



RHA General Board Minutes

Thursday October 22, 2009

Call to Order: 7:05pm

Attendance: Julie MacSwan (Alumni), Kate Wagner (West/McMahon), Jayhon Ghassem-Zadeh (Towers), Jordan Hegel (Northwest), Allison Gale (Husky Village), Thao Nguyen (Shippee/Buckley), Ethan Dumaine (South), Nikita Pradhan (Hilltop Halls), Jennifer Donnelly (Shippee/Buckley), Erica Gabor (East), Mark Zaborowski (Garrigua Suites)

Minutes approved

Vice President of Administration – Halina Beck

- RHA Rep of the Week – Emmanuel (Hilltop)
 - Leadership role in delegation meeting
 - Helped at sexual assault rally
- New Hilltop Rep – Nikita

Programming Chairperson – Vijay Sekhara

- Coffee House
 - Wednesday November 4 or 11 – 8pm – RHA Office
- 3 v 3 Basketball Tournament
 - Cancelled for Jasper Howard remembrance
 - Checking into new date for Hawley Amory
- Scavenger Hunt
 - Great ideas last week in committee meeting
 - Executive luxury seats for first place winner at football game? Looking into it

NCC – Kevin Filchak

- Conference – November 13-15
- Impromptu meeting after general board meeting
- Meeting Saturday at 12pm – RHA Office
- Charity kits – each area 30 kits
 - Go to children in different countries who don't have same educational opportunities
 - Due by November 12th but would like them by November 10th
- Penny wars
 - Goes to funding for conference
 - Use to buy kits
- Bring in most kits – if over 30, then wings party
- Points for every kit brought in
- Supplies for kits?
 - Nora suggests each building is responsible for certain supply
- Kevin going to area councils to explain
 - East – Sunday at 8pm
 - West – Wednesday at 9pm
 - Alumni – Tuesday at 9pm

Promotions Chairperson – Ashley Dorman

- Start promoting Scavenger Hunt
 - Lots of advertising
 - Flyers next committee meeting
 - Table tents in dining halls
 - Posters in dining halls and huge lecture halls
 - ListServ
 - School calendar online
 - Daily Campus ad

Communications Chairperson – Jen Song

- RHA General Board meets every other week
- Getting minutes 2 weeks later is too late
- Enhancing communication – making sure everyone is on the same page with information
- Halina will send minutes to RHA reps, area council members, and advisors by Monday
- Area Councils send Jen minutes from all minutes as well as previous meeting
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Chief Financial Officer – Jenique Brown

- RAs from Charter Oak Apartments – Candy Corn Carnival – October 31st – 11am-2pm
 - Volunteers show up at 10:30am – sign up sheet sent around
 - RHA is cosponsoring
 - Children coming from neighboring towns to trick-or-treat
 - Cooking making
 - Haunted house
 - Story time
 - Pictures on RHA fan page

Open Forum

- Towers
 - Change wars
 - Making tons of money
 - “Candy and Vans” – Saturday October 31st – 12-2pm
 - Safety tips
 - Van outside dining hall
 - Bags of candy and condoms
 - “Shaggin’ wagon”
 - Cultural Halloween – Thursday October 29th – 7pm
 - Morgan and Lafayette buildings
 - Learn about different cultures and Halloween
- Northwest
 - Northwest Quad Party
 - Sunday October 25th – 12-5pm
 - Band playing
 - Inflatables
 - Olympics
 - Sunday November 1st – afternoon
 - NW Quad
 - Take sweet pics
- East
 - Not much money – use RHA and USG

- Halloween Costume Party/BBQ
 - Saturday October 31st
 - 1st prize – 5 lbs of candy
 - Line up and people vote
- Successful kickoff meeting
 - Sign for ideas
- West/McMahon
 - Pumpkin carving contest – Thursday October 29
 - Boston trip on November 8th
 - Laser tag – October 31st
 - T-shirt contest
 - Kids trick-or-treating – Thursday October 29 – 7am
- Garrigus Suites
 - Boston/NY Trip
 - Sweatshirts
- South
 - Halloween block party
 - Fairfield Way
 - Pumpkin carving
 - Apples
 - Candy
 - Area councils want to help?
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 - South semi-formal
- Husky Village
 - Decorating common room
 - Friday 10/30
 - Sorority/fraternity winners
 - Top Chef Contest
 - Trip to NYC
- Alumni
 - Mini basketball tournament – went well
 - Gave out prizes
 - T-shirts for Spring Weekend
 - Will apply for USG funding
 - RA event on Wednesday – helping fund
 - Pumpkins and apples
- Hilltop Halls
 - Halloween race – Sunday November 1 – 1-3pm
 - Partners
 - 3-legged race
 - Scarecrow clothing
 - Wrap a mummy in toilet paper
 - Cider chugging
 - Mini pumpkin pie eating
 - Pumpkin guts dig through
 - Prizes – 2 \$25 gift cards to Co-op – 2nd and 3rd place get candy
 - Haunted Hills Dance
 - Friday October 30 8-11pm
 - DJ lives in Hale
 - How to get general board members?
 - Treasure box!
 - Facebook group – Hilltop Happenings
 - 80 members already

- Shippee/Buckley
 - T-shirt contest – judging next week
 - UCONN Cares bracelets for Breast Cancer Awareness - \$1
 - Will make public after Buckley/Shippee floor sales
 - Open Mic Night
 - November 3rd – 8-11pm
 - Shippee Pit
 - Suggestion box for Buckley Dining Hall
- Vijay has noticed that chocolate chip pancakes are everywhere! Not at East or McMahon

Adjourned: 7:37 pm