Student Association Senate

February 4, 2009

I. President's Office: Vince Delio and Christine Bouchard:

- UAlbany Advocacy Day
  - Tuesday, February 10th
  - Whole day of lobbying; promoting school and its legislative priorities
    - Trying to get funding for University
  - Four components
    - Legislative Breakfast at 8:00 a.m.
    - Empire State Northern Concourse "UAlbany Fair"
    - Legislative Assembly Visit 9 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
    - Rally from 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. at Empire State Commons; need students
  - Raffle, Prizes, etc

II. Call to Order – 8:22 p.m.

III. Approval of Minutes – 8:24 p.m.

- 12/3/08 Minutes approved as amended – Senator McCarthy, 2nd Senator Lanterman

VI. Public Comment:

- UAlbany Tae Kwon Do President Adam Fahrenkopf spoke:
  - Program at UAlbany accredited as one of the best
  - Gives students opportunity to participate at any level virtually for free
  - Members have chance to compete
  - Compete in ECTC
    - UAlbany is well represented; at least 40 members in attendance
      - Ranked 2nd in division
  - Charge no dues, jus uniform and test fees
    - Full Academic Year costs $90 at most - $60-$100 a month at professional school
  - Started a year ago with 6 members – now have 40 members meeting 7 times a week

- Middle Earth Director Dr. M. Dolores Cimini spoke:
  - Sexuality Week 2009 – February 1st – February 14th
    - Dan Savage, Keynote speaker, Tuesday at 8:00 p.m.

- Interns Isaac Elyanou, Faith Sampson, & Randy Rose spoke on behalf of NYPIRG:
  - Hosting several workshops Friday at 4:00 p.m. on a range of topics
    - Teach-In on Global Warming at 6:30 p.m.
  - Speak-On on Wednesday

    - General Interest meeting on February 26th
    - Can good drive soon
    - Other events this semester
        - Homelessness Awareness Sleep-Out
        - Volunteerathon
        - Earth Day in April
        - Playground Safety Survey
        - Civic Action Day
        - Food Pantry & Animal Shelter volunteering
    - State-wide NYPIRG conference to be held at UAlbany this year

- Asian American Alliance President May Yam spoke:
    - Asian Pacific Awareness Conference (APAC) this semester
        - Culturally-based programs
        - Educational programs; increase cultural understanding and awareness
        - Held mid-march

- Students of Albany Against Cancer (SAAC) President Jay Kondrup
    - Relay Season – Relay March 21st – 22nd
        - 1,400 students last year – raised $94,000
        - Celebrate Cancer Survivors and remember those lost
        - Cancer will be #1 cause of death in the world in 2010
    - "Paint Campus Purple" – Monday February 23rd
    - Penny Wars March 2nd through 6th
        - Raised $3,600 last year

V. Opening Announcements – 8:43 p.m.

- Chairman Sussman:
    - Opening Announcements to be postponed until after Legislative Report

VI. Committee Reports – 8:44 p.m.

- Appropriations
    - Met very quickly
    - Discussed Lacrosse, Criminal Justice Association, Swimming Association
    - Meeting at 4:00 p.m. on Friday

- Board of Finance
    - Any groups that missed budget meeting should e-mail Chairman Patterson at sabudget@albany.edu and plan to appear before board to give explanation

VII. Executive Report – 8:45 p.m.

- Marketing Director Wah spoke:
    - Ended last semester with SA survey
        - 335 responses – good for a voluntary survey
            - 81% said they'd attended SA-funded events
            - 68% said they'd never attend Park Fest (however, percentage skewed by Freshmen)
    - Walking Ad campaign to promote Park Fest; asking SA members to promote by wearing informational t-shirts
    - Winter Newsletter Issue will be out between Friday & Tuesday

- Comptroller Ebel spoke:
    - Board of Finance to go over Park Fest as well as several violations by groups
    - New Office Hours Monday 10:00 a.m. – 5 p.m. & Friday 2 p.m. – 5 p.m.

- President Truchan spoke:
    - UAlbany Advocacy Day
        - It is very important that you go down with as many of your friends as possible to make sure that the Legislature knows not to cut SUNY and more importantly what that means for this campus.
    - UAlbany Student for a better world clothing drive
        - Read
    - Activities
        - The Calendar wall is ready to go. Please e-mail all events to grphelp@albany.edu
            - Jen Morra will be the contact person at SA.
            - If you do not do this I will start to derecognize your organization. This begins as of 2/9/2009!!!!!
    - NYCASA (New York Coalition Against Sexual Assault)
        - The Walk will be on campus.
        - It will take place on April 4th.
        - Please look out for more information as it comes out.
        - I would strongly encourage all students to help support this cause.
    - Senior Gift
        - Senior Class Gift Council
            - Need seniors who want to help out and get involved in this process.
            - The class gift is the Richard Bialy Scholarship.
            - Seniors be on the lookout for more information within the next few weeks.
    - Policy
        - Tickets

    - From the Comptroller's office: please note that all tickets will be sold at copies plus from here on out. If you have any questions or concerns please see the Comptroller or myself.
    - That memo will be places in the web within the week.
- Perm Recognition
    - Make a note that policies will be followed to through this semester.
    - My office will be going through all student groups folders checking
        - Constitution
        - Perm Rec forms
        - Contact information.
        - PLEASE NOTE THAT IF THEY ARE OUT DATED OR NOT THERE YOU'RE GROUP WILL BE CONTACTED AND ASKED TO PROVID US WITH WHAT EVER IT IS THAT WE NEED. IF YOU DO NOT DO THIS IN A TIMLY MATTER THEN YOU WILL BE DERECONIZED.
    - Make it a point to look into 100 By-laws which state what you must do to maintain perm recognition. This is on the web site and we will also be looking to make sure you meet all of those standards.
- Risk Management
    - This is now on the Voucher Proposal form. Please read the form before filling it out to make sure that everything is included before you hand it in.
- Dippikill
    - There have been some items on the Dippikill Board of Directors.
    - We had a two hour meeting today in regard to the Executive Director.
    - After much contemplation there has been a vote of 4-1-3 for temporary reinstatement for 45days. At the end of that time there will be another vote on where to go from there.
    - This year is the first time on the board end they have notice proactivenessfrom the SA mainly me to be involved and we are functioning as a real board of directors.
    - We now have committees on Long Range Planning, Rules, and Financial Planning.
- Names for the commissions have been selected and are ready to go
    - Once I hear from facility then I will had names over to the VP
    - The dates have been pushed back till the beginning of March.
- Policy
    - The committee will be seeing quite a bit of legislation from me. I would appreciate that you notify me when it will be presented in your committee's respectively.
- Town Hall Meetings
    - March 2nd, 2009 at 7pm LC 24

        - April 1st,2009 at 7pm LC 1
    - SA Review
        - We did an SA Review but didn't get to everyone so we will be redoing it and sending it via e-mail so that it's totally anemones.
        - This will be done within the next week or two.
    - Open Positions
        - Elections Commissioner…. Looking for a person posted on the Web sight
    - So much more but I will wait till next meeting.
    - Marketing
        - The Next deadline for the SA Insider is February 24th at 5pm.
    - Programming
        - Many of you have different event/programs. If you would like SA to co-sponsor please make an appointment with The Programming Director Lily Garcia to talk about it and work out the details.
    - ATV
        - If you would like to have anything taped or put on the Albany Television Please contact the Director of ATV.
    - Athletics
        - Intramurals sign ups are Feb 9th – 13th
        - Forms are available on the web sight

VIII. Judicial Report – 8:56 p.m.

- Chief Justice Crawford spoke:
    - Lawsuit
        - Chairman Sussman being sued over elections process
        - 3 to 2 on whether or not to take case, waiting on final vote
        - Denied 2 constitutions

** Senators Adam Ahmad, Adam Mancin, Bryan Best, Jonviea Chamberlain, Olaniyi Akerele sworn in.

IX. Legislative Report – 9:04 p.m.

- Bill 0809-065: Glamour Gals
    - Tabled due to absence
- Bill 0809-068: Empire Commons Senator
    - Motion to move to debate – Senator Patterson, 2nd Senator Pena
    - Motion to call the question w/ unanimous consent – Senator Cavaretta, 2nd Senator Lanterman

**Senator Robert Register sworn in.

- Bill 0809-066: Office of the Marketing Director
    - Motion to move to debate – Senator Scheiner, 2nd Senator Bergman

        - Motion to amend $ amount from "1,150" – "2,300" – Senator Scheiner, 2nd Senator Patterson
            - Debate on the amendment – Chairman Sussman, 2nd Vice Chair Rotella
        - Motion to call the question – Senator Gondar, 2nd Senator Scheiner
        - Roll Call Vote
            - Amendment passed with a vote of 17-7 with 2 abstentions
    - Roll Call Vote on Bill – Senator Patterson, 2nd Senator Danboise
        - Bill passes with a vote of 18-6 with 1 abstention

- Bill 0809-069: Judicial Branch, Jameelah Tucker
    - Motion to amend year "2009" to "2010" – Chairman Sussman, 2nd Vice Chair Rotella
    - Motion for Unanimous Consent – Senator Scheiner, 2nd Senator Patterson
        - With acclamation – Chairman Sussman, 2nd Senator Patterson

**Justice Tucker sworn in by Chief Justice Crawford

- Bill 0809-070: Deputy Comptroller
    - Move to debate – Senator Scheiner, 2nd Senator White
        - Motion to limit debate points to 40 sec – Vice Chair Rotella, 2nd Senator Patterson
    - Motion to table the Bill – Senator Scheiner, 2nd Senator McCarthy
        - Debate on the motion – Senator Patterson, 2nd Senator Gondar
        - Motion to call the question – Senator Scheiner, 2nd Senator Grant
            - Call for show of hands
                - Insignificant
    - Roll Call Vote on the Bill – Senator Chamberlain, 2nd Senator Grant
        - Bill fails with a vote of 12-12 with 1 abstention

- Bill 0809-067: African Student Association
    - Motion to amend $ amount to "5,000" – Senator McCarthy, 2nd Senator Akerele
        - No objections
    - Motion to reconsider previous motion and return Bill to original state – Chairman Sussman, 2nd Senator Pena
    - Motion for Unanimous Consent

Motion to move into Executive Session, 10:22 p.m. – Chairman Sussman, 2nd Senator Patterson

Motion to close Executive Session, 12:02 p.m. – Chairman Sussman, 2nd Vice Chair Rotella

- Proposed Bill 0809-071R: Sexual Assault Denunciation
    - Motion for Unanimous Consent w/ acclamation – Chairman Sussman, 2nd Vice Chair Rotella
        - No objections

- Ski Club Punishment
    - All members to complete Sexual Assault and Alcohol classes
    - Probationary period for the next year and a half
    - Will be permanently derecognized should and of the “14 points” be broken
    - All members must participate in Sex Assault Walk in April
    - Chaperone required for Competitions
        - SA supplied chaperones available if money cannot be raised

XI. Closing Remarks – 12:09 a.m.

- Chairman Sussman:
    - Announcements to be put in e-mail and sent to everyone

XII. Adjournment – Vice Chair Rotella, 2nd Senator Lanterman

- Meeting adjourned at 12:10 a.m.

Submitted by Chief Legislative Aide Tremayne T. Price