SGA Campus Council Minutes  
Wednesday, November 16th  
JRC 209, 8PM

Roll Call  
ABSENT: DOC Baratta, Services Chair Ayala, Delegate Mohr, ACESS Director Mirzakhair, Delegate Queathem

Public Comment and Announcements  
Treasurer White- Currently working on the Diversity plan and Learning to Lobby. Contact if interested.

Upcoming Events  
ACE Chair Handal- Teach-in next Tuesday by students who went to Standing Rock  
VPAA Aaronson- Coffee talk tomorrow  
Caroline Heldmen- End Rape On Campus - founder giving a talk tomorrow at 4:15  
Senator Sheikh- Showing of the movie 13th  
Concerts Chair Simmonds- Phox // Seth Hanson this Friday in Gardner  
Delegate Schuman- DIY Zen garden making, Friday, JRC 2nd Floor Lobby  
Senator Dadi- Media and race in pop culture talk  
Senator Hilburn- Social Class awareness week events  
Treasurer White- Wine & Cheese Club & SASO holding an event in Main on Friday

Approval of the Minutes  
Motion to approve by Senator Hilburn  
Seconded by Senator Sheikh

ACE Budgets

Chocolate Waltz- 2,850
Speakers  
ACE Chair Handal- Opening Comments

Showvember  
Speakers  
ACE Chair Jones  
Noah Sebek  
Justin Leuba  
ACE Chair Jones
Motion for previous question by Senator Tomasic
Seconded by AC Owusu

Vote: 16-1-2, passed

Discussion Topic: International Student Perspectives on the US Election
Speakers
  Senator Sheikh- Opening comments
Currently working on getting an international student delegate
Da Hyeong Jang
  Found the email inappropriate the way it was stated
Ying Long
  If you sign up to get a host family, you are assigned one and introduced
during NSO. You are encouraged to maintain contact with them. There are a
wide range of host family types
Da Hyeong Jang
  Found host family situation to be difficult, the families should go through
more competency training
  Inquiry about when Title IX applies
VPSA Dann
  Title IX applies fully to all students within the scope of Grinnell
Da Hyeong Jang
  Grading system. A lot of International students deter away from Humanities
  and social sciences because of english skills
Senator Sachdev
VPSA Dann
  Wants to bring these topics to Karen Edwards
Da Hyeong Jang
  They are already aware, but please do
Senator Tomasic
  Often times international students only hang with other internationals
Da Hyeong Jang
  Disagrees. It is unfair to put it on international students,
Senator Tomasic
  It is on both sides.
Senator Sheikh
  International students do not want isolate themselves. They really welcome
  any student to join and engage. Please do.
President DeWitt
Senator Long
VPAA Aaronson
  Willing to help facilitate conversations of international student difficulty
  adapting to American education. This is a very salient topic.
Senator Sachdev
  It would be helpful to have an international student in the OISA office
Senator Hilburn
It is on the institution and not students to facilitate integration between students. We should look into whatever committee is relevant to facilitating this.

Senator Dadi
Domestic students don’t realize how difficult it is to integrate into a foreign community. We should consider cultural competency training during NSO.

Senator Sheikh
There are some good host families and some terrible ones. We need to focus on building community in the town to facilitate sharing of ideas.

Delegate Mhaidli
Part of the difficulty in interacting with American students is in fear of saying something incompetent and irreparable.

Senator Benson
It’s concerning that just anyone could be a host family

VPSA Dann
It’s not completely random. It’s self-selecting families

Senator Sheikh

Senator Dadi
Even if the host families are self-selecting, we still need to make sure that they are trained better

Delegate Hill

Senator Thomas
It might be intimidating to go address a group of international students, but it is more difficult for someone from a different country to address the majority of domestic students.

Senator Lea
It is absolutely the job of domestic students to engage international students. As the person of the resident culture. We have the choice whether to engage in a different culture, international students do not.

Concerts Chair Simmonds
First generation students encounter many of these problems as well.

Da Hyeong Jang
Emphasizing Corey’s point that all of this discussion should apply to similarly affected groups.

Senator Sachdev

Concerts Chair Simmonds
Da Hyeong Jang
VPSA Dann
Senator Hilburn
Da Hyeong Jang
This is something that is not talked about or recognized within international student circles
President DeWitt
Campus Council would benefit from Da being a delegate
Senator Long
Da Hyeong Jang
When discussing this with administration, avoid making it a personal problem. It is a larger than that.
President DeWitt
MLC had post-baccs that helped out, We could consider getting one for OISA
Senator Sachdev
Senator Sheikh
President DeWitt

Motion to table Substance Free Programming and DOC report until next Campus Council by AC Owusu
Seconded by Senator Sheikh

Residential Learning Task Force Lounge Upgrades
VPSA Dann- Calling support from all Senators in documenting TVs for upgrades in all lounges. Expect the form soon.

Senator Report- LaKerRoJe
LaKerRoJe Senators hosted a town hall concerning election

Speakers
Senator Gold
Some students were asking to bridge the divide between the liberal majority and other students.
Senator Sheikh
How do you get conservative voices to speak up?
VPAA Aaronson
Senator Benson
Senator Thomas
Senator Long
Concerts Chair Simmonds
Presiding Officer Watson
Cabinet Report - Assistant Treasurer
Speakers
Assistant Treasurer Steckel - Senators, you're doing great stuff. Please write reports.

Cabinet Report - VPSA Dann
Speakers
VPSA Dann - December 5th, we will get a full time therapist in town
Treasurer White - There are resources at SHIC as well

Cabinet Report - VPAA Aaronson
VPAA Aaronson - Fill out the survey on academic stress and coping.

OCCO/OCNCO Senators
Holding an off-campus Town Hall over break

LooseHead Senators
Join the Grinnell College Antifa - Left wing, anti-fascist group

ACE Chairs
Join ACE
Also SGA Unity event is the week after break
Tomorrow is project Pengyou day

Concerts Chair
There is a concert this Friday, would love to see you there
Also, could use more people at concerts committee

JaMaLand Senators
Had a successful town hall on the 29th
Looking forward to having another one after break
Motion to Adjourn by AC Owusu
Seconded by Senator Hilburn

End 9:51pm