CALL TO ORDER : 9:00PM

MYSTERY ACTIVITY : 9:00PM  
Our mystery activity was eating!

ROLL CALL/HALL REPORTS: 9:00PM

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NRHH: 9:05PM
Catherine - Hi everybody! So, we had our induction ceremony two Sundays ago. We inducted 6 new members. If any of you are here, please stand when I say your name. Samantha Becker. Nicole Santamaria. Maria Santana. Lindsey Mayer. Jackie Rankal. Laura Scarimbolo. We welcomed our honorary member, Professor Nancy Kassup of the Political Science department. We also said goodbye to our graduating members, Diana Suarez, Tori Martorano, Breanne Casucci, and Jennifer Covais. Rui - At inductions, we also give out awards. The Making a Difference Every Day award went to Naomi Vogt. The award for Recognition of Growth went to Narelys Chum. The Program of Excellence award went to AC^2. The Department of Excellence went to the Black Studies department. We also awarded Outstanding Service and Recognition pins to Tori Martorano and Melyssa Arguello, and awarded a Bronze Pin to the lovely former RHSA Secretary, former RHSA President, and current NRHH NCC, Catherine Callan.

SENATE: 9:08PM
Thanks to all who voted in our elections! We have some of our winners here, so stand if you won. Thank you for working with us this semester. At our last meeting, we discussed the Spring Fest concert, so check your emails for information about that. It’s a great event. We can’t wait for next semester. We’re looking forward to making New Paltz the best campus it can be.

OLD BUSINESS: 9:09PM
Motion to Open: Crispell
Second: Capen

Drake BUZZ Trivia
It was great. It happened last Friday. It was really cool to run a new type of BUZZ. Be ready, because we have some crazy BUZZs coming your way next semester!

NCC
So, I have some updates about SLC. For that, we just got word that registration closes on 1/28, so we’re going to open up applications over the break and have them due the day you come back, which is 1/21, and then we’re going to have interviews that whole week so we can get everyone registered on time. If you’re interested in applying for NCC, I highly recommend that you apply. It’s recommended that you have conference experience to have the position, so you should apply. Even if you’re not planning on running for NCC, you should apply anyway.

Ridgeview - Where is SLC?
Mario - WPI
Crispell - Where can we find the application?
Mario - It’s going to be on our website newpaltz.edu/rhsa by tomorrow. You have all of break to do it, and there will be updates and reminders on Facebook and Instagram.
Crispell - And what are the dates of the conference?
Mario - It’s from 3/2 to 3/4. I highly recommend that everyone applies. You can talk to me after this or come to my office hours if you have any questions or you just want to talk about it.

Motion to Close: Collango
Second: Dubois
NEW BUSINESS : 9:13PM

Motion to Open: Capen
Second: Ridgeview

NCC Nominations
It’s time to open up the nominations for NCC. It’s a really great position on E-Board, where you’re essentially an AC rep, but for all of New Paltz. You also work with the NCC of NRHH, coordinate awards, plan NPLC, and sit three office hours a week. To be nominated, someone must nominate you, and there must be a second. After that, I will ask you if you accept, decline, or table until the next meeting.
Ridgeview - I’d like to nominate Narelys Chum.
Deyo - Second.
Narelys - Table.
Collango - I’d like to nominate Ryan Tso.
Deyo - Second.
Ryan - Accept.
Deyo - I’d like to nominate Pharez Varlack.
Collango - Second.
Pharez - Accept.
Ridgeview - I’d like to nominate Jamie Ericksen.
Bouton - Second.
Jamie - Table.
Bouton - I’d like to nominate Emily Harter.
Collango - Second.
Emily - Accept.
Bliss - I’d like to nominate Sam Halligan.
Deyo - Second.
Sam - Table.
Lenape - I’d like to nominate Clare Del Grosso.
Collango - Second.
Clare - Accept.
Lefevre - I’d like to nominate Dariana Almeyda.
Bouton - Second.
Dariana - Table.
Deyo - I move to table nominations until the spring semester.
Bouton - Second.
The E-Board application is on the website.
Mario - If you want to learn more about NCC, please come talk to me.
Collango (BK) - I’m a past NCC, and you can talk to me as well.

Motion to Close: Lefevre
Second: Deyo

RECOGNITION : 9:17PM
Participation Awards
The E-Board gave out participation awards to their buddy halls.
E-Board Choice
Each semester, the eight of us select one hall government member who we think has gone above and beyond what is required of them. They are active within their hall governments, they’re present at RHSA meetings and events, and they’re always looking to do more to improve the community around them.
Emily
This person blew me away at Spirit Weekend with their drive and energy, something I had never seen from them before. Started from the bottom as an AC Rep last year, this person has made it to the top of their hall gov this year as President. This person can make crowds cheer and his animated character draws people to him. To the dancing, singing, boombox-carrying President, Big things await you in the world, and you hard work has paid off. Because of the energy and passion you have shown this year, especially at Spirit Week and other events, Austin Murphy, I would like to present my E-Board choice to you.

Jennifer
This person truly goes above and beyond since the very first AC meeting. They are constantly making motions, providing feedback, and always putting the interest of their hall first and foremost. I have never seen this person without a smile, and most importantly, I have never seen this person not actively putting a smile on someone elses face. He goes out of his way to be kind to every person he encounters and it is truly great to see. I have only known him for this single semester that he has worked on Esopus hall government, but I look up to him and all he represents. Chris Card’s aspirations to create Esopus hall into a family, while also united all of us in this room is something we can all attest to. So Chris Card, please come up here and join me at the podium!

Mario
For my E-Board Choice I chose someone that has continued to surprise me around every corner. At the first AC meeting I was not expecting to see this person and their continuous attendance at RHSA events and involvement on campus always stuns me. What really surprised me is when I saw this person apply to go to regional leadership conference at UCONN. They made it through the interview process again surprising me but also Catherine and we all got to bond over the ever notorious HUSKY PIZZA and yelling at each other about what is part of the UCONN campus and what isn't. I have chosen to give my E-Board choice to a student ambassador, the UPC Vice President and most importantly a fantastic AC rep from lefevre. My award goes to Jamie Erickson.

Sam
“It usually takes me more than three weeks to prepare a good impromptu speech.”-Mark Twain.
People who wish to learn from others are those that inspire me the most. You have truly inspired me this semester in how hardworking and dedicated you are. When I think of an individual who wants to learn and reach their heights I think of Sarah Creighton! So come on up and get your eboard choice!

Jules
My friendship with this person started in the worst place possible...Calculus II. We bonded over the horrific problems and brutal exams, then realized we were also in the same Comp class, which gave us a lot more to complain about. At the beginning of this year, I saw her at the first AC meeting back in Lecture Center and got so excited. Though my relationship with this person began in a rather awful place, it’s always been really great to see her smiling face at nearly every meeting and event representing her hall, Deyo, despite her not even being an AC rep. From the time I’ve met this person, she’s been nothing
but friendly, and I’m really glad to know her. She’s incredibly smart and kind, and she’s going to do amazing things. Well, without further ado, I’d like to present my E-Board choice to Katie Russell!

Dariana
When I first met this person, I knew they would be a great addition to any hall gov, in any residence hall, on any campus. With enough perseverance to move an army, enthusiasm beyond belief and compassion for those around her, Marissa Richman is a force to be reckoned with. Over this past year, I have watched her grow into one of the best versions of herself and I hope she continues to grow and grow. I hope she never forgets just how capable she is of handling everything and anything that comes her way, and I hope she continues to make her time here- and our time here- as memorable as can be. Marissa, New Paltz, RHSA and Lenape are incredibly lucky to have you.

Andrea
My E-board choice goes to somebody who has undeniable passion for everything they do. I officially spoke to this person for the first time a couple of weeks ago after an AC meeting. We had a real, raw conversation that was refreshing, enlightening and lasted about an hour. We shared things as if we had known each other for years; he carries this genuine aura all throughout the spaces he walks and is a friend to many. His kind heart is an inspiration to not only me, but his hall government. Juan Pablo Molina, this award goes to you for being a rockstar and taking on many hats throughout campus. You’re going to be doing great things during your time here.

Elce
My E-Board choice is going to a person who not only meets the expectations others set out about them, but really exceeds them. I had spoke with this person only a few times before I began hearing how impressed people were with them. Needless to say, I was pretty excited to have the opportunity to get to know him in the very large University of Connecticut. Pharez, you make me smile every time I see you and your passion for this organization is always shining through. I am already so proud and I can’t wait to be even more proud of all that you will accomplish both for RHSA, and for the greater New Paltz community.

RA Liaison of the Semester
RA Liaison of the Semester is an award we give out to the hall gov liaison who has gone above and beyond what is required of them. They show a clear interest in RHSA and hall government, and they are dedicated to helping their Hall Government reach their full potential.
When the eight of us sat down to choose a winner, it was not difficult to find a stand out person. Our winner is someone who has grown throughout their Hall Government experience, first being a very present and involved AC rep, and then applying that knowledge to become a very strong liaison. They are a familiar face at events, and they clearly help their hall gov grow stronger and stronger every day. We are very excited to give this semester’s Hall Gov Liaison of the Semester award to Puja Patel from Ridgeview Hall.

Hall of the Semester
Elce - Hall of the semester is an award we give out to the hall with the most GFPs at the end of each semester. GFP’s or Good Fellowship Points, are earned by putting on program sin your hall, as well as attending RHSA meetings and programs. I would like to invite CCC Jennifer up to the podium to give out this semester’s awards.
Jennifer - It is my honor to present the first, second, and third place awards for hall of the semester! In third place....Crispell Hall! In second place...College/Shango Hall! And finally, the moment we've all been waiting for, the Hall of the Semester for Fall 2017 is….Lenape Hall!

Bronze Pins
The Bronze Pin is the highest individual honor one can receive on a college campus, and the pins are given out by the NRHH or RHSA president. This pin shall be awarded to individuals who have provided leadership and direction to their campus organizations. The amount of bronze pins awarded each year cannot exceed the number 8, representative of the 8 regions within NACURH. Bronze pin recipients are students that go above and beyond what they are required to do, and they show a clear passion for what they do. These are the people who are committed to creating an inclusive and respectful community among their peers. Bronze pin recipients have worked their hardest and have dedicated their time to making their campus a better place. They are leaders, mentors role models, and some of the best people this school has to offer. If you have ever been awarded a bronze pin, please stand now.

Tonight, I will be giving out two bronze pins. For the first bronze pin, I would like to invite the President of NRHH, Rui, to the front.

Kyleen
Elec - When I first met this person, they intimidated me. Not because of anything bad, but only because of how impressive they were. They had accomplished so much and seemed to be able to understand an enormous amount from so many different directions. They are incredibly self aware and kind and clearly so admired by all that I was intimidated. It wasn’t until I was supposed to have a meeting with them every other week that I began to get to know them in a way that wasn’t just awe from afar. Surprisingly, the opportunity to spend more time with this person only made me admire them more, only now I wasn’t intimidated but instead felt like I was apart of something bigger. This person made me feel really apart of the world in a way that I could impact it. She helped me understand myself so that I could learn to grow. She helped me find the confidence I so badly needed to be able to be standing in front of all of you right now. Even though I don’t get to see her enough these days, the impact she has had on me is honestly life changing. I will never forget what she has done for me, and that’s why I was so excited to ask Rui what he thought of giving Kyleen our Bronze Pin.

Rui - There is a lot I can say about Kyleen Martin, so much so that it would take a few hours to say all the good experiences I had with her. However I will do my best to limit it to just Kyleen as we don’t have that much time. When I first met Kyleen it was during a time of nervousness. I was recently hired to be an RA in Deyo Hall and had before the Summer ended was told I was getting a new RD. I really did not know what to expect, this was totally someone brand new to me. However the first day I met Kyleen she greeted me with kindness and a positivity you really only see a few times in life. I did not realized at the time but she eventually became the mentor I never even knew I needed. Over the past year and a half, she has gotten to know me more than any other person on campus. She was there to experience me on my best days and was there to help me on my worst. Kyleen has help me grow as a person and make me be the best I can possibly be. Without her mentorship I would not have been able to be where I am today. I am only one of many students who have had similar experiences with her and that is why we are giving Kyleen a bronze pin.

Andrea
Elec - When I began to consider individuals to give this bronze pin to, I decided to read over the expectations of bronze pin recipients. After I did that, it was completely clear who this pin had to go to. This award goes to those who show leadership and direction above and beyond what is required. This
individual began their leadership journey at New Paltz as many of us do, in Hall Government. They were frustrated at first with a group that didn’t entirely match the drive that they had, so this person took it into their own hands, effectively taking on three positions responsibilities to work on making their hall gov all that it could be. They ended that year with an incredible Hollywood video, a forever memorable STARS roll call, and an eboard position in the bag.
The winner of a Bronze Pin is an individual who shows passion and respect for what they work to accomplish through hard work and a goal of inclusivity. This individual’s involvement in Hall Government, RHSA, Senate, Orientation, the Scholars Mentorship Program, an SRA, a delegate at NEACURH Spring Leadership Conference, and now REAL, makes obvious how deserving she is. Every day, she works hard to create an inclusive environment for her peers, centered on diversity, personal growth, and exploration.
The third piece of this award is that it goes to an individual who is not just a leader, mentor, and role model to others, but to some of the best people. She is a leader every day in all facets of her life, that is clear. She is a mentor, not just to her students from Orientation, but to all the people who go to look up to her. She is a role model, not just professionally, but personally. The way that she holds herself in the world is enshrined by her confidence, goals of personal growth, and ambition for success in every way. Andrea Paredes is an exceptional person. Is she one of the best people I know? Hands down. 100%. We are lucky to have her here at New Paltz and I am particularly lucky to call her one of my best friends. Congratulations and come get your pin!

Special Recognition
Next, I want to take a moment to recognize a few important groups and individuals with us here tonight.
First, to everyone in this room, thank you for contributing so much of yourselves to make your campus community a welcoming place. Your effort of going to meetings, programs, and events, and all the work that comes with it, does not go unnoticed.
Next, to the Associate Council, y’all have been incredible. You’ve picked up on Robert’s Rules so well, and you’re always ready for the next thing we throw your way. Also you laugh at our jokes so thank you :) You make our Monday nights beautiful, and your passion for making our campus a better place is going to do a lot of good.
To the senators and SA E-Board members in the room, thank you for going above and beyond with your interest of the needs of students at our school. Being involved with only SA or RHSA is one thing, but to pursue them both puts you in a category of your own. I look forward to working with you all more closely next semester.
To the NRHH E-Board, y’all have done so well this semester being on your feet, ready for any challenge that comes your way. I’m grateful that our Phi Psi chapter will only get stronger in the coming semesters.
To our unbelievably awesome advisors: Three RD’s were assigned to advise this humungus organization, and even though they had to put in a humongous amount of work into it, they are putting their all, every week. They’re supportive of and enthusiastic about everything they do for us in RHSA.
Jenn, I think that you literally having no idea what you were getting into with RHSA makes it all the more incredible how good you are at advising it. You’re hilarious, and kind, and we’re lucky to have you. I look forward to getting to knowing you better next semester. I know it will be worth the trek to Shango to see your face :)
Chrissy, I really can’t believe how lucky we are to have you in our organization. Your passion for everything RHSA, especially student concerns, is what makes you amazing. For real, I feel blessed to get to know you, you help be be a better leader and a stronger person. And I’m not going to miss our one on ones cause catch me at your office hours anyway :)
None of these people will take the credit they deserve, but they make RHSA what it is. Without them we’d be a mess. None if this would be possible without yall, we hope you know how much we love and
appreciate you.
Finally, to my E-Board: The seven people sitting up here in front of you put in countless hours to make RHSA incredible. I am so proud of everything they have accomplished thus far and know it will only get better.
Emily- I say it very often but it doesn’t make it any less true, you are the heart of RHSA. I am so grateful that you are apart of this org, you bring joy and laughter and all around goodness, even if you are totally wrong because Jamie is clearly the wrong one.
Jennifer- You are truly the definition of a GFP, a good and friendly person. You bring so much insight and wisdom to our group. Your hard work and dedication doesn’t go unnoticed and I am especially grateful for all of the grade A side glances we share in class.
Mario- I’ve made very clear to you already how much I value you, but just in case you’ve forgotten. I value you a whole lot. Your passion for your position inspires me, you are so full of great ideas, you make me laugh and you make me think and I am glad I get to know you.
Sam- Your potential for greatness just keeps growing and I am so excited to watch you unlock it. Your good attitude and humility in your work is priceless and I appreciate the opportunity to get to know you and to be your friend.
Jules- I love you so much. You have such drive within you and I know that you are destined for greatness. You inspire me. I can’t imagine RHSA without you typing and meme-ing away. Thank you for being here and making me smile
Dariana- I am forever grateful that you decided to run for treasurer. You’ve opened up so much since the start of the semester. You really surprised me with how funny you are. You put so much into your position and that’s something I can’t thank you enough for.
Andrea- I appreciate you-and that’s all you get because I’ve stroked your ego enough tonight. But really, thank you.
Thank you all for your constant love and support. You inspire me, and without you I wouldn’t be able to do any of this.
That ends the recognition portion of the meeting, so now we are moving on to hall concerns
-- I’m tall when I’m young and I’m short when I’m old. Who am I? --
Andrea - Hold on. You talked about all of us, but I need to talk about you too. Elee Wolf-Sonkin, you are absolutely incredible, and you do so much for this E-Board. Without you, nothing would get done and we would have no direction. I speak on behalf of all of us when I say thank you for your dedication to this organization. It doesn’t go unnoticed.

HALL CONCERNS : 10:02PM

STUDENT CONCERNS : 10:03PM
Collango - Today, my lab decided to test the water in CSB to see how well it filtered, and it turned orange. The water can barely filter through, and it’s disgusting. Is there a way you can check the water quality throughout all of the buildings on campus and not just the residence halls?
Lenape - Is there any way we could find out when RA Appreciation Day and stuff like that are prior to the night before? I know you guys are supposed to tell us.
Elee - It’s not us who know about RA Appreciation Day.
Lenape - We mean all of the appreciation days.
Elee - We don’t know any of them.

OPEN FLOOR : 10:04PM
NRHH - You probably forgot, but tomorrow is the first night of Hanukkah, and the JSU is having some events! Tomorrow night, in the MPR, we’re going to be having a Hanukkah Casino at 7pm! On 12/13, we’re doing Doughnuts for the Dorms! From 7-7:45pm, we’ll be in Gage. From 8-8:45pm, we’ll be in Lenape. From 9-9:45pm, we’ll be in Deyo. There will be a lot of other events as well!

Lefevre - Come to Study Break Breakfast at 8pm on Wednesday in the SUB MPR.

NRHH - Hi guys! Finals are coming up, so please remember to take care of yourselves.

Elee - I just wanted to thank you all so much. Exactly three months ago today was our first AC meeting, and it’s been an incredible semester.

Collango - Thank you guys so much for not only putting on Banquet, but for everything you do as an organization. You guys are great.

Emily - If you guys would like a picture with your hall, go to the lei wall and I’ll see your group and we can get a picture.

PASSING OF MOLLY THE MOOSE : 10:07PM
Gage gave her money that has a picture of the Gage gorilla on it, and they’re passing her back to RHSA!
If you want any of your stuff back, you can have it, and if you don’t want it, you won’t see it again.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK : 10:08PM
“You may not always see the light at the end of the tunnel, but if you keep moving, you will come to a better place.” - Uncle Iroh, Avatar: The Last Airbender

ADJOURNMENT 10:09PM