



Student Government Association Senate
Westminster Choir College of Rider University
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1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
 - Senator Buckley – Present
 - Senator Callahan - Present
 - Senator De Los Reyes – Present
 - Senator Fildes – Present
 - Senator Friars – Present
 - Senator Garrick – Present
 - Senator Giovetsis – Present
 - Senator Goff – Proxy Joshua “Squiggy” Hemmings
 - Senator Halbstein – Present
 - Senator Koblentz – Present
 - Senator Kohler – Present
 - Senator Lakeland – Present
 - Senator Lanseur - Present
 - Senator Layton – Proxy Cathryn McManus
 - Senator Matheson – Present
 - Senator Neil – Present
 - Senator Sloan – Present
 - Senator Stebich – Present
 - Senator Stell – Present
 - Senator Zervopoulos – Proxy Dave Zas
 - Senator Zubert – Present
3. Approval of Agenda
 - a. Senator Matheson moved to approve the agenda.
4. Senator Garrick moved to approve the October 20 minutes
5. Senator Neil moved to approve the October 27 minutes
6. Reports:
 - a. President’s Report
 - i. Senator Halbstein inquired to Dr. Field’s photographic activities on the choir college campus this weekend.
 1. President LaBoy noted Dr. Field’s activities on Saturday have nothing to do with the current resolution.
 - ii. Senator Lanseur inquired to whether President LaBoy feels it’s good to have these videos on YouTube?
 1. I don’t think it is damaging them
 - iii. Senator Lanseur asked if by taking off the videos it would make people happy?
 1. I don’t think it’s providing legitimacy.
 - a. Senator Lanseur spoke to telling the students you have to all have no opinion. Why are you trying to



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stop the students from keeping something off of the internet which is harmful to us.

- i. RL: Just in knowing how few hits it's gotten, including students to the President of the University, it has had no impact on the university. The most satisfying thing might be the right thing to do.
- iv. Why do a group of people other than students think they know what is detrimental to students?
 1. Ultimately they are appointed and entrusted by the Board of Trustees to work as diligently for the school as possible.
- b. Vice-President's Report
- c. Speaker's Report
7. Guest Speaker: Dr. Phillips
 - a. Hoping to have some questions and concerns to take to the committee.
 - b. UAPC Meets every 4 years and work out an agreement of how we will operate together. We talk about governance on a college and university level.
 - c. WCCAPC – Westminster, SFPAPC – School of Fine & Performing Arts APC, UAPC – University APC
 - d. Today we spoke about IB Programs
 - e. Freshmen Registration via Internet second semester
 - f. We do things which relate to admissions, and academics
 - g. Senator Lanseur asked what Ad-Hoc Committees do:
 - i. They work on creating responses to specific questions – how does this affect people, etc.
 - h. When any APC passes a policy, there is a 30 day period after that when anyone may review these policies, and if there is any difficulty/problem they can voice their concerns. After this time, if there really have not been substantive objections to it, essentially it becomes policy.
 - i. Senator Garrick inquired as to the role of the SGA Official:
 - i. At the UAPC level, the SGAs together are supposed to pick together who there will be on the UAPC.
 - ii. There is an issue called Latin Honors, and when you look across the college units, they are applied in different ways, and the proposal has to do with, do we want to be more consistent, and how do we organize this.
 - j. Senator Garrick inquired as to the AAUP contract and how student representation works:
 - i. Each College or School has an APC, and each school will submit a name for that APC. Westminster SGA provides a student rep for the WCCAPC. On the UAPC, the SGAs on both campuses will select a student to serve on that committee.



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- k. Senator Garrick asked if students could attend the meetings.
 - i. All people are invited to attend as silent listeners, and the input that the Student input is very seriously considered in the UAPC.
- l. Senator Matheson spoke to the Fall Break scenario and how students wish to be a fall break
 - i. It did not happen, it didn't pass.
- m. Senator Matheson spoke to how do we make the UAPC approve this Fall Break.
 - i. If you can lobby from the Provost, Associate Provost, Faculty Representatives, and everyone else on the committee to approve this.
- n. Senator Lanseur spoke as to a large group of people, what would be the best way to accomplish how to achieve this.
 - i. BM: We will be working on a committee with Dean Annis and the most appropriate way to coordinate calendar suggestions.
 - ii. Joel Phillips: UAPC has the right to set calendar, and when issues of calendar comes up, the UAPC has to look at the big picture. We are part of the big unit to make things work for everybody. The route to take is through the representatives you have on the committee.
- o. Senator Friars requested that the UAPC could inform students of programs that the UAPC is considering implementing.
 - i. All the things we are doing are posted publicly to members of the committee.
- p. Senator Friars spoke to having access to the full membership of the UAPC and the WCCAPC.
 - i. All this information is published, and the Dean knows this information. The Dean and the UAPC Chair have this information and they can provide you with any information you need. SGA needs to network between campuses. Jose can share with you all information that you need.
- q. Senator Koblentz spoke to strong opinions how course-selection works on this campus, and the honors preferred status. Seniors who have a single semester left are being shut out of courses by second-semester sophomores. What channels would we have to go through?
 - i. For example, some of the aspects of implementation deal with how many credits people have. Should 100 level courses have reserved spaces for Freshmen?
- r. Senator Neil spoke to the unfortunate time the UAPC meets.
 - i. For over 30 years, that meeting time has been written into the contract. It is mandated by the contract. Part of that is, when do you meet. For Westminster students, this limits the enrollment.



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- s. Senator Matheson spoke to proposals for Fall Break proposals being turned down for several years, and the contract issues, are there things specifically that we can know about to help make a good argument for a fall break?
 - i. Personal Opinion: In my view, the only way something will get by the UAPC in the near-future -- you have to look at a 5 year implementation and see what will happen. The first time it came to us, it came to us in October, and it was desired to do this 10 months later. This schedule had been set for 5 years. The second time, it came with a majority interest from both campuses students, but it goes beyond faculty contract, but it goes through the complexity of the university structure for the future. I used to suggest the ensemble days, and classes would still take place and students would be penalized. When they are doing the runouts, let them sing, when they are on campus, let them learn. We had a completely separate calendar back then. We had 15 weeks over 17, their calendar has always been 13 weeks for finals and addition. How am I to convince as one member of a committee 500 colleagues to add a month to their workload?
 - ii. What has happened is more involvement between the two campuses, and this increases the complicated schedules.
- t. Secretary Baron spoke to the lack of WCC Voice and how many negatives get integrated.
 - i. Why is Choir at 11:30 if we know WCC students cannot be there. Choir could be moved to another time of the day.
 - ii. It is because of that other campus Subsidizing us over a million dollars a year because of us being here. I have a good job and you have a fantastic education. This place is 1000 times better than you used to be.
 - iii. Use the things like the Dean, the Reps, to try to make a change. If your idea doesn't prevail, try again.

Proxy McManus moved to extend the meeting until all agenda points are completed.

Seconded.

Motion Carried.

VIII. Senator Lakeland moved to accept Danielle Callahan, Victoria Neil, Derrick Goff, Anthony Baron.

Nominees Accepted.

Seconded.

Motion Carried.

Senator Lakeland moved to approve them to the committee.

Seconded.

Motion Carried.

Excessive Printing Resolution:



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Senator Sloan moved to postpone until next week.
Seconded.
Motion Carried.

IX. New Business:

No New Business

X. For the Good of the Order:

Senator Sloan inquired having Jose appear before the Senate.

Dean Campbell suggested having Jose be an ex-officio non-voting member of the Senate.

Senator Neil commented on if there is a specific issue, contacting Jose directly.

Senator Garrick inquired about student representatives on the Judicial Council?

Julianne Zervopoulos

Senator Garrick spoke to a student ombudsman who would represent students in their time of need who would be a defendant for the students.

Dean Campbell: There are students who are advisors through the community who will serve on the student review committee.

Senator Lakeland informed students as to Dr. Field's photographic malaise on the campus on Halloween during the Kickball game.

Dean Campbell spoke to the University following up through the Security report, and the University is following through on the public safety report.

Senator Lakeland inquired to possible outcomes?

Dean Campbell: There are different levels – we are hoping the behavior will stop, and then we can take legal or other actions.

Senator Neil spoke to the concern of why was Public Safety not escorting him off campus, and why was Public Safety not contacted immediately?

Senator Lakeland responded by trying to make him understand he did not have the right to photograph the student. It was not until after this that I found public safety, which took a significant amount of time.

Senator Lanseur spoke to how the Senate's need to take it into our hands to be responsible. If anyone has been paying attention to Dr. Field's actions, he is trying to provoke us into an action. We have had a fairly rational reaction, and people just wanted him off campus. It is our responsibility to get him off campus.

Senator Matheson spoke to the touchiness of the issue, but our job is not to gossip about Dr. Fields, and would appreciate moving onto further and other issues.

Dean Campbell wanted to say, if you dial 896-5029, the campus will dispatch Public Safety.

Senator Friars spoke to who is allowed on the property and who is not. While we are a private university, this is a public property.

Dean Campbell spoke to how we are an open campus. Once someone violates our rules, we can prohibit them from coming to our campus.



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Senator Friars: spoke to in order to keep them from smoking on the campus, they would not be able to walk back and forth between the campus from their houses, but what are the rules?

Dean Campbell: if we have problems with citizens, we can issue a PNG. What we tend to do is tell them they are not welcome. Everything starts with a public safety report.

Senator Giovetsis spoke to the need to call security, and sometimes it will take close to an hour to contact security.

Senator Neil responded by speaking to security's "being dealt with", and suggested someone to email Dean Campbell when there is a problem.

Senator Koblentz spoke to the back door of Seabrook continuing to break.

Senator Stebbich spoke to the Seabrook Printer still not working.

Student Goldberg spoke to the fact that Double-Sided printing is coming to the Princeton Campus tonight and tomorrow. Every computer that has this done, needs to be reimaged. It is not an easy processed to double-side print. It will happen as soon as possible. It will happen. There will be problems with paper jams. Also there will be security problems, we are trying to fix this. From OIT's side, we are going to go through with this because we were told to.

Chairperson Mattison spoke to a Color Printer coming to the A&S Lab or the Talbot MCC Lab, so that only the workers can modify the settings. However, the color printers the purchase would be heavy, and would not come out of her budget.

Senator Garrick moved to override the veto.

Senator McManus seconded.

Discussion ensued.

Senator Friars moved to extend discussion.

Seconded.

Call to division.

- Senator Buckley – Nay
- Senator Callahan - Aye
- Senator De Los Reyes – Nay
- Senator Fildes – Nay
- Senator Friars – Aye
- Senator Garrick – Nay
- Senator Giovetsis - Nay
- Senator Goff – Nay
- Senator Halbstein – Aye
- Senator Koblentz – Aye
- Senator Kohler – Nay
- Senator Lakeland – Nay
- Senator Lanseur - AYe
- Senator Layton – Nay
- Senator Matheson – Aye



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Senator Neil – Nay
Senator Sloan – Nay
Senator Stebich – Nay
Senator Stell – Nay
Senator Zervopoulos – Aye
Senator Zubert - Nay

Motion Failed.

Senator Friars moved to call to vote.

Seconded.

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Senator Goff – Present
Senator Halbstein – Nay
Senator Koblentz – Nay
Senator Kohler – Nay
Senator Lakeland – Nay
Senator Lanseur - Aye
Senator Layton – Aye
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Motion failed.

Senator Lakeland moved to adjourn.

Seconded.

Motion Carried.

