Report from Vice President:

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For November 9th, 2012 Assembly Meeting

1) **RGSO Budget** – The RGSO budget is still operating efficiently and all groups are within budget!

   a. There have been a few outstanding bills that have come to our attention from last year. They will not impact the RGSO funds distributed but will ultimately affect the total budget that we are able to give in Spring. We are actively seeking out the past bills and trying to reduce them, as well as pay them. Please check the RGSO Final Budget allocation sheet on the website – as we find them they will be listed there.

   b. As many have noticed – I am keeping track of all of your committee requirements and expenditures on the RGSO Final Budget sheet. Please check it periodically to make sure that all of your expenditures are up to date – and use it to cross check your own treasurer’s numbers!

2) **Community Service Month**

   a. Thank you to all of the groups that participated in our Community Service Month challenge! To date, about 200 hours have been logged with me.

   b. We will be tallying up the hours on November 9th and will announce the winner at the assembly meeting of the Community Service Month Challenge.

3) **Student Involvement My Involvement Challenge**

   a. Thank you to those who participated in this challenge additionally! We are proud that three of our groups will be receiving $100 dollars each from Student Involvement. This will be built into your RGSO budget now and will be reflected in the spreadsheet.

   i. Ed Psych

   ii. CSSA

   iii. ISO
4) Project Sandy Committee

a. I am working as the contact for the Project Sandy Committee for the GSO – This committee will be working to provide much needed assistance to victims of the hurricane in NY and NJ

b. There are many ways to get involved and help with this – if you are interested please email gsovice@gmail.com. Many of these efforts will count toward your community service requirement for the semester.

- We will be handing out shopping bags with flyers in them in different neighborhoods. After a few days, we will collect the bags and the contents of the bags! If you are interested in signing up for this, please email gsovice@gmail.com with your name and locations you may be interested in. We will assign locations so that we don’t find an overlap.

c. We now have a collection drop off location in our office! If you are interested in donating emergency supplies, please bring them to the GSO office. If you are considering donating food items, please review the list below. It includes items that are needed the most:

- Water
- Shelf Stable Milk, 8 oz size
- Canned Proteins (tuna, chicken, salmon, sardines, ham, vienna sausages etc)
- Peanut Butter
- Granola/breakfast bars
- Juice boxes
- Dried Fruit
- Cereal
- Crackers

We are also accepting clothing donations (new or gently used) so if you have clothing, please bring that as well!

d. Please “like” the Project Sandy page on facebook if you are interested in volunteer efforts. I will be posting any volunteer efforts that the committee comes up with to our listserv, but many opportunities also appear there from the state or from other organizations sponsoring outreach.

e. There is a “Go Fund Me” Campaign under way if you would like to make a monetary donation: http://www.gofundme.com/1fqq2s

5) Committees

a. Anyone who has yet to find a committee to sit on, please email gsovice@gmail.com – we have some additional opportunities for sub-committees
**Additional Reminders:**

- Please send all announcements 5 business days in advance of event (but 2 weeks ideally) – you will not get funding if you do not do this.

- Committees are filling up fast! Please contact us now to get on a committee. If you do not complete this requirement you will not get funding in the spring.

- Tax exempt forms must be used on purchases for GSO – we cannot reimburse tax. Please pick one up in the office if you need to make a purchase.