RESIDENCE HALL STUDENT ASSOCIATION
ASSOCIATE COUNCIL MEETING
Date: 11/29/21
Location: SUB409

CALL TO ORDER 9:04 PM
Emily: Hey y’all, I’m going to call this meeting to order. I hope y’all had a very restful break and hope you pass all your finals. I want to hype you up but also understand that it’s very stressful.

MYSTERY ACTIVITY 9:05 PM
Emily: For the mystery activity, y’all are going to play assassin! One person here is going to be chosen to be the assassin. Then you’re going to spread out and keep shaking hands. If you’re the assassin, you go to kill everybody by rubbing their hand. The point of the game is to try and figure out who the assassin is before everybody is dead. Have fun!

ROLL CALL/HALL REPORTS  9:10 PM
Saskia: 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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Mohonk | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Event on Thursday with the RAs.
Ridgeview | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Just chilling, and celebrating Parker’s election on to the EBoard!
Scudder | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | None.
Shawangunk | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | None.

SENATE 9:12 PM
Chet: Thanks again for having me, I’ve got a couple of things today. Coming up this Wednesday, December 1st, we are going to have an introduction to Intercultural Relations. New Paltz has a new Assistant Director of Intercultural Relations named Edward Lawson. He is going to be doing a community get together in the MPR at 6:30 on Wednesday to talk about the campus’ plans moving forward to create a culturally responsive campus and be more responsive to the needs of the students. It seems like there’s going to be some explaining about what we’re trying to do along with a forum with the community to figure out what needs to be done in order to accomplish our mission. I have a bunch of flyers here and I’d love to give two to each hall at the end of the meeting so you can all put them up in your lobbies or on any bulletin boards around the hall. If you could come up to me at the end of the meeting, that would be fantastic. Kind of in that same vein, we’re going to start putting these QR codes around. They’re going to have more explanation around them so I don’t need to stand next to them telling you what they are. These are going to lead you to a Google Form where you can put down concerns you have with the campus and possible solutions to those concerns or what you would like to see done so the Senate can begin to go through them and figure out what we can do to make our campus better every day. If you start seeing these QR codes around with stuff like “Tell the SA what you want to see around campus” or “How can we make SUNY New Paltz better?”, scan them to let us know what you think and we’ll do our best. Progress is slow but we’ll make sure we’re doing our part in it. This QR code works now, so if anyone is interested in taking a picture of it now or later I’ll have it with me. *What is one of the awards given out at banquet?* Lastly, we have a meeting this Friday, December 3rd at 3:30 in SUB 62/63. We still have a lot of vacant seats on our Senate so if any of you are interested in joining, come on by and we’ll be happy to talk with you and maybe get you confirmed to the Senate.
Emily: Are there any questions, comments, or concerns with what Chet said? I know we all want a little hologram next to the QR code of Chet just speaking.
Lenape: You said Friday in SUB 62/62 was going to be the meeting? What time is that?
Chet: Yes, it’s our last Senate meeting of the semester. At 3:30.

NRHH 9:15 PM
Eric: We’re going to have two more meetings before the end of the semester. Applications for NRHH are live and rolling through the end of the semester so if anybody is interested, give me your email and I’ll gladly send it over.

OLD BUSINESS 9:16 PM
Motion to Open Old Business: Bliss
Second: Lenape

CCC
Ethan: Reminder that after you have a program, you can fill out a PUP Sheet and turn it into us! You can either email us a filled out copy or turn one in to any one of us during our office hours! Here is a link to the PUP Sheet you can fill out: https://tinyurl.com/PUPSheet

Historian
Allison: Here’s your reminder that we have our new Facebook up and running! If you search ‘Residence Hall Student Association’ we should pop up. We’re the little eagle logo, the one you know so well from your RHSA shirts. It’s also https://www.facebook.com/snprhsa. Up on that website goes pictures, I post the minutes as soon as they’re posted, and we also do our weekly riddle in the minutes challenge. I’d like to announce the winner of last week’s riddle in the minutes. Can I get a Moose Clap for the winner? In first place we had Minnewaska hall!

Secretary
Saskia: The riddle that Minnewaska answered from last week’s minutes was “What does the acronym “PUP” in PUP sheets stand for?”. This can be found on our website, as well as we talk about it sometimes, but it stands for “Pretty Unbeatable Program”. So this is again a reminder to do those PUP sheets when you host your unbeatable programs to earn GFPs. Another way to earn GFPs is to answer the riddle and there’s going to be another one in this week’s minutes when they go out Tuesday or Wednesday. They’re going to be in the email blast, on the website, on the Facebook, and you can answer those on the Facebook page to win some GFPs if you’re the first, second, or third hall to answer. Best of luck!

Gage: I think the instructions said we need to take a screenshot of where the riddle was in the minutes and post that with the answers. Do we really need to do that?

Allison: Minnewaska last week didn’t, but they were the only ones to respond so I did allow it. The only reason we do that is so we can see you actually looked for the riddle, because you could very easily be like “I saw this hall did it so I’ll just put it in”. So in the future I would love it if you guys could do that. I tried to make an exception this week because I wanted to give Minnewaska props for participating, but in the future if you could that would be greatly appreciated.


Motion to Close Old Business: Bliss
Second: Ridgeview

NEW BUSINESS 9:19 PM

Motion to Open New Business: Gage
Second: Lenape
AC Retreat

**Saskia:** Once again, the time is almost upon us- the semester is coming to an end and I know we’re all excited for classes to be over so as a little treat we’re hosting our AC Retreat. That’s going to be Saturday, December 4th, this upcoming weekend, from 1:00pm to 4:00pm in SUB 100N right downstairs. We’re hosting Wii Sports In Real Life, so we’re going to have actual Wii games going on and then real life versions of those games we’re going to play, we’re going to have a craft going on, and it’s just going to be a really nice time to unwind before finals week and appreciate how much you guys have done as AC members. We hope to see you there!

Banquet

**Madison:** Reminder that banquet is going to be Monday, December 6th at 8:00pm in the SUB MPR. It’s Renaissance Faire themed, which I’m so excited for, so get ready to dress up! There will be free food, of course, and we’re going to be announcing award winners like Hall of the Semester, EBoard Choices, RA Liaison of the Semester, and all that exciting stuff. Please bring your whole hall gov and anyone who wants to come.

**Emily:** Be there, or be med-evil!

Motion to Close New Business: Lenape
Second: Bliss

UPCOMING EVENTS 9:21 PM
- AC Retreat | Saturday, December 4th | 1:00pm - 4:00pm | SUB 100N
- Banquet | Monday, December 6th | 8pm - 10pm | SUB MPR

HALL CONCERNS 9:21 PM

**Emily:** 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.

**Lenape:** For a long time now, even before I came to New Paltz, there’s been a mold issue in Lenape. Especially in a lot of the rooms. One of my residents had mold in their room, which became a hole and now it’s leaking. They’ve been putting in work orders since the beginning of the semester and we’re in the process of hopefully getting it fixed soon, but I wanted to loop you guys in in the hopes that we can get it resolved to a greater effect.

**Emily:** Okay, we’ll definitely check in on that for you. Any other hall concerns? There was one about the women’s bathroom in Gage where the shower wasn’t draining. Is it fixed?

**Gage:** That was our vice president, and she’s not here right now so I don’t have an update on that.

**Emily:** Okay. Let me know, but I will also check in on that. Any other hall concerns? 3, 2, 1, Seeing none.

STUDENT CONCERNS 9:23 PM

**Emily:** 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. Any student concerns? 3, 2, 1. Seeing none.
OPEN FLOOR 9:23 PM

Emily: 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! Are there any open floors?

Lenape: I’m having a marshmallow party tomorrow at 8:00pm in Lenape hall, so feel free to come!

Gage: Because December is HIV/AIDS awareness month, we’re doing a sex ed Kahoot, particularly with a focus on the LBGTQ community. It’s on Friday in the basement of Gage hall. If you’re not in Gage hall and want to come or bring people, DM the Gage hall Instagram and we'll let you in.

Emily: Let us know if you need any condoms or other safe sex supplies because we have so many. Any other open floors?

Gage: We’re not hosting this, I’m just passionate about this. I think you guys saw the signs for the blood bank tomorrow. New York State is the state with the second lowest blood bank in the US and has one of the largest populations. Blood saves lives, so if you can donate, please do so!

Emily: Awesome. Do you have any time or location?

Gage: It is SUB MPR, I believe from 12:00pm to 6:00pm.

Bliss: Do I need to show up with an ID?

Gage: You should have your ID. I’m sure they’ll have some paperwork there.

RD Jo: For the blood drive, if anyone would like to volunteer, please let me know! We are looking for volunteers if you are at all available. You can do just an hour if you want.

Emily: Cool! So if you guys are interested in volunteering or need volunteer hours for something, visit her after the meeting! Any other open floors? 3, 2, 1. Seeing none.

PASSING OF MOLLY THE MOOSE 9:25 PM

Emily: I don’t see my moose! Scudder has her. Molly’s just on another vacation- she really does not want to work this semester! We’ll see Molly sometime soon.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK 9:26 PM

Ethan: “It always seems impossible until it’s done.” - Nelson Mandela

ADJOURNMENT 9:26 PM

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting: Bliss
Second: Gage

Next meeting will be in SUB409!
"How's studying for finals going?"