



# RHSA General Council

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Theme:

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**Convene: 4:34 p.m.**

- **Welcome**

- Welcome to the meeting

- **Quorum**

- HA! – 3
- MC2 – 4
- HPC – 3
- MacCity – 3
- SMAC – 3
- TLHC – 1

- **Old Business**

- RHSA Apparel – Lindsay Fitzmorris
  - Apparel has been shipped and will be here within the week
  - RHSA shirts and sweatshirts will be available for purchase next week
- General Council Signs – Conor McLean
  - Make sure to put up signs for RHSA meeting time and location (directed to RHSA reps)
  - Suggestions to have Velcro on the back of the signs; problem in McCarty with the signs getting stolen
  - Conor will look into different options for making sure the signs get put up
- ASUW BOD Forum – Andrew Clark
  - Next week RHSA is teaming up with IFC and Panhellenic for a forum with ASUW Board of Directors candidates
  - Forum is in HUB 209A next Thursday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 P.M.
  - As many of the candidates as possible will be there to answer anyone's questions

- **New Business**

- OSC Officer Confirmations – Brittany Grgich
  - OSC decisions:
    - Administrative Manager: Sam Guyer
    - Treasury Director: Jessica Mawrence
    - NCC Coordinator: Conor McLean
    - Programming Director: Kyle Fuller
  - Introductions:
    - Jessica is an RHSA rep for HPC, chair for CAC, has done programming and publicity for HPC with lots of committee work through HPC; is also vice chair of No Frills common staff for next

- year; was in Girl Scouts for 11 years and wants multiple positive changes for RHSA next year
  - Sam is currently HPC president and in his second year with residence hall leadership; was head rep last year in his hall, and wants to give back for all his good experiences
  - Conor started off in MacCity as a senator for ASUW; got appointed winter quarter to be financial director for RHSA exec board; loves the residence halls and student leadership, and has conference experience with PACURH and (after this year) NACURH; can't wait for the spirit aspect of his position
  - Kyle (on speaker phone from Bellingham) is current head rep for MacCity and has lots of programming ideas such as an open mic night and a campus-wide talent competition, as well as programs for Black History Month and Women's History Month
- Questions/discussion with candidates
  - Sam Guyer will treat Hansee hall with respect next year
  - Conor will be doing welcome packets next year to fundraise, as well as actively looking into what residents want in Study Buddies
  - All candidates were willing to put in the time and work necessary for their positions
  - Question from Marley Blonsky: What are you most nervous about for your position?
    - Kyle: Attendance and getting people excited about going to programs
    - Conor: Being involved on a regional level, which I am also very excited about
    - Sam: Retention and getting the name of the organization out there
    - Jessica: How much people will participate in RHSA next year and making sure money is spent gradually throughout the year
  - Sam will take minutes by taking everything down and retyping it in a more formal format after meetings
- Discussion on Sam Guyer as Administrative Manager:
  - He is willing to put in lots of time, especially considering that he was originally running for president
  - Sam is very responsible and dedicated to work with
  - Sam is in the office a lot as is which is a good indicator of his commitment
  - Vote on confirming Sam Guyer: 16-0-7; confirmed
- Discussion on Jessica Mawrence as Treasury Director:
  - It'll be hard to beat the enthusiasm for the budget that Conor has
  - Jessica has done a great job with CAC this year and she is really involved in her hall council
  - Jessica is very good to work with
  - Jessica always goes 100% with everything she does

- Vote on confirming Jessica Mawrence: 13-0-9; confirmed
  - Discussion on Conor McLean as NCC Director
    - Everything about Conor makes this position perfect for him
    - It's exciting to see him so excited about learning about the region
    - Conor would do a great job
    - Conor has done all the Study Buddies this year and has been to conferences – he has a good aspect of experience and knows what is going on
    - Vote on confirming Conor McLean: 17-0-5; confirmed
  - Discussion on Kyle Fuller as Programming Director:
    - Kyle has done a lot of work on big programs this year and can do even more
    - Lindsay is the only person who goes to the programming committee meetings
    - It's good to see that she is worried about attendance for programs
    - Not sure that Kyle likes penguins
    - Vote on confirming Kyle Fuller: 13-3-6; confirmed
- Budget Report – Conor McLean
  - There is a big difference between what has been spent and what has been allocated through funding proposals
  - Potentially, \$2000 to spend, but taking allocations into consideration there is \$741.59 left to spend in the general fund
  - The amount considering allocated funds in the general fund is normal but \$1025 in funding proposals were received this week
  - Alex noted a raccoon outside – mild group distraction ensued
  - Money could be transferred over from admin and programming but admin has spent the money on T-shirts until they are purchased and has plans for the returned money and programming is also using the money
  - Know what hall councils are doing when considering the following funding proposals in case a hall council has plans for a program with RHSA funds soon
  - Comment by Salil: Somehow we have to shave \$300 off the budget so that we're not in the red
- Funding Proposals – Conor McLean
  - “Wii Are the Champions” funding proposal from HWC for \$125
    - Video game competition on May 4<sup>th</sup> with various healthy video games – Rock Band, DDR, Guitar Hero, Wii Sports
    - Breakdown: \$10 for cups, \$45 for drinks, \$70 for food (unlikely that much will be spent)
    - Estimated attendance of over 100 people
    - There will be less of a console shortage than previous video game nights
  - Motion by Sam Guyer to suspend the rules and consider all funding proposals before voting; passed by general consensus
  - SMAC “Mercer Beach Barbeque Bash” funding proposal for \$500

- Suggested amendment from SMAC to decrease amount from \$500 to \$245 – rescinded based on previous amendment from Sam and to be considered after all funding proposals presented
- All-campus event with volleyball, soccer, Frisbee, and a water fight
- Breakdown: \$70 for food, \$25 for sports equipment, \$35 for prizes, \$85 for decorations, \$35 for barbeque supplies
- SMAC will also be spending money on the event
- Trying to get donations for food to decrease the cost of the event
- Program date of May 17<sup>th</sup>, outside, but games can continue inside if it rains
- Decorations include leis to give to residents
- Estimated attendance of 200 people
- Iron Chef funding proposal from CAC for \$400
  - Yearly CAC event
  - Breakdown: \$70 for ingredients, \$330 for supplies
  - 4 teams of 3 with each person getting a prize
  - Program date: May 14<sup>th</sup>
  - There will be an announcer at the event
  - Hopefully the \$70 will be provided by the RA committee also working on the event – this is just in case
  - Prize breakdown: 4<sup>th</sup> place, each member gets \$10 gift certificates for Trader Joe's; 3<sup>rd</sup> place, each member gets \$15 gift cards for Trader Joe's; 2<sup>nd</sup> place, each member gets \$35 to Sonrisa; 1<sup>st</sup> place, each member gets \$50 to Cutter's
  - This year's budget is the same as last year
  - Will need to double-check if gift cards over \$25 can be purchased
  - There will be audience games this year to encourage people to stick around at the event during the cooking
  - No past attendance records for the event, which are difficult to track anyway as it is in an open area
  - Res Life is paying for some of the other ingredients
  - SSS is providing the staple ingredients
- Wii Are the Champions discussion and voting
  - Vote: 18-0-1; funding proposal passes
- Mercer Beach barbeque bash discussion and voting
  - \$615 left in general fund at this point
  - Motion by Salil to reduce the funding proposal from \$500 to \$245
  - Seconded by Matt; objected to by M'Liss
  - Salil proposed the amendment because SMAC suggested it
  - M'Liss worried about other hall councils wanting to use the money and thought the funding proposal should be less than \$245 to SMAC
  - Comment by Charles Cadwallader: There is \$615 in the general fund right now and with \$245 to SMAC there won't be enough money for the third funding proposal
  - Halls can't loan one another money but can co-sponsor events

- M'Liss suggested removing the \$85 for decorations from the funding proposal
- Salil entertained a motion to amend his amendment to remove \$85 for decorations (funding proposal would be for \$160)
- So moved by Trent
- Seconded by Nick Schirmer
- Vote on amendment to amendment: 16-0-3
- Charles moved to close debate on the amendment
- Seconded by Matt
- Objected to by Salil
- Salil was hesitant to cut that much money from the SMAC funding proposal without talking with SMAC
- Jean McKeever: SMAC is cool with the cut
- Matt Zemek: MC2 could possibly co-sponsor the event with SMAC
- Vote on amendment: 18-0-1; passes
- Back on funding proposal speakers' list: Matt and M'Liss yielded
- Vote on funding proposal: 19-0-0; passed
- Current general fund budget at \$466
- CAC funding proposal discussion and voting
  - Jessica moved to amend the CAC funding proposal to \$285, requiring the food and programming committee to cover food costs and reducing costs of 2<sup>nd</sup> place prizes to \$30 per person and 1<sup>st</sup> place prizes to \$40 from \$50 per person
  - Seconded by Salil
  - Objected to by Matt
  - Jessica noted that the prizes were much less in previous years and that it wouldn't be a problem to make cuts in the prizes; Food and Programming is supposed to fund the amount and the amendment will hold them accountable
  - Only one funding proposal can be put through per program
  - Vote on lowering the amount from \$400 to \$285: 13-1-4; amendment passes
  - Original speaker's list: empty
  - Funding proposal will go to hall councils
  - If this is passed there is \$181 in general fund not currently allocated
- Head Senator Selection Committee
  - HSSC applications are now available in the McCarty Leadership Office
  - Deadline: May 5<sup>th</sup>
  - Ask Salil if you have any questions

- **Issues of the Week**
  - Alex's report:
    - Card swipes in Lander's music practice room are a bad idea because of risk of damage to equipment

- 1101 lack of bathroom is being looked into but it is due to vandalism that has been happening
- Lander 3 side stairs are going to be cleaned more often
- Request for clarification – Lander 3 broken soap dish is in the bathroom that used to be a men’s bathroom
- There are no paper towel dispensers in Hansee and Lander kitchenettes for fire safety reasons
- Work order was put in for the broken lock on the Lander 3 stall door
- Engineers will look into slippery metal on the stairs going from Mercer to 1101
- Request for clarification: When have there been internet problems in McCarty? (10:00 that morning; call the Network Operations Center if you notice more problems)
- Place a work order if you notice ants in L-Building so the problem can be localized
- Clarification: What kind of vending machines should be added to Stevens Court? (More beverage options)
- McMahon:
  - Suggestion to move a parking space and put a bike rack in; bike racks can’t go out on the sun deck

- **Committees**

- Attend committees to get Committee Balla Bucks for the end of the year!
- Programming
  - Have been in contact with Landmark Theatres about the showing of “Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull”
  - \$4000 to rent the Neptune but tickets would only be \$7.25 per person
  - Will contact RDs to get their support for the program
- CPC
  - Looking into buying garden tools for SEED’s garden and a DVD player for McMahon
  - Also looking into purchasing tool kits, a PA system for south campus
  - Will be purchasing the video games for Ian’s and 2-Con soon
  - Working on getting a scale for the south campus workout room
- CAC
  - Chocolate and Coffee Tasting Event May 7<sup>th</sup> from 4-5 P.M. at the Chef’s Table in 1101
  - 1101 will be having a special Cinco de Mayo meal (on May 5<sup>th</sup>)
  - Registration signups for the May 14<sup>th</sup> Iron Chef will be coming soon
  - Concerns:
    - Pagliacci’s has been closing early at the 8
    - Request for mozzarella sticks at Ian’s
    - People touch the cards at the sandwich place in the 8 and then touch food – they should be changing their gloves
    - Alex was disturbed to find that the yogurt supply at the 8 has been degraded

- Get tongs for the cheese at the 8 because staff touch the cheese and then ID cards
    - HWC
      - Made posters for Wii Are the Champions, which is May 4<sup>th</sup> from 2 to 10 P.M. in Lander
      - Recess Olympics date TBD
      - Meeting next week at 4:00 P.M.
    - CBR
      - Drafting legislation which will be online by Sunday night
      - Dealing with TLHC, K building, and the RHSA constitution (grammar edits)
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- **NRHH Report –M'Liss**

- OTMs are due May 4<sup>th</sup>
  - 10 new people were inducted into NRHH!
  - For those in NRHH, applications for exec board will be out April 28<sup>th</sup> and aren't due until May 9<sup>th</sup>
  - Upcoming programs: Rebuilding Together Seattle, Gay Bingo May 10<sup>th</sup>, Guess the Straight Person Panel May 10<sup>th</sup>
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- **Head Senator Report – Salil**

- Washington Weekend is this weekend – look at the Alumni Association website for more information – most events are free!
  - Legislation this week: Recognition of the DREAM project passed; support of campus nutrition website got passed
  - Salil will look into information about a shuttle to the airport
  - Shuttle between north and south campus is being looked into for next year for Night Ride
  - Resolutions in support/against the HFS 20-year plan didn't make it out of committees and so will not be considered
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- **SEED Report – Jennifer**

- SEED tabled on Earth Day and had a work party for the garden the same day
  - Haggett cleanup on Saturday was disgusting (exit signs, car keys, traveling gnome, lots of Powerade bottles)
  - CFL Fairies are coming back and will be in Haggett on Friday; Lander and Terry are next Thursday!
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- **Hall Council Reports**

- Preceded by a 3-legged pony race outside
- TLHC – Spring Cruise is tomorrow and boards at 7:30
- HPC – Mr. and Miss HPC is next week; also working on the water fight, stargazing, Fugitive, and an eating contest
- MC2 – May 3<sup>rd</sup> video game competition in the ABC rooms from 2-10 P.M.; Super Smash Bros. Brawl and SSBM will be there
- SMAC – Held a scavenger hunt this week with 9 teams that participated; Uno of Mayo party next week; thank you for the money for the May 17<sup>th</sup> beach party!

- MacCity is having a barbeque this Sunday at 3 and everyone is welcome to attend
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- **Advisor Report – Jake**

- ASUW forum is next Thursday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at 7 in HUB 209A
  - The forum is a great chance to ask candidates questions that pertain to the halls
  - Congrats to RHSA exec board for next year!
  - Tunnel of Oppression is next week in the HUB, Monday to Thursday
  - Nice job on the budget discussions!
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- **Announcements**

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**Adjourn – 6:40 P.M.**

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