President Murphy convened the meeting at 2:10 PM. The following Directors were present:

Mr. Richard Z. Goldstein  Mr. William McCann
Ms. Sophia Hammett-Turner  Mr. Jonathan Teich
Mr. Colin Ebel  Mr. Karl Schlegel
Mr. Kevin Wilcox  Ms. Carol Anderson
Mr. John Murphy  Ms. Laurie Garafola
Mr. Michael Cassidy  Mr. Tom Bessette
Ms. Karen Acosta McNeill

Absent: Mr. Brian Tregerman and Ms. Kristen Barret

Also in attendance: Dr. Filippone, UAS Executive Director; Dr. Rota, UAS Associate Executive Director; Ms. DiDonna, UAS Associate Executive Director; Ms. Calautti, UAS Director of Communications; Mr. Gorgas, UAS Director of Finance; Ms. Finnegan, UAS Bookkeeper; Mr. Simmons, UAS Accountant; Mr. Lembo, Chartwells Resident District Manager; Ms. Lamic, SUNYCard System Administrator; Ms. Kettlewell, UAS Assistant Executive Director; Ms. Angel, Board Secretary; Ms. McConville, UAS Director of Dining Services, Ms. Obie, UAS Administrative Assistant; Ms. Botts, University Bookstore Manager; Ms. Sellick, University Bookstore.

PUBLIC COMMENT
Jackie Hayes, University at Albany student and member of Students for Workers’ Rights, thanked UAS, students, faculty, and staff for working together on the beverage issue. Ms. Hayes reiterated the allegations against Coca-Cola in various countries and urged the Board against renewing the beverage contract with Coca-Cola.
Brendon Bislevins, President of Campus Greens, also urged against the choosing of Coca-Cola.

Dr. Fernando Leiva, Director of Global Studies and Director of Latin American Caribbean Studies for the University at Albany, spoke of the University’s commitment to social justice. Dr. Leiva also commended the Students for Workers’ Rights for initiating dialogue between students and University administrators.

The following individuals also spoke:

Joe March
Lee Francis Sweet, University at Albany student, member of Campus Greens, and Students for Workers’ Rights
Peter Levine, University at Albany student, Campus Greens
Jennifer Burell, American Anthropology Association member
Maylene Colon, University at Albany student
Debra LaFond, University Libraries

After all parties wishing to speak had done so, the Public Comment section of the meeting was closed.

MINUTES

A motion was made to approve the April 4, 2008 Board minutes by Ms. Hammett-Turner. This motion was seconded by Ms. Acosta McNeill and approved unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Program Committee – Mr. Schlegel reported that the committee met on Wednesday, April 30th to review applications for the first round of Program Funds. The draft minutes to that meeting are in the Board packet. The total amount awarded for spring 2008 was $141,275.00. Mr. McCann spoke in regards to the amount of funds left unallocated each year. He proposed that $10,000.00 of the remaining 2007-2008 funds be put toward a Scholarship Fund through the University at Albany Foundation. Mr. McCann then offered a resolution to place remaining funds from 2007-2008 and all subsequent years, into an endowment fund through the University at Albany Foundation at the end of each fiscal year. After his motion, it was seconded by Mr. Ebel. With no further discussion this resolution passed unanimously.

Dining & Services Committee - Mr. Schlegel announced that the Indian Quad Farewell Dinner is scheduled for Wednesday, May 7th. The Health Department arrived to inspect the Campus Center; they are happy to report no health violations.

Bookstore Committee – Ms. Acosta McNeill reported that the committee met on Wednesday, March 19th. Dixie Botts, Bookstore manager, reported that the store has gone green with a flash drive book order initiative in order to conserve paper use. An incentive has been put forth to departments to have all book orders in by May 7th. If all orders are in, a book scholarship is then offered to a student majoring in that department. Mr. Schlegel commented that a student feedback survey to be conducted by ASDAC and Student Association is under discussion.

Long Range Planning Committee – None to report at this time.

Finance & Audit Committee – Mr. Wilcox and the committee met on Friday, April 25th. The agenda included discussion of a pension plan audit to be conducted by KPMG through the period December, 2007. The 2008-2009 Budget was presented to the committee as well.

Discussion ensued in regards to the need of borrowing funds for upcoming construction and renovations projects. Mr. Wilcox offered a resolution declaring intent to borrow a maximum of $12 million. After his motion, it was seconded by Mr. Schlegel. This resolution passed unanimously.
NEW BUSINESS

A plaque was presented to Mary Ellen Mallia from Environmental Sustainability for the purchase of recycling bins.

ASDAC Update- Members of ASDAC updated the Board on their semester. They were present at various events, including the UAlbany Farmers Market and the Regional Food Bank Holiday Hunger Appeal. They also organized events to promote healthy eating and student participation. ASDAC has assisted with the Indian Quad transition focus groups which have provided insight on how to reach out to incoming freshman.

The ASDAC Mystery Shopper program was a success. Approximately 350 surveys were conducted to evaluate and assess Chartwells food services. These Mystery Shopper forms are available at the SUNYCard office.

Lastly, the Student Association Senate passed a resolution mandating the Student Association President to appoint one (1) ASDAC member to the UAS Board of Directors as one of their allocated student representatives.

BREAK
A motion was made by Mr. Schlegel to recess. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wilcox. A unanimous decision was made to go into recess.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
A motion was made by President Murphy to commence Executive Session. This motion was seconded by Mr. Schlegel.

A motion was made by Ms. Anderson to close Executive Session. This motion was seconded by Mr. Schlegel.

CONTINUATION OF NEW BUSINESS
Mr. Gorgas presented the 2008-2009 UAS Budget proposal. Some discussion and questions ensued. A motion was made by Mr. Bessette to adopt the budget as is. This was seconded by Ms. Garafola. With no further discussion, the 2008-2009 UAS Budget passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT
A motion was made by Ms. Acosta McNeill to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Goldstein and unanimously adjourned at 4:27 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alexandra Angel
Board Secretary