

Senate 11/13/07

- I. Call to order 6:34pm
- II. Roll Call
- III. Introduction of Guests
 - a. Jennifer Cafiero Therien
 - b. Proxies
 - i. Karina Roco for Shane Margargal
 - ii. Anthony Serrao for Louis Spinilli
- IV. Vice President's Report
- V. Approvals
 - a. Community Standards Board
 - i. Daniel Garrick
 - ii. Shane Margargal
 - iii. Shaney
 - b. AnBr motion to approve above-mentioned students for the community standards board – MF seconds – passed unanimously.
- VI. New University Website – Jennifer Cafiero Therien
 - a. We've been working on the new website will launch on Friday.
 - b. We have our own google search engine to make searching easier
 - c. Part of this is the calendar for event planning, new features.
 - d. We took your feedback and changed features like photography and streaming audio.
 - e. Questions:
 - i. AS – why does this say WCA since it hasn't been approved yet?
 1. Because it has been approved and are advertising this in addition to WCC & CFA.
 - ii. AB – I think we quite visually use a lot by putting WCA as the headliner; WCC is not prominent at all.
 1. You can click into certain links and find out information about WCC.
 - iii. CO – the current students link didn't have any information for current students; will that change?
 1. Yes there are news & announcements, relevant documents and other pertinent information.
 - iv. CO – when we discussed this last year we asked you to consider purple and gold rather than cranberry, is this going to be addressed?
 1. The administration is considering it.
 - v. If you find any problems please let me know as soon as possible. Also any issues regarding content and specifically with the WCA should be addressed to Dean Annis directly.

- vi. KR (proxy) – I understand this is something that has been going on for a year, however there are a lot of new students and we were not told directly. As a new student this is slightly disconcerting; I would have liked some advance warning.
- vii. PM – is someone going to send out information to the entire campus about this?
 - 1. Yes people will be alerted to it.

VII. Old Business

- a. Thanksgiving Baskets
 - i. As no one purchased anything we won't worry about it.
- b. Battle of the campuses
 - i. I sent the information so you could send it to your constituents.
 - ii. An ultimate chess tournament that will happen in the Lawrenceville pub; however they can only enter if they have registered before hand.

VIII. New Business

- a. Campus Colors
 - i. MF – I wrote this resolution to have our identity as a college more prominent; small changes around campus (the screens in the computer labs, the diplomas, the colors).
 - ii. JF – I think this is a great idea, not to put a divide with Rider, I just think and us our legacy shouldn't go away.
 - iii. KR (proxy) – I agree I just think the student body should know and be involved.
 - iv. EW – as far of this resolution are you in favor of communicating this to the student before we approve it?
 - 1. I don't think that the students would be in disagreement I just think that communication is necessary.
 - v. CO – I would change "we direct" to "we formally request"
 - vi. AB – what authority does the student government have to actually make things happen?
 - 1. EW – it goes through the E-board, and we are an obligated to present it to the administration.
 - 2. AB – yes you pass it along, but does it actually affect change?
 - vii. KR (proxy) – the only reason I could see them say no is because it seems like we don't want to keep the tie with Rider.
 - viii. EW – so you're saying that we need to keep the tie with Rider but also celebrate campus pride

- ix. JF – I never felt that we were trying to drive away from the larger campus when I read this resolution.
 - x. MG – I agree with John.
 - xi. PM – I think that if there is any confusion in this room about what is being said it needs to be clear; 100% clear about what we are trying to say.
 - xii. AS – it doesn't look like we are trying to separate from them, I think we are doing entirely too much celebrating on one end of this spectrum.
 - xiii. AnBr – lines 7,8 & 9 – what confuses me is how are our achievements going to fall into myth and legend; just because we are part of Rider.
 - xiv. CO – I think a simple whereas clause at the beginning of the resolution would solve the confusion issues and help to state that we are not attempting to separate from Rider
 - xv. AB – I motion to amend the resolution to insert the clause whereas the students of WCC on the Princeton Campus of Rider University equally respects the relationship with the larger Rider University community, but...(continue) CO – seconds – passed with one abstention.
 - xvi. CO – I would like to also change any line “we direct” to “we formally request” (lines 9 & 21 & 25) AnBr seconds – passed with one abstention.
 - xvii. CO – I move to accept and pass resolution with the above-mentioned amendments. AB seconds – passed unanimously.
- b. Fall Semester Report, due November 16th
 - i. EW – the SGA E-board will be compiling a newsletter detailing the RSO's and the Senates accomplishments so we can gear up for next semester. I suggest also taking a look at the Make it Happen results and seeing how you can address those concerns.
 - c. General Assembly, December 2nd 8:00pm
 - i. EW – an RSVP is required.
 - d. Spring Training, January 20th
 - i. EW – please make sure that his this is in your agenda; is there anything you would like to see in the agenda?
 - e. Green Campus
 - i. EW – I mentioned this last meeting; recycling has always been a concern, I think I need to do more research. I believe that the students asked for more recycling bins to be put on campus however I don't know what the outcome of those recycling bins.

- ii. EW – I'd also like the Health and Wellness committee to check and see where our fruits and vegetables come from (whether they are coming from local farmers)
 - iii. EW – a resolution for the florescent bulbs around campus, as well as the (they would be replaced every five to six years)
 - iv. MF – is there any way to make sure that our lighting fixtures look like they fit with our campus.
 - v. EW – limiting the use of plastic bags.
 - f. Star Senators
 - i. I'm going to be highlighting the star senators (the senators who passed resolutions)
- IX. Focus Group presentations & Breakouts
 - a. Community Outreach
 - i. We're still looking into the celebration of lights (Thursday 29th 5:00pm at Rider) – we still need singers.
 - ii. We're also doing caroling in palmer square.
 - b. Health & Fitness
 - i. Not present
 - c. Parking & Facilities
 - i. Still waiting on a response for the parking issues. We might be re-issuing parking decals.
 - ii. Also waiting to hear about the possibility of student workers checking on the decals.
 - iii. AZ – I don't think that a commuter parking overnight is really the issue here.
 - iv. PM – not to be condescending or anything but these issues can be brought to our committee during break out.
 - v. MG – why are we attacking this smaller problem rather than the larger parking issues.
 - vi. MF – the main issue with re-issuing the decals is that there are a lot of expired student permits and the overnight parking would respond to the initial blitzkrieg of the overnight parking.
 - d. Activities & Awareness
 - i. What I would like from each chair is a list of goals that you would like to accomplish by the end of the year so our students can be aware of what we are looking to accomplish.
 - e. Heritage & Traditions & Student Life
 - i. The 'Did you know' emails.
- X. For the Good of the Order

- a. CO – if a senator has the ability to take this on: a resolution regarding the health service hours being incredibly inconsistent and we are viewed as a secondary thought.
- b. CO – the vice president from last year has emailed me from last year saying that she has not received an email from her senator.
- c. AB – the student body doesn't know that our name is changing and our website is changing and to a college we did not enroll in.
 - i. AZ – I agree, I think its going to be very controversial when the website comes out on Friday.
 - ii. EW – the name is not changing, yes I realize that the website is very WCA heavy.
 - iii. AB – I think the issue here does not lie in the WCA it just needs to be advertised as the WCC.
 - iv. PM – I think we are getting into something that can be addressed in focus groups.
 - v. EW – this is a place we are supposed to discuss.
 - vi. AB – I'm concerned about the immediate fall-out from the launching of a school we are not a part of on Friday.
 - vii. KR (proxy) – I agree, there is a great deal of concern.
 - viii. GM – I encourage you to ask the administration about this.
 - ix. MF – it's my understanding that the application has completely changed that the essay question has completely changed from an music question to an arts question.
 - 1. The application is universally undergraduate application and then there is a Westminster supplement.
 - x. AB – is there any sort of immediate juncture that we can appeal to the administration to delay the launch so there isn't a immediate uproar from the student body.
 - 1. JW – no, they have already been waiting to advertise the new college after contract negotiations.
 - 2. AB – its not just an issue of changing websites it's the name of the website.
 - xi. AZ – personally I am not a freshman I'm a sophomore and I didn't know anything about changing the name until I joined Senate. I just feel like Rider is burying our name; this is a big problem.
- d. CO – can we make this a bullet point in the next meeting.
- e. MF – can you please email us with the information so we can be informed?
- f. EW – all of that will be presented in the report.
- g. AB – suggestion, huge misunderstand in this room which represents a massive misunderstanding from the whole student body and the website shouldn't launch with a new change.

- h. PM – also maybe someone from their office should come in and discuss things with us so we can email our constituents.
- i. CO – move to adjourn, PM seconds.
 - i. EW – if any of you happen to email your constituents tonight make it general, not personal.
 - ii. MG – you want us to tell them about the launching of the site, but without bias.

XI. Adjournment 8:07pm