



RHSA General Council

Minutes from April 10th 2008

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Theme:
Medieval

Convene: 4:37pm

- **Welcome**

- Welcome to the meeting

- **Quorum**

- KOH – 1
- MC2 – 3
- HPC – 4
- MacCity – 4
- SMAC – 2
- TLHC – 1

- **Old Business**

- RHSA Apparel – Lindsay Fitzmorris
 - Sign-up sheet passed around one more time
 - Voting on options for sweatshirt options today (color, design)
 - Tetris design will not be on the back of the sweatshirts
 - The design colors for the T-shirts have been slightly changed
- RHSA General Council Posters – Conor McLean
 - The posters are now up in the residence halls
 - Addressed to reps: papers with meeting times to post weekly on the signs would be distributed after the meeting
- RHSA Resolution 0708-002 – Andrew Clark
 - Second readings today on the resolution in support of the compost program
 - RHSA Resolution read out loud by Jennifer Grosman
 - Jennifer Grosman moved to add an additional “That” clause at the end of the resolution, reading “That the administration immediately make the compost program a priority in their commitment to environmental sustainability.”
 - Discussion on amendment:
 - Matt Zemek: The amendment clarifies what the resolution is asking for.
 - Justin Sharrett: A resolution like this is basically a call to the administration anyway, so not sure if the amendment is necessary.
 - M’Liss DeWald: A resolution is just forming student opinion so the only thing it will accomplish anyway is to have the RHSA executive board push for action to happen. The amendment makes the resolution’s claims a priority.
 - Clarified: No objections had been called for – objections called, and objection followed by Justin Sharrett
 - Votes will go back to the hall councils if the amendment passes

- Clarified: Resolution calls for HFS to prioritize composting when dealing with activities promoting sustainability
- Beth Gawne: Composting has a huge impact on the environment, so making this a priority for HFS is a good thing.
- Some concern over delaying action of the resolution by passing the amendment and having the amendment go back to hall councils
- Jean McKeever: Having the amendment that calls for immediate action in the resolution could lead to faster action in the future, even if it has to go back to the halls first
- Vote on amendment: 17-1-4; Passes
- Proposed amendment by Matt Zemek, adding an additional “That” clause to the end of the resolution: “That the students support the addition of personal compost bins in the student’s rooms in the residence halls.”
 - Friendly amendment to move the apostrophe to read “students’” rather than “student’s”
- Discussion on amendment:
 - Matt Zemek: This amendment received overwhelming support at MC2 and would be a great way to encourage use of the compost bins.
 - Requests to have compost bins per request of students rather than in every room
 - Jennifer Grosman: There is good intent behind this amendment, but HFS still needs to figure out what to do with residence halls like 2104 House and Hansee, so it might be restricting HFS’s actions with the composting programs
 - Beth Gawne: Having compost bins in students’ rooms might get kind of gross
 - Point made: Students can request compost bins for their rooms from SEED
 - Jennifer Grosman: SEED ran out of those compost bins already
 - M’Liss DeWald: With this amendment, there would be more compost bins for students’ rooms. It’s nice to have this amendment so a student can actually get a compost bin for his or her room.
 - Sam Guyer: If composting could be like recycling is now, that would be awesome
 - Current compost bins that SEED distributes don’t have lids
- Vote on the amendment: 12-6-3; Passes
- Trent Walkiewicz: Motion to strike “and” from the final “That” clause
- Seconded by Wade Halbert-Caves
- No objections; Passes
- No one has talked to the janitors yet about their opinions of the program
- Amendments will go back to the hall councils for next week
- Final RHSA resolution (with amendments) will be sent out to the RHSA list serve

- **New Business**
 - Special Announcement

- The King of Hansee refused to kiss the Ring of Honour on Alexander the Great's finger
- HSSC Chair Confirmation – Andrew Clark
 - Head Senator Selection Committee for next year
 - Alex Cutler ran for the position
 - Two other members of RHSA exec board will also be on the committee
 - Vote: 19-2-2; Alex will be the HSSC chair
- Coup
 - Justin Sharrett, King of Hansee, overthrew Alex's seat while he was being voted in as HSSC chair
 - Normalcy resumed when Alex returned
- OSC Update – Brittany Grgich
 - Polls are closing tonight, so remember to vote on the RHSA website!
 - Candidate brochure is also online
 - Encourage everyone to vote; results will be announced next week
 - Selected position applications are due this Monday, April 14th in the McCarty Leadership Office to the OA
- Coffer Report – Conor McLean
 - “Coffer” is another word for “Budget”
 - Special budget presentation!
 - Presentation will be shown every other week because the crafty presentation is difficult to carry to Lander from McCarty
 - Administrative - \$1152.73
 - Programming - \$1100.82
 - General - \$2728.55
 - Spring Cruise and Trading Clusters have not yet been factored in as well as other incoming funding proposals
 - Conor will dance to Miley Cyrus's “See You Again” if all of the budget is used up at the end of the year

- **Issues of the Week**
 - Terry
 - The Terry 2 Kitchenette is appalling (stove is missing and it doesn't get cleaned very often)
 - Correction: The stove is still there
 - Lander
 - 7th floor water isn't hot all the time and is very variable
 - Alex: water and heat issues are general work order requests
 - The metal edges on the back stairs of Lander should be removed or covered as they get very slippery when it rains
 - Stevens Court
 - There is only one vending machine for beverages – another one would be great
 - McCarty
 - It is too hot in McCarty
 - Internet has been acting up recently

- Sam Guyer: Call UW Network Operations Center at (206) 221-6000 for internet issues
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- **Committees**

- Programming
 - 1st program of the quarter held last night (Whine and Cheese Night) was a success
 - Next program will be a security program at the end of April with the UWPD coming to address safety concerns
 - Mr. and Miss RHSA coming in May; also looking at renting a theatre in the Metro for the premiere of “Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull”
 - CPC
 - Working on getting another video camera for south campus as well as a chocolate fountain for north campus
 - Arcade game suggestion was rejected since there is nowhere to put it and it would probably get broken
 - CPC just acquired a Sony video camera, available now for checkout in the Leadership Office
 - CAC
 - CAC is going to be working with the spring programming committee for the Iron Chef program
 - The pasta bar was removed in 1101 because there is usually a decrease in interest for pasta in the spring and because the pasta bar requires two full-time staff that could be used to restock the salad bar
 - Complaint about rotten apple cores from 1101 (normal-looking apples with brown insides)
 - Clarification question by Jess: People often get things to go at 1101 and don’t like that sometimes the to-go containers don’t have lids
 - Request for a real espresso machine in the 8 and vegan burritos in Seconds
 - Conor: One doesn’t get that much food for the price, compared to the 8, especially on popcorn chicken
 - Jada Isherwood: H-bar doesn’t have that much selection for sandwiches
 - Jean McKeever: it would be nice to have both Jackrabbit sandwiches and Organic to Go in stock at 2-Con
 - HWC
 - Meetings are at 4 in Ian’s
 - April 27th – Wii are the Champions event in Lander
 - Looking for consoles – email Matt Zemek at ungato@u.washington.edu if anyone has a console they’d like to lend to the program
 - CBR
 - Went over hall constitutions, specifically making sure positional titles weren’t in the constitutions that didn’t really exist
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- **NRHH Report – Jada and M’Liss**

- Applications are actually due April 14th at 11:59 P.M. on a Catylist survey

- Induction ceremony this quarter will have a luau theme
 - OTM winners email will be going out tomorrow
 - Pokes passed out
 - Events coming up:
 - April 26th, Rebuilding Together Seattle (email or Facebook M'Liss if you want to attend); 20 people can attend and the event goes 8 A.M. to 4 P.M.
 - May 10th bingo; volunteers needed 2:30-6:00 P.M. and 21 up for the event, 5:30-11:00 P.M.
 - Homelessness 101 Training – coming soon; 4-hour training about youth homelessness in the Seattle area; signup sheet looking for interest in the program passed around
 - April 18th bonfire open to everyone at 7:30 P.M. in the Mercer Fire Pit
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- **Head Senator Report – Salil**

- RHSA's seat was kept on the student regent selection committee!
 - Changes made to the resolution changing representation on that committee: Board of Directors seat moved and a commuter seat selected by the Vice President has taken its place
 - Looked at a resolution supporting increased Metro access to and from UW
 - U-Pass will go up by \$6 per quarter next year due to increases in gas prices (email about that to come)
 - Mark Emmert will be coming to the next ASUW Senate meeting, Tuesday in HUB 310 at 5 P.M.
 - Overhaul of the U-Pass will include more means of transportation over the next few years
 - Concern about security of new U-Pass with electronic chip – HFS will probably involved with security issues since they rely so much on the ID card aspect of the U-Pass
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- **Seed Report – Jennifer**

- Green Festival this Saturday and Sunday at the Washington Trade Convention Center
 - Preparing for Earth Day
 - Work party will be held for the P-Patch on Earth Day
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- **Hall Council Reports**

- MacCity – Chelsea resigned, so Kyle is the new head rep; Trading Clusters premiere was held last Monday and Travis did an amazing job; working on getting Trading Clusters onto the UW station. BBQ coming up on April 20th, not April 13th.
- HPC – Finalizing some event dates; Mr. and Miss RHSA dodgeball tournament sometime in May, water fight, stargazing, eating contest. HPC also pledged its support for the Kingdom of Hansee.
- MC2 – May 3rd Halo and Smash Bros. tournament. Kickball/BBQ event coming up in May as well.
- KOH – Refused to kiss the Ring of Honour; no report permitted

- TLHC – Spring Cruise is April 25th. Tickets are \$18 but go up to \$20 after the 21st. Make-your-own-tacos bar will be on the cruise. Tickets can be bought at any front desk and the front desks take cash, Husky Cards, or checks.
 - SMAC – Scavenger Hunt April 21st. Uno of Mayo party May 1st. May 17th beach party as the final big event for the year.
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- **RHSA Apparel – Lindsay**

- Vote on color:
 - Grey 4, Black 8, White 4
 - Grey eliminated as an option
 - Vote: Black 10, White 8
 - Sweatshirts will be black
 - “University of Washington” text will be on the bottom of the design; 17-0-1 vote

- **Advisor Report – Jake**

- Vote for RHSA President and Vice President tonight
 - Apply for RHSA selected positions – there are always better candidates when there are choices
 - You can call Pagliacci’s at night (on-campus Pag’s) and use your dining money to order pizza, delivered to anywhere on campus!
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- **Announcements**

- Go to the Powwow this weekend!
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Adjourn – 6:22 P.M.
