



STUDENT GOVERNMENT SENATE

MEETING MINUTES

Day 12-06-2024 | 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting Called to order at 02:07PM, Sophia Pries, Vice President

Senate Roll Call

Olivia Brinkman, Director of Operations

 12/05 Senate Attendance.pdf

Emergency Election of Temporary President Pro-Tempore

Motioned By: VP

- Discussion: Sophia will be leaving at 3PM and the current President Pro-Tempore, Matt, is not in attendance today. We always need to have a chair present to run the meeting, so we will need to elect a temporary chair (just for today).

So Moved: President

Seconded: Ops

Yes: 15

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Ian Aiken Elected as Temporary President Pro-Tempore

Approval of Meeting Agenda 12/05/2024

Motioned By: VP

So Moved: SCB

Seconded: Accessibility

Yes: 16

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Vote Passed

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes 11/22/2024

Motioned by: VP

So Moved: GCCIS

Seconded: SOIS

Yes: 16

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Vote Passed

Special Recognitions:

- None

Speak to the Senate:

- None

PRESENTATIONS

CaPs

Sarah Godoy, Director of CaPs

- Big Picture of Collegiate Mental Health
 - Anxiety and depression continue to be the most common mental health diagnoses
 - 1/3 of college students reported receiving mental health services in the last 12 months
 - 53% of students are experiencing loneliness
 - 23% of students experiencing serious psychological distress (Kessler 6).
 - 29% of students reported their overall level of stress was high in the last 30 days.
- 1,656 Unique Students Served in Counseling Services
 - 7,754 Appointments
- 188 Unique Students served in Psychiatric Students
 - 629 Appointments
- 381 unique students served in Student Health Center
 - 804 Appoints
- 1/3 of RIT students have been diagnosed with anxiety (RIT Well-Being Survey from Fall 2023)
- RIT Students show similar levels of psychological symptoms of distress as students nationally (CCAPS scores)
- Personalized Response: Stepped Care
 - 1: Needs Assessment
 - 2: Campus Referrals
 - 3: Single Session Therapy
 - 4: Workshop/Support Groups
 - 5: Individual Therapy
 - 6: Therapy Groups
 - 7: Extended Individual Therapy
 - 8: Psychiatric Referral
 - 9: Community Referral
- “CaPS provides effective care”
 - 87% would recommend to a friend
 - 85% find CaPS was helpful
 - 83% had an improvement in relationships
 - 77% had better academic decision making
 - 71% had improvement in academic performance
 - 56% got more involved in campus activities
- RIT has over 500 staff/faculty/students trained in Mental Health Aid
- It takes a village
 - Kindness, connection, care does not always require a clinical degree
 - Infuse well-being into all aspects of campus life

- There is now online scheduling for the first appointment.
- Teaser: CaPS and campus partners have been working to get a tele-health appointment for students. More details to hopefully come!
- Questions?:
 - None

SHED Little Train MSD 22820

MSD Team, Ian Minier, Eve Mason, Leo Zheng, Oskar Weiss, Sean Hellmann, Abdul Wahab, Jesse Mueller

- Project Overview
 - PawPrint Initiative to install a train on the metal band in the SHED
 - Entertain RIT community by constructing a train to go in the SHED by Imagine RIT
- Limitations:
 - Budget
 - Installation Cost
 - Time
 - Hard limit at end of Spring semester
 - Professional Engineering Sign off
- Altered scope of work
 - 2 alternative locations
 - SHED Makerspace Beam
 - SHED Showcase Area
- Engineering Design:
 - Bogie Design
 - Fully Encapsulated Rail
 - To ensure train will not fall off
 - Rollercoaster-esque
 - Aesthetic body on 80/20 Frame
- Aesthetic Design
 - Train of progress
 - Exists in the context
 - Reflects Rochester community / culture
 - Coheres with RIT campus
 - Features:
 - Lights
 - Sounds
 - Variable Speed
- SG's Role in This
 - Continued Support (Thank you!)
 - Survey
 - Marketing
 - Input / Feedback
- Questions?
 - Students Affairs: Your far right design is what is final, yes?
 - This is what would be used for the alternative options
 - Your bogie design is going to come into contact with the strings, yes?
 - Yes, that would be, but the design is different
 - Have you tested the bogie design upside down?
 - It's only aesthetically upside down, the train will only appear that way.
 - GCCIS: If some other group would work on this later on, what would the cost be?

- The PE sign off was around 5k and the installation fee would be astronomical for the original beam. 10's of thousand of dollars, but not trying to be specific

REPORTS

Senator Reports:

- GCCIS: The first meeting for the audit on GCCIS dean is next week
 - I will be tabling at the holiday party, so hoping to get some good feedback
- Grad: Hosted my event that had about 60 students and got other ideas for events to hold.
- COS: The drive is officially over, 681 total food items were donated! Imaging Science won.
 - COS is planning another event
- SCB: Had our holiday party last night with over 200 students in attendance!
- CHST: Next Tuesday I'm tabling in CBET with donuts!
- CET: Charlie and I hosted our volleyball tournament with 60+ people, very fun
 - KGCoe: We won, we beat CET
- CAD: Have ideas with Dean for next semester
- First-Year: Study event next week for first year students at Sol
 - 150 replies for first-year experience
- Women's:
 - Lily and I are excited that the menstrual products were delivered! They will be going up for spring semester
- SOIS:
 - Got a meeting with my dean, unfortunately a lot of my ideas were
 - Alumni Panels is my next idea to plan

Committee Reports:

- Student Affairs:
 - Tech Crew PawPrint response upcoming
 - Mural Project updates coming soon
 - AI PawPrint next meeting hopefully next week
- Accessibility:
 - Working on a PawPrint about accessible doors in the SHED
 - Working over winter break on this issues!
- H&D:
 - Our Gracie's event had a lot of great feedback that dining is taking into account
 - Housing & ResLife will work with professional marketing, meeting with 3 people from every specialized housing.
 - Mural in tunnels will be worked on next semester

RSO Reports:

- ACA: Wednesday was the last ALANA Wednesday of the semester
 - Handed out holiday presents
 - Gave out cakepops and had a performance from Velocity!
- OUTspoken:
 - Hosted Queerfest
 - Clubs and Orgs came to table
 - PRISM 6-9PM having a PJ party watching Hotel Transylvan

Cabinet Reports:

- None

Pres/VP Reports:

- Pres:
 - Sophia has been meeting with senators
 - Congratulations to everyone for making it through the fall semester!
 - Thank you so much for all your hard work.
 - Office will be closed on Monday to give everyone an extra day to get ready for finals
 - Please send me your spring semester schedules

Advisor Reports:

- Nicole:
 - You'll all be gone for a while, but we'll not. For those of you who have ongoing work, please make sure you have a good "Out of Office" message telling staff/faculty if you are NOT planning on working over break. Make sure you have a secondary point of contact if you plan to do this. Be as helpful as you can professionally.

Staff Council/Faculty Senate Reports:

- Staff Council:
 - Currently in search for staff admin
 - Had a visit from Ombuds
 - Always a great confidential place to go!
 - Their office is in the SAU Hallway, across from Brick City.

External Committee Reports:

- Presidential Search:
 - Thank you for the feedback on the topic and themes of questions
 - We are looking to announce a candidate to the BOT by the end of December for a formal announcement in January!

OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

Appointments

- Wellbeing Committee Chair
 - Elle Vallow
 - Year: 2nd
 - Major: Biotechnology and Molecular Bioscience
- **Wellbeing Committee Chair is Elle Vallow**
- Graduate Senator
 - Khushi Bhoj
 - Year: Masters (2nd)
 - Major: Data Science
 - Darshita Lnu

- Year: Masters (2nd)
 - Major: Sustainable Systems
- Konain Niaz
 - Year: Masters (1st)
 - Major: Data Science
- **Graduate Senator is Darshita Lnu**
- Elections Committee Chair
 - Naemy Asmorom
 - Year: 4th
 - Major: Biomedical Sciences
 - Jake Long
 - Year: 4th
 - Major: Civil Engineering Technology
- **Elections Committee Chair is Naemy Asmorom**

PawPrints

Ian Aiken, Director of Student Relations

- Creating More Green Spaces on Campus
 - **President Pro-Tempore motions to charge PawPrint to FPaT Committee**
 - So moved: KGCOE
 - Seconded: Accessibility Chair
 - Discussion:
 - None
 - Vote:
 - Yes: 15
 - No: 0
 - Abstain: 0
 - **PawPrint is charged to FPaT Committee**
- Accessible Fire Evacuation Plans
 - **The Chair motions to charge PawPrint to Accessibility Committee**
 - So moved: KGCOE
 - Seconded: COS
 - Discussion:
 - None
 - Vote:
 - Yes: 15
 - No: 0
 - Abstain: 0
 - **PawPrint is charged to Accessibility Committee**
- Add Automatic Accessible Door Buttons to the SHED Classroom Doors
 - **The Chair motions to charge PawPrint to Accessibility Committee**
 - So moved: KGCOE
 - Seconded: CET
 - Discussion:
 - None
 - Vote:
 - Yes: 14
 - No: 0
 - Abstain: 1
 - **PawPrint is charged to Accessibility Committee**

- Remove Tech Crew's Monopoly
 - **The Chair motions to respond and close PawPrint with response**
 - So moved: CET
 - Seconded: COS
 - Discussion:
 - None
 - Vote:
 - Yes: 15
 - No: 0
 - Abstain: 0
 - **PawPrint is responded and closed with response**
- Fix the bus system
 - **The Chair motions to respond and close PawPrint with response**
 - So moved: COS
 - Seconded: CET
 - Discussion:
 - None
 - Vote:
 - Yes: 15
 - No: 0
 - Abstain: 0
 - **PawPrint is responded and closed with response**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- SG'er of the Month!
 - Congrats to all
- Grad: This is my last semester as grad senator. Huge thank yous to Sophia, Damien and Mike! Thank you everyone.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting Adjourned at 4:12PM, "roll tech"

Ian Aiken, Temporary President Pro-Tempore

Minutes Submitted by

Olivia Brinkman, Director of Operations