RESIDENCE HALL STUDENT ASSOCIATION
ASSOCIATE COUNCIL MEETING
February 27th, 2017
SUB 62/63

CALL TO ORDER 9:00 PM
MYSTERY ACTIVITY 9:00 PM
Learned the Marty the Moose Cheer
ROLL CALL/HALL REPORTS 9:03PM

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NRHH 9:07 PM

The theme for the final week of NEACURH Residence Hall Month is programing so they made tote bags to give out. On Wednesday from 12pm to 3pm, you can get one if you stop by the NRHH table in SUB by SUB100N and SUB 100S. If you can't make it during those times, you can come to BUZZ Karaoke on Friday and get one there. They are going to start coming to Hall government meetings as well to tell you all about what NRHH is and what they do.

SENATE 9:07 PM

Held their carnival about a week ago and had about 250 people show up. In March, Senate and NYPRIG are going to have 31 days of action to push the government to get us a fully funded college. Rainbow Month is coming up so SA will have a week of programs between April 10th to April 14th.

FUNDING REQUEST 9:08PM

PRESENTATION

Ashley from Biology Club:
Hello everyone. So for those that don’t know, Biology Club is one of the main clubs in CSB. There is currently nothing on the walls except some student work which is pretty cool but we are asking for money to paint murals on the walls. We want to show that science can be fun and that its not just black and white. We want to show all the things you can learn by taking Biology classes. We are opening this up to Beauty Lab and to people from other art domains so we can be inclusive to all members of the community. We are asking for 330 dollars so we can get the supplies we need to get the supplies to paint CSB and make it less scary. I yield to questions

QUESTIONS

Brandon: Would these murals only be in the parts of CSB were the Bio Labs are?
Ashley: The only real part of the building that is already painted is the Chemistry area on the third floor. Our main focus is to paint on the first floor because that’s were the most foot traffic happens but we do want to bring the murals up to the second and third floors as time goes on.
Andrea: How did you get the budget breakdown?
Ashley: A member of our E-Board is an Art Minor so she went online and looked what she and other art professors felt we would need to properly paint the walls.
Brandon: You said you wanted to reach out to other clubs; which clubs would those be?
Ashley: Right now we are collabing with the Chem Club and Beauty Lab, but we are putting flyers up by the Bio Club room in CSB so anyone can participate. We also talked to some professors so they can spread the word and we had our club members talk to their classes so anyone who want to help is welcome to.
Ridgeview: What do you want the students to get out of these murals?
Ashley: We want to show what the school offers as well as show the fundamentals of of biology and all the fun and exciting things one can learn by taking biology classes.
Lefevre: What materials are you using for the murals?
Ashley: We are getting oil paint, primer finish, brushes and a projector because we found some transparents that we want to use to make the murals. We realized it would be better to buy our own projector then have to rent on from 15 dollars an hour.
Brandon: Who did you ask for approval to paint on the walls?
Ashley: Professor Haselton who is the Chair of Biology and other Biology professors
Deyo: How much money are you asking for?
Crispell: Where did you get the ideas for the images for the paintings?
Ashley: We got inspired by the paintings on the Chemistry Wing.

Lefevre: Do you feel that these paintings are going to have a positive effect on student learning?
Ashley: I think it will put things into a bigger picture; students who are just starting to learn the material will be excited to see it on the walls, and potential students and parents will see the murals and see what they will learn via Biology classes.

Lefevre: Will the painting be done during the academic year and if so how will you deal with traffic in the halls?
Ashley: During the school year, but on weekends; mainly Saturdays so we aren’t too worry.

Dubois: Have you talk to coordinating with Chemistry Club, because we are updating our murals and we have supplies you could use. Wee have been working on them during the week but after hours when there isn’t too much traffic.
Ashley: I spoke to Abby who is president of the Chemistry Club. She said she was fine with what we are doing but I am more than willing to coordinate more with her.

Move to end Question and Answer
Second: Lefevre

Move to open discussion: Ridgeview
Second: Dubois

DISCUSSION

Dubois: Just out of curiosity is that a high price point for paint? I feel like it's a lot.
Angelique: As a former Art Major, that’s not high. Oil paint is about ten dollars for a small tube so what they have set is a good price point.

Point of Information: We have $3,148.50

Lenape: We think it would be great to show the connections between art and science. The college of Liberal Arts and Sciences should come together more often and we think this is a great thing that will be beneficial for the student body.

Deyo: We like that they are including people from all different majors and it will bring traffic into the building because the walls are really bare and so the paintings would make the building more lively.

Ridgeview: She was very clear about the reasoning behind teaching people about their own bodies which is really important information for people to have.

Collango: We like how she brought in the the fact that possible students will see the murals and undecided students may look at it and see if they want to spend their college career learning about biology.

Lenape: I’m a Biology major so I am in CSB a lot and there is nothing on the walls. Literally there is only one photo of a lizard somewhere and we all know what picture it is so the murals will create a more positive environment overall.
**Lenape:** Science is always evolving and if something that is painted on the walls changes over time, students can look back and see how the science has evolved.

**Collango:** We are excited that if the proposal goes through

-30 Seconds left-
  Ridgeview: Move to extend by five minutes
  Second: Deyo

**Collango:** We like that the students would be painting them.

**Crispell:** We agree that it would enhance the academic experience and feel of the building.

  Move to end Discussion: Deyo
  Second: Gage

  Move to open voting via closed eyes hands raised: Ridgeview
  Second: Scudder

Yes to giving the full amount of money: 24  
Yes to giving a different amount of money: 0  
No money will be given: 0  
Abstain: 2

The AC voted to give Biology Club the full amount of money!!

**OLD BUSINESS 9: 27PM**

  Motion to Open: Scudder
  Second: Esopus

**NCC**

Hey everyone! There are 11 days until Marty like a Rockstar!! The delegation is getting things ready and conference staff is hard at work to make this conference amazing. We still have volunteer spots open to talk to Megan Bailey if you want to volunteer.

Audrey and I have created the theme for S.T.A.R.S. conference which is S.T.A.R.S. of Broadway! S.T.A.R.S is going to be happening April 9th and program submission are going to open up within the following week and will posted on the RHSA website. S.T.A.R.S is a mini version of conference that we hold on campus that has all the cheers, programs, and banquet that full fledged conferences do. S.T.A.R.S stands for Skills, Teamwork, Action, Responsibility, and Self and that’s what your program submissions should be revolved around. This year, each hall has to submit at least one program but can submit as many as you want. You will get GFP’s for the first five programs that you submit.Program submissions will be due by March 17th by 5pm and the form will be on the RHSA website like we said.

Finally, remember to “Call the Question” when ending discussions during elections.

  **Lefevre:** What does it mean to call the question?

  **NCC:** You use the motion to end discussion and move directly into a period of voting, without a need for a second.
CCC

Hall buddies!!
Catherine: Capen and Dubois
Angelique: Gage and Scudder
Rui: Crispell
Katie: Bliss and Esopus
Elee: Collango
Brandon: Lefevre and Ridgeview
Breanne: Deyo
Andrea: Bouton and Lenape

GFP Update!!!
Bliss 69
Bouton 36
Capen 55
Collango 69
Crispell 133
Deyo 27
Dubois 276
Esopus 17
Gage 105
Lefevre 70
Lenape 85
Scudder 11
Ridgeview 71

The hall government member of the month is Kerry Son who is the Secretary for Dubois Hall!

Historian

Hey Everyone; so a while ago I passed around a sign up sheet for yearbook committee. I will be sending out a google doc soon to everyone who signed up so if you want to help out sign up after the meeting. The yearbook will be given out during banquet and help us to remember all the things we did this past year.

Motion to Close: Lefevre
Second: Ridgeview

NEW BUSINESS 9:36 PM

Motion to Open: Scudder
Second: Lenape

Coffeehouse
Happening tomorrow night, from 8:30pm to 10:30pm in SUB 100N. We will have free Dunkin Donuts coffee, hot chocolate and donuts; if you want to sign up to preform, follow the link on the event page or sign up after the meeting!

**BUZZ Karaoke**

Office Party BUZZ will happen this Friday, March 3rd, from 7:30 to 9:30pm in SUB 100S. We will have shirts featuring Parks and Rec and The Office and we have a bunch of new songs to sing!

**Hallywood**

Hey everyone, your perspective video sheets are due today. I only have four right now so if you didn’t hand it in, please slip it under the RHSA door before 1pm. The actual video isn’t due until April 3rd, so you have time to work on it and make it great.

**Dance Marathon**

Hey everyone! Thanks to all those who participated in our push week event; we raised $1,591 in that week alone! We are currently at $5,365 so we are really close to our halfway goal of $6,000. Keep fundraising because the day of the event you will get swag; stickers and buttons just for signing up, a fanny pack if you raise 62 dollars, a shirt if you raise 100 dollars, and a snapback if you raise 200 dollars. The top fundraiser gets a prize at the event so keep fundraising!

**3 Year Planning Committee**

The RHSA Three Year Planning Committee is a plan that tries to help further the goals of the organization in helping the student body. We are sending out a survey next week so please fill it out because the more feedback we get the better the plan will be; and you get GFP’s!

**Positional Meeting**

So for the members of the AC, as NCC I am basically an RHSA representative but for the school. So as we are in election season, we want to give you ideas on what questions would be good to ask, how to have a good discussion and how to use parli pro properly. So if you are free next week at 7pm, please come to the RHSA office and we will go over everything you need to know!

**Election**

The Role of a Vice President

**Angelique:** As Vice President, I serve in Catherine’s place should she not be able to fulfill her duties for any reason. I attend all monthly President’s Cabinet Meetings, work closely with the SAUS office, Submit FUSE forms for on campus events, attend individual and group event consultations, organize transportation for off campus events, plan and facilitate both Fall and Spring retreats, coordinate catering for all events, prepare and send out evaluations for bigger events like Spirit Weekend and Condom Casino, running the scoring for events like Spirit Weekend and Color Wars and keep records of event information.
EXPECTATIONS:
Organized
Good time management
Approachable
Confident
Works well with others
Ability to Lead
Good Communication Skills
Genuine
Flexible
Innovative
Ability to show professionalism
Good Public Speaking Skills
Ability to take command

PRESENTATION:
Andrea: Hi everyone, I’m Andrea Paredes, the current Historian for RHSA and I am running to be Vice President of RHSA. I started my journey in Esopus Hall as Vice President and I loved that I could build a community with people who shared my mission; as a team we decided to put on multicultural programs that were both fun and educational. After that I knew that I wanted to take a bigger step and be apart of something that was bigger than myself. I saw potential for inclusivity through the lens of historian because I could take pictures of everyone, not just my friends or people I knew; and that helps make people feel included. In running for Vice President, I see a potential for inclusivity and the ability to make RHSA better than it already is; to include all narratives and other perspectives that we do not currently have. We are supposed to serve all students but that is hard to do when we don’t have all the narratives here. I want to be the change agent and reach out to people who may feel that they are not included in this organization. This is not about changing the organization but rather enhancing it through small acts and that is something I am really passionate about. As far as the roles of a Vice President, I know I can fulfill them. This year taught me to me on stop of my stuff and to have good time management. I am an RA, an OL, on RHSA and on SA this year; RA taught my interpersonal skills, OL showed me how to grow as a leader while being surrounded by other leaders, SA taught me to not be afraid of my my voice as a student, and RHSA allowed me to meet a plethora of amazing people with different stories and different backgrounds. I love New Paltz in a way that is indescribable and we need small changes to make a larger impact. I yield to questions.
QUESTIONS

You spoke about how you want to make RHSA more diverse; how do you plan on doing that?

Andrea: My first idea is to reach out to organizations that deal with underrepresented students like the Black Student Union, the Muslim Student Union, the Latin American Student Union and the LGBTQ Community; by personally extending an invitation to them, we can hopefully get more people to come to our events and see us trying to be more inclusive.

What and what offices would you have to work with?

Andrea: The SAUS office for FUSE forms to get the space we need for events and meetings.

What’s the best advice you have gotten from a past Vice President?

Andrea: I spoke to Angelique and she told me to get comfortable speaking on the phone with people which I didn’t think would be a big part of the job but looking back Angelique is always on her phone emailing people or getting calls so it’s something that would have surprised me if I didn’t talk to Angelique.

Describe a time when you showed Leadership Skills.

Andrea: When I was an OL over the summer. I had to work with first year students every week and had to welcome them into New Paltz. I saw an array of people and I admit I passed judgement when I first saw them but being an OL opened my eyes to see my own flaws but also my strengths as a leader.

What RHSA events are run primarily by the Vice President?

Andrea: I deal directly with planning AC Retreat and bonding between the halls. Depending on what events we do for next year, I would help with Self-Care Fair and FUSE all the rooms for BUZZ.

The Vice President plans AC Retreat; Do you have any ideas for it?

Andrea: I am stuck on this idea that I really want to make happen; Either for Hall Government Mixer or for AC Retreat I want to have a game night where each hall is a family and we all versus each other.

Who in the SAUS office do you primarily contact and speak to when planning events?

Andrea: Mike Patterson and I can have EC with anyone in the SUAS office who is available to do it.

You mentioned a goal of yours was to attract more people of color to come to programs; how would you do that?

Andrea: I would reach out to specific organizations for underrepresented students and talk to the SMP mentors. There are a plethora of ways we can include the students who may not know how to get involved.
Are you prepared to be flexible with talking to organizations who may not want to reach out to RHSA?

**Andrea:** Yes; I am ready to have open and honest dialogues with people who have a preconceived notion of our organization and to show them our mission statement so they can try and see us in a different light.

You mentioned doing programs that deal with issues of society; what would those programs be?

**Andrea:** Elee mentioned in her speech a few weeks ago that she wants to do a refugee program and one she told me I knew it would be a good idea to broaden the horizons of RHSA to educate our students about issues that are affecting their lives.

If the president gets sick or has to resign, are you comfortable taking command?

**Andrea:** Absolutely

**Discussion**

She was very concise and understood the roles of a Vice President and the responsibilities she would have. She knows who she would have to talk to and we think that her communication is really good and she had a really good speech.

We like her ideas of inclusivity with minorities so they can understand what they bring to better the campus community.

We enjoyed her ideas on inclusivity as well especially since New Paltz has such a diverse community and since RHSA is there to serve the needs of all students and should be an open space for everyone.

We also feel that she was very concise with how she would go about contacting the minority groups.

We believe that Andrea was organized and had a lot of time management skills and that she can handle the responsibility of a Vice President.

She has a lot of past experiences from other clubs so we know she can handle the workload and is qualified for the position.
In reference to public speaking and professionalism, we believe that she carried herself very well and remained calm when the alarm went off or when she misspoke; it didn’t distract her or throw her off.

We call the question.

VOTING:
Andrea Paredes: 24
No Confidence: 0
Abstain: 1

The AC has voted, and Andrea will be vice president!

Nominations
Previous Nominations
Sam Halligan for PR: Accept
Emily Harter for Historian: Accept
Jackson Krugman for CCC: Accept
Jennifer Covais for CCC: Accept
Jules Robinson for Secretary: Accept
Morgan Beardslee for Historian: Accept
Katie Hennessy for Secretary: Accept
Jen Covais for PR: Accept
James Weaver for PR: Accept
Dairana Almeyda for Treasurer: Tables... now Accepts

New Nominations
No new nominations

Move to close new business: Esopus
Second: Bouton

UPCOMING EVENTS 10:18PM
Coffeehouse, February 28th, SUB 100N, 8:30-10:30
BUZZ Karaoke, March 3rd, SUB 100S, 7:30-9:30
Relay Ball, March 6th, SUB MPR, 7pm to 10pm
Dance Marathon, SUB MPR, April 15th

HALL CONCERNS 10:19PM
Scudder: Work orders have been submitted numerous times but the water fountain on the third floor girls wing is leaking really bad and is started to get into the rooms. It is not being fixed and people have started to move out because of it.
**Breanne:** Someone stole Gage’s exit sign on the third floor; it’s being investigated but it hasn’t been replaced yet.

**STUDENT CONCERNS 10:20 PM**

**Breanne:** I almost got hit by a Flavours by Sodexo Van on the Road via Parker Quad and the driver did not care; I was right in front of Capen.

**Ridgeview:** I was coming out of the parking lot by Ridgeview and there was a hole in the ground and it is very dangerous if some steps in it but there was a part or somethin in there before. It is a hazard for people who are walking or driving; it’s closer to Ridgeview by the parking lot area.

**Ridgeview:** I know not much can be done but the basement bathroom in the SUB is disgusting, there was silly string and stuff in the toilets.

**Deyo:** I work in the bookstore I was in that bathroom around five today and it was not like that so it was only recent that it happened and the custodian will get it in the morning.

**NRHH:** I know that people were throwing water balloons around the SUB earlier so it might be related to that. Also, with the storm this past weekend, my friends who have AT&T and T-Mobile have no service on campus especially in the Has Quad but it is very problematic. Also, there are wifi issues in Crispell, Humanities, the New Science Building, and Lecture center.

**Collango:** I contacted AT&T and they said that the tower closest to us ell over during the storm and has to be replaced so full service should be back up soon. Also, with the speeding, my friend was riding their bike and was hit by a car; it wasn’t a serious injury but still.

**Esopus:** Behind Esopus is really dark and scary but the blue light is flickering on and off and should be fixed.

**Rui:** The students who use the observatory for class have the power to turn off all the street lights and lamps, however one of our dials is broken so we can’t turn everything off. Work orders have been submitted but it still has not been fixed.

**NRHH:** I think the professors should get some training on the blue lights and how they are useful because they don’t really understand them and they can help inform students about them to keep them safe as well.

**Breanne:** The second floor of the Humanities building in the girls bathroom always has cold water and the hand dryers are always cold and it has been like that since I got here.

**OPEN FLOOR 10:27 PM**

**Lenape:** Please fill out the survey for the Three Year Planning Committee and help make RHSA better!

**Nicole De Robertis:** Hi, I’m Nicole and I am from Relay for Life. As you heard we are having a program with RHSA on Sunday you have flyers for it in your folders so please hang them up in your residence halls.

**Nicole Santa Maria:** This saturday UPC is having a BINGO night at 7pm and have lots of cool prizes!

**Breanne:** Tomorrow in the Gage Main Lounge we are having a program about free
speech and leaving positive notes for people. Also giving resources for places in town that are owned by people of color or by members of the LGBTQ community that are safe spaces.

**Angelique:** Lenape and Deyo need to see me after the meeting to talk about their Hollywood video and three halls have not handed them in yet.

**Lenape:** There is a rap table discussion at 5pm in the CSB auditorium about political practice on campus and a response to the discrimination that happened last week.

**Andrea:** Sign up for yearbook committee.

**Elee:** Don’t forget to sign up for coffeehouse!

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I’m not an airplane, but I can fly through the sky. I’m not a river, but I’m full of water. What am I?--

**PASSING OF MOLLY THE MOOSE 110:30PM**
Dubois gave her a Zephyr teachout pin and is givner her to collango!

**QUOTE OF THE WEEK 10:31PM**
“Happiness is not something ready made. It comes from your own actions.”

-Dalai Lama XIV

**ADJOURNMENT 10:31PM**
Next meeting in SUB 62/63!

Secretary app due next week!