THE RICHARD STOCKTON COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY STUDENT SENATE

Notice of Meeting March 10, 2009 4:30 p.m. G-wing Lounge

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STUDENT SENATE MEETING **AGENDA**

March 10, 2009

- Call to Order/Roll Call I.
- II. Approval of Minutes
- President's Report III.
- Committee Reports IV.
 - Finance A.
 - **Public Relations** В.
 - Academic Policies C.
 - D.
 - School Spirit Student Welfare E.
- Announcements/Comments from the Public V.
- VI. Adjournment

2008-2009 Student Senate Meeting Minutes from February 24, 2009

Presiding:

Kevin Devine

Members Present:

Brian Ackerman Jonathan Beloff Brian Brateris William Elmore

Precious Jemibewon
Peter Hutcheon
Gentae Kemp
John Livres
Frank Matthews
Matthew Miller

Gretchen Ramos
Jamey Robinson
Sammy Sanchez
Danielle Sanzone

Josh Spada Sara Sterling Tamika Thompson

Duanaya Williams

Members Absent:

Melissa Gonzalez

Jamie Evans*
Dawn Leiser
Ashley Pero*
Xochil Ramirez
Xilena Viana

*Notified Chair

Members Late:

Timothy Papp*

Iris Ruffin

Agenda/Business:

In Ashley's absence, Kevin presided over the meeting. He called

the meeting to order. Senators who were absent or late were noted. Josh moved to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2008 meeting, seconded by Sara.

Motion Passed: 18-0-1*

*Senator Abstained: Kevin Devine

Vice President's Report: Kevin Devine

Kevin welcomed the new senator Peter Hutcheon. He then asked that senators stay a few extra minutes after the meeting.

Committee Reports: Finance

John reported that the committee is continuing to review the 2009-2010 annual budget requests for student organizations.

Idols of the Tribe submitted a supplemental in the amount of \$933.40 for the Writer's Convention in Minneapolis, MN. John moved to approve the supplemental, seconded by Jonathan.

Motion Passed: 18-0-1*

*Senator Abstained: Kevin Devine

Iris arrived at this time.

Psychology Club submitted a supplemental in the amount of \$2,000.70 for the Eastern Psychological Association Convention. Gretchen moved to approve the supplemental, seconded by Josh.

Motion Passed: 17-2-1*

*Senators Opposed: Precious Jemibewon and Sara Sterling

Public Relations

Xilena stated that the committee is working on a birthday card project that encourages students turning 21 to be responsible.

Xilena then reported that the committee discussed the upcoming Student Senate and Board of Trustees elections. Petitions are available and must be returned by March 13th.

Xilena concluded by reporting that the committee is working on their idea to promote leadership organizations on campus. They would like to have members from each organization do the tabling. The table will include the organization names, their mission statements, and application forms will be available for students to take.

Academic Policies

Precious stated that the committee is working on the fundraiser for Covenant House. Iris put lollipops out while she was tabling to help attract students. It was discovered that many students do not know what Covenant House is so the committee will use this as an opportunity to inform the public.

Precious then reported that the speaker that Jamie asked to speak about domestic violence was unavailable so Iris will be looking for a new speaker.

Precious concluded by giving the following briefing from the Faculty Assembly meeting that she attended:

During the meeting a motion was made recommending Dr. Paul Lyons for posthumous promotion to Distinguished Professor. The proposition was unanimously embraced by a round of applause.

President Herman J. Saatkamp, Jr. addressed the faculty. He briefly spoke about his trip to Washington DC. In addition, his speech was focused on the current economic situation and its impact on the college.

School Spirit

Danielle reported that the committee is still collecting donations for the Osprey's Nest. So far they have 5 or 6 donations and will be adding things from the bookstore once they are purchased.

Danielle then stated that the committee is continuing to work on the Spring Carnival and awaiting confirmations from the vendors.

Student Welfare

Brian reported that the committee spoke with Patti Weaver, Bookstore Manager, about the issues with excessive lines in the bookstore. Ms. Weaver informed them that the main reason for the long lines is that many professors submit book orders extremely late, sometimes within a month of classes. Students then are unable to purchase their books early. They are planning to encourage professors to stay up to date with their orders.

Brian then reported that the committee will be contacting Plant Management about paving the lot behind the Arts and Sciences Building after complaints about the potholes and mud.

Tim arrived at this time

Brian stated that Jamey will be working with Health Services on the issue of condoms being accessible to students at a convenient location at all hours of the day.

Brian also stated that WebFood orders are taken until 12 midnight at Lakeside.

Tamika then reported that on Tuesday, February 26th she spoke with Dennis Lepore, Health/Safety Officer/Fire Official, regarding smokers at the entrances to the academic complex. During their conversation, he explained to her that the issue of public smoking on campus has been explored many times. However, the problem would still lie with enforcement.

Tamika questioned if the issue of enforcement was the responsibility of the police department, and he informed her that the responsibility lies with the police department and the community at large.

Frank asked if there was a neighborhood watch set up on campus. Glenn Miller, Chief of Police, stated that there is a community neighborhood watch program on campus in conjunction with Residential Life.

Announcements/Comments from the Public:

Steven Radwanski, Complex Director, announced that the Living, Learning Community applications were due on Friday, February 27. Applications are also available on the Residential Life website.

Adjournment:

Kevin adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m.