Senate
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
Princeton Campus, Rider University

MINUTES
Tuesday, March 20, 2007
6:30pm, Martin Room

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 PM.

II. Roll Call and Introduction of Guests

III. Approval of Minutes

    a. March 6, 2007

        Chris Olson motioned to approve the minutes with no changes from March 6th. Dani Portillo seconded. The minutes were approved.

IV. Vice President's Report

Kim would like to move the Phi Mu Alpha discussion and presentation before the website.

V. President's Report

This Thursday, March 22nd is AMC movie night. Please meet outside Seabrook Hall at 7:15 PM. You will be able to go to any movie during the time frame that we are there. Princeton Garden Theater tickets are available tomorrow beginning at 12:30 ion ADOS. The SGA Executive Board had a meeting with Dave Keenen and explored the possibility of having and afternoon weekday time, probably Wednesday to go between the two campuses. We are also looking into what other organizations could use this service during this time. OIT – working on having library workstations print to outside in the lobby and to make those computers accessible as real work stations with the Microsoft office suite. A site survey has been done for wireless. OIT is waiting for a quote. In response to the issue of downloading attachments from the web based email system they recommend using mozilla thunderbird. They are also looking into more easyprint stations. There idea is to have two smaller printers one in the lobby of the DIPS and the other in the kitchen of Seabrook. There will be an information session on SGA elections from 12:15 – 1:00 PM. This is a time to discuss and answer any questions you might have about the election process and position duties.

VI. New Business
    a. Rider News Discussion
    b. Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Presentation

       Various current members and alumni expressed the desire of why they think
       it is important to include this group and offer this opportunity to the
       Westminster students and community.

    c. Rider Website Discussion

       Please see attached notes from Joe Woodhull.

    d. Topics/Questions for Woodrow Wilson Scholars (March 27th Meeting)

       The scholars from Woodrow Wilson are coming next week. Both of the
       scholars are composers have established careers in music. Please read the
       bios of the two composers and think about questions that you would like to
       ask them. There will be an open forum on Thursday, March 28th from 11:30
       AM – 12:30 PM in COT 8. Kim will email out bios. Be sure to share this
       information with your constituents.

    e. Princeton Hall Practice Rooms

       Does anyone use them? Not really. There are groups of people who know
       they can use them but most people don't. What happens after 9:00 PM?
       Have there been security issues? Laura will ask Scott Hurel what he really
       wants.

    f. Publicizing for Brownwater

       The president of Brownwater (weekly coffee house) emailed Kim informing
       her of their weekly meeting held on Wednesdays in the BLC from 9:00 –
       11:30 PM. The usual meeting schedule breaks down as follows: 9-10
       performer and live music, 10-11:30 meeting. She would like to take a poll
       from Westminster students on how to reach out the Princeton campus,
       where and how to publicize, and how to best overcome the transportation
       issue. This is a struggling organization that has been around for a while.
       Please tell your constituents about this opportunity.

VII. For the Good of the Order

     The clocks are not set from daylight savings time which is causing some confusion
     around campus. There is no clock in L-1. The desk in the library are generally better.

Please remember that nominations for the SGA Outstanding Service Award are currently being accepted if you have anyone in mind. The nominee must be someone that works in the SGA organization and is not on SGA executive board.

VIII. Committee Breakouts

IX. Committee Reports

X. Adjournment

Chris Olson motioned to extend the meeting 10 minutes. Brittany Godfrey seconded.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 PM.

Focus Group - WCC SGA Senate - March 20, 2007

--Tasks Performed--

- Webmail, Libraries, MyInfo, Blackboard
- Westminster
- Calendar (/calendar)
- Faculty email addresses
- Academic calendars
- Faculty bios
- Student portal
- Dates and times of performances
- School Closing Information

--Searching for Content--

- Unrelated search results (news articles from years ago)
- Like the idea of the new search feature
- Search box on Princeton's website was discussed
- Several comments that content is easy to find for GENERAL INFORMATION and ADMISSIONS

--General Comments--

- Hard to find Final Exam schedules
- URLs should not be numbered
- Web Calendar: waaaay too slow
- RSS Feeds: yay!!!

- ONE login instead of a billion for each service
- More listening opportunities
- Videos
- More music, more musicians
- More links to non-choir programs (music ed, theater, piano, etc)
- Show the types of music that we study

--Can't find content... what do you do?--

- Click the logo on the left side
- Very few knew the breadcrumbs existed
-----Can't tell they are links

--Colors--

- Yellow on the listen to the music pages are ugly
- Border yellow is ugly
- White border is ugly, hated on both sides
- Less green-grey, more dark grey
- Black text means not clickable
- Cranberry is nice
- Change white links in grey to cranberry
- Warm and happy
- Text fonts and colors are very limited

--Photography--

- Out of date
- Posed pictures are dumb
- More pictures of the campus, rather than students standing around
- Not enough
- More variety: campus, classrooms, practice rooms, performance, etc
- More photos in the text
- Randomized is a good thing
- A central location for big performances photography
- Non-musical student events
- In classroom photography, esp. of other campus?
- No issue downloading

--Text--

- TOO much on front pages
- Media.rider.edu is MUCH nicer to read, not scrunched

--Content--

- Missing things, such as admissions FAQs
- Tuition/Fees, 18 credits at wcc
- Way too much textual content, overwhelming
- Non-english content?
- Requirements for majors are only for incoming freshman

--Current Students--

- Too much text
- Want pictures! Pictures lead in to articles
- The PennPortal was brought up with tons of links -- people liked the idea alot, but there was too many links
- Examples of my.yahoo.com to change settings, customize our own portal page
- For articles, have pictures and then location, time... something short... THEN more content

- Baylor School --- Great calendar!! and very, very nice design and navigation

--Current Home Page--

- Don't like the posed pictures
- Very boxy

-Fairleigh Dickinson-

- Actually, they like ours better
- Photography is great
- Centering is much nicer
- More symettrical
- Header is too big

--Seton Hall--

- Color contrast great
- Boxes on bottom great
- Links on pictures is good
- Structure is great
- Search box may be too hidden
- No scrolling necessary! Awesome

--New England Conservatory--

- Wonderful that it features musicians
- Really like the Listen button