuff and I received a lot of complaints because people were trying to sleep and it was loud. Can they do it earlier in the day next time? People were being woken up.
Capen - I don’t think that can be negotiated. That’s been happening for almost 30 years. It’s only once a year, so I don’t think it’s a huge issue. The BSU does it for a reason and a purpose and we have to sacrifice a little for it.
Capen - In reference to that, maybe they can send out an email to the residents of the halls affected saying that it’s going to be happening so they get a warning?
Dubois - Emails are sent out weeks in advance about Black Solidarity Day and Pre-Black Solidarity Day. The day of, there’s nothing major going on it any of your classes, so none of you guys are really taxed by it. It’s a day for black individuals to not be on campus. It’s a day for black individuals to be together. The vigil is the time to make our voices heard, and since people are in their rooms and will hear us, we have it then.
Bouton - I don’t think anybody here disagrees with Black Solidarity Day. The issue was with people chanting outside at 10:30pm.
Elee - Because of Black Solidarity Day, professors don’t do big things in classes, and the vigil is something that has to happen at night, is supposed to be heard, and is not negotiable. Some think there should have been more notification to the whole campus about specifically the noise.
Dubois - We have it at night because people are in their halls, so campus is quiet and we get loud. It’s not something that can be changed.
Dubois - It’s also not just for black individuals. Anyone can come out and join.
Collango - I feel like RAs have a lot of floor meetings, and they can tell people about it then. Also, maybe people could be more considerate during the vigil. I heard a lot of people trying to interrupt it.
Capen - Also, it’s like five minutes long and professors are supposed to be considerate the next day. We understand you have to wake up for 8am, but honestly, we’re college students and most of us don’t sleep anyway, and I can’t imagine five minutes is going to make that big of a deal.
Gage - Are professors supposed to be considerate of Black Solidarity Day? I had an 8am, and in my class, we still had to do work and participate.
Elee - It’s not about not paying attention or not doing things. They don’t give exams and things cannot be due that day. They make exceptions like that, but are still going to be doing things in class.
Emily - We talked about it a long time ago, but I just reminded myself. We need more lights on campus, especially in Old Main Quad, between that one and the quad in front of College Music Hall. There aren’t any lights. If you go closer to Resnick or the entrance to College, there are lights, but there’s a straight pathway with no light and it’s really dark and hard to see. Can we get a light there?
Collango - I’ve also noticed that over by Esopus pond where the lights are out.
Deyo - Same with van den berg. I had a class that just got out and I couldn’t see down there since it’s getting dark earlier now.
Elee - Are there no lights down there, or are the lights out?
Deyo - There are barely any lights.
Elee - Remember that if you talk to any professional staff member, such as an RD or a professor, you can ask them to fill out a campus work order. It’s super efficient.

OPEN FLOOR : 9:45PM
Ridgeview - Is anyone else’s toilet paper extra bad all of a sudden?
Elee - It used to be a little soft, but the new toilet paper feels like printer paper.
Ridgeview - No, it feels like sandpaper. Like, how could it have gotten worse? I didn’t think it could. I get that I can’t get my four-ply here, but jeez.
Emily - In reference to a previous comment, just let the record show that Collango has never had quality toilet paper.
Ridgeview - Y’all also don’t have lights in the shower. I don’t know how you do it.
-- The person who makes it, has no need of it. The person who buys it, has no use for it. The person who uses it can neither see nor feel it. What is it? --
Emily - It’s always been sandpaper.
Crispell - UPC has two events coming up, one on Thursday 11/9 and one on Saturday 11/11. On Thursday, we’re having a talk with Max Stossel at 8pm in the MPR. On Saturday, we’re having a Paint and Sip. There are two sessions, one from 6pm-8pm and 9pm-11pm.
Lefevre - Sign up for the Paint and Sip online!
Emily - Where?
Crispell - Let me look it up.
Ridgeview - This Thursday, we’re having Taste of All with Ridgeview Hall. We’re making a lot of food. It’s on 11/9 at 7pm.
Bouton - On 11/14 at 7:40pm, we’re having a Thanksgiving-themed pie-eating contest!
Jennifer - Alpha Epsilon Phi is doing Donation for a Carnation from 12pm-3pm tomorrow in front of SUB100N. Come get a carnation! The proceeds are going to our philanthropies.
Deyo - I did a program at NPLC, and now it’s here! It’s going to be on Wednesday at 8pm. There are going to be six challenges, free food, and a raffle.
Crispell - For the Paint and Sip, you can sign up online at newpaltz.edu/saus/upcprogram.html
Lefevre - Also on Instagram @np_upc and on Facebook.
Dubois - The Caribbean Students Association is holding a program called To Bleach or Not To Bleach, and it’s about skin-bleaching and colorism. It’s on 11/9 from 6-8 in SUB418.
Andrea - Bevier and Crispell, see me after the meeting if you have your AC Retreat form. Thanks!
Lenape - There’s going to be an Open Mic Night on 11/17 at 7pm in the Lenape main lounge.

PASSING OF MOLLY THE MOOSE : 9:51PM
Bouton gave her their spirit week shirt, and is passing her to Lenape!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK : 9:52PM
So the quote was meant to be “Unconcerned, but not indifferent”, but instead says “Concerned, but not indifferent.” - Man Ray
Today is gonna be the day that they’re gonna throw it back to you

BUY NOW!!
HUMMUS AND A
WOW!!!

EXTRA LARGE FALAFEL MEAL FOR 2!!!