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

MYSTERY ACTIVITY | 9:04PM
Matt: What is your favorite food to get on campus?

ROLL CALL/HALL REPORTS | 9:05PM
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.

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SENATE | 9:08PM
Chet: Our menstrual hygiene products have shipped so soon we’ll have those and we’ll be spreading them around campus. This coming Wednesday, not this Wednesday but next Wednesday on the Mind, Body, Spirit Day the Student Association will be having a grab and go duck station. We’re ordering from this company like Build A Bear to get a bunch of materials to make stuffed ducks and give them out to people on campus. I don’t know exactly what the
process is going to be, but be on the lookout for more information on that in the SA all student emails.

NYPIRG | 9:09PM
Chet: There’s nothing too specific for NYPIRG. Last week, we had our Credit Cards 101 where we hopefully helped some people out figuring out how credit cards work and what’s best for them in their use. Other than that, if anyone wants me to give a small lecture on ranked choice voting, I think that’s all.

NRHH | 9:10PM
Melissa: I have no new information.

OLD BUSINESS | 9:10PM

Motion to Open Old Business: Shawangunk
Second: Minnewaska

Secretary
Emily: Hey y’all! Congratulations to Minnewaska Hall for first place for the riddle in the minutes and Lenape for second place! The riddle was, “Who is RHSA’s sister organization?” The answer was NRHH, the National Residence Hall Honorary. Make sure you keep an eye out for the next riddle in the minutes!

NCC
Callie: Hello, hello everyone! NCC Callie here! I hope you’re all doing well, my fun fact of the week is that the NEACURH equivalent of E-Board Choices is called a Platinum Antler. It’s super cool and exciting!

President
Matt: I want to talk about the change that the Executive Board has made. We are going to be lowering quorum, which is within our right as it's not specified in our Constitution. What that means is the amount of halls present at these meetings for us to conduct business has been lowered and that number is now 8 to reflect how many halls we get. We need at least 5 halls to be here for the total number of 8 to take effect so we can actually conduct business.

President
Matt: So after compiling all the scores for Spirit Weekend, first of all I want to announce the lip sync winners.

   2nd Place: Bouton
   1st Place: Ridgeview

For the Spirit Weekend winners, which was a really close competition,
   3rd Place: Lenape
   2nd Place: Bouton
   1st Place: Ridgeview

Thank you for everyone who participated in Spirit Weekend and earned Spirit Weekend points for your halls. If anyone is interested in the I have your book committee, and it would be super
awesome if you guys join and if you want to, results and how they were compiled sheet that I did it on, but thank you again to everyone.

Secretary

Emily: Hey y’all! Help us prevent and respond to sexual and interpersonal violence by completing the SUNY Campus Climate Survey! You have to search survey@suny.edu in your hawkmail and once you fill it out, you’ll be entered in a raffle where you could win a $100 Amazon Gift Card! *When is Buzz Puzzle Party?* It only takes a few minutes and your input truly makes a difference. Feel free to let me know if you have any questions, comments, or concerns about finding it or filling it out!

Motion to Close Old Business: Bliss
Second: Lenape

NEW BUSINESS | 9:14PM

Motion to Open New Business: Minnewaska
Second: Lenape

Buzz Puzzle Party

Cassie: Hello Friends! We hope you will all join us next Friday, March 26th, for Buzz Puzzle Party! It is from 7:30 - 9:00pm. We can all hang out virtually and work on jigsaw puzzles together and all sorts of puzzles. Keep an eye out for more information coming soon!

Ten Minute Break | 9:15pm - 9:25pm

Election

Matt: We do have the Secretary election tonight. I would like to ask the candidate for Secretary to introduce themselves at this moment in time.

Saskia: Hi, Saskia Kamerling and I am the candidate for Secretary!

Matt: If you don’t mind, I will send you to the waiting room. Before we begin, I would like to have our current Secretary read off the duties of Secretary.

Emily: The duties of Secretary are:

A. Responsible for recording minutes at all Executive Board and AC meetings;
   1. Must post minutes from AC meetings on the RHSA website no later than 48 hours after each meeting;
   2. Must email minutes from Executive Board meetings to the Executive Board, Advisors, and Assistant Director of Residence Life no later than 48 hours after each meeting;
B. Works with the President to create the agenda for each AC meeting;
C. Posts the agenda for each AC meeting on the RHSA website;
D. Leads roll call at AC meetings;
E. Keeps an inventory of office supplies and purchases them when necessary;
F. Must be familiar with basic computer and typing skills
Matt: With that, I’m going to open the expectations list and we’ll start with the first x in the chat.

Expectations of Secretary:
- Responsible
- Organized
- Detail oriented
- Good communication skills
- Good time management
- Good words per minute for typing
- Thoroughness
- Good at spelling
- Conflict resolution skills
- Confident

Move to Exhaust the Speakers With additions: Bliss
Second: Shawangunk

Matt: Are there any other additions that want to be made? 3. 2. 1. Seeing none.

Candidate 1: Saskia
Hi everybody! My name is Saskia. I'm currently in my second semester at New Paltz and I'm also in my second semester as the A.C. Representative Lenape Hall. This has been an unexpected but extremely enjoyable position for me to have the past two semesters in terms of getting involved in my first year as a student here. I've attended every single meeting that has happened these past two semesters. This is a very important part of my week for me to attend. In terms of what I can bring to the position of Secretary, I think that my greatest skill for that would be that, to me, communication is everything. I think that open, honest and straightforward understanding between everyone is the most important thing we can have, especially at this time in our lives when we have to advocate for ourselves as students. When we have this ability to participate in how our university is run, such as RHSA, I think that being able to have people's voices heard and have a supportive community is very important so that's why I would like to be involved in something like this. I know that being Secretary is a big position and there would be big shoes to fill, Secretary Emily has done such an amazing job, but I've always been a good student. I'm an academically minded person, which I think makes me conscientious and organized. I love taking detailed notes, which I know is a huge part of this position. I have a color coordinated Google Calendar that I'm extremely proud of so I never miss any appointments or deadlines because that keeps me on top of things. I'm already prepared in terms of that to have a position where I need to be organized and keep track of things and keep people updated. All in all, I have really felt supported by this group and by being a student at New Paltz, and I would just like to get involved more and make sure that my voice and everyone else's voices can be heard. I think that this would be a great opportunity for me to get involved, meet people and understand how this university runs because we know that as students, that's something we don't always have the opportunity to do and that's extremely, extremely important. I kind of went through that fast, but I think that's everything if I can close it out there. I yield to question and answer.
Question & Answer:

**Matt**: We will begin the 5 minute question and answer period with the first x in the chat.

You talked a lot about student advocacy and activism in your speech, do you want to talk more about that and how you plan to utilize your skills in your position?

**Saskia**: In terms of being more involved in RHSA, something that I think is extremely valuable is getting the A.C. Members and also even the Hall Government Members from halls that don't always come to these meetings involved. I know that within my hall, we are a very tight knit community, our Hall Government, and we try to come to these meetings, as many of us as possible, but sometimes not everyone can make it and sometimes it seems like a bit of a foreign environment. I would like to involve as many people as possible in the conversations that go on here since it is so important, and sometimes it's hard to translate back and forth. Maybe having some sort of event in the future where all the Hall Governments can sort of communicate more openly and make friends between each other. Something like that, I think is extremely important, especially with things being virtual of course. That's what we say all the time, but with this being on Zoom, it's harder. I think that making sure that people can communicate not just here, but maybe outside and between halls is something that I would value.

What do you think the most important aspect of the position is?

**Saskia**: I think the most important aspect of this position, on paper, is definitely organizations, timekeeping, being a conscientious person, being someone who values this organization and values of this position and taking it seriously and making sure that you're on top of things. That might sound, sort of uninspired of me to say, but I definitely think that that is the biggest part of it is making sure that you're getting your stuff done on time and keeping everyone in the loop and doing the best that you can because otherwise, you're letting people down and I think that that's something that I would definitely make sure to do in this position.

Do you have any plans or any ideas and how you would cooperate with our sister organization, NRHH, or with our cousin organization, the Student Association?

**Saskia**: I will admit, as someone who is relatively new to this group as a whole, I am not extremely educated on those organizations. I would definitely first and foremost try to reach out and meet with the people who are representatives of those organizations or communicate with them in any way possible, emailing or attending meetings even to get myself more acquainted with these organizations. Being a liaison between these groups is extremely important so I would like to create a personal relationship with these people in order to better understand the more logistical aspects of it.

What excites you most about serving on RHSA E-Board next year?

**Saksia**: What excites me the most is definitely, with the hopes of things perhaps opening up a little bit more, getting more acquainted with how the school works as a whole. I know that there is a lot of involvement more so with administration through this organization as well as just meeting people hopefully outside of a computer screen. I think that meeting people who are making decisions in this school and getting to see them face to face perhaps or even over Zoom is fine of course but I'm just making some connections with all of you guys on the board and everything is something that definitely excites me.
What do you feel is one strength you have and one weakness that you have?

**Saskia**: One strength I have is that I, as cheesy as it sounds, I'm not a slacker. I think that if I'm going to sign up to do something, I'm going to stick with it even if it is sort of a challenge, in terms of maybe putting myself out there more than I used to or whatnot. I definitely think that I would always make sure to do my best and ask questions if I had any concerns. That's something that I definitely would make sure to do so that I'm not falling behind or doing things incorrectly. I would make sure to make myself best fit for the role as possible. In terms of weaknesses, I'm not necessarily so accustomed to being at the forefront of things. Obviously, Secretary is a lot of my behind the scenes, writing down role. I think that in terms of being a bit of an extrovert and advocating for myself, that's something that I'm working on so I would hope that this would be a position in which I could grow into that a little bit more than maybe I currently am.

Do you know your words per minute roughly?

**Saskia**: I actually don't. That is an interesting question. Thank you for asking. I can certainly figure it out as soon as possible if you would like to get back with you. Would you like me to find that out for you? I know that there's programs you can figure that out with. I'm sorry that I don't have the information prior to this, but I will definitely figure that out because I know that that is an important role in this job.

If you had a conflict with an E-Board member, how do you plan to resolve it?

**Saskia**: If there was ever a conflict that would arise I first and foremost would try and work it out person to person. I think that individual conflict management is overall more effective, more positive for everyone involved. If that didn't work, I would definitely in the most non-obtrusive way possible try and bring it to a group in a very unemotional setting to make sure that everyone's points can be made across and maybe involve someone in administration even to serve as sort of a neutral party to make sure that everyone is remaining calm and remaining friendly in this situation and so that we can work it out in the least negative way possible so everyone can remain friends.

Discussion:

**Matt**: We are now going to open a period of discussion.

- We really enjoyed her profound excitement and enthusiasm for this position. We think it really just came out with all of her answers how enthusiastic she is.
- We believe that Saskia would be a very good candidate for the Secretary position. She is confident, intelligent, and she's also incredibly determined as well. She definitely has all the skills that we suggested would be important.

**Matt**: If you felt strongly, one way or the other, please type an X in the chat and say if you agree or disagree. This is our time to discuss and have debate to determine if we think the candidate would be good for the Secretary position.
● We support Saskia for this position. We think that she will do a good job taking the minutes and making sure that all the meetings are properly kept in order as is part of the Secretary job.
● We enjoyed her speech. She was confident, she showed what she knows, and she also showed areas of improvement. She showed us she was enthusiastic for this position.

**Matt:** Are there any other points? Do we have a motion to extend by 5 Minutes. Time ran out so we will move onto voting.

    Move to Vote by Secret Ballot: Bliss
    Second: Minnewaska

**Votes:**
Saskia: 8 votes
No Confidence: 0 votes
Abstain: 0 votes

**Matt:** I would like to congratulate Saskia for being the next Secretary of 2021 - 2022!

    Move to Open Nominations: Minnewaska
    Second: Bliss

Nominations:

**Matt:** Similton from Lenape was nominated for NCC, do you accept, table, or decline.
    **Matt:** Since they are not here, they table.
**Matt:** Do we have any more nominations? The positions for NCC, CCC, and Vice President are open. Seeing no new nominations.

    Motion to Close Public Relations Officer Nominations Until Spring 2022: Minnewaska
    Second: Bliss

    Motion to Table Nominations Until Next Meeting: Minnewaska
    Second: Shawangunk

**Matt:** Public Relation Officer (PR) materials are due tonight and their election will be next week. Next week, the Campus Communications Coordinator (CCC) materials are due. If no one is nominated for that position, we will push it back a week.

    Motion to Close New Business: Bliss
    Second: Lenape

**UPCOMING EVENTS | 10:03PM**

○ Buzz Puzzle Party | Friday, March 26th from 7:30pm - 9:00pm on Zoom!

**HALL CONCERNS | 10:04PM**

**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.

Ridgeview: The water fountain on the second floor got fixed, but then it stopped working after a week. We asked for it to get fixed again and it still hasn’t been done.

Matt: I am meeting with the Assistant Director of ResLife tomorrow so I will let them know again. To my knowledge, they were aware of the issue and then it was resolved. It is the same one again, second floor, Lenape side?

Ridgeview: Yes.

Matt: I'll use the picture they had the last time. Is it still the sensor?

Ridgeview: Yes.

Matt: I'll let them know. Sorry for all the inconveniences.

Matt: Are there any other hall concerns? Seeing none.

STUDENT CONCERNS | 10:06PM

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. Next week, we’re going to open the floor for food concerns. If you have food concerns about type, quality, price, or location, please bring them to next week's meeting and bring them up to the floor. That way, I could relay that to all the folks that work through campus dining services, as well as campus auxiliary services. I would also like to ask if we could have any feedback on the previous Mind, Body, Spirit day, on top of student concerns. If you have any feelings on it, please let us know. I have received some feedback already regarding it and I'm planning on bringing it up at our next meeting with the President and his cabinet of the school. Does anyone have any feedback on how the last Mind, Body, Spirit Day went or what you would like to see for the next Mind, Body, Spirit day, which will be coming up in April?

Ridgeview: I didn't have work due on that day, but I did have professors assigned work that was due like the morning after. I really wasn't taking a Mind, Body, Spirit Day, I was busy with school work that was on that was a day after. I had assignments that were due Wednesday morning that were assigned on Monday from some of my professors. I heard the same sort of concerns from everyone else so that's the problem I've had with that day, because it really wasn't like that relaxing day. It wasn't that for me and I know it wasn't that for a lot of people because they were doing schoolwork.

Esopus: I second everything Ridgeview is saying right now.

Matt: That's a lot that I'm hearing in all of my classes. Does anyone else also feel that way? You could just say second in the chat to repeat what Ridgeview just said or you could also say that you've held something different and you want to bring that up. You could also just talk about something else entirely for the Mind, Body, Spirit Days and anything that you would like to see from them.

Shawangunk: Second.

Bouton: Second

RD Jeanette: I have heard similar things from residents!
Shawangunk: For this upcoming one, it's going to be on a Wednesday. I've heard so far from my suitemates that no one already does anything on Wednesdays so it's really kind of being redundant.
Matt: That's an interesting point. Does anyone else have free Wednesday's where they don't have any academic responsibilities to do on Wednesdays?
Cassie: I have class on Wednesday.
Minnewaska: We have class on Wednesday.
Jordann M: A lot of art majors or lab classes have like Wednesday classes, like Wednesday's are like six hour classes for me. I'm a little excited about them on Mind, Body, Spirit day on that day so don't have that six hour class, but as far as I know, there are still Wednesday classes.
Esopus: We have class on Wednesday.
Callie: But when people do have Wednesday classes they're crazy long!
Ridgeview: Wednesday is my 3 hour course.
Jordan H: Most of the school does not have class on Wednesday besides visual art classes and photography.
Emily: I wanted to explain why they chose the days a bit more because it's good general knowledge. Basically, they chose like, I think the first one was a Tuesday, this one's going to be a Wednesday, and the next one's going to be a Thursday because they can't have it on Mondays or Fridays because it will create a long weekend and as per SUNY Chancellor, we're not allowed to do that. Then we have to have a certain number of days, weekdays, in class or in session to meet our requirement, but we can definitely voice these concerns. I just wanted to let y'all know that's why they pick those days.
Matt: It's something where I will be vocalizing to the President, his cabinet for feedback on. It is something that I think last year people could remember, and the year before, we had a placeholder day, which was a Tuesday that ended up becoming Monday, which is something that could have been done to my knowledge and they could've shifted it around. They did this way because it's easier, to my knowledge, why they didn't do a placeholder and I think that is a fair response that I don't want to look at my schedule and be like this Tuesday is a Monday. That's something to be aware of, but it's good feedback. Is there anything in regards to anything being offered that you would also want to specifically see? I know that we are going to be doing stuff on our own, we're going to be doing stuff. I want to know is there anything that you will be interested in seeing as well? Seeing no comments on that, I will take the 2 previous concerns up to administration and bring it back to them as feedback. If there's anything you ever want, for the Mind, Body Spirit days, whether it's something that you want in part of programming or just general events or stuff going that you would think helps de-stress or just even if it's things offered at like dining institutions, let us know. It would not be the easiest to do obviously, two days before. If you try and get it to us within a couple of weeks, I could be in communication with different departments and see if it could feasibly be done, and then get back to you. I really want to stress that those days are for you to take time off and I would want if there's anything in our power to do so we could work with other departments to get you anything that you would want to do those days to de-stress.

OPEN FLOOR | 10:12PM
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. Are there any open floors?

Callie: Every Thursday night at 7:00pm I read bedtime stories on the Ashokan Hall Instagram (@npashokanhall), so come watch because they're so much fun!

Chet: Senate elections are occurring this semester and there are a bunch of E-Board positions open as well as positions for a new representative Senate. In the past the Senate has been made up of 25 students just from all over the place. We have remodeled the Senate to be composed of 31 members from specific areas around campus. That includes the different schools, Liberal Fine Arts, Business, Sciences, and one member from each of the residence halls. If you're interested in being part of the Senate, I highly recommend going to the Senate Engage page and looking at the application for it.

Cassie: On Wednesdays, I have Yearbook committee and it would be super awesome if you guys join if you want to. We have some stuff picking up and it would be really cool to have some people join.

Jordan H: Serena’s birthday is on Saturday so she’s also expecting Birthday messages.

PASSING OF MOLLY THE MOOSE | 10:16PM

Matt: Where’s my moose?

Jordann M: RHSA has her and we gave her a crown!

Matt: Who’s getting Molly?

Jordann M: Ridgeview!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK | 10:17PM

Callie: What’s life without a little risk?
- Sirius Black

ADJOURNMENT | 10:17PM

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting: Emily
Second: Saskia

Next meeting will be on Zoom!
You said he was all right.

Yes. He's lost his left hand, so he's going to be "all right".