RESIDENCE HALL STUDENT ASSOCIATION
ASSOCIATE COUNCIL MEETING
Date: 10/19/2020
Location: Zoom

CALL TO ORDER | 9:04PM
Matt: I’m going to call this meeting to order.

MYSTERY ACTIVITY | 9:04PM
Matt: If you could name any planet or star, what would it be?

ROLL CALL/HALL REPORTS | 9:07 PM
Emily: Hey y’all! So when I call your hall, if you can give me the number of people representing your hall, how many RHSA shirts you have on, how many NRHH shirts you have on, how many Conference shirts you have on, and a hall report from your hall gov if you have one. Also please let us know what day and time your Hall Gov meetings are.

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<td>Our Hall Gov Meetings are on Tuesdays at 7:00pm. We elected our Treasurer. Two weeks ago we had our first event. Our Instagram is back up so follow us @lenape_hall_gov. We have two events coming up this week.</td>
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SENATE | 9:13 PM  
**Matt:** Do we have a Senate report? Seeing none. Tune in next week for a Senate report!

NYPIRG | 9:13 PM  
**Sue:** No NYPIRG report.

NRHH | 9:13PM  
**Gigi:** Next semester, we will be looking for a new NRHH Representative. As an NRHH Representative, you come to these meetings each week, you get to work with Callie, and plan NPLC together, which is the conference for New Paltz. You get to see what it’s like to be a member on the NRHH E-Board. If anyone’s interested, please let me know!

**Callie:** You should totally join NRHH and then run to be the NCC because I’d love to work with any of you! If you have any questions at all, please email us at newpaltznccs@gmail.com.

OLD BUSINESS | 9:14PM

- **Motion to Open:** Bliss
- **Second:** Scudder

Public Relations Officer  
**Jordann M.:** This Friday, Bubble Buzz moved due to rain but our new date for Bubble Buzz is Friday, November 13th from 7:30pm - 9:00pm. *On what day are we starting the Instagram takeovers on?* We’re going to be sending a link for you to sign up in the next Email Blast, and here is the link if you aren’t signed up for that: https://forms.gle/8Uyhw66xYqrp36sG9.

Secretary  
**Emily:** Hey y’all! As you may have noticed, we didn’t have a meeting last week. That’s because we wanted to recognize Indigenous People’s Day and educate ourselves about what Indigenous people have gone through and what they still go through today. To do this we have compiled a list of resources and feel free to email us anymore resources you might have! Here is the link to
the resources: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ip8Fqi24aykDfZBNI5AvDfIgZNpTZWaNbM7bO4qX3s/edit?usp=sharing. I want to point out that New Paltz is on Indigenous land and that land was part of the Lenape tribe. That’s why we try to pronounce Lenape as Len-ah-pay for future reference.

CCC
**Jordan H.** I’m going to say top three with GFP’s.
- Third Place: Bliss
- Second Place: Bouton
- First Place: Ridgeview

Historian
**Cassandra:** Hello! For the Decorate a Mask social media challenge that we had on Instagram a couple of weeks ago, these are the winners:
- Second Place: Scudder
- First Place: Bliss

Thank you for your creativity, they both looked awesome. I hope the rest of the halls will also show us what they have for future social media challenges.

NCC
**Callie:** RLC is coming up super soon. It’s in 18 days. PR Jordann McKenna is attending along with me, NRHH NCC Gigi, and President Matt! We’re all super excited!

- Motion to Close: Bliss
  - Second: Lenape

NEW BUSINESS | 9:18PM

- Motion to Open: Bliss
  - Second: College-Shango

NCC Fun Fact
**Callie:** This week’s fun fact is that our region is 1 of 8 regions, and we all keep in contact throughout the year! So RHSA really does help you make friends from all over the country! If you want to learn more about it, contact me or Gigi, we would love to talk to you about it!

Buzz Escape Room
**Jess:** We’re having our BUZZ Escape Room on Friday, November 6th at 7:30pm - 9:00pm.
Ghosts of the Past

**Emily:** Programming Committee is having a Halloween diversity event called Ghosts of the Past! We're going to discuss stereotypes with costume, choices, cultural appropriation, and problematic stories. It will be on Friday, October 23rd at 8:00pm on Zoom!

Black Solidarity Day

**Jordan H.:** For those of you who are unaware, New Paltz annually celebrates Black Solidarity Day. Black Solidarity Day is a day in which the Black community and surrounding communities join together to discuss what’s currently going on in our socio-political climate. While RHSA is apolitical, we do urge you guys to vote. We will not be holding a meeting that day considering the cultural importance for Black people on that day. If you guys have any more questions about Black Solidarity Day, feel free to reach out to us and we can discuss it more.

**Matt:** We are going to reach out to departments to compile a list of resources and you all should have gotten an email from Provost Lyman.

Social Media Takeovers & Challenges

**Jordan H.:** Starting this Wednesday the E-Board is going to start Instagram takeovers. One of us each day is going to be on the RHSA Instagram posting on the story so you can get to know us a little better. During those takeovers, some of us might be posting poll challenges, multiple choice questions, written responses, and quizzes. If you participate in these challenges, you have the chance in earring GFP’s.

- Poll challenges: 1 point
- Multiple choice: 3 point
- Written Response: 5 point

If you win quizzes on the RHSA polls, you will get GFP’s for placing:

- 1st place: 10 points
- 2nd place: 6 points
- 3rd place: 2 points

I’m going to restate all of that when I do my takeover.

Fun Mask Photo Challenge

**Cassandra:** We are going to be doing a fun mask photo challenge. What you do is you take a fun or creative selfie with a mask on, or take a photo with friends, pets, your hall gov, etc with masks on. Then, post it on your Hall Gov instagram and tag us, using the hashtag #rhawearsamask and #rhsawearsamask to be posted on our Instagram! If you want to email us submissions for this, that works too! There will be winners based on creativity for GFPS, and you all have until 11:00pm on Sunday, November 1st to send us or tag us in your photos if you want to participate in the contest. That is two weeks from today, but I highly suggest sending them earlier than that if you can. Also, keep a lookout for our posts on Instagram this week, as you will see each of us on the Instagram with our masks on as well!
Halloween Scavenger Hunt

Matt: This Halloween, there’s going to be a lot of events going on around campus. RHSA will be hosting a Scavenger Hunt event. While you’re going from activity to activity, you might be able to find some mooses, or meese as we call them. All you need to do is scan the QR code, fill out and submit the form, and you can earn your hall GFP’s. We’ll give you an update next week. You don’t have to take them down, just scan the QR code, maintain social distancing, and may the best hunters win!

Motion to Close: Lenape
Second: Bliss

UPCOMING EVENTS | 9:27 PM
- Ghosts of the Past | Friday, October 23rd at 8:00pm on Zoom!
- Buzz Escape Room | Friday, November 6th from 7:30pm - 9:00pm on Zoom!
- Bubble Buzz | Friday, November 13th from 7:30pm - 9:00pm on Old Main Quad!
- Halloween Scavenger Hunt | Saturday, October 31st throughout campus!

HALL CONCERNS | 9:28PM
Matt: If there’s something wrong in your hall that you have already talked to your RAs, SRA, and RD about and nothing has been done, this is your time to tell us. 3. 2. 1. Seeing none.

STUDENT CONCERNS FOLLOW UP | 9:28PM
Matt: Last week we didn’t have a meeting and nothing carried over so there are none.

STUDENT CONCERNS | 9:28PM
Matt: If you have general concerns for things going on campus wide (something's broken, wrong, administrative concerns, faculty concerns), this is your moment to tell us so we can relay the information to the administration. However, if you have any food concerns (type, quality, price, location), we will not hear them at this point but you can email us at rhsa@hawkmail.newpaltz.edu. You can fill out this Google form for both hall and student concerns: https://forms.gle/j7qrziK2aWq9guyt5. Do we have any student concerns?

Lenape: I wanted to advocate for last Tuesday, it was supposed to be Hot Chocolate with the President and it got cancelled due to the inclement weather. I really want to advocate for it to be rescheduled because apparently it’s not getting rescheduled. The reason why is that the original one was scheduled on Yom Kippur, a Jewish holiday. I couldn’t attend because I was observing the holiday. I want to advocate to have it rescheduled.

Matt: I could email President Christian and it’ll go to his secretary. I could see if he’s willing to follow up with that. I will also follow up with my advisors through Residence Life. I’ll also follow up with the Diversity Coordinator in their administration, that way we can be more aware of holidays that might not impact class schedules, but to schedule events that would not fall on those holidays in the future.
**Scudder:** I’ve noticed lately that whenever I see a University Police Officer walking around campus, they don’t have a mask on. I’ve probably noticed it about 4 or 5 times.

**Matt:** Since it might be an open space and 6 feet apart, then they don’t have to. What I’ll do is, because everyone should be wearing it at all times, I’ll reach out to Chief Mary Ritayik and see what she can do about making sure if they’re walking around that they’re wearing a mask. I will be reaching out to them to see if they can make into a policy or something they encourage.

**Matt:** Are there any other student concerns? If you have any other student concerns, feel free to email us or fill out the form.

**OPEN FLOOR | 9:32 PM**

**Matt:** If you have a program, meeting or any other announcement that you would like to share with the Associate Council, now is your time to share by typing an x in chat. If you would like your Hall Gov programs and events to be advertised on the Hall Government Google Calendar, please fill out the following Google Form: [https://forms.gle/LrwXyzJfyvX8SXby5](https://forms.gle/LrwXyzJfyvX8SXby5). Are there any open floors?

**College-Shango:** I wanted to ask Jess about the budget. Is the budget for the whole year or just the first semester?

**Jess:** From what I have heard, it should be for the entire year. It’s less than ideal but because of Covid, there have been some budget restraints within CAS. The positive thing is that you are getting money to host some programs. It could change, but that’s what I heard as of right now.

**Sue:** I’m not representing NYPIRG today, I’m representing the United Nations Association. We are a fairly new organization on campus. We try to advocate for work on international issues that the United Nations Association across the country works on. We have an event coming up later this month Saturday, October 24th. It is the 75th annual anniversary of the United Nations. If you guys have ever heard of the Sustainable Development Goals, we’re going to be focusing the event on that.¹ We’re hoping to have students, professors, new members, anyone who would like to speak on the Sustainable Development Goals. It includes things like gender equality, clean air, life on land, life below the water, poverty, hunger, big goals for the next year that the United Nations planned out. The event is hosted by the United Nations Association and we’re celebrating the 75th anniversary of the UN. It’s going to be on Saturday, October 24th at 12:00pm. Sign up link for the event and more info: [https://forms.gle/9ERMYXZ54uPYeE8o7](https://forms.gle/9ERMYXZ54uPYeE8o7)

If you want more information, feel free to email me: jiangs3@hawkmail.newpaltz.edu. UNA, we meet every Tuesday at 7:00pm on Webex. If you email me, I can also send you more information on that. If anyone has any questions, I would be happy to answer them.

**Matt:** Do we have any other open floors? Seeing none.

¹ United Nations Sustainable Development Goals Links:
[https://sdgs.un.org/goals](https://sdgs.un.org/goals)
PASSING OF MOLLY THE MOOSE | 9:36PM

**Matt**: Lenape had Molly. They put a little Lenape Lion on the back. Who is getting Molly?

**Lenape**: Bliss!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK | 9:38PM

**Callie**: If you have good thoughts they will shine out of your face like sunbeams and you will always look lovely. - Roald Dahl

ADJOURNMENT | 9:39PM

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting: Lenape
Second: Bliss

Next meeting will be on Zoom!