

**Student Government Association  
September 5, 2006  
North Meeting Room**

**I. Call to Order**

Meeting Called to Order @ 8:19pm

**II. Roll Call**

Absent: Alison Bliss, Kedon Willis

Nicole moves to appoint Aaron Bloom as Senate Chair

Rachel seconds the motion to appoint Aaron Bloom as Senate Chair

Call for acclamation without dissent

**III. Guest Presenter – Lynne Pierce, Director of the Alumni Fund, will discuss the Capital Campaign and the upcoming kickoff.**

Looking to recruit student campaign ambassadors for Capital Campaign Kickoff

- College's biggest accomplishment was moving from downtown to South Hill
- Campaign for Ithaca College is similar in importance
- Campaign is meant to be about students and for students
  - Money will be advocated towards academics, scholarships and internships, new learning spaces, new living spaces and the Ithaca Fund

Kickoff event schedule

- Thursday, October 12 at 12:15pm in Ford Hall. Opening speech will be made by Robert Iger and is open to all
- Town meeting of trustee board members at 4:00; 3-400 guests are expected
- Six receptions @ 5:15 representing all five schools and DIIS
- 7:00 in the Hill Center will be the "red carpet" event of the day
  - Robert Iger will give another speech focused on highlighting the college
  - After speech, guests will be invited on the other side of the gymnasium where there will be a scale model of the towers with pictures sent in by donors
  - Would like students to give "30 second elevator speeches" and will work with the e-board to ensure that everyone is represented

Campaign ambassador responsibilities

- Serve as escorts to the guests in between the receptions
- Mix and mingle with guests and have social interactions with them
- Attend Robert Iger's 7:00 address and help with the event

**Question and Answer Session**

Nicole – What happens after the Kickoff event?

Lynn – That's pretty much it. The alums will attend master's classes or just classes within the schools the following day. The Kickoff even is acting more as a stone being thrown into the

water and causing a ripple outward. We start the campaign at Ithaca College and begin working out to other areas in the Northeast. This public phase will last about twelve to eighteen months.

Terry – This is SGA’s opportunity to really represent the student body and by filling out the forms to become an ambassador, you’ll be acting as a base to everybody else.

#### **IV. Executive Board Reports**

##### Zack Ford – President

###### Summer Accomplishments

- New dress code – provides professional atmosphere to the meetings
- New website – has links to websites that students use daily and should prove to be useful
  - Blog
  - Podcast
  - “Fish Bowl” – Open forum that is regulated to prevent it from becoming an unorganized message board
- ICare Campaign – Emphasizes responsible decision making and is specifically aimed towards sustainability and energy costs

###### Committees

- There are many committees that have positions that need to be filled. Not necessarily by SGA members, but also by interested and qualified members of the student body
- Campus-wide committees do require that spots be filled from members of SGA
  - Specific emphasis on the Faculty Council and the Staff Council to improve relations
- Campus-wide committees that are open to anybody at anytime

###### Constitution of SGA

- Amendments – Must be presented one week in advance. Will be voted on at the September 12 meeting
  - Absence policy - Adjust it to more closely mirror class attendance policy
  - RHA president or designate be allowed to be a liaison

Josh S – What is the nomination process for people on committees?

Zack – None that I know of.

##### Mike Dunn – VP of Communications

Elections will take place on September 13-14

###### Communications committee recruitment

- Need help working on podcast, The Ithacan and any PR related tasks
- Will have an independent meeting schedule – will meet whenever time is available

###### LED display boards

- Display upcoming events and recent news in dining halls

## Tabling

- SGA members need to table once a week – bring schedules to next meeting

## Bevin Kennedy – VP of Campus Affairs

### National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week

- “Mocktails and More” in Terraces Dining Hall
- Will be handing out drinking cards – height/weight vs. number of drinks vs. BAC

## Campus Life Committee

- Looking for new members

## Pep Rally

- Taking place on Friday, September 15 from 6:30-8:30

## Jill Cadby – VP of Academics

### Faculty Evaluation and Committee

- Work on standardizing faculty evaluations
- One person needed for the committee

## Academic Policy Committee

- In charge of how everything “works” in all of the schools
- Needs representatives for the business school, Park, H&S and DIIS
- Meetings are monthly on Fridays at 3:00

## Josh Keniston – Student Trustee

### Improving student body connections

## Laura Bendict – Residence Hall Association

### RHA will be selling t-shirts and student planners

## Busy working on Ithaca Idol

## RHA liaison other than the president

- Would be easier to have someone other than Andrew Bernier because of his crowded schedule

## Anna moves to approve Executive Board Reports

Josh S. seconds the motion to approve Executive Board Reports

Call for acclimation without dissent

## **V. Committee Updates**

### Greg Mitstifer – Budget Committee

- Looking for members
- Will meet on Fridays and at least five members need to always be present

### Anna Day – Sustainability

#### Sustainable Rewards Program

- \$1,000 reward to clubs/organizations (two, \$500 awards) who take sustainability into consideration when planning events and programs for their members

#### Sustainability Pledge

- All who choose to can take a pledge to live a sustainable lifestyle

#### Committee Meetings

- Thursdays from 12-1:00

### Zack Ford – IC/Community Workgroup

#### Town council and City council

- Ithaca College is part of the town of Ithaca, but a lot happens within the city

#### New noise ordinance in place

- Tougher penalties in place for noise violations

#### Addition to the list of upcoming events

- September 10 – City brunch from 12-2:00
- September 24 – Town brunch from 12-2:00
- Contact Zack for more information

## **VI. Open Agenda**

Greg – If you're interested in joining the budget committee, raise your hand.

Aaron moves to approve Monica, Casey, Innocent, Zach, Mike to the Budget Committee

Phillip seconds the motion to approve Monica, Casey, Innocent, Zach, Mike to the Budget Committee

Call for acclimation without dissent

Nicole – If we will be changing the attendance policy to closely mirror the class attendance policy, I'd like to note that it should be one excused absence plus three absences. There would be four total absences then.

Zack – Ok

Nicole – Also, if we are mandating a dress code, shouldn't it be added to the constitution?

Zack – We aren't mandating it. If you show up and you had a class and didn't have time to change, we wouldn't send you home to change. However, if you did not look presentable when you arrived and you had the means to, then we would make you change your clothes.

Nicole moves to approve Anna Day as Sustainability Chair

Rachel seconds the motion to approve Anna Day as Sustainability Chair

Call for acclimation without dissent

Rachel – How strict is the dress code?

Zack – Not that strict. We don't want people showing up in sweats, jeans or sneakers.

Zack – Last year it became a tradition to pass the peacock feather to a member of the Senate who has worked very hard for the past week. Tonight, I'm passing it to Zach Orsulak because of his hard work on our new website.

Rachel moves to close Open Agenda

Anna seconds the motion to close Open Agenda

Call for acclimation without dissent

## **VII. Adjournment**

Anna moves to adjourn the meeting

Rachel seconds the motion to adjourn the meeting

Call for acclimation without dissent

Meeting adjourned at 9:41pm.