

Senate  
42<sup>nd</sup> Legislative Session  
22nd Meeting  
3 April 2007

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**Senate Minutes**

- 1    **I.     Call to Order: 6:09 PM**  
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- 3    **II.    Roll Call: Oakman, Cooperman, Bronson, Bleiberg, Green, Anderson, Accordino,**  
4       **Zoll, Mapes, Nau, Adams, Guerrero, Kelland, Trifunovski**  
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- 6    **III.   Approval of Minutes**  
7       Oakman – Motion to approve  
8       Mapes – Second  
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- 10   **IV.   Approval of Agenda**  
11       Green – Motion to amend, add RES 42.07 “President Tascraella’s Emeritus”  
12       Mapes – Objection, The Senate already voted on Dan’s Emeritus status and I feel  
13       that this Resolution is a personal attack by Senator Green against Former  
14       President Tasceraella.  
15       VP Fields – Is there a second on Senator Green’s motion?  
16       Mapes – Motion to approve the agenda  
17       Zoll – Second  
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- 19   **V.    Guest of the Senate**  
20       Joe Grant, Vice-President of Admissions  
21       I’m here tonight to talk about the move we anticipate from the Hewitt Union to  
22       the new Campus center. We are in the midst of a 2 million dollar transformation.  
23       Many buildings are be updated and everyone is moving. Not many people are  
24       happy with the move but some are. We have worked through these issues and  
25       that happens in a time of change. Our plan is to move all student organizations  
26       for the fall so that we are all in the campus center. The plan is the new Swetman  
27       piece will be open by mid-summer and we want to move in as quickly as we can.  
28       What we are trying to do is work with student organizations. We are working on  
29       the allocation of space and we want to let you know that the architecture suggests  
30       that there is less dedicated to space in new buildings. We think this will overall  
31       be a good thing. People are going to talk to you and we are going to allocate a  
32       timeline from May 1<sup>st</sup> to the time of graduation. You will have the materials you  
33       need. We will work with you and by the time you come back in the fall you will  
34       be moved. Moving isn’t easy and we know from past experience. There will be  
35       growing pains. We want to use the same approach for student groups as we used

1 for the teachers and administration. We hope to accommodate you in a  
2 reasonable way. We might have to make some changes because no one is certain  
3 that the new location will work as we anticipate. It is going to be an exciting  
4 place and we believe that this slow move will facilitate activity. We have hired  
5 additional staff so that we will have activity day and night in the campus center.  
6 Bronson – with the advent of the new campus center, what happens to Hewitt  
7 Union?  
8 Grant – We have been wrestling with that but the new governor’s budget doesn’t  
9 give us new capital for Hewitt Union. It is on our laundry list of things to be  
10 renovated and it will be surge space while it is being renovated. Until we create  
11 new space, we need to maintain the old rooms (ballroom, Ozone). They will be  
12 available until new spaces  
13 Kelland – if those locations are going to be open why are other spaces going to  
14 be shut down?  
15 Grant – I don’t know the answer to that right now but I know the Union has to be  
16 open some but utilities have to be paid and we don’t have the money  
17 Kelland – they plan on closing the corner shop and food court, the suite shop what  
18 about those?  
19 Grant – Some of them will be open but we are going to restrict it for cost saving  
20 purposes  
21 Cooperman – you talk about moving the boxes into a secure place, what would  
22 that place be?  
23 Grant – I don’t know what that place will be maybe the forum where it is locked  
24 all the time. We have to work with all of you to see how much material it is. This  
25 is a safe community but we need to have some security.  
26 Anderson – is the bus schedule going to change since the route goes to Hewitt and  
27 this is necessary for off-campus students  
28 Grant – We have talked about the bus route and I’m not sure but we will  
29 accommodate student needs. We are going to work with students and see what  
30 the demand is. We will make needs as they are brought up. I will make a note  
31 and be sure we address it  
32 Anderson – I rely on the bus system and a lot of students do too. I don’t want it to  
33 be confusing when we come back in the fall  
34 Cooperman – will the last landscaping walk ways be piece be completed by fall  
35 like the walkways?  
36 Grant – Yes, the parking lot and pedestrian walkway will be open by fall. So  
37 between Hart and Hewitt there will be a passage way to the new parking lot.  
38 Green – will SA have to pay the expenses for boxes and the move?  
39 Grant – People will come in and talk to you about this and what material needs to  
40 be moved and we’ll provide the boxes and material and the moving. We’ll have  
41 to see what space we’ll have.  
42 Green – so are these people going to be administration?  
43 Grant – No they will be from the staff or an outside service. You won’t have to  
44 worry about that.  
45 Cooperman – thank you for coming down and answering our questions.  
46 Kelland – do you have any contact information for questions?  
47 Grant – My information is [grant@oswego.edu](mailto:grant@oswego.edu) x2250. I will be in touch with Josh  
48 [President Miller] and Andre [Vice-President Fields].  
49 Anderson – will there be vehicle access to pick up students?

1 Grant – They will have a pull up but we’ll have to see what will happen. Thank  
2 you again for having me here.

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4 **VI. Public Comment**

5 NYPIRG, Project Coordinator Tim Duch

6 Hi there, just some updates where we stand with a few things. And just to remind  
7 you of all the great things we have coming up this month a lot is going on, it is a  
8 busy time but some really great neat stuff. Things that are finalized: Our  
9 Tenants rights workshop will be on the 12<sup>th</sup> at 4pm in the Hewitt Union Formal  
10 lounge. Holly Stone hasn’t gotten back to me yet, but I don’t see a problem. The  
11 following day is our local delegation visit with Assemblyman Barkley and that  
12 will be in Fulton at 4pm. The Following week is the All-Campus Special Election.  
13 We just received word that we think this is still going to happen as outlined. Our  
14 main event is Tuesday and that is a screening of the movie *In Debt we Trust*. A  
15 big problem is credit card debt for many students, even if I have had problems  
16 with this. In any event a lot of students have this problem whether or not for  
17 personal or medical and a lot of students don’t know their rights or the difference  
18 between an acceptable rate of interest and usable rate of interest and this even it  
19 will be huge. WE will have the speaker whose story is told: Bob Manning and we  
20 are going to reach out to faculty and staff. There will be a panel discussion for  
21 students to ask questions for clarification. This is what NYPIRG is about: taking  
22 action. Wednesday the 26<sup>th</sup>. I will be promoting this. The bottle bill was April 1<sup>st</sup>  
23 and the agreement didn’t include the bottle bill. I will now read you a statement:  
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25 Hi everyone, we are sorry to report that this evening Governor Spitzer announced  
26 that the bigger better bottle bill would not be in the state budget this year. We’re  
27 disappointed, but we will take the Governor, Assembly, and the Senate up on their  
28 word that they will continue to work on this issue outside of the budget process.  
29 We’re not going away any time soon! On the legislative front, Senator  
30 Marceillino pledged that the Senate would continue discussions post-budget on  
31 the bottle bill expansion. Governor Spitzer also promised to continue to advance  
32 the Bigger Better Bottle Bill through the legislative process. We made an  
33 enormous amount of progress in recent months. It has been a very different  
34 campaign this year than years past, with different players. Within the legislature,  
35 there were new champions. In the Assembly, the new En Con Chair Bob  
36 Sweeney did a great job. And in the Senate, Senator Frank Padavan emerged as  
37 our most ardent advocate, along with Senator LaValle. Our grassroots campaign  
38 on the campuses and in the communities has been extraordinary in terms of all the  
39 new energy, enthusiasm, and press we have been able to generate. It would take  
40 much too long to thank all the project coordinators, project leaders, interns and  
41 volunteers who dedicated so much time, ingenuity and passion to make this one of  
42 the biggest political issues in New York State. However, the fight is far from  
43 over. We are asking you to use the Senate and industry’s opposition as a rallying  
44 point as we head into April, which is Earth month. We need to put huge amounts  
45 of public pressure on the Senate to pass the Bigger, Better, Bottle Bill. Public  
46 pressure generated with the kind of numbers that can only come from our campus  
47 program. Thank you all again.  
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1 It is a process and it takes time but we are not going to give up on it simply  
2 because it wasn't included. We have lots of outreach and political campaigning to  
3 do.

4 Kelland – the visit with assembly man Barkley where is that going to take place

5 Duch – His office is in Fulton

6 Kelland – The movie is the 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> ?

7 Duch – Only the 25<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, sorry about that.

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9 Christopher Sugar, Student

10 Because I am taking the minutes I ask you to not bother with questions at the end  
11 of this but instead raise them amongst yourself during Senator Issue's forum. I  
12 will be available after Senate if you wish to talk to me further about any points I  
13 raise.

14 Before I begin I would like to preface this speech but saying the following: I am  
15 humble in expressing my opinion about certain issues; however, I refuse to let a  
16 habitual injustice persist when I can take some action to correct the problem. This  
17 is why I come before you today.

18 The first issue I want to raise with this Senate is the crass and quite frankly the  
19 disgusting level of behavior that some of you showed towards members of the  
20 SUNY-Oswego community. Not too long ago some students came before you to  
21 voice their issues and concerns. They came to the Senate in good faith to exercise  
22 their individual right to express their speech freely through the platform of Public  
23 Comment. These students came looking for an outlet of change but instead,  
24 found deaf ears and criticism. What help was offered to these individuals by their  
25 representatives? What remedies were prescribed that would assure them that the  
26 system did in fact work? What help did they receive? According to the SA  
27 minutes, several of you told them tacitly that you could not (or rather would not)  
28 help them. Instead, these Senators replied that the problems should have been  
29 voiced sooner or that these individuals, who had come to you in a time of  
30 desperation and despair, should simply "join the senate" like this would magically  
31 fix their problems. Now, I'm not sure why this option was offered; perhaps you  
32 were seeking replacements for yourself due to a lack of competence in the area of  
33 representational government. But I'll give you the benefit of doubt and entertain  
34 the notion that perhaps this was your best solution. However, I personally would  
35 like to see more steps taking in addressing these grievances instead of forming  
36 exploratory committees or waiting for the semester to end in the hopes that this  
37 will all go away.

38 This point leads me to my next issue: the arbitrariness of Student Association.  
39 You are lawmakers and, while not on the same level as the New York State  
40 Legislature or the United States Congress, you control the purse strings and create  
41 and enact rules and regulations. However there seems to be inconsistency with  
42 some of these laws which, I fear, will lead to SA losing the respect of the people  
43 and inadvertently becoming an illegitimate body. Recently the Supreme Court of  
44 SA ruled one law vague. How many other laws are on par with this ruling?  
45 Worse yet, how many students don't understand the rules or the laws? This leads  
46 to a further problem: if the people who you represent do not understand or, even  
47 worse, have no faith in the laws you create, how can you expect this to not lead to  
48 the collapse of SA. This is a serious concern that all of you should mull over. If

1 SA is considered illegitimate or “useless” what is stopping the administration  
2 from simply shutting it down and starting from scratch?

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4 So what makes a law making body illegitimate? According to the simplest theory  
5 posited by Lon L. Fuller, former professor of Law at Harvard University and  
6 author of *The Morality of Law*, Mr. Fuller believes that there are eight underlying  
7 principles that a society or any legal body must not commit or else risk complete  
8 and total collapse. These eight principles are:

- 9 1. A lack of rules which leads to ad-hoc and inconsistent adjudication.
- 10 2. Failure to publicize or make known the rules of law.
- 11 3. Unclear or obscure legislation that no one can comprehend.
- 12 4. Retroactive legislation.
- 13 5. Contradictions in the law.
- 14 6. Demands that are beyond the power of the subjects and the ruled.
- 15 7. Unstable legislation such as daily revisions
- 16 8. Divergence between adjudication and legislation.

17 Fuller further insists that there is no magical combination or preponderance of  
18 violations that will lead to the collapse and illegitimacy of a legal body. However,  
19 please take a moment now and think of any number of violations this body and  
20 other SA bodies have committed and tell me, honestly and openly that SA does  
21 not risk collapse. Something needs to be done and it needs to be done now. This  
22 I ask and implore the Senate to consider before it moves past the threshold into  
23 the point of no return.

24 I understand that I have put forth many questions tonight and that the answers I  
25 am looking for may not come instantly. I am a patient man, however, but that  
26 patience is limited by your time, as well as mine, at this school. Please take these  
27 questions into consideration though and ask yourself what can be done. Ask  
28 yourself these questions now or else you may be asking yourself: what *could* have  
29 been done differently before SA collapsed. Thank you.

30 Kelland – just to Christopher Sugar, could you put your speech in the minutes?

31 Sugar – Yes

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33 Spoken Writers Guild (SWG), President Justin Tossas

34 Good evening senate, I’m Justin Tossas the President of SWG. I will be  
35 giving you a presentation about our final event of the year. Lets get started with  
36 the slide. This presentation is for our show “Game Over”. A little mission  
37 statement for this event: would you like to see SA put on a performance with  
38 money spent wisely? Sure you would. SWG is the only artist represented  
39 organization on campus. WE provide a stage for artists and we are very active.  
40 WE work with a lot of organizations. A little bit about our showcase, we saved  
41 our most riveting and captivating artist for this showcase and we have a good  
42 feeling about it. This is our last showcase and we have had six events this year  
43 which is good for a Tier 1 organization. We couldn’t do it by ourselves so we  
44 asked the lifestyles center to help us. Our request break down in reasonable, we  
45 are looking for \$350 for a sound engineer. He is one of the top engineers in the  
46 Syracuse Area his name is George Gleason. He has worked with Grammy artist.  
47 We are looking for \$50 more for our D.J. Our thinking behind this was to have the  
48 most effective quality for this performance. He said he would cut his rates by  
49 15%. WE have done some fundraising and have cut down our cost. Lifestyles,

1 who have a tight budget, have offered 140 which is 25.6% of the total breakdown.  
2 We are asking \$400 but our total would be \$570 so we are asking for 70%. In this  
3 case we are asking for \$125 from our last event. This is a big bang for your buck.  
4 A few closing comments, I feel that SWG has done an excellent job as a Tier 1  
5 organization and have out performed many Tier 1 and Tier 2. WE are excited  
6 about the new executive board that will be taking over. Many of the founders will  
7 be moving on but this organization will endure and continue to provide  
8 entertainment for the future. Also, we are now a green environment.

9 Green – how many people have you had to come to other presentations?

10 Tossas – We average 50 to 60, it fluctuates by event.

11 Adams – how many are you expecting to have at this event

12 Tossas – 60 to 70 at this event

13 Green – other than the engineer and sound guy, the advertisements are the second  
14 most value what were you planning on doing?

15 Tossas – Higher quality ads and this is nothing we have asked from SA this is  
16 from the Lifestyles center. We encouraged them [Lifestyles] to contribute to this  
17 event and they pushed their budget to the limits.

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19 Bastien Tenbergen, Student

20 I'm here not only of myself but for a lot of fellow students who see  
21 themselves treated unfairly. First, the new campus center. I'm glad that you, Mr.  
22 Grant are here to talk with me about it. The problem is the Campus Center is a  
23 ice rink not a student center. A 3 x 3 cubicle is not enough for a student  
24 organization. I don't believe common rooms or common lockers are a reasonable  
25 choice because that is leading to trouble. I'm also here to talk about the future of  
26 the Hewitt Union. I do not believe that the Hewitt Union will face a fair way for  
27 future use. It has been a good student union and the campus has the need for a  
28 new campus center but because the fact that the new student center does not have  
29 enough space for the people it was designed for i.e. the students, it must stay.  
30 Organizations must be allowed to stay and use the Union for their needs. What I  
31 strongly urge the administration is to not take the Hewitt Union out of the hands  
32 of the students. I don't want to see down the road that the Student Union is going  
33 to be put into an office building. It should stay a student union. Something else, I  
34 want to make clear that I am not a member of NYPIRG. I'm not here because I'm  
35 a supporter of NYPIRG. I am a supporter of organizations for change that want to  
36 make a change for the better. It has come to my ears that the current director of  
37 finance didn't allocate money for NYPIRG. The overwhelming students want to  
38 have NYPIRG here for the students. There are here because we want them to be  
39 here. NYPIRG has been mentioned in the budget but given 0 dollars. You cannot  
40 allocate 0 for an organization that is working for students. I want to urge you the  
41 senators to NOT, NOT allow the current director of finance from allocating that  
42 an organization that helps students because he thinks they are a pain in the other  
43 end (laughter from gallery)

44 The current DOF has a problem and this is not how a democratic organization  
45 should work. I would also like to mention as a commuter student that eh parking  
46 situation on this campus have not been treated fairly. It is not okay that my fellow  
47 roommates and friends have to get up an hour early to commute to the commuter  
48 lot so they can take a bus to come to class. There is not enough parking spots for  
49 the students or even the residents. I have a problem finding employee parking

1 because the employee lots are full of commuter students and I want them to be  
2 ticketed but, taking this thought further, where are they suppose to put their cars?  
3 They don't have the space to put their cars so they are not late for class. The  
4 result for that when you are parking legally you come late to class and face things  
5 like being written down for not attending class which happened to a friend of  
6 mine. The point is that it cannot be the case that the parking lots are full that the  
7 student comes late because of 5 minutes. This would not be the case if there was  
8 more parking lots. Though I'm concerned with parking I am more concerned  
9 with the Hewitt union and the budgeting process. Thank you.

10 Green – keeping in mind that it is not our last say with the budget, how do we  
11 deal with an administrative president who doesn't care about the students?

12 Tenbergen – I have the impression that the last couple of years that the  
13 administration has been shifted from a top down process. Decisions are made  
14 from the top. As a Senate this must be hard so who cannot change this? WE need  
15 to tell the administration what we want and don't forget that this is a college and  
16 not a profit orientated

17 Kelland – Just so you know, after budget council with the up rise we have tried to  
18 work something out with the corner store so while things are not all things are  
19 being addressed that these things are not falling on deaf ears and we are doing  
20 things.

21 Tenbergen – It is not only the corner store but is things like Lake Effect Cafe

22 Cooperman-- you brought up a concern with parking so POI to Joe Grant, the  
23 employee parking behind Hart hall that will that be allocated to?

24 Tenbergen – Parking there will be moved to there but I'm not sure this is my hope  
25 Misercola – earlier you were talking about Hewitt, did you now that there are  
26 some structural integrity issues and asbestos.

27 Tenbergen – I understand that Hewitt needs renovation however I do not believe  
28 that all of the sudden it is bad.

29 Guerroro – will you write your name on the board so I may contact you

30 Pres. Emeritus Tasceralia – it wasn't just my decision to not allocate money to  
31 NYPIRG, it was also the budget council and there was money for civic  
32 engagement for organizations to do the things that NYPIRG did. Also, NYPIRG  
33 will be allowed to come back and go through the Tier process. Just because there  
34 is no money, doesn't mean they won't be on campus. They can become a club

35 Tanbergen – If NYPIRG was an SA organization they would lose their leader.  
36 This is a two edge sword because asking them to become a club would force Mr.  
37 Duch to leave and allow him, who is a pain in the [blank] from being on campus  
38 and a burden to administration. The budget cannot be made by a gentleman who  
39 hates NYPIRG

40 Pres. Miller – I agree with things you say but it is largely my decision to resign a  
41 contract with NYPIRG and it is not that I hate MR. Duch I just think his salary is  
42 too much to pay for. If he wants to come back as a student advisor he could do  
43 that and I would hope they [NYPIRG] would cover that cost. Other organizations  
44 have that and many groups do not have paid advisors. They do things without  
45 paid individuals and this is not a personal gripe. I want to increase spending on  
46 student organizations that work on campus.

47 Tenbergen – I believe that the job Mr. Duch is more than just get paid. He  
48 coordinates throughout the state.

1 VP Fields – maybe you should set up a meeting with the off-campus senators or  
2 with President Miller to discuss some of these issues that you feel very strongly  
3 about. And I want to thank you for your comments today.  
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5 African Student Organization (ASO)

6 We were founded in 2004 and we are asking money for the honors dinner. The  
7 first time we had 109 people and we have had more than 100 people over the  
8 years. The bill is up tonight so we are going to talk to you about the event and the  
9 dinner. We are here talk about different things we have done with our own  
10 money so we want to make sure the money we ask for is being used and the  
11 money we have left will go back to SA.

12 ASO – basically we are here to unite African people on campus to embrace  
13 culture and erase stereotypes. We do a lot on campus and we are a Tier 2 org and  
14 don't have significant funds to do the things we want to do. These aren't enough.

15 ASO – The paper we passed out is about some of the things we have done. Some  
16 of the fundraisers we have had etc.

17 Vanessa Samuels: some of the programs we have done over the year have been  
18 hip-hop and sisters in law (with the woman's center) and we have talked about  
19 AIDS and Ghana and some of the events we had for money we had a Halloween  
20 candy sale and we raised over 200 dollars and our Christmas sale. WE  
21 participated in the ALANA fashion show. We are trying to raise money for the  
22 dinner. WE plan for a certain amount but more always show up. We need at least  
23 2,500 for the meals for everyone.

24 Adams – if I remember correctly, last year, you collaborated with LSU and I  
25 think CSA, is there anything like that this year for the dinner?

26 ASO – We tried to with Gospel choir but we had to work a few things out and it  
27 didn't work out. WE will try again but it didn't work. Since it is the end of the  
28 semester most organizations don't have the money

29 Bleiberg – do you charge a fee for the dinner

30 ASO – 10 for students and 7 for e-board members

31 Trifunovski – just to let you know keep trying with the organizations we can  
32 access separate accounts for collaboration.

33 We have tried and we are but they can't give us any money

34 Kelland – I understand where you are coming from and all these things can be  
35 worked out with Finance, POI to Senator Adams when will we be meeting?

36 Adams – Monday at 3pm in the SA office I will send out an email

37 Kelland – if all of you can come we can get you more information and finalize  
38 your bill

39 Guerrero – Also, I know that you are trying to help them find money but since it  
40 is their third dinner we should try to get them this money.

41 Cooperman – I yield time to the ALANA representative.

42 ALANA – We are also holding a dinner and if you collaborate for a dinner you  
43 have to give a title so we don't want to collaborate because it is our proudest  
44 moment

45 Cooperman, I like to congratulate you for coming down and answering our  
46 questions

47 Trifunovski – I have a suggestion that might work that won't take the limelight so  
48 maybe we can exchange some information

49 Guerrero – I concur with ALANA.

1 Green – how many people do you have signed up so far?  
2 ASO – We just put up the thing for Ticket Master but we can't do anything  
3 without money. People always come we just need the money.  
4 VP Fields – these things can be discussed in Finance  
5 ASO – please come and support us tickets are \$10 so please come.  
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8 Mr. Ron Tascarella, Alumnus

9 I have 30 years of history with this campus so I have a perspective that you might  
10 not have. I'm going to start by prefacing this discussing my talking about my  
11 involvement with lobbying for the blind in Washington. Unfortunately a lot of  
12 what this country runs by is lobbying. What I walked away from that event and  
13 looked at what has been coming on from here I decided to speak out and let the  
14 Senate know that the people who are elected are elected to represent the people. I  
15 noticed that many of the lobbyists represented the few. When you are debating an  
16 issue, debate it on the facts not on broad generalities. No one represents everyone.  
17 To say so is a pile of garbage. Deal with the facts not with emotions. The last  
18 point I would like to make is something I've tried to make don't let the will of the  
19 people be clouded by the views of a couple. I have seen over time that the loud  
20 voice gets the most press and we start to think that the loud voice is the majority.  
21 The truth is the majority is silent. The silent hope that you will do right. The few  
22 speak up and speak loudly and we mistake them for the majority. I encourage you  
23 to form a consensus among the branches of government and among the students.  
24 Personal attacks and personal purpose serve no purpose in a democratic society.  
25 When you stop representing the people that elected you and represent the few you  
26 have allowed the fabric of democracy to be torn a bit. Here is should be about the  
27 ideal and the hopes and dreams that this Country has had. It should be the purist  
28 form of democracy. Don't let it start here, or else it only goes down hill from this  
29 point. I think it is important for everyone to stand up and voice their opinions and  
30 voice their concerns and every time someone stands up and speaks their mind, the  
31 person speaking needs to understand the fact that their opinion is not always right  
32 it is only right to them. There is always room for someone else's opinion. There  
33 needs to be room on the table to accept everyone's point of view  
34 VP Fields – I ask everyone to please turn off your cell phone or put it on vibrate.  
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36 Biology Club, Michael Pollock, President and Wendy Paterson, Treasurer

37 Pollock – I don't know the proper order for an appeal and I believe we need the  
38 amount of money we are requesting. We have been allocated \$750 and this won't  
39 cover the cost for the trips. Also, there is the price for parking and tolls and gas.  
40 We travel about 500 miles and this won't cover anything. Without this money we  
41 won't be able to go on any trips. There is a price for each car and gas which is  
42 about \$1,140 which includes nothing else. Gas has increased and will go up. We  
43 cannot continue to rely on our own members to drive us for community service  
44 events. We are very active and have a lot of members. We are Tier 3 and have  
45 guest speakers and do a lot of community service. Nothing stops us from off or  
46 on campus. We only use our transportation account for one trip and that is for  
47 three days and takes up most of our budget. We have to dip into other accounts to  
48 just get to the event. This takes up time and is frustrating. We also went to the

1 Rochester zoo and I got to pet a white rhino. We got the money for the trip but  
2 we didn't get the transportation.

3 Paterson – If we have to take the money out of our events account we have to ask  
4 our members to pay more. We would like to not have them pay more since we  
5 think of it as a gift for the community service they do

6 Pollock – We ask 30 from everyone and we have to turn people down because we  
7 don't have enough funding. I don't want to have people pay 100 to go on a trip

8 Kelland - how many members who usually attend

9 Pollock – 30, we had a community service event that had 40. Sometimes during  
10 weather we have about 10. Depending on the event we can get tops 40 or 50  
11 people. When I saw this for the years, that last years mistake is that we didn't use  
12 all the money. This is not mine or this year's mistake. This mirrors their  
13 maximum last time and this is not what I

14 Pres. Miller – I'm just wondering what you've learned following SA protocol?

15 Paterson – it has been a very good education al experience about budgeting and I  
16 have grown from it

17 Pollock – it was a hard start but after a while just planning a trip it is all done

18 Bleiberg – do you have any fund raisers?

19 Pollock – Yes we do various funding

20 Kelland – I know you said you have 20 to 40 members per event; do you take any  
21 other leisure trips?

22 Paterson – its an educational trip. Most of the trips we do are community service

23 Pollock – I would love to do a leisure trip but we save it for the end of the year

24 Kelland – do they pay out of pocket?

25 Pollock – 30 dollars and years before it has been 20. We just got hoodies in and  
26 we're using this for fundraising. We are also doing bake sales. We are doing  
27 things to make money and we are still asking people to pay.

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29 Latino Student Union (LSU): Christina Blades, Secretary; Amelia San Jorge,  
30 Vice-President of Service; and Kathryn Brador, Treasurer

31 Brador – A lot of people have attended this event in the past and we have had to  
32 turn people away. There is not a large Spanish community in the area so we get a  
33 D.J. From the city who we have worked with in the past. He gives us a good deal  
34 which includes flyers and we send them to other schools. The after dinner party is  
35 also big and if you go to the dinner it is free but if you don't then you have to pay.  
36 We need to rent sound equipment and the school does not have it. WNYO isn't  
37 allowed to go off campus so we have to rent from Gleason for \$300. We have  
38 centerpieces that people take away. The advance for the performance riders. The  
39 plaques for the speakers and the faculty will be coming to the dinner; our advisor.  
40 The flowers will be part of the centerpiece and are imported from Columbia. We  
41 did the cheapest that we could with the flyers.

42 The next account we are appealing is for the ALANA account because we only  
43 get funding for the fashion show. We are expecting a lot of people to at least  
44 cover the food. We would have ASO help but since ASO is asking for money we  
45 know it won't be enough

46 Pres. Miller – we are going to be purchasing equipment for SAPB so I want  
47 senate to take that into consideration since SAPB will have it. Also, you put in a  
48 request for the after party, where would you hold that?

1 LSU – Last time it was Club Crystal, this year we’re thinking Knights of  
2 Columbus and Old City Hall but Old City Hall has a policy about people under 21  
3 which causes a conflict because the people are separated onto two sides. I want  
4 to look into the American Legion. Usually everyone charges \$500

5 Pres. Miller – I want to show the senate that budget council did address a lot of  
6 concerns for your organization.

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8 Equestrian Club, Brittany Muller and Robin Wheeler, Students/Equestrian Club  
9 Members

10 We are only appealing for the coaching fee account. You recommend \$3,000 we  
11 are appealing for another \$850 to pay our coaches for the shows we attend. We  
12 need our coaches at the shows to stand at ringside for support. We have members  
13 who refuse to show up to events if our coaches don’t attend. Their fees have gone  
14 up but you can’t really deny them. We have two disciplines, English and Western.  
15 Western has two shows and English has one show which goes all day. There are  
16 11 shows in each discipline. Our club has been fundraising and we have made  
17 \$940 and have spent it all. Other accomplishments are due to our coaches  
18 because our team has become more competitive. We have sent members to  
19 different events (regional and sectionals) and this is the first time ever we have  
20 sent someone to nationals. We pay out of pocket for members which is \$572 each  
21 to just compete.

22 Pres. Miller – I want to comment that you have put in a large budget appeal but I  
23 think that the credit goes to you that this is the most pressing need and I think the  
24 Senate should approve it considering it is so close.

25 Kelland – I would like to point out that most organizations might contribute \$30  
26 or \$40 maybe \$100 a year but these people spend \$572 just for one organization  
27 not including everything else and we are students first. They are committed with  
28 what they do and because of that I concur with President Miller.

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30 SAVAC

31 Hi I’m Brian the treasurer and this is Kyle the treasurer for next year. We are  
32 appealing four accounts: public relations; we asked for \$400 we got \$200 we want  
33 \$300 for pens and things for opening weekend to get more involvement. We want  
34 to come during summer orientation and I know a few other members would like  
35 to come. That extra money would pay for flyers and perhaps a tour of the base.  
36 We appeal EMF conferences. The \$750 recommended that will cover one  
37 conference we need \$250 for a vital sign conferences. It is a national conference  
38 and it is close [Syracuse, NY] and it will be a great learning experience. The next  
39 account is the Radio replacement CB. \$1,000 won’t be enough. We have two  
40 systems and we are appealing for \$2,000 for more radios and a defib replacement  
41 CB. We were recommended \$2,000 and we need \$2,500 when those two come in.  
42 We’ll have them and we need them on board at all times.

43 Kelland – do you know who I would speak to about the usage of the AED?

44 Pres. Miller – of the appeals 2 out of 4 I agree with. As for the radio replacement,  
45 we bought some radios already. I thought you had enough radios for all aspects.  
46 And the difibulators, we have put in new orders so that would constitute in our  
47 opinion that you are covered. Why would you need more?

48 SAVAC – Next year we just had our elections so we have 3 fly cars. Our three  
49 chiefs respond so when the chiefs respond we need to have the AEDs for each car.

1 Pres. Miller, is there any reason why you can't just put one in the on duty chief?  
2 SAVAC – If one chief is in class and one is in class there is an issue about who  
3 would have it  
4 Pres. Miller – first the radios you are buying are up for replacement in a few years  
5 and the compatibility for the defibs in residence halls.  
6 SAVAC – We can't use the defibs in the halls and we either have to take the pads  
7 off and use our own or else use theirs. This is the same for the city, they can't use  
8 ours either. The radios, the town has been revamping the entire radio system. If  
9 we purchase 5 radios they'll reprogram our radios for the system.

10  
11 Ski Club, Katelyn, President and Griffin, Student/Ski-Club Member

12 My name is Katelyn and I'm president of ski club and this is Griffin  
13 and we're her to talk about our appeal. We just moved up to Tier 3 and we would  
14 like another 1,000 dollars to take two trips. WE are trying to eliminate the other  
15 fees because it is a pain to do that. We used a smaller bus this year because we  
16 didn't get enough money so this larger transportation amount will allow us to get  
17 the bus and more members could come on the trip. This way we wouldn't have to  
18 turn down people. People can drive but some of them are from Long Island and  
19 Buffalo and that would be a 10 hour trip. We are Tier 3 organization and we want  
20 as many people as possible to go on this trip

21 Adams – a little bit was brought to my attention that the Mount Triblanc trip, my  
22 question would be do you feel that with more membership now that-let me  
23 rephrase- does winter break affect the amount of people to get rides?

24 Katelyn –The way we schedule trips isn't random; we work with a travel agency  
25 that sponsors ski weeks and college weeks. So the company Snow Search is in  
26 Mount Triblanc. They host several schools that all go up there because of this one  
27 company. We don't want to take away from class time and this is why it is in the  
28 winter. Killington is paid out of pocket and we drive ourselves and about 20  
29 members but this trip increases interest and members.

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31 **VI. Executive Report**

32 SA President Joshua Miller

33 Good evening everyone. It is nice to stand before you as President. First, before  
34 my report, I move to appoint Dan Tascarella as Interim Director of Finance.  
35 Before being President Dan was Director of Finance. I think he is the most  
36 qualified person for this position.

37 Pres. Emeritus Tascarella – I was Director of Finance before being President. I'm  
38 a five year Accounting student with a 3.8 GPA. There isn't too much to say really  
39 Adams – will you come to finance committee this time

40 Dan – Yes

41 Pres. Miller – Dan is the most qualified person to take this position on. He will be  
42 able to train the next person and hopefully I can have that appointment soon

43 Kelland – have you had any other applications for the interim?

44 Pres. Miller – My assistants said they weren't that well trained and I think they  
45 are qualified but

46 VP Emeritus Mapes – Dan is the utmost qualified and he is only the interim  
47 director but will be training the next person taking over the Director of finance  
48 position. Beyond that, we did this same thing last year and Ian Farrell and took it  
49 over [Director of Finance position] before the next Director of finance could be

1 chosen; who happened to be Josh Miller. This went smoothly and Ian wasn't  
2 even Director of Finance. To have someone who has been Director of Finance  
3 and President will be more capable and able to train them [new director of finance]  
4 well.

5 Green – what is your agenda for DOF? How are you advertising the position?

6 I have received several applications and I will show you in my report the flyers to  
7 publicize the position.

8 Cooper – does your proposed interim DOF hold any weight to who has a choice?

9 Pres. Miller – It is my decision

10 Anderson – what type of training are you going to hold for the person who takes  
11 that position?

12 Pres. Miller – It will be from July 1<sup>st</sup> to the end of the fiscal year June 30<sup>th</sup> so the  
13 DOF would be trained over those months.

14 Pres. Emeritus Tascarella – my main would be to train the permanent and show  
15 them the system (pos depreciation sheets) bring him to Culkin Hall and let him  
16 meet all the staff so they can go over principles. Learn the constitution and  
17 bylaws to know how organizations, the Tier process and how SA works.

18 Anderson – So essentially you will use the time up to June 30<sup>th</sup> to train them.

19 Pres. Emeritus Tascarella – Yes.

20 Adams – I yield

21 VP Emeritus Mapes – Keep in mind that also it is not in the best interest to just  
22 throw someone into the position of Director of Finance who has not held that  
23 position because they can't even train the person. The closest thing is the  
24 assistant directors who don't want the position.

25 Cooperman – As interim director would you have your trainee come to senate  
26 meetings?

27 Pres. Emeritus Tascarella – Yes, senate meetings and finance meetings as much as  
28 their schedule permits

29 Cooperman – motion to vote

30 Mapes – Second

31 VP Fields – this needs a 2/3 vote

32 Appointment Passes

33 14-0-1

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35 Pres. Miller – Thank you senators that was in your best interest and the student's  
36 interest. Here is what has been going on since taking office. I am publicizing the  
37 jobs; this flyer will be all over campus and if you want to pick one up feel free.

38 There is a letter attached that states that it is a stipend position but pending Senate  
39 approval. It includes the different positions and I have discussed the job  
40 objectives with some of the Senators. So I would like to talk to other Senators if  
41 they want outside of Senate. It explains where to get applications and we have it  
42 on the web. These will be going up around campus and it is a nice bright color

43 Kelland – Point of information to anyone: when is our last meeting?

44 Fields – I can email you that because I'm not positively sure

45 Kelland – if each of these positions has to be voted on this could conflict with our  
46 schedule

47 Pres. Miller – Only the DOF has to be approved before the end, everyone else can  
48 be done next semester.

49 VP Emeritus Mapes – the last senate meeting is the last week prior to finals

1 Trifunovski – The 8<sup>th</sup> is the last day of class and is our last day of senate  
2 Pres. Miller – I have already received applications for 10 jobs and word of mouth  
3 is spreading. We will have people coming in soon.

4 Cooperman – are their vacancies in the Supreme Court?

5 Pres. Miller – Yes, just give me a second I received two resignations from  
6 Associate Justice Justin Colombo and Chief Justice Ben Patterson. You both  
7 have done a stellar job. We have three vacancies and we need to approve them as  
8 well. We have received apps from 4 people for these positions. As Dr. Grant  
9 mentioned there is a process for the new space. WE receive a packet and so did  
10 other organizations. It explains our needs and the organizations that got these  
11 packets can join committees to figure out what to do with this space.

12 My executive agenda now which I will now read to you and submit to the minutes  
13 so that they maybe included in full:

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15 Good evening Senators and my fellow students. I have traveled a long road to be  
16 able to stand here and address you as the Student Association President and I am  
17 humbled by the opportunity to serve the Students of SUNY-Oswego. The  
18 functions of the SA Presidency are vast. I plan to utilize the office of the  
19 Presidency to improve the experiences of our fellow students. I will use this  
20 *Executive Agenda* to outline a few of my goals as President and invite you all to  
21 work with my administration to achieve these goals.

22 I feel it would be misleading to start this address with anything but a discussion  
23 on the new Campus Center. As you all have heard, at the beginning of this  
24 meeting we are scheduled to be in the new space by the beginning of the fall  
25 semester. I have made our voice heard about the needs for support systems  
26 during this move. In a meeting with Dean Scharfenberger and Dr. Hughes, we  
27 discussed some aspects of the move; many of which included giving organization  
28 presidents and treasurers the ability to return early and help get situated before the  
29 start of the school year. The college will be providing our organizations with  
30 boxes and moving supplies. We will have a system in place in the coming weeks  
31 to designate where items will go and have a professional moving crew move the  
32 boxes from the Hewitt Union to the Campus Center. Aside from the physical  
33 aspect of moving into this new space, I plan to have all equipment such as  
34 computers and other technology in place for the New Year. I would like to utilize  
35 the Leadership training seminar we hold each fall as a way of introducing the new  
36 e-boards to the space and become accustomed to our new shared environment.  
37 Moving isn't going to be easy but it will be worth it. I believe the positives for  
38 SA far outweigh the negative in this move and we will see increased student  
39 involvement and interaction within our organizations.

40 Having been a past President of an SA organization, and now having worked  
41 within the SA e-board, I have seen a real need to improve communication  
42 between SA and the organizations and students at Oswego. I believe by further  
43 expanding our Website and using public relations campaigns we can get  
44 information to the students we serve. My plans for the website include expanding  
45 organization use of the interaction calendar. I would like to see the Senate books,  
46 Supreme Court books, as well as other reports that the library has been so kind to  
47 transfer into digital format available on our website. I think by making this  
48 information available to all students and senators, we will make research easier  
49 when it comes time to working on bills as well as being able to have an informed

1 student body. By creating new PR campaigns with the specific purpose of  
2 teaching students about:

- 3 1) How to start an SA funded club
- 4 2) What types of SA clubs already exist
- 5 3) Publicizing events and happenings on campus put on by the e-board.

6 By using our website, print, radio, and TV media, I think we can see increased  
7 student involvement based on reaching our constituents in a multitude of fashions.  
8 I would like to see my director of communications teach SA organizations about  
9 the outlets available and work with the PR director to teach students how to  
10 promote their own programs. I would like the communication director to further  
11 act as a liaison between the executive and media organizations to ensure all of  
12 their needs are met during this move. I hope to work with the Senate to achieve  
13 the goals of increased involvement and welcome ideas and dedicated members to  
14 help with this.

15 Another new director position is the Director of Civic Engagement. I have  
16 decided not to sign a new contract with NYPIRG and instead want to try a new  
17 route for engaging students in politics and civic issues. I plan to have this director  
18 not only organize a committee to register voters, but also to hold three forums a  
19 semester. These will include discussion on topics such as:

- 20 1) Environmental Concerns
- 21 2) Political Awareness and election issues
- 22 3) Off-Campus Student Forum: focus on tenant rights and, in coordination  
23 with the director of off-campus housing

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25 I have outlined specific achievable goals for my directors and plan to hold them  
26 accountable for real progress in achieving these. I would like to see productive  
27 directors who spur activity on campus, set examples for organization presidents  
28 and work together to create positive change and attitudes within the SA. By  
29 holding my directors accountable we will see productive student employees  
30 working to improve the college experience for every SA fee paying student. I  
31 will not tolerate individuals who sit idle and expect to still be kept on board. By  
32 working with my executive board in their times of need and supporting them in  
33 performing the initiatives I have outlined, I believe we can be successful. I have  
34 asked the senate to raise the stipends we offer to executive board members. I feel  
35 the tasks I have outlined for the directors justify the increase and appreciate the  
36 senate's consideration into the matter. I would like to see the senate and my  
37 director's working together on projects, and will promote an environment that  
38 promotes teamwork and support. During my weekly reports to come I will give a  
39 synopsis of what is happening on the e-board. I will have my e-board meetings  
40 held once a week at which I will get reports from my directors on their progress.  
41 Should I not be able to answer a question the senate has about a project one of my  
42 directors is working on, I would ask the director to come to senate the following  
43 week to address you all and update you themselves. I will be recommending that  
44 the directors come to one senate meeting a month. Again, I will hold my directors  
45 accountable for meeting deadlines and achieving goals I set out.

46 In order to bring SA together and build a strong future for our constituents in the  
47 new space, we must plan to set the standard and the pace for SA productivity.

48 Over the next few weeks I will be bringing three new candidates to the senate for  
49 confirmation to be put onto the Supreme Court. I am excited by the amount of

1 applications we have already received and look forward to meeting the new  
2 applicants. I have scheduled interviews with the candidates in the weeks to come.  
3 I am also lucky to be able to appoint a new Chief Justice to the court in the  
4 coming weeks. I see many opportunities for our student government.

5 The main goal I seek to achieve will be a smooth move into the new Campus  
6 Center. You may be wondering how we should measure success. To me, success  
7 can be measured by continued student programming and spurred student interest  
8 in SA organizations. I hope this year can be one in which we see SA and SA  
9 organizations come together into a unified body, and promote successful years for  
10 each other.

11 Kelland – I have a small concern about the survey, it is dated March 23<sup>rd</sup> which  
12 was Monday, and my concern is that it was sent out after the deadline. I have had  
13 a couple of people come to me about how they wouldn't have time to do this.

14 Miller – the deadline has been extended. I will help them get onto the committee  
15 just have them come to my office.

16 Green – I'm just confused about this "smooth move" to the Campus center. I was  
17 told we were hiring someone full time to do this?

18 Pres. Miller – No, not at all, I think you're confusing this. No student services  
19 will be open next year because President Debra Stanley would not sign our budget  
20 if any student services were open in Hewitt. Cindy's job was never to move us.  
21 It was only to run the student store or be an advisor. She will still be an employee

22 Green – What is Cindy Donovan's salary?

23 Pres. Miller – \$43,000 and she has been an employee for 30 years. We also  
24 include a retirement package.

25 Cooperman – Point of information to President Miller: are you saying the school  
26 will not allow SA to run these organizations but will be doing it themselves?

27 Pres. Miller – Yes so there will be one organization that will handle this all so we  
28 don't have separate services. We can only run services the campus will let us run.  
29 We still want to show our support for these services

30 Cooperman – Other student services that we supply—for instance the corner store  
31 and check cashing, I don't see a streamlining purpose for them to do that?

32 Pres. Miller – They are doing it because they want to do it

33 Kelland – you were saying that one of the things about the tickets does that mean  
34 we're eliminating Tyler box office?

35 Pres. Miller – No, they will all be tied together so you could buy the events at  
36 various locations. This will make it easier and we have been assured there will  
37 not be a usage fee. We believe Cindy is the most qualified person for this task

38 Misercola – the reason they are going to be on the same system is that the school  
39 is going digital

40 Trifunovski – Do we have a written agreement between this and campus life?

41 Pres. Miller – I have a meeting to start outlining a contract to ensure that SA's  
42 interest is represented.

43 Anderson – I was going to ask the same question.

44 Green – I yield my time to Tim Duch

45 Duch – what I have to say has nothing to do with this issue; I was going to talk  
46 about something different

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48 SA Vice-President Andre Fields

1 Hello everyone, first some announcements. Senator Misercola is resigning,  
2 Senator Ballesteros has resigned, Senator Martinez has resigned and Senator  
3 Mapes may say something later tonight. It feels good to be Vice-President now  
4 [hold for applause] to get a chance to speak every week and not be called on.  
5 Another thing: check your mailboxes. If you don't have one I'll get you one.  
6 Your boxes are full and looking nasty so check them. Ambur [Senator Misercola]  
7 is going to discuss a little more about CCRC. What I asked her to do is stay on as  
8 CCRC liaison but we have to have someone who is actually in the Senate. If  
9 anyone is interested to take on that role and I suggest you stay in touch with  
10 Senator Misercola and I. Basically to get a feel of what is going on. Moving on,  
11 Student Assembly is next week and President Miller probably has information  
12 about that and Senator Bronson has some questions. I have some new  
13 information for all of you. This is my email address: [afields@oswego.edu](mailto:afields@oswego.edu). I  
14 have also created a new AIM screen name for SA business: SAVP0708. I rather  
15 use that screen name for business for SA. Only send to this one if you have SA  
16 business. My office hours are Monday and Wednesday 4:30 to 6 and 8-930. I  
17 will be in Tuesday and Thursday from noon to 5pm and Friday by appointment  
18 only. I want to talk to Senators over the next few weeks to get to know you and  
19 some of your goals; what you're here for and just to welcome you and you'll  
20 know who I am and my expectations. Under Vice-President Mapes, bills were  
21 due at 7pm but I'm moving it up to 6:45pm so I have time to go over the bills and  
22 make corrections before chairs. Chairs will be 8 at Monday night and I would  
23 like to say that we had a good chairs last night. I was going to give a little  
24 inaugural speech but I didn't get around to it. This will be in for next week  
25 though. I got a little busy doing my checklist so I will have that next week. If  
26 you have any questions let me know what is going on and just call me and you  
27 have my information. Also, President Miller found these; little Senate business  
28 cards. Also, SAPB is sponsoring an event with Alpha Phi Alpha, so here are  
29 some flyers I would like to pass out. Alright I'm not going to bore you and go on-  
30 and-on.

31 Kelland – how many senators do we have?

32 VP Fields – 19, a couple of them are resigning and we are expecting new ones. I  
33 would like to introduce Elena Accordino and I would like to say that we haven't  
34 officially sworn her in. Senator Accordino, could you please come up here real  
35 quick

36 *SA Oath of office is administered by Vice-President Fields to Ms. Elena*  
37 *Accordino, At-Large Senator.*

38 Pres Miller – I would like to point out that our Justices want to speak

39 VP Fields – We have also two new Senators to our Senate: Gillian Smith, off-  
40 campus senator and Nathan Hammond, off-campus senator.

41 Interim Director of Finance Dan Tascarella

42 Here are your numbers for your accounts:

43 6502 has \$8,729.52

44 6506 has \$2,426.00

45 Are there any questions?

46 Adams – Um...I can't remember what it was, sorry.

47 Chief Justice Ben Patterson and Associate Justice Justin Colombo  
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1 CJ. Paterson – Here is the opinion of our recent cases.

2 AJ. Colombo – Can everyone turn to the second to last page of the opinion:  
3 Justice Sherwood’s dissent. The last sentence is a typo. On a different note, I  
4 came to the Senate to say that it has been an honor to serve as an Associate  
5 Justice of the Supreme Court and I recommend to the Senate that some sort of  
6 reward be awarded to Chief Justice Ben Patterson who has done a lot of work and  
7 commands a lot of respect. So I hope that you are listening to this and honor my  
8 request.

9 CJ. Patterson – I haven’t prepared any remarks and it has been an honor and  
10 privilege to serve for three years. I would like to thank the administration; going all  
11 the way back to the Sutherland administration, the Farrell administration and the  
12 Tascarella administration. The court is moving along and I see good things  
13 coming from this organization. Thank you very much.

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15 **VII. Senator Issues Forum**

16 VP Fields – Senator Brody Mapes has asked to address the Senate at this time  
17 Mapes – I’m standing here before you to apologize to my fellow Senators,  
18 constituents, and students. I have made mistakes as Elections Committee Chair,  
19 and I must hold myself accountable. As part of this apology I will be stepping  
20 down from my seat as Elections Committee Chair and I will be resigning as a  
21 Senator. Before I go I would like to take this opportunity to speak from the heart.  
22 I have been a member of this organization for two years, and especially during the  
23 times of the elections I have devoted more of my time and effort into SA than any  
24 other aspect of my life. My actions as Elections Chair and as Senator were not  
25 malicious, nor was there ever intent to do anything but my duties, or act in the  
26 best interest of SA. As elections committee chair, in past weeks I have been  
27 under more scrutiny than any other position in the entirety of SA. Again, I will  
28 admit, I have made mistakes as chair; although I do believe these do be rather  
29 minor procedural errors, but due to this scrutiny and exploitation of these errors in  
30 the public eye, many have lost sight of the hard work and dedication I have put  
31 into this position, and have lost sight that although one may not like the results, it  
32 was a successful election, which furthermore internally ran without a hitch. And I  
33 must thank the long hours and aid from my committee for that. This brings me  
34 my next point, just as the Senate is a united body, so is the elections committee.  
35 One cannot separate me from my committee, just as one cannot excise the blame  
36 solely upon me. If you believe I have failed, then we, the Elections Committee  
37 have failed. I solely have become a scapegoat, and my existence as such can no  
38 further be exemplified by the protest that occurred in Senate a few Tuesday’s ago.  
39 Historically...it is ignorance... ignorance to the facts that allows for the existence  
40 of a scapegoat. I would like to point out the results of the Cameron Jones v  
41 Joshua Miller Supreme Court case. The ruling shows that I was in fact not at fault  
42 when I signed Joshua Miller’s PO, a move I took more than a considerable  
43 amount of heat for. This case however was important in pointing out that there  
44 are further yet, fallacies in the election law. Two years experience with the  
45 Elections Committee has taught me that these are serious, underlying problems,  
46 with no clear or simple solution in sight. I believe serious consideration should be  
47 given for the entire legislative body to put their minds together searching for  
48 solutions, not just the elections committee, if this pattern of law suits and court  
49 cases is ever to be stopped. SA is a student organization on this campus. As such,

1 it is a place for us to grow as students, individuals, and adults. We are not perfect,  
2 and I am not perfect. I have made mistakes. But look at yourselves as well.  
3 Have you made mistakes? I'm trying to learn and grow as a person, as we all  
4 should push ourselves to achieve this same goal. I have received little support  
5 from the senate or my committee, and instead I have been attacked and criticized.  
6 I would like to leave you all with a quote from T Roosevelt. "The only man that  
7 makes no mistakes is the man that does nothing."  
8

9 VP Fields – first off, we all do make mistakes and I want to thank you [Brody  
10 Mapes] for your service. Me and Brody came in during the same time and we  
11 both actually ran for elections committee and I won. When I ran for Vice-  
12 President, I stepped down and he took over. We have all made mistakes and I  
13 think it is commendable that he has admitted to making mistakes and that is a  
14 great thing. I thank you for your service and stay a part of the elections law  
15 process.

16 VP Emeritus Mapes – I wanted to say to you guys but more so to Brody that I am  
17 ultimately proud of you not only as a sister but also as a peer and I commend you.  
18 Cooperman – I worked with Senator Mapes on the election committee and I have  
19 seen the hard work and he has been a target because of this controversy but he  
20 tried to do right and I don't think we would have gotten so far as we did without  
21 Brody.

22 Trifunovski – I have to say that despite what people may think, I got a chance to  
23 know Mapes and I didn't want to fall into that trap that he was the VP brothers  
24 and I wanted to judge him as a person and I can tell you that from the many hours  
25 that Mr. Mapes has proven himself and has done a phenomenal job in his position  
26 as elections chair. He deserves everyone's respect and I personally thank you and  
27 have enjoyed our time together. Thank you.

28 Oakman – I'm trying not to cry 'cause I only worked with Brody for a long time  
29 and I like to think of the fact that since we disagreed a lot but personally he is  
30 wonderful and he has worked very hard and has faced a lot and I just want to tell  
31 him that because of any disagreements I think he did a wonderful job and to stand  
32 up there and do that is just wow, I have a lot of respect for you that makes up for  
33 any disagreement we may have had. Good luck to anything you do outside of  
34 Student association.

35 Pres. Emeritus Tascarella – Senator Mapes has been an asset over the years and I  
36 think people still need to look at it that a lot of problems that came about were not  
37 just the chair but perhaps the entire committee. Perhaps the disagreements and  
38 inability to come to decisions and the inability for the chair to make a touch  
39 decision. It is tough to make decisions without the rest of the committee having  
40 your back. Maybe you all should step down and we have a fresh new committee

41 Adams – I would just like to say Senator Mapes it has been really great having to  
42 work with you...I know that this has election year--and I think everyone would  
43 agree--has been one of the craziest things we have seen. I just have to say that I  
44 respect you that much more to show strength through it and moments of doubt not  
45 caving under pressure and I respect you so much for that.

46 Kelland – Senator Mapes has been in Senate just as much as I have and the next  
47 meeting we have will not be the same without Brody. You have helped Senate  
48 grow and I can truly say you will be sorely missed. I could say so much more but  
49 I concur with everything else that has been said.

1 Former CJ Patterson – thanks for your assistance and the court appreciates it.  
2 You also owe us a dollar but on a serious issue we would like to remind the senate  
3 on a speedy action on the election law particularly with the part we have struck  
4 down

5 VP Emeritus Mapes – even though he is my brother this is all a shock to me and  
6 he didn't tell me until before the meeting and I'm in complete shock and I thought  
7 he would carry this through to the end; I'm proud of you and I have so much to  
8 say. Anyone who is interested in elections committee and plans on being chair  
9 please stay in contact with him because he is a wealth of knowledge and he has  
10 gone through a lot of crap that no one else has gone through. I love you and yeah.  
11 Trifunovski – I have some other issues

12 Fields – I have senator Bronson but I can put you down.

13 Green – I yield time to Tim Duch

14 Duch – despite what is going on I am a professional and I have taught different  
15 types of people and I know this is more sentimental bull but you are one of stand  
16 up individual.

17 Bronson – I would like to address my fellow senators that late last week when you  
18 send out an email to the senate list not only do senators get it but also does  
19 administration officials. So I would like to issue a formal apology for any  
20 offensive language I use. I would like to say that I just use humor in my emails. I  
21 like to keep things loose and I didn't mean any harm by my email.

22 Trifunovski – one of the things I would like to bring up is Constitution forum.  
23 This is something Senator Bronson and I have thought of and we would like to  
24 hold a forum for our constituents and everyone to sit down and go over the  
25 constitution to see if any of our constituents have any issues with it. We can't  
26 memorize every word of the constitution but this would be great for a brush up.  
27 We still have to come up with a date and if there is any other senators who would  
28 like to help please let me know. I know I come off as a strong vocal person in the  
29 senate and I can say that some people don't like me which is fine but if you have  
30 any issues or concerns, I'm not going to bite you I encourage you to come to me  
31 for any issues you might have. I know some people think I favor certain people  
32 or certain groups but, in my defense, it took me to the very last minute to decide  
33 who to vote for and I have to say that take a long hard look before I make  
34 decisions. I have put a lot of work into this senate and it seems I face a lot of  
35 adversity from this senate and all I'm asking for is some respect. I can agree with  
36 people and I would appreciate it if people gave me that respect. I understand that  
37 Mr. Mapes has done a lot for elections and I understand what Mr. Tascarella is  
38 saying about support your chair but I have done a lot and we have come to  
39 agreements. Certain things have not gone through that we worked on and despite  
40 the difference between people we can continue to work. So if you have any issues  
41 with me please come to me.

42 Kelland – I would like to apologize, I have bronchitis and I'm sorry if I'm  
43 interrupting the proceedings. Second, I have a small problem with my committee.  
44 We have been running at below half full. We have two open seats and since my  
45 committee is with 2 other chairs, we don't have a vice-chair. This is a poor sign  
46 to other organizations and students on campus. I urge senators to step up and join,  
47 if they're able, the Health and Safety committee. My committee gets a lot done  
48 and we need some help.

1 Cooperman – I would like to concur with Senator Kelland, she is losing her own  
2 health here and secondly I would like to concur with Senator Trif's last statement.  
3 We should all show each other respect and if you have problems with another  
4 senator don't talk to someone else about it, talk to that person first so that that  
5 issue will be solved. Thirdly, I'm also working on a comprehensive seat better  
6 than the one in our binders outlining *Robert's Rules of Orders* to better inform  
7 people. That is all I have to say.

8 VP Fields – I will just say this once: I will not tolerate any disrespect toward  
9 senators, myself or the executive branch and I hope the executive branch will not  
10 tolerate it as well. If you do this, you will have to speak to me personally.

11 Anderson – I would like to yield my time to Tim Duch

12 Duch – we did submit a budget a long time ago and we did not receive a  
13 notification that other Tier organizations received but you will all receive a  
14 resubmission of that in your mailboxes. Secondly, I would like to remind the  
15 senate that they are a distinct body from other bodies in this forum. As a Senate,  
16 you have your own, you are your own legislative body. As the Case *Chadeav*,  
17 *Green v. Tascarella* pointed out, the executive branch doesn't have the authority  
18 to circumvent you. Not one of you stepped up and stopped Mr. Tascarella. Going  
19 back to the remarks of Mr. Sugar and Mr. Tascarella [Ron], you as a Senate can  
20 make up your own mind regardless of what President Miller plans to do.  
21 NYPIRG is out of the question; NYPIRG be damned. You have your own mind  
22 about the budget and allocations as far as that is concerned. Don't forget that.  
23 Again, it is vital to the health of the body to be a system of checks and balances.  
24 You could have saved the Supreme Court the hassle if you had confronted the  
25 executive.

26 Anderson, I concur and yield

27 Pres. Miller – Mr. Duch is not a Tier organization and they do not take part in the  
28 Tier process so that is why they didn't receive a budget. NYPIRG is a contracted  
29 organization and I will not sign a contract with them.

30 Adams – I concur with Pres. Miller to sign and make contracts. The Senate has  
31 the final authority over the budget but if an executive is not signing a contract it  
32 doesn't make sense to sign the contract. I yield

33 Green – there are rumors about some resolutions that I was going to pass and one  
34 of them would be to have President Miller at least negotiate with NYPIRG.  
35 NYPIRG has been on campus for 16 years and has been a valuable service.  
36 NYPIRG has value and it is worth more than zero dollars. I think this debate isn't  
37 over and that an organization that has been on campus for 16 years is worth  
38 considering.

39 Accordino – I yield to Kelland

40 Kelland – just to let you know Mr. Duch, in regard to Christopher Sugar's  
41 remarks about what you say he said about standing up to President Tascarella...

42 Duch – he didn't say that, I said that.

43 Kelland – It should be known that Mr. Sugar was a Senator at the time and in  
44 response to Senator Green, if you did make a resolution like that I would want to  
45 see it because I would be very interested.

46 Anderson – I yield to Tim Duch

47 Duch – I guess I'm going to come clean and say how I see my position. The  
48 whole point of the NYPIRG PC is to empower the students and I never see my  
49 role in conflict with students. Right from the beginning I felt that people who

1 wanted to talk to me came to me in an accusatory manner. And there are  
2 techniques, believe it or not, to get people to vote. It is not as simple as you think  
3 it is. I have had to sit down with many students to convince them to vote.  
4 Students are the most valued commodity in the world so don't underestimate your  
5 power. I commend Senator Trif for a lot of things but mainly for this: the  
6 constitutional forum. You guys need to know this stuff, you really, really, really  
7 do. Very large things come to rest on very small points of law. It is vitally  
8 important that you know what the heck is going on. Information is the key. I  
9 can't speak for Mr. Sugar about what he did or did not know about a check on the  
10 executive branch.

11 Bell – I guess I have been on the campus for 7 years and in the 7 years I have  
12 worked here there have always been controversy about NYPIRG on campus and  
13 the controversy as I have seen it has been around the fact that it is a lot of money  
14 that the SA is paying for the services of NYPIRG. And SA, I discovered as part  
15 of the group, has a lot of needs coming to them. So I think it is a fair thing to ask  
16 them if they are of the value that you are paying. To me, it seems as though the  
17 issue has become so divisive that I guess if I were among the officers of SA I  
18 would probably be going to the students and saying “do you want NYPIRG here  
19 or not” and instead of making the decision without the input why not have them  
20 put more input in it. I personally think it is too much money but I do think it is  
21 your money going into this so why not give people a chance. Also, I think it is a  
22 shame that your group accepts the resignation of Senator Mapes of what he did do  
23 is admirable but resigning from the association is extreme and if he were my  
24 employee I would not accept his resignation

25 Cooperman – I would like to yield time to Vice-President Emeritus Mapes

26 VP Emeritus Mapes – we have that guy who comes in and yells at me that we are  
27 going over time but he has surgery and we only have this room until 10 and its  
28 9:45 now. So perhaps we can wrap this up and move to another room.

29 Cooperman – I motion to close Senator Issue's forum.

30 *Objections from many of the Senators*

31 Cooperman – I withdraw that motion

32 Green – about Emeritus status, I would like to say that it is not an attack on Dan  
33 or Natasha then I will deaden it completely. First, I don't think a lifetime  
34 appointment deserves debate not 6 minutes before the question is called. Second,  
35 the issue of going above and beyond both morally and ethically to your  
36 constituents and I'm not going to go into that now but the vote was 8-1-6. One  
37 more vote and it would have been a tie. We shouldn't have called the question so  
38 soon. Third, what emeritus means and its purpose. You have to be a full-time SA  
39 fee paying student or some other faculty or administration person. We wouldn't  
40 have this for other people. I think if they have something to say they can voice  
41 their concerns during Public Comment

42 Cooperman – thank you Senator Green for voicing your issues and I thank you for  
43 deadening them.

44 Pres. Miller – When NYPIRG showed up to budget council earlier in the year  
45 when we asked you questions we didn't get any answers. When we finally got  
46 answers we asked for more details and we didn't get those answers. We don't  
47 get the information from this organization that we get from other contracted  
48 organizations. It has come to my attention that when Binghamton was having  
49 their vote, Tim Duch was there campaigning for them. Why was our employee

1 there and not here? I have spoken to students and I assure you that this isn't my  
2 issue. I have been thinking about this for a year and have tried to get information  
3 and have not been able to. We asked to see their books and they told us we would  
4 have to drive down to NYC to view them. I think 50,000 is too cumbersome

5 Anderson – I yield to Tim Duch

6 Duch – you will be getting everything you are discussing and clearly there are  
7 some issues and you each have the right to make up your mind. Regardless of the  
8 executive branches stance on this you are a free branch. Don't just go along with  
9 the flow without knowing what you are talking about. A lot of people have heard  
10 things about NYPIRG and much of that has been one sided. Make sure you get to  
11 know what is going on and that is what a referendum is all about. The time he is  
12 talking about [Duch being in Binghamton] was Spring break and there were no  
13 students here. Working here is hard and it is not an easy thing to do. I work 12  
14 hours a day and helping people with these issues is hard. It takes gumption  
15 [replacement for inappropriate word]. There will be an opportunity to discuss this  
16 next week and make it your duty to get both sides of an issue.

17 Trifunovski – Before I ask for a close of session, hopefully the special election  
18 coming up will be used as a tool to show that the students support or are against  
19 and perhaps affect our decisions as senators. For both parties sake, we will be  
20 able to hear students and our job as senators will help make a better decision. I  
21 have no idea where to go with it but I guess I have to withdraw the closing.

22 Trifunovski – Motion to close

23 Adams – Objection, can we keep in the future a limit on senator issues forum.

24 VP Fields – Senator Kelland is recognized

25 Kelland – One thing that has come up. WE are student's first and Senator Nau  
26 has had to call into work for 3 weeks because we have gone over. Can we limit  
27 our time and discussion. I think this is the reason we have lost so many Senators  
28 and we cannot afford to lose so many senators. I know our executive member  
29 would be willing to meet outside as well as our own outside involvement

30 Guerrero – I yield my time to interim Director of finance Tascarella

31 Pres. Emeritus Tascarella – I would say that the referendum is non-binding and  
32 one of my reasons for opposing it was that it was for contract negotiations which  
33 is a presidential rule.

34 Guerrero – motion to close

35 Trifunovski – objection, I know it's non-binding I just want to know if students  
36 support NYPIRG on campus.

37 Trifunovski – Motion to close

38 Kelland – second

39 Bronson – motion to recess for 15 minutes

40 Mapes – second

41 Kelland – objection, motion to amend and reconvene in Hart Hall classroom

42 Trifunovski – Second.

43 Recess at 10:00pm

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45 *[During the transition from 105 Lanigan to the Hart Hall classroom some*  
46 *Senators left. The Senate extended their recess time in order to make quorum]*

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48 VP Fields – I call this meeting back to order at 10:38pm. We will now conduct  
49 business

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2 **Roll call:** Cooperman, Bronson, Proxy Bagnuolo, Green, Anderson, Marra, Zoll,  
3 Mapes, Accordino, Adams, Kelland, Trifunovski . Proxy Buchhalt  
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5 VII. **Committee Reports**  
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7 Procedure, Senator Cooperman

8 We were unable to meet this week because of schedule conflicts. We will meet  
9 next week and I would like to meet with people from procedure after the Senate.  
10 Also, the comprehensive sheet is going to fall under *Robert's Rules* and we are  
11 going to go through the constitution and with policy committee

12 Kelland – I have come to acquire different cheat sheets and offer those to you  
13 while you make your own.

14 Cooperman – we are also going to look at the bylaws

15 Pres. Miller – there is a line in the budget to buy all senators *Robert's Rules of*  
16 *Order*

17 Kelland – Have you ever tried to read *Robert's Rules of Order*? It is hard to  
18 understand.  
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20 Policy, Senator Bronson

21 Policy met on Saturday and Sunday but over the weekend we met with Director  
22 Tascarella and a conference call with former Chief Justice Patterson which will be  
23 up for your voting pleasure tonight and also the SAPB Conference rules. We  
24 would like that re-referred tonight and I would like to look at that some more. I  
25 want to take a long look at the constitution and do some housecleaning on it like  
26 spelling and grammar. Also, some things are omitted which I feel should be  
27 included in the Constitution. If you have any concerns please email or call me. I  
28 am also in Preliminary talks with President Miller to have an elected office who  
29 will be the student liaison with the College Board of Trustees. I feel this would  
30 be a crucial asset and it has been implemented on other colleges. This is pending  
31 talks with President Miller and College President Stanley.  
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33 Elections, Senator Mapes

34 In the past week we met twice to set up the referendum for NYPIRG which is  
35 pretty much eating up all our time. We have it pretty much setup. Since this is  
36 taking up our time we haven't been able to look at former President Tascarella's  
37 election law suggestions. I don't think that talking about it tonight would be  
38 pointless and I believe we should table it and not re-refer it.

39 Pres. Miller – what was the date of the referendum

40 Mapes – 17<sup>th</sup> and the 19<sup>th</sup> in April

41 Trifunovski – It is kind of bitter sweet but because Mr. Mapes has resigned, I am  
42 vice chair I will step up and place and meet tomorrow at 7pm or perhaps 8 o'clock  
43 tomorrow. Is that going to be okay? I think we should discuss the election law. I  
44 would like to invite Mr. Tascarella to come and anyone else as well so we can get  
45 the amendment thing going. I would like to get people on the same page to get  
46 this thing through. I feel an election especially has been stagnant in some areas  
47 and we should let bygones be bygones and work for change.  
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1 Finance, Senator Adams

2 We have a number of bills this evening and we have been working on the budget  
3 and have met several times this week to discuss the budget. We will be having a  
4 Finance committee-a-thon Monday at 3pm. We will talk about the bills tonight.

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6 Involvement, Senator Oakman

7 *Senator Trifunovski spoke in Senator Oakman's place*

8 We have not been able to meet and we are currently putting up posters. I will talk  
9 to Oakman about this

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11 Adams – Finance has one open seat.

12 Fields – I would like to address that next week when all the new senators can read  
13 over the committees and give them a chance.

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15 CCRC, Senator Misercola

16 VP Fields – Senator Misercola is not here but Vice President Emeritus Mapes is a  
17 member of that committee

18 VP Emeritus Mapes - Nothing dramatically has changed since last time I gave the  
19 report but I am looking for volunteers. I would like more clarification on this and  
20 would like President Miller and Vice-President Fields to attend if they can. There  
21 is going to be a lot going on this month and we will need a lot of volunteers for  
22 this. On top of that I would like to say this: I am going to try to do my darndest  
23 about this traffic light. People are backed up from the corner to the President's  
24 House [Shady Shore] and I know this is a huge problem.

25 Kelland – that backup also blocks SAVAC from getting out to answer calls.

26 Duch – I know that NYPIRG's Hunger and Homeless person was interested in  
27 working with you on that so please let me know.

28 VP Emeritus Mapes – get a hold of me.

29  
30 Health and Safety, Senator Kelland

31 Sorry about leaving. Last Wednesday, my committee met with Chief Adams and  
32 talked for an hour and a half and I have really good notes. We are coming closer  
33 for a bill or rather a resolution about the snow storm and what occurred there. We  
34 met with Professor Patrick Murphy and we have a meeting with the Provost.  
35 Some other issues, we are going to write a letter of concern about the plowing and  
36 the speed limit on town roads that are adjacent to the property specifically Swift,  
37 Washington and West End. As you know, that is the one that Senator Adams had  
38 concerns about with people driving during white out conditions. For all of you, in  
39 case of another storm the grounds crews they plow based on priority and that is  
40 the main roads, fire hydrants, faculty lots and commuter lots then resident lots.  
41 This is in the student handbooks where it says that it may take up to five days for  
42 resident lots to be cleaned. This is for emergency reasons, think of what would  
43 happen if there was a fire or an ambulance needs to travel on the roads. The  
44 school did a lot helping schools to get cars out and paid a tow operator to get their  
45 cars towed if their cars were unable to start. Only 25 vehicles got towed including  
46 those that requested to be towed. As far as class cancellation, the school has an  
47 agreement with two meteorologist and one of them is the Channel 9 storm team  
48 where Chief Adams can call them up and give them the storm updates. They are  
49 90% accurate and try to save us most of our days. Make sure you constituents

1 know about x3333. That is the fastest extension. They are working on getting a  
2 website up to let student know quicker. One main concern is the number of  
3 students going out on the ice packs. This is EXTREMELY dangerous. Students  
4 can get written up for this. Snow ball fights are actually not illegal on campus but  
5 if large groups start they will be broken up. Another big issue that was addressed  
6 is Chief Adams with the City Traffic board. The main problem we have now with  
7 Washington and Sheldon it is the community, the campus and the city on one side  
8 and the community members don't want a traffic light there. If anyone has any  
9 concerns Chief Adams is willing to work with you just get in touch with her.  
10 Also, we need to make sure we have a student representative on parking  
11 committee.

12 Bronson – Point of information to Senator Kelland: do you know Chief Adams's  
13 extension?

14 Kelland – I don't know off hand just call UP and they'll forward the call to her  
15 office

16 Green – what would it take to get on Parking Committee?

17 Kelland – I'm not sure you should talk to President Miller. There is an issue with  
18 a rape on this campus and there is no report made with UP. Until that occurs  
19 there can be no discussion at this time

20 Mapes – are you referring to the Varsity Hockey Players?

21 Kelland – Yes

22 Mapes – we should wait then to see what happens

23 Kelland – All it is rumors so unless you get in touch with the source we have to  
24 wait and see. There is no report from UP.

## 26 IX. General Orders

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28 SLE 42.43 Amendment to SLE. 39.28 Student Association Election Law

29 Kelland – Motion to wave the reading

30 Zoll – Second

31 Mapes – I would like to yield my time to Senator Cooperman

32 Cooperman – we all received the revisions about his [President Tascarella's]  
33 argument for upholding the veto. We, the election committee want to incorporate  
34 Pres. Tascarella's revisions into the election law but we are not ready to vote on  
35 them just yet. WE think it would be wiser to table it until the Election's  
36 committee has a more solid view of the election law, what we had envisioned it to  
37 be, before we vote on it. We went to use President Tascarella's as a foundation.  
38 Therefore we ask to table this bill. Motion to table.

39 VP Fields – I'm not clear on the motions for tabling, could you please tell me *Pro*  
40 *Temp* or Senator Kelland.

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42 *Senator Kelland reads from Robert's Rule of Order (Classic edition ) pg 32 under*  
43 *"Subsidiary Motions."*

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45 VP Fields – the motion has been laid out is there a second?

46 Adams – Second

47 SLE 42.43 is tabled

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1 SLE 42.45 Supreme Court Organization Constitution and Charter Approval  
2 Procedure

3 Kelland – Motion to wave the reading.

4 Adams – Second

5 Cooperman – motion to amend. Since I don't have an overhead I'm going to pass  
6 these out. Basically what we did was met with President Tascarella and Former  
7 Chief Justice Ben Patterson. The original bill by Ian Farrell was similar but  
8 different to the appendix we are suggested and there were other valid points that  
9 were contributed by Former Senator Farnsworth to change the bill.

10 Strike lines 16-18 the last "be it further enacted" because we also have the title of  
11 the bill changed to Amendment to SLE 41 because we are really amending the old  
12 appendix. Please look at the old appendix. The original bill had a "B" under 4A.

13 We added 6 and 7 in the new appendix about an official record for the Supreme  
14 Court to know which organizations are valid organizations.

15 Look at number 6.

16 Look at number 7.

17 The problem was organizations had to change constitutions every year but they  
18 don't change them every year. This just backs up the time of the Court to look  
19 through things and find things that are different. We changed it so they just have  
20 to register with Student Organization Services (SOS) and only submit a  
21 constitution if they are making changes.

22 Pres. Miller – under guidelines 2, the Supreme Court doesn't review documents.

23 Cooperman – you're looking at the wrong bill

24 Pres. Miller – I think it is important to maintain order and keep organizations up  
25 to date and I think this procedure will keep them informed and up to date. This  
26 also ensures we have the most updated copy with the court.

27 Cooperman – Organizations should always be aware of their constitutions. This  
28 is just to unburden the Court.

29 Bronson – I would like to be put on this bill as a Co-Sponsor. Please have it  
30 stated: Andrew C. Bronson, Senator At-Large.

31 Cooperman – in the financial policy, organizations must submit a constitution  
32 with their charter so they will always have a valid copy. This bill is just to  
33 unburden the Court

34 Green – I concur, this is just to help the Court.

35 Kelland – I think that we have been looking at this bill for a while and I motion to  
36 vote

37 Adams – Second

38 Kelland – Point of information: Former Chief Justice Patterson, did he clear this?

39 Cooperman – we had him on speaker phone.

40 VP Fields – Voting on the Amendments, all those in favor say yes; all those in  
41 opposed say no.

42 VP Fields – It is the opinion of the chair, that the yeses have it.

43 Amendment passes

44 Cooperman – I yield to Senator Kelland

45 Kelland – Point of Information to Senator Anderson: why did you vote no?

46 Anderson – I'm looking at the procedure to approve organizations and what it  
47 says.

1 Kelland – I understand what you are saying but in structure it is a clarification on  
2 seven so long as an organization continues to register on campus. If you would  
3 like to submit an amendment I would support you.

4 Adams – Motion to recess for 10 minutes so they can work on this amendment

5 Green/Kelland/Mapes/Anderson – Objection

6 Adams – I withdraw my motion

7 Anderson – for Amendment 42.45 strike in 7A the word “destroys” and add “shall  
8 be discarded and removed from the official record” on point 7 add “except in the  
9 following cases”. I yield

10 Adams – Point of information: please read Article 7 as it is suppose to be read.

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12 *Vice-President Fields reads Article 7*

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14 Kelland – I think it just makes a solid piece of legislation more sturdy I motion to  
15 vote

16 Marra – Second

17 VP Fields – All those in favor of this amendment say yes. All those opposed say  
18 no.

19 VP Fields – It is the opinion of the chair that the yeses have it. This amendment  
20 passes.

21 Amendment passes

22 Cooperman – Thanks for your Amendment Senator Anderson, motion to vote

23 Trifunovski – Second

24 Bill Passes

25 13-0-0

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27 SLE 42.47 SAVAC EMS Teaching Day Conference Funding

28 Kelland – Motion to wave the reading

29 Adams – Second

30 Adams – We met with SAVAC at finance on Saturday. The \$300 is just going to  
31 cover the registration for the conference. It is for the leaders of SAVAC and I  
32 would like to yield to President Miller

33 Pres. Miller – the people going will be coming back to campus and will be able to  
34 apply what they learn next year. They answered all our questions and they are  
35 paying for their own expenses.

36 Adams – Motion to vote, we have no amendments

37 Kelland – Second

38 Bill Passes

39 12-0-1

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41 SLE 42.49 Student Association Programming Board Guidelines

42 Kelland – Motion to wave the reading

43 Trifunovski – Second

44 Bronson – It has been brought to my attention that there is some information  
45 necessary to apply to these guidelines. I would like to motion to re-refer to policy  
46 for one week.

47 Trifunovski – Second

48 12-0-1

49 Bill is re-referred for one week to Policy committee

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SLE 42.50 PANGIA Guest Speaker Funding

Cooperman – Motion to wave the reading

Kelland – Second

Trifunovski - that is me

Cooperman – Point of Order: the chair should recognize you first

VP Fields – The chair recognizes Senator Trifunovski

Trifunovski – I happen to know members of PANGIA and I know what they stand for and what they have done and to have someone like Ramona Afriker come to this campus is great for this campus. I really hope people will vote for this bill

Green – they have done their fundraising and got \$1,000 from SAPB. They are a Tier 1 and it is the first time they have asked for money.

Kelland – POI to Senator Adams?

Adams – SAPB is covering the cost of actually having the person what PANGIA to cover would be travel and accommodation costs (hotel and air fare) so we thought this would be a good thing for Senate to do and she is a really good speaker so I think it would be good so motion to vote

Mapes – Second

Bill Passes

13-0-0

SLE 42. 51 BASIC Infused

Kelland – Motion to wave the reading

Zoll – Second

Adams – We talked in Finance that Basically Infused earns their living through events such as this and from the information we gathered they will get 200 people and are asking for a \$2 donation from people. They are expecting various people from campus and the committee, we feel that this would be a good event for the campus and the community. Motion to vote

Kelland – objection, I suggest that Basic be capitalized [BASIC].

Kelland – motion to vote

Cooperman – second

Bill passes

13-0-0

SLE 42.52 SWG Game Over

Kelland – Motion to wave the reading

Bronson – Second

Adams – Motion to vote

Zoll – second

Bill Passes

12-0-1

SLE 42.53 Two and a Half Flyers

Kelland – Motion to wave the reading

Mapes – Second

Adams – we missed them at finance because they came after we met. President Emeritus Tascarella spoke to them and my question was that since this is a media

1 campaign about sexual assault, would they be able to do that with the time left in  
2 the semester. I was assured that it would be and that they were ready to go.  
3 Kelland – I know we look down on organizations that don't show up but they try.  
4 We have plenty of money to get us through the semester in 6502. It would be  
5 worth it in the long run to make people on this campus aware of sexual assault  
6 Trifunovski – this is a new organization on campus and they are working really  
7 hard. I encourage people to vote yes on this.  
8 Cooperman – as an English major I would like to say that flyers is spelt F-L-Y-E-  
9 R-S and that is my professional opinion. But with that, motion to vote.  
10 Green - Second  
11 Bill passes  
12 13-0-0  
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14 **X. New Legislation**

15 RES 42.06 Censure of Actions of Brody Mapes  
16 Cooperman – Originally the submitters of this bill were going to revise it that  
17 under the impression was not our true feelings on this matter but we feel that this  
18 problem has be adequately resolved and we were going to ask for an apology and  
19 since he has done so we will not. I move to withdraw this amendment from the  
20 resolution  
21 Adams – I withdraw  
22 Bronson – This isn't in the constitution and therefore I withdraw  
23 VP Emeritus Mapes – I don't mean to call you out and let the senate know that as  
24 Vice-president, you should not be partisan to one side or another. Even if you  
25 take it off it will be in the books so you shouldn't take a position.  
26 Cooperman – I want to address the fact as evidenced in Senator Mapes's speech  
27 and just say that we all make mistakes.  
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29 SLE 42.54 African Student Organization Dinner Celebration  
30 Trifunovski – Motion to wave the reading  
31 Adams – Second  
32 Adams – Refer to finance for one week  
33 Trifunovski – second  
34 Cooperman – Motion to suspend the rules and go back to the minutes  
35 Kelland – Second  
36 Cooperman – Line 22 on page 1 PANGIA has an "A" before the "I". Page 4, on  
37 line 22 "Farnsworth you are doing a great job", should be an apostrophe. Page 6  
38 line 26 there is no such thing as an ad-hoc committee it is just ad-hoc. Page 7 line  
39 39, line 44 "it's just" page 7 line 46, losing only has one "o". Page 13, Line 27  
40 and 28 should be reversed flip the names of Guerrero and Cooperman. Line 40,  
41 "I would suggest"  
42 Bronson – one final amendment to the minutes. ON the last page line 18 in the  
43 flow of the roman numerals. We adjourned at 11:43pm.  
44 Kelland – Last page line 8 we established the spelling for flyers.  
45 Green – 17 and 18 I wasn't saying SAVAC get insurance but look into how much  
46 of an insurance break the Campus gets for having SAVAC.  
47 Cooperman – motion to approve  
48 Kelland – Second.  
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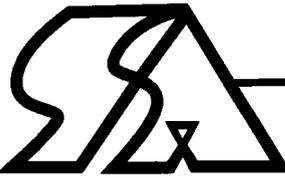
- 1    **XI. Roll Call:** Cooperman, Bronson, Proxy Bagnuolo, Green, Anderson, Marra, Zoll,  
2       Mapes, Accordino, Adams, Kelland, Trifunovski . Proxy Buchhalt.  
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4    **XIII. Adjournment 11:56 p.m.**  
5       Mapes – Motion to adjourn  
6       Kelland – Second



Senate  
42<sup>nd</sup> Legislative Session  
23rd Meeting  
10 April 2007

**Agenda**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes
- IV. Approval of Agenda
- V. Public Comment
- VI. Executive Report
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  - André D. Fields, Student Association Vice President
  - Dan Tascarella, Student Association Interim Director of Finance
  - Other Directors
- VII. Senator Issues Forum
- VIII. Committee Reports
- IX. General Orders
  - 1.) SLE.42.48 Student Association 2007-2008 Budget
  - 2.) SLE.42.49 Student Association Programming Board Guidelines
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  - 1.) RES. 42.07 Fair Negotiations
  - 2.) RES. 42.08 NYPIRG Consideration
  - 2.) SLE. 42.56 Amendment to SLE. 35.51 Student Association Grant Policy
  - 3.) SLE. 42.57 Student Association Senate Apportionment
- XI. Roll Call
- XII. Adjournment



Senate  
42<sup>nd</sup> Legislative Session  
22<sup>nd</sup> Meeting  
10 April 2007

**Senate Minutes**

- 1 I. **Call to Order:** 6:10 p.m.
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- 3 II. **Roll Call:** Oakman, Proxy Mapes, Cooperman, Proxy Bagnuolo, Anderson,
- 4 Green, Hammond, Smith, Marra, Zoll, Westfall, Bell, Accordino, Adams,
- 5 Guererro, Proxy Jewel, Trifunovski
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- 7 III. **Approval of Minutes**
- 8 Cooperman – Motion to Amend. Please change all of the “Gates” to “Grant”.
- 9 Cooperman – Motion to approve
- 10 Marra – Second
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- 12 IV. **Approval of Agenda**
- 13 Green – Motion to Amend. Add RES 42.08 NYPIRG Consideration
- 14 Anderson – Second
- 15 Cooperman – Motion to approve
- 16 Oakman – Second
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- 18 V. **Public Comment**
- 19 NYPIRG, Tim Duch
- 20 First of all I would like to introduce some of my associates, Matt leader of
- 21 Consumer advocacy and Joe Stelling. Does any Senator not have a copy of the
- 22 current budget? A lot of the same stuff is happening. We’re making sure that
- 23 everything is running smoothly for our event on the 25<sup>th</sup> which will be a showing
- 24 and panel discussion of the documentary *In Debt we Trust*. This event will give
- 25 students first hand knowledge to talk to someone who had a hand in making a
- 26 movie like this. A lot goes on to put an event like this on. We spoke to SAPB
- 27 and got some popcorn and we also spoke to Auxiliary services for other
- 28 refreshments. The main thing about this is that if anyone has any suggestions for
- 29 candidates to speak on the panels get a hold of me. I’m going to be reaching out
- 30 to professors. Also, this event is open to the community. And also, coming up
- 31 this Thursday at 4pm in the formal lounge is “Smart Moves” which is our Tenants
- 32 rights forum. Friday we are going to have our local delegation visit Senator
- 33 Barkeley’s office in Fulton. This will be a nice informal meeting with the Senator.
- 34 Right now one of our hunger and homeless project leaders is working with
- 35 Habitat for Humanity to work with them on the banquet that is taking place in the

1 formal lounge. That is all I really have to say this week so I will turn it over to  
2 my associates.

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4 **Matthew Cirigliano, Student and NYPIRG Consumer Advocacy Leader**  
5 My name is Matthew Cirigliano and I am a freshman currently living in Hart Hall.  
6 I am also the leader of NYPIRG's Consumer Advocacy Project.

7 Currently we are gaining support for the "Cell Phone Bill of Rights." I am sure that a  
8 good portion of you senators as well as many of your constituents own and use cell  
9 phones regularly. This bill will help protect cell phone users by:

- 10 1) Giving consumers a 15 day period after receipt of their first monthly bill to cancel  
11 their contract without paying the termination fee.
- 12 2) Requiring that customers get a clearly organized billing statement written in  
13 "plain english" that explains all monthly fees and charges.
- 14 3) Giving customers a good-faith estimate of what their monthly bill will cost based  
15 upon information supplied by the consumer.
- 16 4) Providing clear, point of sale disclosures of service area maps as well as the  
17 availability of Emergency 911 service.

18 I would also like to add that NYPIRG has helped me out greatly in honing my skills  
19 and giving me a way to reach out to the community. If it weren't for NYPIRG my  
20 academic standing would be less than lack luster.

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22 **Joe Stelling, Regional Supervisor of NYPIRG**

23 I've been here to a couple of these things. I'm the regional supervisor of NYPIRG.  
24 This weekend is our statewide Student action conference. Students from around the  
25 state get together and get to meet and talk about things they do and have in common.  
26 You meet a lot of people and have fun. This will be at SUNY-Albany and all 21  
27 chapters of NYPIRG will be there. I would like to talk about today briefly about the  
28 proposed budget that NYPIRG was allocated 0 dollars which amounts to us not  
29 asking for any money. We fall under miscellaneous contracted services which we are  
30 not. WE are a student organization and are recognized by SOS and we have a student  
31 board of representatives. Even though the president signs a contract, it is still up to  
32 the Senate in deciding the budget. When deciding these things they have to be made  
33 in a view point neutral manner. Section 14 of our financial policy. This doesn't just  
34 apply to Tier 3 orgs; it applies to any group and we deserve this consideration. We  
35 contribute to the educational opportunities on this campus. The internships and the  
36 skills we bring to students are very strong. Also the cultural, political and  
37 philosophical debate on campuses to increase discourse no matter what side of the  
38 spectrum you fall under. It is clear that NYPIRG offers a wide array of programs that  
39 are unparalleled than any other group on campus and while others can do the same;  
40 they can't come close to what we do. You shouldn't decide on funding NYPIRG on  
41 your own basis but on what your constituents believe. I implore you, the senate, to go  
42 back and look at that budget request to look at what we do and revisit the issue and  
43 offer an appropriate amount of funding on campus. I'm not asking you to just put  
44 \$49,000 back in but just the same due consideration that any other student group  
45 would get as they fall under these priorities and criteria guidelines

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47 **Justin Tossas, Spoken Writers Guild President**

1 Good evening Senate, I coming tonight to inform you that as of as of 5:35 we have  
2 taken action against the SAPB for responses that were detrimental against us. We  
3 have cited 4 offenses against them in which I would like to inform you about.

4 As I have cited they have questionable practices inside the campus offices as they  
5 tried to investigate our event and overturn our reservations and other practices inside  
6 the Lifestyle center in investigating our performance and have tried to overturn our  
7 performance which has been approved. They have said this was their actions and a  
8 There has been a refusal by them to stay in contact with us for 3 weeks. They  
9 They have asked the lifestyles center to We feel this is not a positive situation and we  
10 have tried to contact with them and we still want to work with them but tonight I just  
11 want to come to the Senate to inform them of these actions and work with Josh Miller  
12 to arbitrate this situation

13 We still want to work with them but they have stepped away from the table and they  
14 have taken action against the SWG.

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16 Westfall – When would this event take place?

17 Tossas – It is May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30. We wanted to work with SAPB and obviously 7pm is  
18 early for our prime event and we had this time in mind to work with them  
19 unfortunately they had no interest in working with us and they have not  
20 communicated with us about it.

21 VP Fields – Have you taken some action against SAPB and is that legal action or just  
22 sit down at the table and come to terms?

23 Tossas – we have sent an email and hope to come to terms. We do not want to bash  
24 them or their name but we have sent an email to the Lifestyle center to pay no  
25 attention to SAPB's offers and we hope you would encourage Joshua Miller to allow  
26 our programs to go on. We would rather not be bullied or not be pushed around as if  
27 we didn't exist because we do exist and I think it is a bitter sweet day that our  
28 correspondence that the Lifestyle's center was going to give us 100 for our event after  
29 our presentation

30 Westfall – First and foremost thanks for bringing this to our attention and do you  
31 want the senate to get involved or are you comfortable just working with Pres. Miller?

32 Tossas – We don't want we want it dealt with in the most discrete way and we have  
33 full confidence in President Miller's abilities and we just ask you support him in the  
34 arbitration in this situation.

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36 African Student Organization.

37 Hi everyone I'm Vanessa Samuel, the director of correspondence. We are here this  
38 week to stress the fact that the dinner is important and we have done some events  
39 during the year and we are stressing the fact that this is important and that every year  
40 we exceed the limit of the people who attend. WE have tried to get our name out on  
41 campus and every time we have a dinner we exceed the limit and need to  
42 accommodate everyone. Our budget is low and will not cover the costs. We took the  
43 necessary steps and have gone to Finance committee. Yesterday we met with finance  
44 and we gave them more detail about our dinner and we are requesting 2100 minus the  
45 money we have in our budget. This will cover decorations and entertainment. WE  
46 have done fundraising but it does not cover everything we need. We will be a Tier 3  
47 organization and are moving up

48 Adams – Your flier says your tickets on sale?

1 ASO – They are not on sale right now  
2 Adams – What would you do with the funds if you don't use them since they don't  
3 roll over; the proceeds for the ticket sales  
4 ASO – We wanted to put it back in our account  
5 Adams – What Would you do with the ticket sales?  
6 VP Fields – I'm going to let interim Director of Finance Tascarella answer this.  
7 DOF Tascarella – the bill from the ticket sales have rolled back into the contingency  
8 funds and we should just put another whereas in the bill to acknowledge that fact  
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10 Cameron E. Jones, Student and Former Presidential Candidate  
11 Good evening all, I come before you today as a student and former presidential  
12 candidate during the 2007 elections process. I wasn't able to attend last weeks  
13 meeting, but I am here to express my brief experience in pursuit of SA President and  
14 a couple of other concerns. From the beginning of the campaign it started off great  
15 but clearly ended with the cards clearly stacked high. We currently have a student  
16 government with no checks and balances; where it is okay to be unethical; where it is  
17 ok to have a judicial body who arbitrarily throws out policy and procedure. A  
18 legislative body who makes suggestions that people joins the Senate rather than  
19 upholding the responsibility they signed up for. Not to mention chaos that plagues  
20 that Senate elections committee, et cetera, et cetera. I would be here forever  
21 discussing the many errors of this organization and many of its officials. But, that is  
22 not my purpose or goal. I want to thank all those who helped to contribute to my  
23 campaign and the elections process. I am extremely grateful for all your efforts. I  
24 look forward to continuing my mission as a student leader on Oswego's campus and  
25 you have not heard the last from me. I have gone on the record before and I shall do  
26 so again by congratulating Joshua Miller as President. I wish you a successful term  
27 and I am certain that we will be working together to benefit this organization and the  
28 greater campus community in the near future. I'd like to give a personal thank you to  
29 current Vice-President Andre Fields and Senator Nicolina Trifunovski, Senator Green,  
30 Senator Oakman, Senator Cooperman, and former Vice-President Scott Robinson for  
31 your kind words and constant level of support. I would also like to give special  
32 thanks goes out to former Senator and current clerk Christopher Sugar for his  
33 dedication, loyalty and insight.  
34 Thank you.  
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36 Carlton O'Neil, Director of Student Association Programming Board  
37 I heard that Justin Tossas was here speaking of the problems with SAPB and SWG  
38 and I wanted to just let the Senate know that Josh is going to speak to both groups.  
39 What happened is Tatiana had asked Justin about any special events SWG was  
40 planning and Justin said no and she asked him to go their E-board to make sure. He  
41 came back to us and Justin said we could have the Thursday of May and then Josh  
42 signed contracts. It is too late to cancel since contracts have been signed and posters  
43 have been put in. T-shirts are made up and we can't erase that. Josh is going to work  
44 with both groups to figure something out so we both can be involved. I just wanted to  
45 stress that to the Senate.  
46 Cooperman – Thanks for the details!  
47 Westfall – Was there a conflict over physical space?

1 O'Neil – Yes over the main lounge because originally SAPB had it and we went  
2 through Holly Stone and got the clearance but we at SAPB don't want to take over  
3 the whole space and not include SWG in what they want to do. We would like  
4 everyone to sit at the table and work together.  
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6 **VI. Executive Report**

7 Speaking on behalf of President Miller, Chief of Staff Timothy Farnsworth  
8 Since President Miller couldn't be here tonight he asked me to deliver his executive  
9 report to the senate:

10 Good Evening Senators. I am sorry I am not able to give you this update myself I  
11 have a previous engagement. I have appointed Tim Farnsworth as my Chief of Staff  
12 and have asked him to give this address tonight which will elaborate on a number of  
13 issues we are currently working on.

14 NYPIRG: I know all of you have received packets earlier this week from Tim Duch  
15 which he brought to tier 3 Budget Council. As you look through these packets keep in  
16 mind that this paper work does not apply to NYPIRG. Whether or not they handed it  
17 in, they were told this was unnecessary because they are not a Tier 3 organization.  
18 This process is reserved to Tier 3 organizations and I ask that you all read through  
19 your financial policy and ensure you understand our tier system for organizations and  
20 see the difference between a contracted service and a student run organization.

21 The last page of this packet is a "break-down" or what certain costs associate with the  
22 \$49,000 contract we pay to NYPIRG. I have received this break-down a number of  
23 times and requested a further breakdown of ACTUAL costs for these programs. I  
24 have not received such a breakdown even though I have asked repeatedly. Further as  
25 President Emeritus Tascarella asserts he has asked for a number of financial  
26 document from NYPIRG which according to our contracts we are entitled to and we  
27 have still not received this:

28 "NYPIRG will make available an annual audit prepared by an independent certified  
29 public accountant to the Student Association President and Director of Finance upon  
30 request. NYPIRG will allow the SA President to examine its financial books and  
31 records upon reasonable notice."  
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33 In an email I sent out this morning I asserted this request again. One of the main  
34 reasons I plan to not sign a NYPIRG contract this year is that we have not seen proof  
35 that the money we pay NYPIRG benefits the Student of SUNY Oswego. This is  
36 something we must take into consideration according to the Board of Trustee  
37 Guidelines. Further, I ask that you all look at the Budget we have proposed to the  
38 Senate. Not were we able to lower our initial fee increase from \$89 to \$88 but we,  
39 were able to give more funding to our organizations both Tier 2 and Tier 3 alike. This  
40 budget will promote new programming on campus and interaction between students.  
41 It will bring student who previously have not seen a benefit of their SA into SA and  
42 show them what the potential of SA is! I want you all to take time when voting on  
43 this budget to think about EVERY student that will be affected by this budget and not  
44 small few. Know that by moving away from contract like the one with NYPIRG we  
45 can better fund our student run initiatives and get better results. Keeping NYPIRG on  
46 campus would be the easy thing to do at this point. SA will not be bullied into signing  
47 a contract that does not benefit our students. I will however, accept the challenge to  
48 create a new plan by which to inform students of civic issues, ensure SUNY Oswego

1 students' views are represented in Albany, and challenge the campus body to be  
2 civically engaged. The keystone to ensuring this engagement is getting out the vote. I  
3 have a number of new initiatives I want to bring to campus. As the first step to this  
4 plan, I have asked the senate to fund the position of Civic Engagement in the budget.  
5 I see this position key to making this plan become a reality. If we choose now not to  
6 venture out and try something new, we will never know what we could have  
7 accomplished on our own. We will be back here next year and the year after and  
8 years after that fighting again and again over this issue. However if now we accept  
9 the challenge If you put faith in me and the students of SUNY Oswego and  
10 yourselves we could create something amazing and set standards for other. Or we  
11 could fail and next year bring NYPIRG back?!? But at least we will have tried! We  
12 are students and we can achieve great things given the opportunity. I am ready to  
13 accept the challenge!

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15 VP Fields – There is one more person for public comment. Brenda from American  
16 Marketing Association

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18 American Marketing Association

19 Hi everyone, I'm Brenda from AMA, I'm vice-president of finance so acting  
20 treasurer. AMA is to urge a personal and professional environment for our  
21 members. We are very new, only a year old, but we have done some projects  
22 around the community. We do some small business projects and provide  
23 marketing services to them. We have gone to High schools and Johnson Hall to  
24 do presentations. We are going to do an event. What we are asking is for 30  
25 dollars for battle of the bands. Our goal is to reach out to all the students to offer  
26 an alternative to go out and join AMA to go out and achieve some sort of income.  
27 We did some fundraising at Fajita Grill. Battle of the bands will be on May 3<sup>rd</sup>  
28 from 8pm to midnight in Hewitt Union ballroom. Everything is booked, we have  
29 the bands. We just need 30 dollars for one of the bands to get here from Potsdam.  
30 Adams – If you would like someone to sponsor your bill I can do that.  
31 AMA – This is my first time here and we are very new  
32 Guerrero – thank you for coming and you did very well for your first time  
33 Hammond – when is the date for that?  
34 AMA – 8pm to Midnight in the ballroom

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36 SA Vice-President Andre Fields

37 Hello everyone, before I give my opening speech that I was suppose to give last  
38 week but due to time I was unable to, I would like to say a few things:  
39 This Friday student assembly will take place with Senators Bronson, Trifunovski,  
40 Guerrero, President Miller, Tim Farnsworth and myself. Also, I want to talk to  
41 you all about your goals: what you want to do where you are going and what I can  
42 do with you. Come by my office to discuss this sometime in the next few weeks.  
43 For the Committee chairs, I have sent out templates and I want you to start giving  
44 me a report by that template so I can have reports for the minutes. Now I will  
45 give you my “inaugural” speech, if that is what you want to call it:

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47 Good evening Senators, Members of the Executive Branch, students, and guests.  
48 I would first like to say that it is a honor to now lead the body from whence I

1 came. I have learned a lot from many of you in ways that you may not even know.  
2 Upon taking the oath of office on April 1, 2007, I made a pledge to preserve,  
3 protect and defend the constitution of the Student Association. I take that very  
4 seriously and hope all my colleagues in this room do as well, from President to  
5 Senators to Justices of the court. Both you and I have a responsibility as elected  
6 officials to answer questions to mobilize and take action so that the interests and  
7 needs of our electorate are met! A lot of times we get so caught up in doing  
8 things in SA that we forget who we are really here to serve! We must always  
9 remember how we got here; who we are responsible to; and for whom we work!  
10 My goal as your Vice-President is to never forget how I got there, to whom I am  
11 responsible and most importantly, for whom I work for! I have laid out four point  
12 plan:

- 13 1) First, we must increase involvement within our Student Association Senate.  
14 The SA constitution states that the maximum amount of seats we may have is  
15 sixty-six (66) and the minimum is thirty-three (33). Right now we have 19  
16 student Senators, with two faculty representatives. My goal is to increase that  
17 number to at least 33 by the fall of 2007 and to 40 by April 1, 2008. This goal  
18 will not be easy, but I will campaign for this along with colleagues such as  
19 Senator Trifunovski and any other colleague who would be willing to tackle  
20 this project as well.
- 21 2) Second, I plan to start a council of Vice-Presidents, which would include  
22 Vice-Presidents in organizations and Hall Council Vice-Presidents to promote  
23 unity and allow organizations that would not usually work together, to come  
24 and sponsor events with each other and to foster a more direct link between  
25 Student Association and Hall Councils.
- 26 3) Third, I plan to implement a Senate liaison program, in which each Senator  
27 will be assigned to a random club and will act as a liaison for that club. It will  
28 allow Senators to be involved with organizations and allow organizations to  
29 get things done more rapidly and efficiently.
- 30 4) Fourth, I plan to promote Senate in a positive, respectable manner. A few  
31 weeks ago some of our constituents came into this room and demanded action.  
32 Some may not have appreciated or didn't understand what was going on.  
33 Those constituents were partaking in civic engagement; the most prized of all  
34 the tools in a democracy. They came in good faith, and it will be our duty to  
35 make sure that their needs are met.

36 As the voice of the Senate I would like to make it clear that:

37 We are offering you leadership in the face of a dying candle that needs to be relit!

38 We are offering you leadership in the face of uncertainty!

39 We are offering you leadership in the face of wanting a more active government!

40 We are offering you leadership in the face of great opportunity!

41 I remember what Ralph Nader said during the 2000 presidential elections, when  
42 he said: "I start with the premise that the function of leadership is to produce more  
43 leaders, not more followers". That is exactly what I intend to do! So that in the  
44 years after I am gone from this place, leaders all around will come to take charge  
45 and produce more leaders. That is my mission; that is my goal; that is what I put  
46 my faith into! Join me in my quest to build a stronger senate, a stronger SA, but  
47 most importantly a stronger student body!

1 As I conclude, I call on you all to think deeply about the future of not only  
2 yourself, not only of your organization or Hall, but this STUDENT  
3 ASSOCIATION as a whole. Ask yourself: what can I do to make my  
4 organization, my Hall, myself, and my STUDENT ASSOCIATION better. Ask  
5 yourself can I make a difference? If you think so, believe it with the surest of  
6 optimism. John F. Kennedy once said: “my call is to the young in heart,  
7 regardless of age, to all who respond to the Scriptural call: ‘be strong and of  
8 courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed’”. For courage—not  
9 complacency—is our need today: leadership not salesmanship. And the only  
10 valid test of leadership is the ability to lead, and lead vigorously. We must help  
11 Student Association in a time of great need. This is our test. This is our  
12 challenge and we must accept it. I must say that for significant change to be made,  
13 we first must make progress. Robert F. Kennedy put it best when he said:  
14 “progress is the motivator of all change, and only with progress can we ever have  
15 change.” These words were uttered in 1965 but 42 years later they are still so true.  
16 I truly believe that change can be on the march. Many of you may accept change  
17 and some of you may not. But, it is always easier to shrink from change, to look  
18 to the dismal mediocrity of the past, to be lulled by good intentions and high  
19 rhetoric. Those who would prefer that course should not take part in the vision  
20 for a new atmosphere.

21 I would like to conclude with a few questions. Are we up to the task? Are we  
22 equal to the challenge that we now face? These are the questions of a new SA  
23 compared to an old SA. That is the choice that SA must make, a choice that lies  
24 not merely between you and me, but between the public interest and private  
25 comfort, between SA greatness and SA decline; between the fresh air of progress  
26 and the stale, dank atmosphere of “normalcy”; between determined dedication  
27 and creeping mediocrity. Give me your help, you hand, your support. Thank you.

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29 VP Emeritus. Scott Robinson – Vice-President Fields I would like to say first is  
30 congratulations on finally becoming Vice President. I remember when I was Vice  
31 President before you even came you were sending me Facebook messages about  
32 joining Senate. Another thing is that you mentioned in your address was the  
33 Student liaison. Look at the program because it did exist in the past but it failed.  
34 Look at the involvement committee to see about getting them involved instead.

35  
36 Interim Director of Finance Dan Tascarella

37 Here are the numbers in your accounts this week:

38 6502: \$7,992.52

39 6506: \$2,426.00

40 Also I would like to reiterate what Chief of Staff Farnsworth said about refereeing  
41 the budget for one more week. It is so complicated that I feel one more week will  
42 ensure that we get a good budget and will not have to do amendments as the year  
43 goes on.

44 Cooperman – could you elaborate more on the reasons why?

45 Tascarella – Not really, there are still some questions we need to answer but we’ll  
46 make sure you get those answers

47 Cooperman – What questions will be asked?

1 Tascarella – Executive services, he wants to meet with Dr. Scharffenberger and  
2 Dr. Hughes to pass this budget without making amendments

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4 Student Association Programming Board (SAPB) Director Carlton O’Neil

5 Here are the upcoming events and things for next semester:

6 Coming up on the 29<sup>th</sup> is OAR concert. If any of you don’t have tickets see Dan  
7 Tascarella and he has a ticket for you. The doors open at 5pm, are there any  
8 questions the opening act is Ludo. The concert is going to serve as a May Day  
9 kick off so with that many students we are going to promote it as much as  
10 possible

11 Monday is roller-skating

12 Tuesday Forum Black light casino

13 Wednesday Battle of the sex’s game show

14 Thursday Game night and that will be changed after we speak with Josh

15 Friday Cool-out which is a comedy show that will feature a national host who has  
16 been in Friday the movie and a couple of poets from Def. Comedy jam

17 Saturday CSA fashion show, dance show, DJ competition and plenty of food.  
18 That’ll be in the Quad

19 Sunday will be the carnival. Laser tag, mechanical bull and the caricatures on t-

20 shirts

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22 Oakman – is this going to be printed up?

23 O’Neil – Yes, I’m going to call the people who are doing the posters because they  
24 got all the information tonight so after we get things done with SWG if it doesn’t  
25 take to long we are going to fix it but if not it’ll be here by the end of next week.

26 We want to make sure things are all set and give others a chance. Next semester  
27 we are planning the leadership conference. Hopefully more senators will be  
28 involved. I’m not sure of the date but August or early September. WE will be  
29 sitting down with Josh and VP fields to make it better than last year, even though  
30 last year was good. WE will have the ORI lecture and the title of the book is  
31 *Bombingham*. ALANA conference we have Esmeralda Santiago author of *When I*  
32 *was Puerto Rican*. She is a Nobel Prize winning author. We have the step show  
33 next year and we plan on doing a concert after that on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of September to  
34 save money on staging and lighting. We need volunteers for May Day so if you  
35 know anyone who needs to or wants to volunteer. You get a free t-shirt. If they  
36 are interested email [SAPB@oswego.edu](mailto:SAPB@oswego.edu). It is a dedicated role.

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38 **VII. Senator Issues Forum**

39 VP Fields – Before we begin Senator Issue’s forum I would just like to say that  
40 you all should keep it to senator issues this week.

41 Adams – I noticed last week that a lot of yields were going on and according to  
42 Roberts Rules this would be under “good of the order” and you should only yield  
43 to ask a question. My other issue was that recently Lee Hall is blocked off and  
44 I’m asking if anyone knows why.

45 Dr. Scharffenberger – we can find out

46 Trifunovski – Talking at my Hall council someone brought up this idea that there  
47 should be a suggestion box so they can put in ideas. Could we give a little stipend  
48 to the tech dept or OCTEA to make boxes for us with lock and key and put them

1 around campus? I think this would be a good idea and if we had a couple of  
2 senators once a week bring the suggestions to the table and see what the people  
3 have to say. It is anonymous so people won't be pressured and will be able to say  
4 what they want. I really support this idea and I hope we can look into that and get  
5 some prices.

6 Westfall – It is a good idea but I'm not sure we need to do it that way. We could  
7 do intercampus mail and it would get it to the same way. Why not just promote  
8 this to the campus as an option

9 Cooperman – Motion to close

10 Adams – second

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12 **VIII. Committee Reports:**

13 Procedure Committee, Senator Cooperman

14 Procedure has worked out a time to meet. We only have two members beside the  
15 chair. I have a bunch of goals next semester and I would like to discuss this with  
16 my committee. We will meet tomorrow at 9pm in the SA office

17 VP Fields – we will do nominations at the end of Committee Reports.

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19 Policy Committee, Senator Bronson

20 Speaking for Senator Bronson, Senator Cooperman

21 Senator Bronson is sick so we were unable to set up a meeting with Chief of Staff  
22 Tim Farnsworth with the SAPB bill so he is asking to re-refer it for another week.

23 Policy will meet tomorrow at 6pm in the Hart Hall classroom

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25 Finance Committee, Senator Adams

26 We also have one vacancy and we met yesterday and got a lot done. We met with  
27 ASO and the ASO bill is ready to go. The budget needs some final review from  
28 the e-board before they are ready to do it so we are going to re-refer it. Next  
29 meeting time, we are trying to find a balance form our Sunday meeting times. It  
30 kind of worked. I will announce to the Senate list when our committee will meet

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32 Involvement Committee, Senator Oakman

33 We did not meet last Thursday because of the break however most of the  
34 members on involvement are on elections and we have been going over the  
35 Wrestling proposal. They have most of their funding and we want to sit with  
36 finance to go over some processing. We meet Thursday at 9pm I will be sending  
37 an email. Also, we have one opening

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39 Elections Committee, Senator Trifunovski

40 We have one open seat. We met last week to go over the special elections which  
41 will take place on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> not the 18<sup>th</sup> since that is Quest. It will occur  
42 online like the regular elections. This time there will be a physical polling booth  
43 in Hewitt from 9 – 6pm there will be someone from the committee manning the  
44 booth and after that we will give you the results. Results won't be made public  
45 until Tuesdays meetings. Everything is going smoothly and I don't anticipate any  
46 problems.

47 Westfall – Will there be publicity for the special election?

1 Trifunovski – At the meeting we had we talked about funding with involvement  
2 and we have some money in our account to do publicity and will be making  
3 posters  
4 Oakman – posters will be out this week  
5 Trifunovski – We are looking to encourage people to vote; not a certain way but  
6 just to VOTE. We are also going to put out a facebook message  
7 VP Emeritus Robinson – In the past the referendum for NYPIRG is a touchy  
8 subject and some senators tend to be biased. Are there going to be strict rules  
9 about the individuals who will be sitting at these Polling places.  
10 Trifunovski – I’m forbidding any members from doing that and will bring it to  
11 Senate if that is the case. There is to be no campaigning at the polling site  
12 and no one will encourage someone to vote a certain way  
13 Green, I know the campaign has started, but could we get some written rules so  
14 that others will know  
15 Trifunovski – I’m trying to sit down with members of NYPIRG or other reps and  
16 Mr. Miller and other members of Senate to put this thing together by Thursday  
17 and explain the rules and everything that is going on. I’m going to send a letter  
18 tonight to NYPIRG  
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20 VP Emeritus Robinson – Are there any active members of NYPIRG who are part  
21 of elections committee.  
22 Trifunovski – There are some on the mailing list but none are members  
23 Cooperman – any senator on elections committee would keep their biases out  
24 from doing their job  
25 Trifunovski – all members are holding an honorable stance and I don’t think they  
26 are going to be biased.  
27 Green – the mailing list for non active members is for 1400 students  
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29 Heath and Safety, Senator Kelland  
30 Speaking on behalf of Senator Kelland, Senator Cooperman  
31 We did not meet last week, they will meet this week. We have two open seats.  
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33 CCRC Committee, Vice-President Andre Fields  
34 I didn’t attend the meeting since I was out of town but we need to find a rep since  
35 Senator Misercola resigned and the statute requires a member of senate to be on  
36 that board. If you are interested please see me since that is one of our most  
37 important committees since we have been building support with the city over the  
38 past couple of years  
39 Westfall- do they need to be around the summer  
40 VP Fields – No  
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42 VP Fields – Nominations for the committees. Procedure committee, any  
43 nominations  
44 Cooperman – Senator Hammond  
45 Zoll – Second  
46 VP Fields – do you accept the nomination?  
47 Hammond – Yes  
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1 Nominations for Finance Committee  
2 Trifunovski – Oakman  
3 Adams – Second  
4 VP Fields – Do you accept?  
5 Oakman – yes  
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7 Marra –I nominate Senator Guerrero  
8 Trifunovski – second  
9 VP Fields – Do you accept?  
10 Guerrero – Yes  
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12 Adams – I nominate Senator Oakman  
13 Anderson – Second  
14 VP Fields – Do you accept  
15 Oakman – Yes  
16 VP Fields – we need to do a run off  
17 Adams- Point of order, can the candidates speak?  
18 VP Fields – Yes, Senator Guerrero come to the floor  
19 Guerrero – I’ve gone to finance a few times and also I come with prepared  
20 questions. I’m very concerned with the budget and have met with DOF and  
21 President Miller to get further information. I discovered the mistake that was  
22 previously on the budget about clubs not getting money  
23 Oakman – I’ve been trying to get on finance for a while. I have been to a couple  
24 of meetings and I’m a math major so I know how to do numbers. I think this will  
25 help me in a career.  
26 VP Fields – Please vote one time  
27 VP Fields – Congratulations Senator Guerrero  
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29 Nominations for Involvement  
30 Guerrero – Point of Information: I think that people that need the committees  
31 should be told what the committees do  
32 VP Fields – this was given to them during training but if committee chairs want to  
33 elaborate they can  
34 Oakman – we have fun and go to events and do posters. At the same time we are  
35 meeting we are getting involved with what is going on campus  
36 Cooperman – I nominate Senator Accordion to involvement  
37 Trifunovski– Second  
38 VP Fields – Do you accept?  
39 Accordino –Yes  
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41 Nominations for Health and Safety  
42 Cooperman - we deal with health and safety on campus and do a lot of work  
43 around campus. There are two seats  
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45 Guerrero – I nominate Smith  
46 Trifunovski – Second  
47 VP Fields - do you accept?  
48 Smith – Yes

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Cooperman – I nominate Hammond

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VP Fields – Do you accept

Hammond – Yes

Nominations for Elections Committee

Trifunovski – We are pretty much done for the year so there isn't much going on.

If you became a member we would put you into the schedule to man the booth and also to amend and improve the election law. We could use an extra person.

VP Fields – they need a fresh face and have been getting a lot over the past few weeks. If you don't want to do it just think about it and join the committee because a fresh face could really help them

#### IX. General Orders

SLE 42.48 Student Association 2007-2008 Budget

Trifunovski – Motion to wave the reading

Adams – Second

Adams – A lot of great stuff but needs some more, so motion to re-refer

Trifunovski– Second

Adams – it's a 2/3 votes

Voting to re-refer

Bill is re-referred for a period of one week

14-0-2

SLE 42. 49 Student Associations Programming Board Guidelines

Cooperman - Motion to wave the reading

Marra - Second

Cooperman we motion to re-refer to policy for one week

Oakman – Second

Voting to re-refer

Bill is re-referred for a period of one week

15-0-0

SLE 42. 54 African Student Organization Dinner Celebration

Adams - Motion to wave the reading

Trifunovski – Second

Adams – Motion to amend, we met with ASO but didn't have quorum so this is actually from Senators Marra, Zoll and myself. We met with ASO and their cost and what was in their accounts. The cost of their dinner minus what is in their accounts means they are asking the senate for 2,150. So I added a "be it further enacted that proceeds form this ticket sale be returned to account 6502"

All those in favor say Aye, all those opposed say no

Opinion of the chair, the Ayes have it

Amendment passes

Adams- I think this is a great cause and they are ready for this dinner and have done a lot of planning. They have been working there way through the tier status

I motion to vote

1 Trifunovski – Second  
2 Bill Passes  
3 13-0-2  
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5 **X. New Legislation**

6 RES 42.07 Fair Negotiations

7 Green – This is self explanatory and I hope this isn't so hard to pass. If I could  
8 use the analogy that the students on this campus have the right to ask for funds  
9 and I know NYPIRG is a contractual organization but it is student

10 An organization that has been here for 16 years and is valuable. They meet many  
11 of the requirements in the financial policy and a lot of students coming up saying  
12 they belong here on campus should be enough. To give them 0 dollars is

13 I think it would be a good thing for the senate to ask in good faith to have  
14 President. Miller to just negotiate with NYPIRG. To have civic engagement you  
15 have to do more than just this campus and NYPIRG does that. I think we should  
16 give them the same consideration. Saying you can't afford it but you don't know  
17 the cause is unfair.

18 Adams – first if everyone can turn to the last page of the NYPIRG budget appeal,  
19 we did not request this I believe they were talking about the budget council. POI  
20 to Pres. Emeritus Farrell and Chief of Staff Farnsworth, as a contracted service  
21 the priorities and criteria of funding through SA are what the president has to take  
22 into consideration when negotiating contracts or how does that pertain to  
23 organizations? Where I want to go with this is that yes, we have Priorities and  
24 criteria for funding however that is for funding student organizations through the  
25 tier process and should fall outside of this decision because it is in this section and  
26 associated with the budget process for tier organizations. This is what budget  
27 council uses for their recommendations and shouldn't be a part of contract.

28 Cooperman – I disagree with the third whereas since NYPIRG *is* a contracted  
29 organization that is not student run. I feel that this is misleading and propose an  
30 amendment to strike that.

31 Guerrero – POI to Senator Adams: Could you please read under contracts or  
32 under Tier 3 organizations and is that what he was asking Chief of Staff  
33 Farnsworth or President Emeritus Farrell.

34 Adams – Reads from page 10 and page 22, and page 23

35 Adams – It is not under the charter but on page 10.

36 Accordino – I think this is a good idea to have a better view of what can be done  
37 between both organizations to see where a fair negotiation can be made to give us  
38 a better understanding of the way things are to see why an organization that has  
39 been here for 16 years is being removed from the budget

40 Bell – Point of Information to senator Green: is the attempt to bring both parties  
41 together to talk and not to say that there must be a negotiated contract because it  
42 reads almost like they have to get together to negotiate a contract.

43 Green – the intent is to just sit and find out what the contract might be about and  
44 find out what the organization is asking for. You can't simply say

45 Bell – To me it seems to read that we the senate is saying that Pres. Miller is  
46 getting together to negotiate a contract.

47 Green – I would not object to an amendment to

1 VP Fields – Resolutions are not binding just the will of the Senate. If they passed  
2 this Pres. Miller would not be bound by this.

3 Scharffenberger – We have a referendum coming up in the future and it has as  
4 part of their statement a financial statement so that it is not determined to set  
5 VP Emeritus Robinson – I agree with what she is saying and with VP Fields that  
6 this isn't binding. The whole nature is to just push something but in this is seems  
7 that it is a really weak resolution. But this is kind of like maybe you should do this  
8 and if you are really serious about this maybe you should rip it up and start a new  
9 one.

10 Pres. Emeritus Farrell – POI to the Senate are you still asking me to answer the  
11 question?

12 Adams – Yes I would like your opinion

13 Pres. Emeritus Farrell – Yes and no, I think generally the student association must  
14 consider certain guidelines when allocating student money but if you read the  
15 financial policy closely, look at page 10, at a read it seems as though these criteria  
16 are referencing don't apply to contracted services. I don't think any good  
17 president should fund services left and right I think they should investigate things.  
18 But personally I think the president is acting at his own discretion when dealing  
19 with contracts and there is no criteria about how to deal with contracted  
20 organizations. On a personal note, one of my first tasks was to initiate contracts  
21 with NYPIRG, I contacted them and didn't hear back from them until November  
22 and didn't get a chance to actually do the contract with them because of it.

23 Green – Clear up a few things, the question is about the current level of funding  
24 and wouldn't apply to the referendum question. And I understand that it is a weak  
25 resolution but this is why I presented it just so Pres. Miller can consider it. I think  
26 that you don't have to abide by them but there are guidelines and if an  
27 organization provides educational opportunities to students that that is important  
28 and should be funded. And as far as this being a student organization, we are  
29 registered as a Student Organization with SOS and I hope the senate can  
30 understand that our board reps do have say with how this chapter of NYPIRG is  
31 run

32 Trifunovski – Yield to Senator Cooperman

33 Cooperman – Motion to amend in the following ways: In light of what has been  
34 said and how I feel, I would like to change this resolution on lines 8 and 9 strike  
35 all of 8 and strike on line 9 contractual organizations it means that"; Line 16 strike  
36 "it recommends to" Line 17, strike "that he"; line 26 strike "to" and "encourages"  
37 and add "demands"

38 Trifunovski – Point of Information: is the priorities and criteria the same for  
39 funding through SA is the same as contractual services...

40 Westfall – POI: is this about the amendment?

41 Trifunovski – This involves the bill as a whole

42 VP Fields – Please hold off on this discussion then

43 VP Emeritus Mapes – On line 12 and 13' you can't say NYPIRG won't exist since  
44 the budget has not been passed so could you add this to the amendments of things  
45 to strike.

46 Adams – on the amendment, I think Senator Cooperman has the right idea to  
47 make the resolution stronger.

1 Cooperman – In regards to Vice-President Emeritus Mapes, I am in support of  
2 adding that but I do not want to change the premise of that part and would rather  
3 Adams – Objection, if you do that as proposed and include it “as proposed” we  
4 could still say that it is not budget day but I think that will to may will resolve it  
5 Green – Objection, the original intent was along the line that negotiations need to  
6 take place to have them on campus but I don’t know how you’re going to reword  
7 that but we need to stress that.

8 Cooperman – instead of striking that and changing it to may you could say  
9 “without a continued contract, NYPIRG would not exist” and this would be what  
10 you are asking for and in light of the budget not being passed.

11 Cooperman – motion to vote

12 Adams – second

13 All those in favor say Aye, all those opposed say no

14 It is the opinion of the chair that the ayes have it, the motion passes.

15 Adams – Yield to Chief of Staff Tim Farnsworth

16 Chief of Staff Farnsworth – President Miller would like to say that in no way does  
17 not signing a contract with NYPIRG mean those forty students can’t form an  
18 organization. It just means we are not going to give them the \$49,000 that they  
19 have asked for. The negations that have gone on have yielded no results. That  
20 packet you received from NYPIRG, that they gave at Budget council, where they  
21 asked them questions and they [NYPIRG] could not answer any specific  
22 questions. We have not shut our door to them we have talked we just aren’t  
23 getting what we want and no results

24 Trifunovski – Did pres. Miller ever talk to you about what he expects NYPIRG to  
25 do?

26 Chief of Staff Farnsworth – You should address that to him

27 Trifunovski – Point of Information to the senate: what do you expect to see from  
28 NYPIRG to demonstrate what they do on campus? Our constituents have been  
29 asking this same question. I’m very curious.

30 Green – I think the contract with NYPIRG or the packet and give everyone an  
31 idea about what is going on with our budget to give you an idea of what they do.  
32 It is more than voter registration it is environmental issues and consumer  
33 advocacy.

34 VP Emeritus Mapes – I don’t want to answer that question because I would be  
35 misrepresenting the current E-board.

36 VP Fields – I think this question is suited for the current President because the  
37 way the question is formulated it is about how *he* stands and how *he* would  
38 negotiate with them.

39 Trifunovski – I don’t think this is a question for just Pres. Miller I think this is for  
40 any person from perhaps budget council or other members who are related to this  
41 matter about what they have in mind to what they want to see

42 VP Emeritus Robinson – we want to see more than just fliers and more than  
43 meetings about how they are going to just go to Albany. We have a get out the  
44 vote on campus that we run and it wouldn’t cost us as much as NYPIRG to do it.  
45 There are a lot of things that SA could do and set up things that we pay NYPIRG  
46 to do. I’ve gone through some of their budgets and it boggles my mind when I  
47 compare them with other clubs. We should treat them as any other club. I don’t

1 see any reason to have NYPIRG when we could do any of these services for no  
2 money

3 Trifunovski – Could you name some of these organizations or perhaps what  
4 would you expect from a group for 49,000

5 VP Emeritus Robinson – A whole lot more than what I’m seeing. We don’t give  
6 this choice to other groups who do a lot more than NYPIRG on this campus. I  
7 don’t think anyone can answer that question. It is a good question for everyone to  
8 ask though.

9 Anderson –I think those are good and valuable questions to ask when you look at  
10 a budget but when you see an asset liquidated from one group and money moved  
11 to other organizations you need to ask why. This is a valuable question also.  
12 What is being done with the money from NYPIRG and being given to other  
13 organizations?

14 Cooperman – I understand your concerns but it does not pertain to the resolution  
15 at hand and is suited for the budget itself

16 Adams – I concur with Senator Cooperman

17 VP E Robinson – I concur

18 Cooperman – It is my opinion that president miller is going ot make up his mind  
19 regardless of this resolution and you need to think of whether or not you are in  
20 support of Pres. Miller to negotiate with NYPIRG. This resolution says it is fair  
21 but it seems to favor more with NYPIRG and is my personal opinion that  
22 NYPIRG has had a chance t display its worth and I’m sure Pres. Miller has made  
23 up his mind in regards to negotiating with NYPIRG. Motion to vote

24 Adams – Second

25 Resolution is tied

26 6-6-3

27 VP Fields – I am a big person on a separation of powers and I believe that the  
28 resolution while I can understand where they are coming from it is the Presidents  
29 job to negotiate the contracts and the senates job to approve what is going on so I  
30 am going to cast a no vote

31 Resolution fails

32 6-7-3

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34 RES 42.08 NYPIRG Consideration

35 Green – This resolution comes straight out of the budget and hope that an  
36 organization that has been on campus for 16 years would be given some  
37 consideration. We’ve had this discussion before and NYPIRG does a lot for this  
38 campus and I hope that a demonstration with all the interns and where we go and  
39 what we do and I think that the real fact is that allocating 0 dollars is even  
40 appropriate. Taking the money out of NYPIRG and giving it to different  
41 organization violated viewpoint neutrality by saying that one organization can do  
42 it better. NYPIRG is worth more than nothing. NYPIRG does things that civic  
43 engagement just can’t or won’t do. It is more than a contractual organization.

44 Cooperman – I would like to say that I think no one can say what civic  
45 engagement will or won’t do because it has not been put into place yet. In regard  
46 to the bill itself, NYPIRG does not have Tier status and is not an organization and  
47 I feel this resolution is irrelevant

1 Adams – I want to say three things. First, with this going to budget council and  
2 appealing for Tier 3 status it was out of order because it is a contracted service.  
3 Centro cannot come to budget council merely because they have a student driving  
4 the bus and claim that it is a student service

5 Guerrero – the civic engagement is a position and would fall under President  
6 Miller and we can't predict what would happen in the future

7 Trifunovski – I want to say that this special election, though non-binding, that this  
8 election has not taking place and we don't know what the students want. We  
9 can't assume what the student body wants. By making decisions that are so  
10 important we should know what they want before we decide anything since they  
11 are the ones that pay. We should be hearing what students want and this is their  
12 campus. I believe students want their opinions voiced and whether it is non-  
13 binding or not, we should show that democracy is here in America where people  
14 vote and we know what they want. Why not find out what they want before we  
15 decide of whether or not to have a contract or not.

16 Westfall – I concur with Cooperman and staying strictly on this resolution that  
17 NYPIRG is not a Tier 3 organization and has a budget allocated to them as part of  
18 this process and feel this resolution should fail

19 Marra – I yield to Chief of Staff Farnsworth

20 Chief of Staff Farnsworth – President Miller did run on a campaign that he was  
21 looking for an alternative to NYPIRG and that was a platform and a student voice  
22 that those who voted for him believed. This wasn't hidden from the student body  
23 and he stated this at several debates and several interviews

24 Bell – I agree with Senator Trifunovski with the representation issue but to vote  
25 reasonably, people need to know the issues on both sides and I don't think either  
26 side knows really what either side is saying clearly so it is too bad that there is not  
27 a debate between SA and NYPIRG in order to determine what they are looking to  
28 do with those dollars. If they are not going to NYPIRG and NYPIRG certainly  
29 needs to explain to students what they are doing with the money.

30 Green – I want to tell the Senate that the real reason we presented this is to listen  
31 to student opinions and if you are waiting for the referendum, that this does play  
32 into this and without allocating any money to NYPIRG you are saying you don't  
33 care about that. Once the budget is passed you are cutting the entire tool by  
34 saying that. You have constituents in your own dorms and not even 1/10 of the  
35 student population voted President Miller into office. All I'm asking is to give  
36 NYPIRG a fair chance.

37 Cooperman – I would like to state that for hall senators at least we should know  
38 what our constituents want and talking to our constiutents. I know I talk to  
39 students about the budget and how I should vote as a representative of them. We  
40 are considering this bill however and not NYPIRG so motion to vote.

41 Guerrero – Second

42 Resolution fails

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45 SLE 42.56 Amendment to SLE 35.51 Student Association Grant Policy

46 Adams – Motion to wave the reading

47 Trifunovski – Second

48 Adams – Motion to refer to finance for one week

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Trifunovski – second

SLE 42.57 Student Association Senate Apportionment

Cooperman – Motion to wave the reading

Zoll – second

Trifunovski – we have to have apportions and I don't think anyone will have any questions about it since it has to go through so motion to refer to election for one week.

Cooperman – Second

**XI. Roll Call:** Oakman, Cooperman, Anderson, Green, Hammond, Smith, Mara, Zoll, Westfall, Bell, Accordion, Adams, Guerrero, Trifunovski,

**XII. Adjournment 8:59 p.m.**

Cooperman – Motion to adjourn

Oakman – Second

ADDRESS TO SENATE  
Vice President André D. Fields  
4-10-2007

Good evening Senators, Members of the Executive Branch, students, guests.

I would first like to say that it is an honor to now lead the body from whence I came.

I have learned a lot from many of you in ways that you may not even know.

Upon taking the oath of office on April 1, 2007, I made a pledge to preserve, protect and defend the constitution of the Student Association. I take that very seriously and hope all my colleagues in this room do as well, from President's to Senators to Justices of the court.

Both you and I have a responsibility as elected officials to answer questions to mobilize and take action so that the interests and needs of our electorate are met!

A lot of times, we get so caught up in doing things in SA that we forget who we are really here to serve! We must always remember how we got here; who we are responsible to; and for whom we work!

My goal as your Vice President is to never forget how I got there, to whom I am responsible and most importantly, for whom I work for!

I have laid out a 4-point plan:

1. First, we must increase involvement within our Student Association Senate. The SA Constitution states that the maximum amount of seats we may have is sixty-six (66) and the minimum is thirty-three (33). Right now we have 19-student Senators, with two faculty representatives. My goal is to increase that number to at least 33 by the fall of 2007 and to 40 by April 1, 2008. This goal will not be easy, but I will campaign for this, along with colleagues such as Senator Trif and any other colleague who would be willing to tackle this project as well.
2. Secondly, I plan to start a council of Vice Presidents, which would include Vice Presidents in organizations and Hall Council Vice Presidents to promote unity and allow organizations that would not usually work together, to come and sponsor events with each other and to foster a more direct link between Student Association and Hall Councils.
3. Thirdly, I plan to implement a Senate Liaison program, in which each Senator will be assigned to a random club and will act as a liaison for that

club. It will allow Senators to be involved with organizations and allow organizations to get things done more rapidly and efficiently.

4. Fourth, I plan to promote Senate in a positive, respectable manner. A few weeks ago, some of our constituents came into this room and demanded action. Some may not have appreciated that or didn't understand what was going on. Those constituents were partaking in civic engagement, the most prized of all the tools of a democracy. They came in good faith, and it will be our duty to make sure that their needs are met.

As the voice of the Senate I would like to make it clear that:

We are offering you leadership in the face of a dying candle that needs to be re-lit!  
We are offering you leadership in the face of uncertainty!  
We are offering you leadership in the face of wanting a more active government!  
We are offering you leadership in the face of great opportunity!

I remember what Ralph Nader said during the 2000 presidential elections, when he said "I start with the premise that the function of leadership is to produce more leaders, not more followers." That is exactly what I intend to do! So that in the years after I am gone from this place, leaders all around will continue to take charge and produce more leaders.

That is my mission that is my goal that is what I put my faith into! Join me in my quest to build a stronger senate, a stronger SA, but most importantly a stronger Student Body!

As I conclude, I call on you all to think deeply about the future of not only yourself, not only of your organization, or Hall, but this STUDENT ASSOCIATION as a whole. Ask yourself, what I can do to make my organization, my Hall, myself, and my STUDENT ASSOCIATION better. Ask yourself can I make a difference. If you think so, believe it with the surest of optimism.

John F. Kennedy once said "my call is to the young in heart, regardless of age, to all who respond to the Scriptural call: "Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed."

For courage--not complacency--is our need today--leadership--not salesmanship. And the only valid test of leadership is the ability to lead, and lead vigorously.

We must help Student Association in a time of great need. This is our test. This is our challenge. We must accept it.

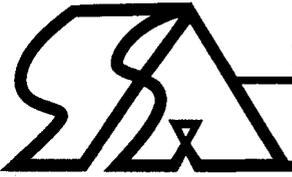
I must say that for significant change to be made, we first must make progress.

Robert F. Kennedy put it best when he said, “progress is the motivator of all change, and only with progress can we ever have change.” These words were uttered in 1965 but 42 years later they are still so true.

I truly believe that change can be on the march. Many of you may accept change and some may not. But, it is always easier to shrink from change, to look to the dismal mediocrity of the past, to be lulled by good intentions and high rhetoric, and those who would prefer that course should not take part in the vision for a new atmosphere.

I would like to conclude with a few questions. Are we up to the task? Are we equal to the challenge that we now face? These are the questions of a new SA compared to an old SA. That is the choice that SA must make, a choice that lies not merely between you and me, but between the public interest and private comfort, between SA greatness and SA decline, between the fresh air of progress and the stale, dank atmosphere of “normalcy”, between determined dedication and creeping mediocrity. Give me your help, your hand, your support.

Thank you



Senate  
42<sup>nd</sup> Legislative Session  
24th Meeting  
17 April 2007

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Senate  
42<sup>nd</sup> Legislative Session  
23<sup>rd</sup> Meeting  
17 April 2007

Senate Minutes

- 1 I. **Call to Order: 6:09pm**  
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- 3 **II. Senator Oaths**  
4 VP Fields – We will begin with Senator Oaths. Will Senators Hammond, Smith and  
5 Buchner approach the front to take your oath? Raise your right hand and repeat after me:  
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7 *[The oath of office is given to Ms. Smith, Mr. Hammond and Ms. Buchner]*  
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- 9 **III. Roll Call: Oakman, Cooperman, Bleiberg, Proxy Hubert, Green, , Hammond,**  
10 **Smith, Marra, Zoll, Nau, Westfall, Accordino, Adams, Bronson, Buchner,**  
11 **Guerrero, Kelland, Trifunovski,**  
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- 13 **III. Approval of Minutes**  
14 Adams – Motion to approve the minutes  
15 Westfall – Second  
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- 17 **IV. Approval of Agenda**  
18 Bronson – Motion to amend, please add RES 42.10 “Thanks to Justice Colombo” and  
19 RES 42.11 “Supreme Thank You to Benjamin R Patterson”.  
20 Cooperman – Motion to approve  
21 Oakman – Second  
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- 23 **V. Executive Report**  
24 SA President, Joshua Miller  
25 Good evening everyone it is nice to see you here. There is a lot to talk about but I will try  
26 to be brief. I just wanted to start with mentioning the events that occurred down at  
27 Virginia Tech. I feel it would be wrong to act like nothing happened. I want to send my  
28 personal condolences to those murders and their families and take a moment to think  
29 about that. I put my full support behind the resolution tonight. My chief of staff and I  
30 have prepared a report about NYPIRG and the funding and I hope that will clear up any  
31 issues for you here and the Senate. The gist of it is that NYPIRG hasn’t proven to SA  
32 and the executive branch that all the money being paid to NYPIRG isn’t being spent on  
33 this campus. According to the SUNY Board of Trustees Policy, all that money should be  
34 on this campus. To examine their financial records, it has been difficult as you will see in  
35 the packet that it has been hard to get a break down of the various costs that make up the

1 49,000. Upon getting this we have asked for a further breakdown to see what the money  
2 is being spent on which we have requested. As you will see in the packet there is a  
3 further breakdown and we asked look at the programs and were wondering what that  
4 actually goes to such as a stipend, bringing a person to campus for printing. We didn't  
5 actually see that. To build a budget it is hard

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7 Road blocks and detours is an issue that has been put in place. When President  
8 Tascarella asked to see the books they told us to come to New York City to view their  
9 financial records that could have been faxed or sent to show us. We felt that this was  
10 unfair. Lack of transparency. This goes to not seeing where our money is going. Again,  
11 go to page 3. You see where the money is spent but we don't actually see what the  
12 money is being spent on. Lack of results. This was a comment we wanted to make  
13 because we feel for 49,000 we feel there should be more going on on this campus for  
14 49,000. At student assembly I had a chance to express my concerns about NYPIRG and  
15 each campus had a different result. What makes our NYPIRG different from other  
16 NYPIRGs then? SUNY-Albany said they got a lot of programs for the money they spent.  
17 And we explained to them what we had on our campus, with smaller individuals and  
18 smaller groups. Is the money being spent on this campus or is it being spent at Albany?  
19 You're going to ask how we came up with the \$8,900. What we did was take the  
20 program account on page 3 and we added those up and put in the food and beverage line  
21 on page 2 . This is how we got this number and we asked for a bigger breakdown and  
22 this is all we received. Again, it is hard to determine what the money is being spent on  
23 with no transparency. I have asked the senate to fund the civic engagement to spend  
24 \$8,000 because I feel that is in line with what we have spent on NYPIRG. More funds to  
25 SA clubs and organizations. The current fiscal year NYPIRG received more money than  
26 any organization and club. In past years, SA organizations have seen cuts in their  
27 budgets and scrutiny in their funds. This doesn't happen to NYPIRG. If an organization  
28 Equal and fair playing field. In the current budget we're proposing to next year we have  
29 upped their budgets. By that I mean most of them. They came to budget council and  
30 explained what they needed and showed us what they wanted and what the money was  
31 being spent on. For that, I think we should reward people who follow our procedures and  
32 rules. Tier process for NYPIRG. They are recognized organization by SOS but they are  
33 not an SA tier group. If they were they would have more accountability from SA. By  
34 increasing the transparency, we could allocate money to them more efficiently and easily  
35 As I said before, this puts NYPIRG on the same playing fields as other organizations.  
36 What are our options for the future? I have a plan, I plan to have my Director of student  
37 affairs and civic engagement to form more political clubs. We have clubs on this campus  
38 who do not know how to start a club or fill out a constitution. This will be a grass roots  
39 effort.

40 I plan to have my civic engagement director to promote

- 41 1) Environmental issues forum
- 42 2) Tenant rights forum
- 43 3) Political issues forum a get out the vote campaign

44 I already spoke to Dean Scharffenberger to get people to register to vote

45 I want my director of civic engagement to work with the housing and registers office

46 This is where lobbying starts, if we don't have people voting or representing us in a pole,  
47 then there is no point in sending people to Albany because they won't have any

1 accountability. I will now turn it over to Tim to talk about some other areas he has  
2 looked at to expand

3 COS Farnsworth – One of the things that was brought up was that these colleges that  
4 have money toward lobbying groups: could that money be better used at Student  
5 assembly where 64 campuses are represented. There is direct representation on their  
6 board. Is there another way to get our voices heard as a whole? Student assembly is  
7 designed for that to go and talk about the issues. Another group we looked up was the US  
8 student association. This would get out national issues known and this would take some  
9 research

10 Pres. Miller – they have packages that we can pay and they will teach us how to organize  
11 particular campaigns and show us how to do the research. This is federal and statewide  
12 COS Farnsworth – there is also American Reform in Democracy, we can setup a chapter  
13 of that on this campus. They will put us in touch with speakers and it will also cut out the  
14 cost. Working with student association to get students to Albany, we could go with the  
15 Provost and go to Albany. By working with the administration and the political science  
16 department and being ACTIVE with those groups we could get to Albany and be as  
17 effective as NYPIRG

18 Pres. Miller – just because we wouldn't bring NYPIRG back as a contracted service  
19 doesn't mean students can't form a NYPIRG on this campus.

20 Workshops for lobbying on student rights and government. We went to a number of  
21 events on these issues and they would talk about what we could do on this campus. It  
22 was a really well run program and there was a lot of information there.

23 On your last page this is the SUNY assembly budget. It is state funded and is not funded  
24 through the SAs. They get 68,000 and you can see they have a lot of money put towards  
25 the conferences. What if campuses started to put more money toward them and organize  
26 a joint effort?

27 COS Farnsworth – a student assembly like the UN where they get together and don't get  
28 a lot done. There are other things out there where we can go and get our voices heard in  
29 Albany

30 Pres. Miller – I think this concludes the issues with NYPIRG and why we want to get rid  
31 of them. The gist is we haven't seen any accountability and if they want to be here next  
32 year, they can become a Tier organization. Moving into the rest of my agenda, the  
33 campus center committee. All organizations were given a packet in their mailboxes and  
34 it was an overall questionnaire that invited all organizations to a meeting. We got to see a  
35 proposal for furniture and office space.

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37 *[Shows a Breakdown of the Campus Center Space on the Elmo]*

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39 Pres. Miller – In the south there is room for 14 student organization services  
40 The cluster space that we came up with at our last meeting was that 47 of these spaces  
41 would be given and

42 A little less than ten would be for ordinary use and could be used by those getting started  
43 It is open and there is no closed door. It has some locked filing cabinets and movable  
44 desks and cabinets that can be rolled out and used for a meeting. This means you could  
45 go and move it and have a great meeting with your organization. There will be more  
46 technology in these spaces. The idea is that having these informal spaces, when someone  
47 comes into the student organization area, they will look around and see a white board and  
48 contact them and interact as well as other organizations with dedicated space.

1 Type A room is a room with a closed door, 14 of these  
2 Type B is a space dedicated to organizations for a year.  
3 Type C are the final type and these are the spaces that are open to everyone.  
4 When they fill out an application they will be asked what kind of space they need and  
5 why they need it. I'll bring a copy of the questionnaire next week and currently all  
6 organizations need to file for space in the beginning of the year so this will be nothing  
7 new for them. This committee also decided on the group of students who will sit on the  
8 board to decide this space. Nadia and Tim were chosen to separate the rooms and to  
9 decide what space they would need based on their needs. Dr. Hughes and Barbara St.  
10 Michel and Kathy Santos will sit on that board as well. I do have two appointments  
11 today I would like to appoint Dan Heyman as the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.  
12 We would like to use this opportunity to let him  
13 AJ Heyman – I'm currently an Associate justice and I have some big plans to modify the  
14 Court. To start, the whole constitutional procedure. I want to make it so that it is easier  
15 for clubs to know when their constitution is approved. I also want to make it so all our  
16 documents are online. I want to streamline the court and make it as easy for people to  
17 file things online so you're not constricted to our office hours. This was a problem for  
18 both our cases this semester. I also want to make it so the court is more visible so  
19 students will know where and when a procedure will take place. We could use the SA  
20 calendar. I want to make it so the court is a respected entity on this campus and I'm the  
21 right person for this.  
22 Pres. Miller – I have had a few meetings with Dan about what we want the Court to come  
23 and I think he is a strong individual for the court and he is the right person for this job.  
24 VP Fields – Dan Heyman will be referred for one week to policy committee for one week.  
25 The way it works is that he goes to policy for one week and they basically grill him and  
26 ask him questions and they make their recommendations then the senate gets to ask  
27 questions next week and then he gets the up or down vote.  
28 Pres. Miller – my second appointment is Chris Hill and is my appointee for Director of  
29 Finance of SA. Chris has been one of my assistants for this year and he has done an  
30 excellent job as Assistant Director of Finance. He is a go-getter and he really works hard  
31 to get through things. He has familiarized himself with all the documents and procedures  
32 to do that. This is important for a DOF since they will deal with clubs and organizations  
33 on a regular basis. He can remain firm in his stance which is also important for a DOF.  
34 Also, he is able to get things in on time. He has a wonderful GPA and is a smart kid.  
35 Hill – When I was first assistant Director of Finance, one of the things Josh assigned to  
36 me was the inventory and this was something neither Josh nor I was sure what this  
37 entailed but I went out and found out and did it. Also I did the budget council so I'm  
38 familiar with how the budget works and how it is allocated on campus. I also did  
39 treasurer training and this is a big part of the SA process to be able to train treasurers for  
40 groups. Just being in the office I was able to watch Josh and see what it takes and how  
41 SA works. It has been a great experience  
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43 Pres. Miller – He is also being inducted into Beta Alpha Psi and this is really good and  
44 really important since you need someone who is really good with accounting. I think  
45 Chris is our best appointee for this position and the best to take the reins for this position.  
46 He is also good about communicating things and I think him and I will work  
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1 VP Fields – Mr. Hill is going to finance for one weeks; same process as Mr. Heyman.  
2 He'll come to the floor next week, up and down vote, pretty simple.  
3 Pres. Miller – Just to elaborate on the other directors positions, I have a lot of prospects  
4 and I'm interviewing already. We have quite a pool for justices, I think six or seven and  
5 this is great because it allows us to pick from a bigger pool to get the best candidates.  
6 Also, we had lunch with President Stanley and we discussed and talked about some of the  
7 things we want to see for the future of SA. We spoke about moving to the new campus  
8 center and the obstacles that come wit that. We spoke about the space and storage and  
9 we requested that space be allocated in Hewitt and I think that will be helpful so that the  
10 new campus center simply does not become a closet for groups. I will be in my office  
11 this week to go over my  
12 A few people from SA sit on the Auxiliary Services Board and I'm waiting for an email  
13 from Mike Flarrey about opening on that board. I received their budget request from  
14 Auxiliary Services and just to elaborate on that we found that Auxiliary Services plans to  
15 keep the sweet shop open in Hewitt and this was troubling to me since we are not allowed  
16 to keep our shops open, like the corner shop, and I want this discussed next week because  
17 I think this is unfair. We should be allowed o keep our store open for students to buy  
18 products they can't get anywhere else on campus. Tonight we will discuss the budget  
19 and where money will be allocated and I look forward to passing that tonight. My office  
20 is always open.  
21 Cooperman – My first question is in regards to the campus center committee, you talked  
22 about the survey and how the space is going to be allocated that way. How do  
23 organizations feel because I have heard from a lot them that they do not want just a  
24 cubicle and they feel  
25 Pres. Miller – I have seen it and a lot of the other organizations, I would say ¾ seem  
26 optimistic about the space but there are some organizations that are upset and they have  
27 expressed that in the committee.  
28 Cooperman – You said Albany was happy with NYPIRG on their campus, how much do  
29 they pay for NYPIRG on campus?  
30 Pres. Miller, I don't want to say they were all happy it was more like 50-50.  
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32 Bronson – I believe from Albany it was in the 5 dollar way  
33 COS Farnsworth – so about 100,000 but it is a larger campus  
34 Cooperman – PO fact to Tim duch  
35 Duch – I don't have the exact number but it is well above what we get here  
36 Pres. Miller -0 there was still mixed emotions about what happens with NYPIRG on  
37 Albany and when we talked about the lack of transparency they responded very shocked  
38 that we really didn't get  
39 COS Farnsworth – Specifically Stony Brook, Albany and New Paltz said the same thing  
40 and they said they don't have the same relationship and we need to do what is best for our  
41 campus.  
42 Pres. Miller – This isn't just a controversial issue here, this is a SUNY wide issue but I jut  
43 think out situation is unique and we need to say enough-is-enough and see where our  
44 money is being spent.  
45 Bronson – We spoke of an email list from SA about a campus wide email and did this  
46 topic come up with your lunch?  
47 Pres. Miller – No it did not but I will be sure to look into it again. We could ask all our  
48 organizations to do a mass email list

1 Buchner – With the cubicle situation how are you going to deal with other students like  
2 “you stole my stapler” like how are you going to keep track of things and how are you  
3 going to be sure that people will not just wheel them away?  
4 Pres. Miller – not everything is movable and they are lockable and you can lock them  
5 into place.  
6 Buchner – when is your next meeting with Debra Stanley?  
7 Pres. Miller – I think next month before graduation  
8 Buchner – I just wanted to know if you’re going to discuss the thing I brought up before  
9 Pres. Miller – For all of you who don’t know, she was working on a new mascot as part  
10 of a project with former President Tascarella and she was working on designs for a  
11 prospective mascot to buy a new mascot. She has some really cool sketches that I’m sure  
12 she’ll show you during senator issues forum  
13 Adams – When you talk about the 14 closed office spaces does that take into account the  
14 administrative needs of SA?  
15 Pres. Miller – there are more offices for campus life and the rest are open to SA  
16 organizations. The 14 is for students and the E-board has to apply to them just like  
17 anyone else and give good reason for that space.  
18 Green – One of the problems I had is the implementation of personal views in regard to  
19 funding. Are there any steps you’re taking to make sure that the new Director of Finance  
20 is not going to break the law in funding one group over another?  
21 Pres. Miller – I believe there were no view-point neutrality violations this year and I think  
22 Chris Hill, who has a very neutral and level head, can do that. We also have the criteria  
23 and priorities in the financial policy to determine who gets what when allocating funds.  
24 Hubert – I do know the percentage break down was 80/20  
25 Pres. Miller – I mentioned the individuals I spoke with and their opinions were 50-50  
26 VP Fields – we will not have cross debate and I want order in this meeting.  
27 Trifunovski – Can you tell me what is happening with the moving, what is happening  
28 with the LEAD center?  
29 Pres. Miller – Yes, they are reserving a space for the lead center and they will be  
30 applying for office space just like all other SA organizations.  
31 Trifunovski – so SA decides this then?  
32 Pres. Miller – we are lucky to have three SA individuals to sit on the committee to decide  
33 this so I think it will be fair  
34 Trifunovski – is there any conflict with this?  
35 Pres. Miller – nope because all the organizations that were at the meeting have been with  
36 us for the entire time. There was a vote that the committee had and a number of  
37 individuals were up for a vote and the ones who are on the committee were the ones that  
38 were voted in by their peers.  
39 Trifunovski – so it just happens to be people from SA?  
40 Pres. Miller – yes the meeting lasted for 3 hours and we had close to 20 organizations that  
41 showed up and I think only 25 organizations have office space in Hewitt and some that  
42 don’t there.  
43 Bleiberg – I heard there was a space for Greek organizations, is that true?  
44 Pres. Miller – Greeks orgs apply for space just like all other organizations. Any one  
45 approved to be on campus can apply for space  
46 Cooperman – You were talking about the SA executive board applying to space, how  
47 much space would be given to SA

1 Pres. Miller – my goal is to get an office for President, vice-president, Director of  
2 Finance and SAPB. That is what we are applying for.

3 Herbert – How many pieces of legislation have the student assembly passed?

4 Pres. Miller – I don't know off the top of my head.

5 Kelland – currently there are crest hanging in the food court for Greek organizations,  
6 what is happening with those?

7 Pres. Miller – they aren't being moved if they want them they can address it in Greek  
8 council

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10 SA Vice-President, Andre Fields

11 Over the weekend we went to SUNY Student Assembly and I wasn't too found of it.

12 They were basically business meetings which were poorly ran. There wasn't much real  
13 discussion going on in there. I would go back though but I hope they would get better.

14 They have the potential to be a better group. I did meet some nice people though from  
15 other campuses. Thank you to Senators Trifunovksi, Gurerro and Bronson; President

16 Miller and Mr. Farnsworth for going. We need to fill the open seat on elections

17 committee still and I hope you all thought about that. We need a CCRC representative

18 and I would encourage all senators to attend the ASO dinner on Saturday. Tickets are

19 \$10. I would also like to extend a welcome to the Great Lake Review for coming today

20 so give them a round of applause. SAVAC is having their 35<sup>th</sup> reunion at the American

21 Foundry. I will pass around a list to RSVP, former Vice-President Mapes was suppose to

22 do this and I got an email from one of their reps about this if you want to attend. The

23 most important thing I want to say tonight is that it is going to be a pretty challenging

24 meeting so I will say it now: I want there to be absolute order in the meeting and I want

25 everyone to remain respectful. If you are referring to someone you will address them by

26 their title i.e. Senator or President or Vice-President. This will give the Senate a more

27 professional outlook. I want to reiterate my condolences to the Virginia tech massacre

28 yesterday. We wrote up a resolution that we will be sending to Virginia tech.

29 Bronson – Point of Information to Tim Duch: what is your official title?

30 Duch – I am the NYPIRG Project coordinator

31 Trifunovski – Will this be in a different form or as it is now?

32 VP Fields – it will be in form as it is now.

33 Westfall – Will there be any charge for the SAVAC thing

34 VP Fields – No

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36 Interim Director of Finance, Dan Tascarella

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38 **VI. Senator Issues Forum**

39 Green – Point of information to the Elections committee chair: I have had some issues  
40 with how the ref was dealt with and the rules being changed. We found out last night we

41 could campaign today and the online email was suppose to go out but I didn't get an

42 email, and I believe that we didn't have polling stations because we were assured we

43 would have an email.

44 Trifunovski – this is the first I have heard of it but if you do have a problem I have talked

45 to the department about having other links available to bring you to the place to vote. So

46 we did try to address that problem. You are literally the first person I have heard of who

47 didn't get an email. As far as rules and stuff like that this has been a difficult election

48 week so a lot of the laws that apply to it in our election law are not compatible just for

1 questions since it goes to just candidates. So one of the biggest rules is any aspect not  
2 talked about will be addressed in elections committee. So when we came together as a  
3 committee, we made these decisions that campaigning would be allowed because it was  
4 not an election. We are dealing with these the best we can, as soon as we can.  
5 Green – would it be possible to put up posters with the link?  
6 Trifunovski – this would be for involvement committee  
7 Green – how much has it cost for this special election because I was told it was \$800 at  
8 our injunction hearing  
9 Trifunovski – we had it lowered down to \$400 so that is the cost to do the special election.  
10 Oakman – I guess we will be doing flyers and posters made up at the last minute.  
11 Trifunovski – I have sent out messages to the facebook groups but I have not joined  
12 either of the pro or con groups but I did put one out on the get involved site to get more  
13 people involved and to let them know.  
14 VP Fields – I would encourage senators to go back to their halls tonight and inform them  
15 of the election so they know that is going on. This will be a way to save involvement  
16 from doing posters.  
17 Green – I yield my time to President Miller  
18 Pres. Miller – are we spreading the link to get them to vote?  
19 VP Fields – I was just saying we should get people to vote.  
20 Cooperman – I was asked by Senator Trifunovski to clarify the point she was trying to  
21 make. While the email did not function as perfectly as we have liked, you can go through  
22 the Oswego.edu website click on current events to get to the link to go there. Other than  
23 that I would like to say that the link, if involvement could write the exact URL address on  
24 the fliers tonight that would be helpful.  
25 Pres. Miller – I have a comment to make, I want to mention to check your junk mail box  
26 because sometimes it gets kicked into there. So check there or your spam box.  
27 Bronson – I yield my time to NYPIRG Project Coordinator Tim Duch  
28 Duch – the URL address I got is printed on all our fliers  
29 Bronson – I would like to issue a public apology for missing senate last week and if  
30 you're in central New Jersey avoid the chicken wings.  
31 Oakman – Point of information to Tim Duch: what URL site are you talking about that is  
32 on your fliers  
33 Duch – the SA vote one, it is the actual page to vote on  
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35 *[Senator Accordino presents a NYPIRG flier with the address]*  
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37 Accordino – to elections committee, I actually know of a couple of people who did not  
38 get the link to vote.  
39 Guerrero – I went to assembly this weekend and I went to those workshops and I'm going  
40 to type up the notes I took and give them to Vice-President Fields and President Miller so  
41 you can see what we did down there. They had some good speakers and I talked to Vice-  
42 President Fields and President Miller about having some of them up here.  
43 Trifunovski – I have made packets of info on the rules for posting from the Election law  
44 and from the student handbook and gave it to both groups campaigning and posting. You  
45 can come to me and I'll give it to you. I would like to yield my time to President Miller  
46 regarding safety procedures.  
47 Pres. Miller – I went to a meeting with college administration and we discussed the  
48 student reaction to that and our emergency preparedness for that. Have you heard form

1 your constituents about any of this or any concerns they have so we can bring them back  
2 to the administrators.

3 VP Fields – I would like to recognize Chief Justice Patterson,  
4 Former Cj. Patterson – do we have a lock down procedures?

5 Pres. Miller – we do for certain buildings but we discussed is this the best procedure for  
6 our campus. And if students are trying to get to a safe area and don't have their key or id  
7 card how do they get in? We just wanted to figure out what we could do if this happens  
8 on our campus. Campus police would be our first responders. They would go to the  
9 scene of the crime and they would secure the scene and make sure no evidence is being  
10 removed. There is an emergency squad and they practice each month. There are two  
11 officers locally on this team and another who comes in if needed. Also, local and state  
12 police will be aware of anything and called if need be. WE discussed training building  
13 managers and maybe professors about how to deal with this type of situation. One thing I  
14 brought up was while we have contingency plans in the learning and living halls, what  
15 about the dinner halls. When Chief Adams spoke at the meeting, she seemed very  
16 confident that we would be prepared for that.

17 Trifunovski – I yield

18 Kelland – this is something that was already planned to be discussed by Health and safety  
19 at our next meeting so Point of information to Pres. Miller: do you have any notes that  
20 would be available for this meeting?

21 Pres Miller – Yes

22 Buchner – [*Presents her sketches for the new mascot on the ELMO*]

23 The name we have come up with is not permanent is Ozzy the Laker. President Miller  
24 and I have talked and I was told that President Stanley did not want a fish but she hasn't  
25 seen the sketches yet. The problem with the second one is that every other campus has it.

26 Pres Miller – I don't know if we would want a fish because if we play Plattsburgh we  
27 would have fish thrown on the ice. I'm not in favor of the fish I think the sailor is cool  
28 looking but we have to think about male and female sports teams.

29 Buchner – The reason we're going with this organization is because of what this  
30 company is capable of. They do numerous characters for corporations and the designs  
31 are limitless. Since I was on the E-board, we did do the design a laker competition and  
32 not many people did it and some that did plagiarized.

33 Oakman – Would there be a drawing for a female sailor? It is very masculine.

34 Buchner – the price range is between 3 and 7 thousand dollars each

35 Pres. Miller – I think we should just choose a design that is both male and female so an  
36 animal.

37 Buchner – Senator Kelland, Adams and I were talking that the top one may condone  
38 smoking so we were thinking to put bubbles in his pipe which I think would be cool to do.

39 Herbert – I was curious about the belt thing you know the four bolts on his pants.

40 Buchner – those are uniform sailor pants. I will send Vice-President fields these pictures  
41 to send to your constiutents.

42 Adams – I just want to bring back something about the fencing around Lee hall and I  
43 guess they are redoing the boilers in Lee hall and to make room they have to remove  
44 parts of the wall so you don't get hit with a brick while walking by. It will be like that for  
45 the rest of the summer.

46 Bleiberg – the sidewalks across from Johnson hall are so uneven that when it rains they  
47 flood and it is impossible to get around. The only way around it is to walk in the road or  
48 to literally walk through a muddy field

1 Scharffenberger – you should ask Health and safety to check it out.

2 Green – can I approach the podium to go over this ref and the presidential report thing. I  
3 would like to know I have issues with just about everything to do with NYPIRG and I'm  
4 excited that the president has taken a stance on this issue and I glad that he is using SA  
5 money to advertise this and that if he wants to kick an organization off this campus that  
6 has been here for 16 years is great. So I decided to do some research on this and I wanted  
7 to present it to you tonight. The contract and the budget report that budget council asked  
8 for including the breakdown NYPIRG provided. It has all the professional services  
9 breakdown. The next thing that came down was the audit and that was no problem so  
10 they got it another break down

11 Pres. Miller – the audit that was given was two years ago and the contract says the current  
12 fiscal year.

13 Green – I don't know much about audits but I asked the regional supervisor and they said  
14 that was the most current on file. I'm not going to support a budget that is not going to  
15 give money to NYPIRG. SA has asked for all these things and NYPIRG has complied up  
16 to this point. So lets decide whether or not we go through books. This is something that  
17 is going to take a while. Lets wait to see what the students say, then sit down and then  
18 find out what the

19 Pres. Miller – You know we have been asking all year for this information why does it  
20 take up until we will not sign a contract that they will provide this information. This has  
21 come along way now and we have not seen the accountability for the past 18 years.  
22 Shouldn't we see this accountability from an organization now? Shouldn't we expect  
23 more from an organization that is receiving SA money? Where should the money be  
24 spent, I'll tell you on this campus.

25 Green – I don't think anyone has ever been ready to sign a contract with NYPIRG. I  
26 think we went through the breakdowns then an audit Then I think we need to look at  
27 what went into these decisions and I think the personal views of finance committee  
28 against NYPIRG were brought in. Why is one organization getting zero dollars and  
29 we'll spend some money on another. A couple of weeks ago we went to Albany and  
30 went with 27 students to do this. You clearly have to have people who know how to do  
31 this and have done this before. NYPIRG has helped students over the past 30 years  
32 Don't we owe it to the students of this campus to do something for them off this campus.  
33 778 new students registered to vote this year and you have to have an economy of scale  
34 in New York State to take this into consideration. I don't know how civic engagement is  
35 going to do this. NYPIRG has people on staff who can speak for the students and also  
36 teaches them to speak for themselves. It also teaches them how to do things in Albany  
37 when you are up against the New York State government. You're not going to see that  
38 on this campus unless we work with other campuses and unify our voice. I do want to  
39 give NYPIRG my 4 dollars and I hope you do.

40 Pres. Miller – the break down of the \$49,000 there is a supplies and equipment \$1,200,  
41 general office supplies computer and computer related supplies, do you know what this  
42 money was spent on specifically?

43 Green – yes

44 Pres. Miller – I want to point out that they are only on 21 campuses and since there are 64  
45 SUNY campuses so clearly they don't represent all the voices of SUNY. So why should  
46 Oswego bare this cost. We don't know what would happen to the things I have proposed  
47 but you know what, lets try lets see what will happen and try something new and see  
48 what will happen. If we don't know we'll just be back and we'll be doing the same thing

1 we're doing now. You say it was NYPIRG that passed these laws, when it was really  
2 other lobbyists helping with this and it wasn't just SUNY students and it is not all about  
3 having money it is about being organized.

4 Adams – First, I don't see how finance committee or any other committee can be biased  
5 since we are here to represent our constituents. If we choose to support other causes  
6 outside this senate is irrelevant.

7 Gurerro – It is our right as our consumers to ask for evidence even if it is difficult to find  
8 it and to inform our constituents where are money is going. So it is their right and it is  
9 NYPIRGs job to give us this information.

10 Cooperman – Point of information to Senator Green: don't you think any organization  
11 hired or funded by SA should be held accountable for SA while they are involved with  
12 SA?

13 Green – obviously yeah, but they did provide the breakdowns and they did cooperate so I  
14 think that the intent was to *not* sign a contract

15 Kelland – Point of information to Senator Green: On what basis are you making this  
16 decision that no one had the intention that no one had any intention?

17 Green – I guess I did say that on the accumulation of things that have happened like  
18 voiding the ref. like asking for these things and asking for more when given.

19 Kelland – Point of information to Former President Tascarella : what was your main  
20 reason for voiding the ref

21 Pres. Emeritus Tascerlla – that it violated view point neutrality. Since I have worked on  
22 contract negotiations with NYPIRG is that they will not use or PO system is that because  
23 they can't show where the money goes because it is pooled together with other schools so  
24 we cannot see where our money is directly going. I think that is a big problem with us  
25 because they can't show us where the 49,000 is being spent. Part of their bylaws is that  
26 they like the way they have it set up so they don't have to use our PO system and rather  
27 do a contract that does not show where the 49,000 is going.

28 Trifunovski – I didn't mention this earlier and I would like to recognize two and a half  
29 that this organization deserves a lot of credit and does a lot of things on campus and  
30 would like to recognize this group. I don't expect an organization to be this active as they  
31 are but I hope other organizations look to them as an example.

32 Oakman – Point of information to President Emeritus Tascarella and President Miller: to  
33 avoid misconception is it just how much NYPIRG receives that you guys are not signing  
34 a contract because isn't it possible to just lower the cost of how much NYPIRG is funded  
35 to keep NYPIRG and give them their \$8,900 or is it you want to get rid of them  
36 altogether?

37 Pres. Miller – I think I have been vocal that I want students on campus who want to keep  
38 NYPIRG on campus to form a Tier 1 organization and apply for funding like all other  
39 Tier organizations. And I would hope they would consider that an option. It will teach  
40 them how to work with our tier processing system and it keeps them accountable. If they  
41 start now, they could apply for Tier 3 status next year and get more money. There  
42 shouldn't be any special funding and any special services.

43 Oakman – Some constituents might be confused so is signing a contract with NYPIRG is  
44 for \$49,000

45 Pres Miller – I said I would if it was materially different such as significantly monetary  
46 different and that they would follow our purchase order system. Currently the contract  
47 we have with NYPIRG does not represent the best views of our students.

1 Cooperman – Could senator Green help to clarify some things and I think he was talking  
2 about he referendum being voided and I think he meant the petitions and when he said  
3 that no one on this campus would sign a contract he meant Pres. Miller.  
4 Bronson – I would like to take this to receive an offer to be a director with SUNY student  
5 assembly to write press releases to be sent out to the various media sources on the SUNY  
6 campuses and I will still be fulfilling my duties as senator on this campus.  
7 Herbert – I would like to address the plan that President Miller has suggested. First and  
8 foremost, as a semi-professional that works in Albany I would like to just say that this is  
9 not possible. You can't send people to just lobby in Albany. You need to establish  
10 yourself. Training starts on these campuses with people like Tim Duch. You cannot do  
11 the things NYPIRG does by simply joining Student assembly. I have never seen any  
12 piece of higher education legislation with their name on anything. I know NYPIRG has  
13 passed over 150 pieces of legislation.  
14 Pres. Miller – I think that is a defeatist mentality that we should take some opportunities  
15 to try. I don't know if they haven't. Are you addressing the senate as a representative or  
16 NYPIRG or as a Proxy for a senator?  
17 Herbert – I spoke to the person I was proxying for so that I could use my professional  
18 expertise to address these type of questions  
19 Cooperman – in response for that, I would ask that you act like a proxy for a senator and  
20 not as a professional in that sense.  
21 Bronson – Point of information to Proxy Herbert: the SUNY student assembly elects a  
22 president who sits on the SUNY board of trustees so I can assure you that when a piece of  
23 legislation passes the board of trustees that there is a student who sits on that committee.  
24 Pres. Emeritus Tascarella – as you all know I signed a contract with NYPIRG and we sat  
25 and we listened to what they had to say.  
26 Cooperman – Motion to close  
27 Oakman – Second  
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#### 29 VIII. Committee Reports:

30 Procedure Committee, Senator Cooperman

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32 Policy Committee, Senator Bronson

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34 Finance Committee, Senator Adams

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36 Elections Committee, Senator Trifunovski

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38 Involvement Committee, Senator Oakman

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40 Heath and Safety Committee, Senator Kelland

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#### 43 IX. General Orders

44 SLE 42.48 Student Association 2007-2008 Budget

45 Cooperman – Motion to wave the reading

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47 Bronson – second

1 Adams – POI to Pres. Miller and DOF Tascarella do you have the copies of the budget  
2 with the new amendments.  
3 Bronson – Motion for a three minute recess  
4 Kelland – second  
5 Cooperman – Objection, on what grounds  
6 VP Fields – the clerk has to go to the restroom  
7 Cooperman – I withdraw my objection  
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9 Adams – the way we have organized these amendments into first, appeals, then the E-  
10 board changes. First we'll start with the appeals. First up is under the Equestrian team  
11 under sports pg 4, account 1351 the committee decided to grant them that appeal.  
12 VP Fields – voting on the amendment for Equestrian team coach fees. All those in favor  
13 say aye. All those opposed say no  
14 The ayes have it, amendment passes  
15 Adams – next up is ski and snow board club for transportation. It is a new club so they  
16 don't have an account number. This one is on pg 5 near the top so they can afford a bus.  
17 VP Fields – Voting on the amendment for the Ski and Snow Board club Transportation.  
18 All those in favor say aye, all those opposed say no  
19 The ayes have it, amendment passes.  
20 Adams – Next up we're going to pg 9 under SAVAC. This is their PR account it would  
21 be going from 200 to 300 dollars. They are undertaking a new PR strategy to increase  
22 awareness of who and what they are.  
23 VP Fields – Voting on the amendment for SAVAC PR. All those in favor say aye, all  
24 those opposed say no. The ayes have it, amendment passes  
25 Adams – Under SAVAC under their conferences account. AS you remember they came  
26 about a conference to SUNY Upstate to go to more similar conferences to bring that  
27 knowledge back to SA.  
28 Buchner – motion to vote  
29 Zoll - second  
30 The ayes have it  
31 Adams – The biology club under their transportation account they are asking for an  
32 increase because they are barely able to go to one event a year. This will be able to get  
33 them to go on number of other trips  
34 Buchner –motion to vote  
35 Kelland – second  
36 Opinion of the chair the ayes have it, amendment passes.  
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38 Adams- can I direct your attention to page 1. These gray areas are to have the corner  
39 store open for the year but this won't happen so this will all have to come out. These are  
40 all related to student services.  
41 Pres. Miller – these amendments just reflect the ongoing discussion we've been having is  
42 that we're going to keep the copy center still on campus and SA run and I think it would  
43 be better to keep that available to students and organizations.  
44 Adams – this is just to clean it up and get it out of here  
45 Cooperman – would anyone object to vote on the executive student amendments as a  
46 whole?  
47 VP Fields – I was going to present it like that.

1 Green – objection, we’re giving up the box office and the copy center and we don’t  
2 control those anymore  
3 Miller – We will still have control since Cindy Donovan will still be on salary because  
4 she will serve students in an efficient way so it will be in the same manner  
5 Trifunovski – can written agreements be made because I do recognize that there are  
6 issues that Senator green is concerned with so that agreements can be made so that there  
7 will be no taking advantage of students and that should be in written form  
8 Miller – that conversation has taken place and we have taken that into consideration and  
9 that will be presented to the senate later  
10 Adams – part of ticket master not coming out is that it will be part of an integrated system  
11 so that you won’t have to go to different places to get different tickets  
12 Bronson- I yield to senator Trifunovski  
13 Trifunovski – a lot of things have to be scratched off is because we don’t have a choice in  
14 the matter and we provide a service that no one else will but if someone else does then we  
15 have to relinquish control then another group will that is not SA related.  
16 Cooperman – poi to pres. Miller regarding the changes: I understand the Ticket master  
17 will be merging will the same ticket choices be offered at all these places?  
18 Miller – Yes and it will even be available online  
19 Adams motion to vote  
20 Green –objection, POI to Pres. Miller  
21 Green – will we get any proceeds for events and the fees for doing this?  
22 Miller – no we will not.  
23 Buchner – Motion to vote  
24 Oakman – second  
25 VP Fields – all those in favor of these amendments please say aye; all those opposed say  
26 no. Any abstentions?  
27 Opinion of the chair the ayes have it, the amendment passes  
28 Adams – next up is right at the bottom account 5203, we don’t need to pay for wire and  
29 lock contracts. Motion to pass by general consent  
30 Cooperman – second  
31 VP Fields – are there any objections. Motion passes by general consent  
32 Adams – pg 5 and pg 6 under media and publications. I would like to direct this to  
33 President Miller  
34 Miller – we perceive that because of the new campus center that since it is shared space  
35 that the college will take on the cost to pay for the phones so we  
36 Adams – motion to pass by general consent  
37 Westfall – are we even talking about all the telephone ones? Because if we are lets do  
38 them one at a time  
39 Adams – I’ll put the amendment up for you to see  
40 Cooperman – so what we’re looking at is just telephone changes? If that is the case I  
41 wouldn’t object  
42 Westfall – on line item 3005, it looks like community service it looks like it is being  
43 reduced but if you look at the overall allocation it doesn’t change.  
44 Adams – POI to president miller.  
45 Miller – We’re checking that now to see if its an error. It does represent an error in the  
46 formula.  
47 Cooperman – do we know where that 500 dollars will be allocated?

1 Adams – basically if we have extra money allocated during appeals, we gave that money  
2 to civic engagement and tier 2 club disbursement. If I was to make what would be a good  
3 recommendation is that it goes to where it would be put to some good use or some  
4 programming venture.  
5 DOF Tascarella – We are keeping a total at the end of the meeting before the budget is  
6 voted on.  
7 Adams – With these amendments is a motion to pass by general consent  
8 Trifunovski – second  
9 VP Fields – Motion passes by general consent.  
10 Adams – moving down, these are some changes unrelated to telephone under account  
11 number is the Presidents salary. It is being reduced.  
12 Pres. Miller – I think it is reasonable and I agree with it. I would just ask that the  
13 director’s salaries remain as they are since they do deserve that much money.  
14 Adams – Motion to vote on account 5500 President’s salary  
15 Kelland – second  
16 Green – Objection can anyone present the arguments for the decrease in a salary  
17 Trifunovski – I thought a 1700 salary increase is too high though I did think some  
18 increase would be appropriate and we came to this compromise after that discussion and  
19 that is the number we came up with.  
20 Kelland – it started out as a negotiation between both sides and pres. Miller and DOF  
21 Tascarella were happy with the number we came across.  
22 Pres. Miller – completely agree with what they said and I’m fine with that.  
23 Adams – Motion to vote  
24 Cooperman – Second  
25 Adams – voting on account number 5500 President’s salary  
26 VP fields – voting on 5500, all those in favor say aye, all those opposed say no.  
27 Abstaining. Opinion of the ayes have it; amendment passes  
28 Adams – 5509 under government is another telephone account I recommend that we pass  
29 this by general consent  
30 Buchner – motion to pass by general consent  
31 Cooperman – second  
32 Adams – there is no number on civic engagement. With the left over money from  
33 appeals they thought it would be good to roll over the extra money for this position.  
34 Cooperman – POI to Pres. Miller with the additional 2500 what kinds of programs will  
35 we be seeing?  
36 Pres. Miller – we can bring high quality speakers as well as extra money for trips for  
37 lobby days and events to Albany. It represents the ability to do those events. I figure that  
38 since NYPIRG spends 8900 that we can do the same or more.  
39 Buchner – motion to vote  
40 Zoll – second  
41 VP Fields – all those in favor say aye  
42 VP Fields – all those in favor raise your hand, all those opposed  
43 The amendment passes 12-5-1  
44 Adams – 5814 and 6008 under Finance and Vice-President are telephone accounts.  
45 Motion to pass by general consent  
46 Bronson – second  
47 VP Fields – passes by general consent  
48 Adams – under the new account on programming Leadership/ SA conference Dinner

1 Pres. Miller – when I gave Tasia the budget we discussed this for the dinner and we  
2 wanted to continue this into the spring semester to discuss what we accomplished as a  
3 student association and she said 5000 would be what they needed for funding.  
4 Adams – Motion to vote  
5 Trifunovski – second  
6 Adams – this is the oddball number 6650 for Tier 2 club funding. This is what we didn't  
7 use during appeals  
8 Pres. Miller – we upped the amount so that these organizations will get more money in  
9 the beginning of the year and start to budget for those events.  
10 Adams – motion to vote  
11 Cooperman – second  
12 VP Fields – all those in favor say aye; all those opposed say no; abstaining. The ayes  
13 have it amendment passes.  
14 Adams – we would be changing the SA fee from 89 dollars to 88 dollars. This is right at  
15 the bottom. Aside from the 500 dollar difference it would be a completely balanced  
16 budget.  
17 Trifunovski – I know it thinks we could have gotten everything done with 88 but what  
18 were some of the reasons for upping it a dollar?  
19 Pres. Miller – I think it is our duty to give the organizations for the best dollar amount  
20 while not abusing that that represents the increase for organizations. It is the students'  
21 money at the ends and it is something we did not need.  
22 Cooperman – the 88 dollars number needs to be changed  
23 Nau – objection, shouldn't we do something with the 500 dollars?  
24 VP Fields – we're just voting on the amendment  
25 Buchner – motion to vote  
26 Kelland – second  
27 VP Fields – all those in favor say aye; all those opposed no; abstaining. The ayes have it,  
28 have to work together and it will allow them to make the best of a tough situation.  
29 Kelland – Motion to vote  
30 Trifunovski - Second  
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32 VP Fields – all those in favor say aye; all those opposed no; abstaining  
33 The ayes have it the amendment passes.  
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35 Cooperman – POI to senator Adams: why did you vote no?  
36 Adams – putting it into 6506 would be good but are we just doing that for a rainy day  
37 event thing where they get a dollar from one group to make use of this account.  
38 Westfall – POI to senator Adams or to the E-board? Do we also need to change the  
39 allocation to increase that by 500 dollars and total spending?  
40 Tascarella – allocation would have to increase but total spending wouldn't. Would we  
41 have to vote on this?  
42 VP Fields – we would have to present a whole new amendment  
43 Adams – we have agreed to amend 6506. If we were to change allocation on pg 10 if I  
44 could propose an amendment to just change the community services allocation and at the  
45 same time to increase allocation from miscellaneous.  
46 VP Fields- I would rather vote on them separately. Vote on community services first  
47 then on allocation.  
48 Kelland – motion to pass by general consent on community services.

1 VP Fields – motion passes by general consent  
2 Cooperman – Motion to amend miscellaneous  
3 Trifunovski – second  
4 Adams – Motion to pass by general consent  
5 Trifunovski – second  
6 Motion passes by general consent  
7 Adams – that is all the amendments.  
8 Kelland – We have had a copy of this budget for a while, motion to vote  
9 Hubert – objection, we have a referendum that will represent the voice and that they  
10 cannot vote without their voices being heard and you would be doing them an injustice  
11 Bronson – POI, can the budget be amended after being passed?  
12 VP Fields – There could be a motion to reconsider if that person votes for the budget, so  
13 yes  
14 Cooperman – would this motion be put forth at the next meeting?  
15 VP Fields – I would have to check Roberts Rules for that.  
16 Bronson – I yield to Pres. Miller  
17 Cooperman – Point of order, I have the floor  
18 Bronson – I yield to President Miller  
19 Miller – I want people to remember that this is an advisory referendum and it is not  
20 binding and that this budget represents funding that will help our students and will  
21 increase our impact of SA on student lives. I see no reason to hold this for another week  
22 and it is not in the Senates power to negotiate contracts and I made a strong argument as  
23 to why.  
24 VP Fields – on page 306 in *Roberts Rules* [VP Fields reads aloud from Robert’s Rules].  
25 So it has to be the same meeting  
26 Green – I understand that is it an advisory referendum but I want to remind every senator  
27 in this room that you’re violating your oath of office by  
28 Making other organizations more efficient I would like to see two things happen that one  
29 this ref is heard that we feel that NYPIRG should negotiate a contract with SA and I  
30 talked to the associate director and he said that they will work and do whatever they ask.  
31 We should listen to this referendum and work from there. I assure you all these questions  
32 will be answered  
33 Pres. Miller – we have had most of this discussion earlier in the meeting and I stick by  
34 what we said about transparency and there is no direct dollar-by-dollar representation to  
35 prove what the money is being spent on.  
36 Adams – the referenda is advisory and it doesn’t compel the student association president  
37 to sign a contract and I think by failing both resolutions that senate does not want to push  
38 the President to negotiate a contract. POI to President Miller: do you want to sign a  
39 contract with NYPIRG?  
40 Miller – NO  
41 Adams – obviously there is no need in the budget then  
42 Cooperman – I represent a certain constituency at hall council and that being said I  
43 cannot vote personal I vote for them and we have to consider what we are voting on .  
44 NYPIRG is a contracted service and a contracted service needs to go through the  
45 executive board and he won’t do that and I don’t see referring the budget as helping the  
46 students considering the referendum comes back, the senate cannot sign a contract under  
47 SA law and hope that NYPIRG will come back as a Tier organization and will come back  
48 for our laws.

1 Hubert – I just want to say that NYPIRG as a contracted service and the President and  
2 executive does not want to  
3 And that was the masses of this campus and they are currently voting on a referendum  
4 that they want NYPIRG on this campus and he should take into serious account the  
5 people who he represents on this campus. And I challenge you Mr. President to hear the  
6 voices of the people as they vote  
7 Bronson – As an At-large senator I personally feel that I would be doing a disservice to  
8 them without taking into consideration what they are doing with this referendum vote. I  
9 feel I can't do this though  
10 Miller – I ran on a stance that I would be against NYPIRG so they had an opportunity to  
11 voice their concerns there and I feel that the referendum is confusing since the question is  
12 misleading. How are they voting yes with their two part question. So I think that the  
13 students did have a chance to voice their concerns and I was very vocal about that and I  
14 think the vote will go in my favor and I feel that this budget does not need to be re-  
15 referred and I think it is good across the board.  
16 Kelland – as a Senator at large I agree with Senator Bronson and no matter what my  
17 personal opinions I can establish a decision but that is not all I need so I motion to re-  
18 refer for one week.  
19 Cooperman – objection, POI to anyone who stands that way to Senate to allocating  
20 money  
21 Green – I think that the 1251 students who put forth the petition have the power to  
22 compel the executive branch and I think that we could work on some sort of petition and  
23 it basically comes down to democracy and what the voices of the people want. Since he  
24 only got 770 votes  
25 Kelland – I would also like to point out that it was only to see that the ballot would you  
26 like to support NYPIRG at 4 dollars a student I know that many of my fellow students  
27 signed this to give students the right to vote  
28 Miller – under the priorities and criteria of funding a referendum is not under them to  
29 fund an organization and also the question is deceiving and currently it is closer to 3  
30 dollars so it is deceiving in that regard  
31 Green – the referendum is a tool for the senate in that it is asking us to do something as  
32 representatives. So right now we are voting of a budget and I think that that referendum  
33 deals with our representatives that we can clearly do something now and that is re-refer it  
34 and I think we should do something about it now.  
35 Hubert – I believe that this goes further than what the Senate wants and what the  
36 president wants and this is pure democracy and they have asked for this they should not  
37 be silenced and are using their ability to not be heard.  
38 He will wait until his constituents have said so and they are doing that now. WE should  
39 not be silencing the ones we represent. The original wording of the constitution  
40 We have voting individuals on this campus and that would be against the constitution of  
41 this campus and the  
42 Accordino – as at –large I can not speak to all students but without knowing what their  
43 vote is I can't vote on this tonight  
44 Pres. Miller – I'm going to yield to chief of staff Farnsworth  
45 Farnsworth – there is no way that no person in congress can know you're point of view.  
46 They vote on a platform and they vote on that. You work on that same premise and in a  
47 direct democracy you don't have a direct voice. You can't talk to every single individual  
48 you have to go off the basis of what you have.

1 Cooperman – while I understand senator green’s points, what I was asking what you  
2 suppose we should do is if we re-refer it and the referendum passes what do you think the  
3 senate can do?  
4 Green – I would motion to impeach the president I guess  
5 Cooperman – but what would that have to do with the budget?  
6 Green – It would have to do to help the students?  
7 Cooperman – that is still not answering my question, how would you be able to help the  
8 students in the budget.  
9 Buchner – I would propose to go with a new petition that states clearly what the students  
10 stand for and getting as many voters to invalidate the election  
11 Adams – I call the question on the budget  
12 VP Fields – voting to call the question on the budget  
13 Motion fails  
14 8-6-3  
15 Cooperman – I stated before under their reasons for the referral so I know I can vote on  
16 the budget and I know many cannot  
17 Green – Point of information to Dean Scharffenberger: What should we do with this  
18 budget? Should we wait for the students to state their opinion and we’re debating some  
19 people on this?  
20 Scharffenberger – I think the issue is to make an individual decision and your opinions in  
21 understanding your constituents and you should vote your conscience in that respect.  
22 Cooperman – POI to E-board: if the budget were to be voted on today would the  
23 amendments be submitted after the referendum.  
24 Tascarella – no because we have to sent it to the president of the college  
25 Cooperman – couldn’t we submit a new budget without it being certified?  
26 Tascarella – once it is submitted we can’t make changes we could make transfers though.  
27 Cooperman – It is reflected in this budget that it is allocated a certain way and we could  
28 vote on this budget is flexible. This is the amount of money we have but we could move  
29 it around  
30 Trifunovski – It is obvious that we don’t know the results and it is obvious that Pres.  
31 Miller can decide to sign a contract or not but this budget will not go into effect until June  
32 30<sup>th</sup> and while it does need to go through the proper channels why not wait to refer it for a  
33 week. That way we can satisfy everyone and everyone will have closure since we will  
34 know the results and those in opposition to this budget will have more closure knowing  
35 we can go forward. The results are not obvious on anything and I think we should  
36 consider referring it for one more week.  
37 Kelland – POI to Senator Trifunovski: when will you have the results?  
38 Trifunovski – I will have them Thursday by 6pm and I am trying to look in the election  
39 law I have to submit it as a resolution but I want to put it in everyone’s mailboxes and I  
40 am not getting enough answers from the election law.  
41 Kelland – then I would like to suggest that senators hold a special session on Friday after  
42 the results come in seeing quite honestly that the people we have here that most people  
43 have made it clear where they stand and we will not get 2/3 to call the question and we  
44 will simply go in circles here if we do not.  
45 Hubert – first I would like to say that to move money around for NYPIRG NYPIRG has  
46 to be in the budget and they are not in the budget at all so we would have to amend the  
47 budget beforehand to even move money beforehand should this referendum go through. I  
48 would motion to defer the vote for a special session.

1 VP Fields – only the president can ask for a special session  
2 Herbert – motion to table the bill  
3 Cooperman – objection, I think that a special session would be unnecessary and if the  
4 budget was to be re-referred to a week a few days will not make a difference. The budget  
5 is for the next year.  
6 Pres. Miller – there is only a few special sessions left to vote on this budget. And my  
7 reasons to not keep NYPIRG on campus is about accountability and how our money is  
8 being spent and has blatantly provided us with records that are inadequate and the only  
9 time they do activity is when they are lobbying to not lose their money. We should be  
10 lobbied by organizations that provide services for our students  
11 Cooperman – while I agree with many points, and I know I could vote today I motion to  
12 re-refer to finance  
13 Buchner – Second  
14 Guerrero – objection we should not refer this bill to finance because as Pres. Miller and  
15 COS Farnsworth you should vote based on what your constituents want and my  
16 constituents have told me what they want so yes I have not spoken to the 6,000 students I  
17 represent, the information that NYPIRG has presented to us that the students should not  
18 vote  
19 Carlton O’Neil – There are organizations hard at work for their constituents directly for  
20 the budget you are stalling and our students who want to put on programs for the students  
21 and keep that in mind since contracts can’t go in and you are stalling the students.  
22 Bleiberg – Pres. Miller has made the point that he will not sign the contract  
23 Adams – no one is going to die if it is re-referred for another week and I remember this  
24 when we did do the partial vote that it was a tie, I think that we should re-refer.  
25 Buchner – I call the previous question of re-referring  
26 VP Fields – We are voting to call the question  
27 15-1-1  
28 VP Fields – Vote to re-refer  
29 Budget is re-referred to finance for the period of one week  
30 12-3-2  
31  
32 SLE 42.49 Student Association Programming Board Guidelines  
33 Trifunovski – motion to wave  
34 Kelland – second  
35 Bronson – we are going to have a meeting on Saturday so we re-refer to policy for one  
36 week  
37 Cooperman – second  
38 Motion passes  
39 17-0-0  
40 Re-referred to policy for the period of one week  
41  
42 SLE 42.56 Amendment to SLE 35.51 Student Association Grant Policy  
43 Adams – motion to wave the reading  
44 Cooperman – Second  
45 Adams – big thanks to Chief of Staff Farnsworth and this is pretty much straight forward,  
46 motion to vote  
47 Guerrero – second  
48 14-0-3

1 Bill passes  
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3 SLE 42.57 Student Association Senate Apportionments  
4 Cooperman – motion to wave the reading  
5 Kelland – second  
6 Trifunovski – we didn’t have a chance to go over this so we need to do a few things that  
7 need to be changed but because of special elections I have not been able to do this,  
8 motion to re-refer.  
9 Oak man - second  
10 Motion passes  
11 17-0-0  
12 Re-referred to Elections for one week  
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14 **X. Public Comment**

15 NYPIRG, Project Coordinator Tim Duch

16 Thank you everyone to speak, I’m going to write on the board that everyone has the date  
17 for this great event on April 25<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. I realize this is proximity to Student awards but  
18 it will be after that since *In Debt we Trust* begins at 7pm. We were talking a lot tonight  
19 about some different things so let me give you some background about NYPIRG. The  
20 fundamental that guide our organization have always remained the same and these  
21 principals; well lets start with are accountability. This is the first principal that guides  
22 NYPIRG. We have provided them with an audit to the Attorney Generals office of NY  
23 and I’m curious to how many students have seen it? Anybody? Well SA has it and  
24 should let you see it. Democracy and this is the one I’m passionate about the most.  
25 NYPIRG really cares about democracy and the simple fact that there are some activities  
26 on campus and even though I’m outsider, I live in Oswego and spend a lot o time on  
27 campus and see great value that there is a lot to fight about on campus. If students don’t  
28 learn to bring forth issues of democratic value then they will not necessarily bring those  
29 into the real world. I’m proud of this campus and I’m really excited to still be here.  
30 Stability is the third guiding principle and I’ll speak more about that later and the fourth  
31 principles is student power. You know only 18% of 18-24 year old votes yet they are  
32 targeted the most for credit cards and loans and this is why I think this event coming up is  
33 an important event for them to attend and not for me or NYPIRG but just to have your  
34 constiuents be informed. I encourage you to tell your constiuents to go. Now going back  
35 to stability. Now the birth of SA and student government and the SA fee was all a  
36 response to the same problem. The problem was that there wasn’t much student power in  
37 the 1960s and there was no such thing as the student activity fee and they had no choice  
38 in what they wanted and they felt they weren’t being represented. So out of the social  
39 turmoil, there was space to provide people with student unions and student government to  
40 provide the possibility of a student government and it seems to be that somewhere along  
41 the line things got forgotten and for me personally going out to talk to students I talk  
42 about the time of student government and activity fees when it started we got this new  
43 thing called the student activity fee and we got this interest in state government and  
44 students said “of course” and they got a new organization to bring them that.  
45 Pres. Miller – I’ve stated that I’m not kicking them off campus that they just work within  
46 the tier system, why can’t NYPIRG operate within the tier system.

1 Duch – I see no problem with that and I know at certain times Senator Anderson asked  
2 me why they can't be grandfathered into the tier system but there are a lot of ways of  
3 making that work  
4 Buchner – why the war then? If you think you can function like a student organization  
5 when we offer you the opportunity to be a student organization  
6 Duch – I guess I would go back to the stability issue to go from a level of funding to a  
7 zero level of funding is unstable.  
8 Buchner – every organization is unstable and I don't think you should be held to this  
9 level  
10 DOF Tascarella – It normally takes 10 days for a purchase order to go through so you  
11 should get those in now  
12 Duch – Point of inquiry I'm not sure that we had until later to apply for funds but we can  
13 talk about that later and if things could happen we could come to you with a  
14 reimbursement order.  
15 Cooperman – I would like to yield to Senator Bronson  
16 Bronson – where is In Debt we Trust going to be?  
17 Duch – Steeper bell auditorium at 7pm  
18 Adams – going back to your statement of how the history of NYPIRG and student  
19 government go hand-in-hand. How come other schools have an SA fee but no NYPIRG?  
20 Duch – I can't speak for other schools and what makes their mind up  
21 Pres. Miller – You mention that we did provide an audit but that was two years old and  
22 I'm asking why we didn't receive the most current fiscal years audit.  
23 Duch – it is my understanding that you have the most recent audit that is completed  
24 Pres. Miller – you didn't include the audit with your package so why didn't you put that  
25 in your packet?  
26 Duch – As part of my Tenants rights workshop I mentioned that a contract is a legal  
27 document that is designed to protect both parties in a situation and as it states in the  
28 contract on the 3<sup>rd</sup> page under F, number 4 [Reads from stipulated part in contract]  
29 So we are in compliance with the contract and have provided an audit to the president.  
30 Pres. Miller – If you're talking about all that why is it when we ask for further  
31 documentation when we ask for the most current audit  
32 Duch – again, it is my understanding that you have the most recent audit  
33 Pres. Miller – again, you gave the senate the packet and said you have all the stuff you  
34 would need  
35 Duch – it was a budget request I didn't say it was a statement of past years. It even says  
36 so on the cover. It was meant as a budget request.  
37 Cooperman – I request that Mr. Duch and Mr. Miller can stop this discussion  
38 Green – Point of inquiry to PC Duch: so the E-board did have a chance to look at the  
39 books and see the audit?  
40 Duch – I don't know about what that entails. It's my understanding that NYPIRG has  
41 invited the President to look at the books but there is a lot of books.  
42 VP Fields – I'm going to cut this off and let others speak now, if you want to object the  
43 decision of the chair that is fine  
44  
45 Great Lake Review, Editor-in-Chief Stephanie Ackerman, Co-Editor Charles Polodian,  
46 and other Associate Editor.  
47 We would like to thank every one for just listening to us. Due to certain  
48 miscommunication we were unable to get a Spring 2007 budget and we would like to get

1 one for our magazine. It provides a unique cultural experience to this community and  
2 this literary magazine provides the students on this campus with the opportunity to  
3 express themselves in a reviewed, student magazine. The GLR is for students by students  
4 and it will be detrimental to the student body of this campus.

5 We have worked on the magazine the longest and as we have worked on staff we have  
6 made several improvements to the magazine. I have brought copies to the magazine for  
7 you see. Just some of the newer features we have included that were not in the other ones.

8 There is a professional binding on the side, we have a glossy cover page, thicker cover  
9 page, more illustrations, the magazine is thicker and we have produced more

10 We have received even more artwork through the art department. The number of  
11 submissions has increased and our staff have increased. I just wanted to talk about some  
12 of the fundraising we did. We had a bake sale and raised \$150 and we have received a lot  
13 of donations from the teachers. Also, this semester, because of our magazines cost 2000  
14 to produce, we have asked. The art department is helping us to print out color art for our  
15 magazine. What the money will be used for is how much it cost to do the Fall magazine.  
16 Mitchell was able to adjust the budget for \$700 to put together the magazine so please  
17 note the features that the adjustment would allow. We recently switched management  
18 and I'm not sure exactly of what happened and I went to speak to Pres. Miller and I  
19 heard two different things and she didn't know she was suppose to do certain things and  
20 the President informed me that she was informed

21 Buchner – so am I correct that you will be asking for \$700?

22 GLR – yes and the money we will be asking for a stapled binding which will be  
23 decreasing the level of quality and we will not be able to do a color copy and we will  
24 only have 150 copies instead of 500. We have not received estimates. We wanted to  
25 have some of the creative writing department but they could not be here

26 Cooperman – Point of inquiry: are you a tier two or tier 3.

27 Pres Miller – the confusion is that we allocated them the \$2,000 maximum which was for  
28 the entire year

29 GLR – We had a miscommunication with our former editor-in-chief who left after the fall  
30 semester. We're just trying to put our magazine together for the spring.

31 Bleiberg – have you thought about charging for the magazine?

32 GLR – we feel that would be unfair for the student body because we provide a unique  
33 service and the sole focus is on the student voice. And it is not only a matter of fairness  
34 this is other students' works and if someone could pick up their fellow students work and  
35 read it then put it down because they had to pay for it

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37 SAPB

38 Next week on the 24<sup>th</sup> we are bringing Ramona Africa at 7:30 and she is going to speak  
39 about religions tolerance and she will be also be speaking about some of the movements  
40 she's been apart of. Also, we plan on bringing Gym class heroes to campus and I've  
41 been a pain to President Miller to get my contract signed for that event so please pass that  
42 budget.

43 Green – I understand about the contract but remember there's another organization that  
44 has no contract next year.

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46 SAVAC

47 I will make this quick as possible so as a preface to the following we are non-partisan and  
48 non-political we support the purpose of NYPIRG and we are in a unique position to have

1 oversight by SA and other state bodies. We feel if we have to do a PO for medical  
2 supplies that so should other organizations that receive SA money. Also to Mr. Duch and  
3 NYPIRG, we have been the Student Association Volunteer Ambulance Core for 35 years  
4 and we are very stable. As far as Virginia Tech, it is a national conference and I had the  
5 opportunity to meet with VT's emergency crew and I have to say that they are an  
6 excellent response team and the way they responded. The professional commitment to  
7 treating patients and the impact it will have on them. Preliminary information about how  
8 we would respond in a similar situation  
9 Kelland – I'd be interesting if you could attend the health and safety meeting this week.  
10 SAVAC – No problem just give us the time.

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12 Bastian Tenbergen, Student

13 Thanks for hearing me, it has never been the strength of me to make short speeches but I  
14 will try. First of all SAVAC I just wanted to say that you are here and I'm glad you're on  
15 campus. Chief of Staff Farnsworth May I please remind you of what happened in 2000  
16 when the Swiss government wanted to take place with the Euro and what they did was  
17 ask every single individual if they were for it and they were against it so he said no.  
18 Think of that when you think of NYPIRG and I would like to raise an issue with the  
19 loyalty. Currently there are two sides in this matter: One pro NYPIRG one contra. I  
20 don't want to raise the NYPIRG questions are you really convinced or are you just saying  
21 what one two or three people are saying and spoon feeding you or is that what your  
22 constituents want and there would not be a debate about re-referring the budget for  
23 another week. There is only a handful of senators who know what they are doing and  
24 what they want. They are representing what they want and not the students. They feel  
25 misrepresented and misunderstood by the Senate. Plus, Senators have been caught  
26 removing NYPIRG posters from boards and seriously is that how you do politics? And if  
27 you feel that you should not be a Senator.

28 Trifunovski – if you see anything that you don't agree with during this election you can  
29 send me a written document of what your problem is and sign and date it and time it and  
30 print your name so I can read it or send it to my email at [trifunov@oswego.edu](mailto:trifunov@oswego.edu) and the  
31 same rules apply. Just make sure your name is on it and you provide details.

32 Bastian – I know that it is easy for me to stand here and say I represent a lot of people but  
33 it is not easy to stand before you and speak like this.

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35 VP Fields – We will suspend the session tonight since we can no longer continue the  
36 meeting in this room.

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38 *[The meeting will be continued April 19, 2007 at 8:30pm in 101 Lanigan Hall]*

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40 **XI. Call to Order: 8:32**

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42 VP Fields: calling the meeting back to order at 8:33pm. The agenda's that you have are  
43 incorrect. We are still in Tuesday's meeting.

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45 **XII. Roll Call: Bleiberg, Anderson, Green, Hammond, Smith, Marra, Zoll, Nau,**  
46 **Westfall, Accordino, Adams, Bronson, Buchner, Guerrero, Trifunovski**

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48 **XIII. New Legislation**

1 RES 42.09 Condemnation of VT Shootings  
2 VP Fields: Before we pass this I would like a moment of silence.  
3 [*Senate yields temporarily for moment of silence*]  
4 VP Fields: Thank you.  
5 Buchner: Motion to pass by acclimation  
6 Westfall: Objection, I would like the senate to consider to changing the title because it is  
7 focusing on the negative and I think it would be better to change it to “condolences to the  
8 Virginia Tech community”  
9 Cooperman – I concur with Senator Westfall.  
10 VP Fields – If anyone who would like to add their name to it please sign this sheet.  
11 Scharffenberger – If it passes by acclimation please make sure you note that.  
12 Cooperman – Motion to pass by acclimation  
13 Green – Second  
14  
15 RES 42.10 “Thank you Justin Colombo”  
16 Cooperman – I would like to personally thank Justin for his services on the Supreme  
17 Court and his being on the Supreme Court shows dedication  
18 Green – I would like a definition to know emeritus so Point of information to Senator  
19 Cooperman.  
20 Cooperman – [*Reads from SLE 42.60*]  
21 Green – Motion to amend  
22 Cooperman – I’m glad that Justice Colombo has served us but Emeritus means a  
23 permanent speaking seat in the senate and I truly respect Justice Colombo but I’m not  
24 sure this qualifies as Emeritus since that means he would be speaking here.  
25 Green – I’m adding lines “be it finally resolved Justine Colombo be granted Associate  
26 Justice Emeritus Colombo”. I really respect Justine Colombo as an asset to the Student  
27 Association and having been in two court cases with him I think we should pass this  
28 amendment.  
29 Cooperman – Point of information to President Emeritus Tascarella  
30 Pres. Emeritus Tascarella – I think he conducted himself very professionally and did  
31 really nice opinions and I would be in full support of this.  
32 Cooperman – I yield to CJ Patterson  
33 Patterson – I second President Tascarella and it was an honor to serve with Justin  
34 Colombo  
35 Cooperman – I would yield to Chief of Staff Farnsworth  
36 COS Farnsworth – my experience was very short but he was always there for the Court  
37 cases and he always conducted himself appropriately and though he didn’t speak much at  
38 senate, he might in the future and you never know what that may bring  
39 Cooperman – I am not against the amendment I just think that the senate should know  
40 more before we grant him emeritus status  
41 Adams – motion to pass the amendment by acclimation  
42 Green – Second  
43 Cooperman – Objection, point of inquiry to President Miller  
44 Pres. Miller – I will concur with my Chief of Staff and he was very knowledgeable and  
45 his notes he presented to us was good he did. I think he did an exemplary job.  
46 Bronson – motion to pass amendment by acclimation  
47 VP Fields– with no objections amendment passes by acclimation, please note the changes  
48 Cooperman – motion to pass by standing acclimation

1 Adams – Second  
2 *[Senate stands and applauds Associate Justice Emeritus Justin Colombo]*  
3  
4 RES 42.11 Supreme Thank You Benjamin R. Patterson  
5 Adams – I would like to say that CJ Patterson was definitely an asset to SA especially  
6 during this semester and I think he and the court have worked a lot and their legal  
7 opinions will have their effect for many years to come.  
8 Cooperman – I’ve worked with him for some time now and his opinions have always  
9 been nonbiased and helpful. He helped me pass some important bills this year and I can’t  
10 help but be thankful to him  
11 Pres. Miller – CJ Paterson has shown some dedication and he has shown up to many  
12 senate meetings and committee meetings and his knowledge of SA has really helped me  
13 throughout the year and working with him I find him very respectful and he deserves  
14 emeritus  
15 COS Farnsworth – Chief Justice Patterson was actually my first friend here and he tried  
16 to recruit me as a justice and while I don’t totally agree with him on his opinions he has  
17 been very helpful to me in his endeavors.  
18 Bronson – motion to yield time to Heyman  
19 Heyman – there is no better person to deserve emeritus status. He has been a mentor and  
20 helped me to develop to where I am and his knowledge and his understanding have  
21 helped my knowledge of the law of SA and I hope that his influence will carry on next  
22 year to SA.  
23 Trifunovski – I want to say that you’re the ideal candidate for emeritus status on this  
24 campus and I don’t know you very well and I think you deserve this position. Motion to  
25 pass by standing acclimation  
26 Adams – second  
27 *[Senate stands and applauds Chief Justice Emeritus Benjamin R. Patterson]*  
28  
29 SLE 42.59 AMA, Gas, and a Battle of the Bands  
30 Cooperman – Motion to wave the reading  
31 Adams – second  
32 Adams – finance one week  
33 Cooperman – second  
34 Cooperman – motion to suspend the rules, add SLE 42.60 “Title of Emeritus”  
35 Bronson – Second  
36 Trifunovski – Motion to add the agenda and add RES 42.12 “Special Election Results”  
37  
38 VP Fields – Resolution proceeds all bills so I’m going to read it now.  
39 Trifunovski – I don’t know what to say I guess this is it. I would like to yield time to  
40 fellow committee member Cooperman  
41 Cooperman – Let’s just pass this by general consent  
42 Bronson – second  
43 VP Fields – resolution passes by general consent  
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45 VP Fields: SLE 42.60 “title of Emeritus”  
46 Cooperman – motion to wave the reading  
47 Trifunovski – second  
48 Cooperman – motion to refer to procedure for one week

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2 Adams – motion to reconsider the motion of the referral SLE 42.48 “SA 2007-2008  
3 Budget”  
4 Bronson – second  
5 Scharffenberger – could we get a definition of a motion to reconsider?  
6  
7 *[VP Fields reads the definition from Roberts Rule of Order]*  
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9 VP Fields – since we didn’t technically end the last meeting we are still in the same  
10 meeting. Senator Adams has the floor and there is a motion is there a second?  
11 Oakman – second  
12 VP Fields – Motion passes  
13 18-0-0  
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15 Adams – if I remember it was to find out what our constituents thought, we now know  
16 what they feel I yield.  
17 Bronson – we have been given ample time to consider the budget and we know what our  
18 constituents think so I motion to limit the time of the debate to 30 minutes  
19 Trifunovski – second  
20 VP Fields – we need a 2/3 vote to limit debate on this  
21 Motion passes  
22 14-2-1  
23 Bronson – Point of information it is 9:12  
24 VP Fields – the debate will go until 9:42  
25 Cooperman – I would concur with senate Adams and anyone at large should know now  
26 what their constituents want and think about bringing NYPIRG back. Even though I felt  
27 the question was shaky you have the information and vote for your constituents  
28 Buchner – I concur  
29 Oakman – I concur  
30 Adams – I concur and I think this budget represents what our organizations need and it  
31 has a lot of good things that the organizations can do this year and explore new  
32 opportunities. It allows the e-board to do  
33 Kelland – vote what your considerations feel and we’re voting on all organizations not  
34 just one  
35 Green – I would like to point out that while 675 agree and 881 disagree, 675 would like  
36 to see an organization on this campus and while I see the questions refers to funding and  
37 leads to support, 675 still want an organization on this campus and this budget reflects  
38 zero amount for that organization.  
39 Guererro – this shows what the majority at SUNY-Oswego wants and we did this to find  
40 what the constituents want and we can’t fight with numbers so we must do what the  
41 majority wants to do.  
42 Bronson – I concur with Senator Green that 675 wanted them but 881 did not.  
43 Cooperman – It is not necessarily true that 675 wanted them since it was a multi-faceted  
44 question we should have just asked do you want NYPIRG to just function on this campus.  
45 It was a monetary question and I think it was confusing to your constituents. I know what  
46 my constituents think and I thin you all should too  
47 Kelland – remember that there are 675 that want an organization on campus; they have  
48 been offered the chance to come as a Tier organization

1 Oakman – we waited for to vote on this budget on this referendum and I don't know why  
2 we're having a discussion so motion to close this discussion  
3 Green – objection, we're closing after 7 minutes, we should consider this longer  
4 Anderson – if you mean that 675 students don't want you here by this question that it  
5 means that 881 don't know and our job is to represent 881 people then whose job is it to  
6 represent these 675 people?  
7 VP Fields – no discussion should be directed toward individual members it should be  
8 directed to the chair  
9 Zoll – I want to say that we have the results and our constituents have spoken and we have  
10 already debated this and you have to look at the budget as a whole and you have to  
11 represent your constituents as a whole.  
12 Adams – whether or not the results came out, either way we only wanted to know for our  
13 own voting purposes it doesn't have any pertinence to the budget as a whole and I  
14 thought we took it as a general consensus we wanted to know for our own voting  
15 purposes.  
16 Pres. Emeritus Tascarella – I would like to say that the question was allowed to go  
17 through and that is all you can do  
18 Pres. Miller – the only reason it was referred was to get the results, we have the results  
19 and the students have spoken.  
20 Cooperman – in response to those people who want to know why, I would like to say that  
21 ay senator who represents the campus as a whole and it is their job to get a consensus of  
22 the students they represent and this is a general consensus of their opinion as a whole and  
23 you have an obligation to hold that. Motion to vote  
24 Kelland – second  
25 Budget passes  
26 12-5-1  
27 Adams – I would like to thank the finance committee, Pres. Miller, Interim Director of  
28 Finance Tascarella and the e-board and everybody. You all worked hard on this in  
29 budget council and you all did a great job and a great job of representing us a student  
30 association.  
31 VP Fields – Senator Trifunovski, would you like to address the senate  
32 Trifunovski – we had, not including the ones we had today, 11 allegations that my  
33 committee and I went through and these allegations will only be referred to as a number  
34  
35 *[Senator Trifunovski reads the allegation report to the Senate; what is an ongoing*  
36 *investigation and the results of all allegations raised during the Special Elections]*  
37  
38 Accordino – I want to thank you; you did great with this and you put up with a lot.  
39 Trifunovski – I want to thank my committee because we really were a pain to each other  
40 but we made it through. So senator Oakman, Cooperman, Bronson  
41  
42 Guerrero – I would like to say something during public comment and I think that what  
43 that person said was disrespectful to someone on our E-board and I think if that happens  
44 again we should ask them to be more respectful in the future.  
45 VP Fields – As a chair it is my duty to keep order and when someone attacks a member  
46 of the senate it is my job to say something and if someone in the senate attacks a person it  
47 is my job to say something. So please, respect each other  
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1 **XIV. Roll Call:** Oakman, Cooperman, Bleiberg, Anderson, green, Hammond, smith,  
2 Marra, Zoll, Nau, Westfall, Accordino, Adams, Bronson, Buchner, Guerrero, Kelland,  
3 Trifunovski

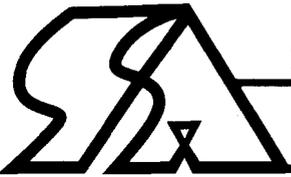
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5 **XV. Adjournment**  
6 Adams - Motion to adjourn  
7 Cooperman - Second  
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**Agenda**

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  - André D. Fields, Student Association Vice President
  - Dan Tascarella, Student Association Interim Director of Finance
  - Other Directors
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**Senate Minutes**

1 I. **Call to Order:** 6:08 p.m.

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3 II. **Senator Oaths**

4 VP Fields – Will Senators Jones and Bagnoulo please come down to take the Senator  
5 Oath of office.

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7 [*Oath of Office is administered to Mr. Cameron E. Jones and Ms. Tiffany Bagnoulo*]

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9 III. **Roll Call:** Jones, Oakman, Cooperman, Bagnoulo, Bleiberg, Anderson, Green,  
10 Hammond, Smith, Nau, Westfall, Accordino, Adams, Bronson, Buchner, Guerrero,  
11 Kelland, Trifunovski

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13 IV. **Approval of Minutes**

14 VP Fields – We have no minutes

15 Kelland – Motion to suspend the approval of until next meeting

16 Cooperman - Second

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18 V. **Approval of Agenda**

19 Adams – Motion to amend SLE 42.63 LSU leadership retreat under new legislation

20 Green – Second

21 Cooperman – Motion to approve

22 Kelland – Second

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24 VI. **Public Comment**

25 NYPIRG, Project Coordinator Tim Duch

26 Quick and painless today, we really just have two events. Last week the vote: thank you  
27 all for your hard work especially Elections Committee. There were a lot of people who  
28 turned out. Tonight our Hunger and Homeless committee is cooperating with Habitat for  
29 humanity and doing the hunger banquet. Tomorrow night is *In Debt we Trust*. We just  
30 got the film yesterday and we secure four professors who will be offering extra credit.  
31 Will O'Brien of Business community relations from Pathfinder bank will be one of the  
32 panelist. I reached out to the business community and a lot of professors were interested  
33 in the event but had prior commitments. I'm going to do the phone bank tonight and do  
34 flyers tomorrow. I think it's going to be a great event. We have advertised in *The*

1 *Oswegonian* and WTOP. The only conflict is that we have this on the same day as  
2 student involvement awards so if anyone could get out of that it would be great.

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4 Great Lake Review, Editor-in-Chief Stephanie Ackerman

5 Just here for our bill up that is up for a vote tonight. I will be able to hang around until  
6 7:30 if you have any questions for me. Senator Adams has my cell and he can call me if  
7 you have any questions for me when I leave. I do also have a couple more copies of what  
8 we would be spending on for our spring magazine so you can see our breakdown.  
9 Thanks.

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11 NAEA

12 We're here today to thank you for the money you gave us to the trip to the national  
13 conference in New York City this year. It was a five day conference and we would like  
14 to show you some slides from our trip.

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16 *[A slide show power point takes place for the Senate]*

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18 We would like to thank you for your support and for what you guys do. Also we would  
19 like to tell you that May 4<sup>th</sup> through the 18<sup>th</sup> is our first MET Show. It's the student  
20 teachers who have done their elementary teaching or high school student teachers who  
21 will put a piece of artwork in the show. It will be at Tyler hall from 6-8, that is the  
22 opening night. It is also the opening night for the graduate exhibition. There will be a lot  
23 of students there as well as their parents. It will be in the South Gallery. Thanks for your  
24 support, we really appreciate it.

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26 African Student Organization

27 Hi everybody, I'm just coming before you to thank you so much for everything you all  
28 did for our dinner this weekend. Hopefully, everyone who didn't come out this time can  
29 come out next year.

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31 **VII. Executive Report**

32 Student Association President, Joshua Miller

33 Good evening everybody, what a great public comment we have had tonight. It just goes  
34 to show how you how well you are helping out the students. I just wanted to begin this  
35 address to talk about the future of our student government. We have had a busy couple of  
36 weeks and I think we have come out strong and ready to take the challenges of the  
37 coming year. We should take a few minutes to think about the hard work we have put in  
38 the past few weeks and put that into our next year to see what we can get for our students  
39 next year. We have a bunch of new engagements we plan to do next year

40 Besides just the budget, you have been working on a lot of new documents. The SAPB  
41 structure is up tonight and it is small steps like this that will set us up for success. We  
42 have new executive positions and we are moving into the new campus center and it is  
43 exciting. I think our organizations are getting excited as well. We also have a lot of to  
44 work on: election policy and the incentive program that has been kicked around a lot.  
45 Our Court, hopefully you guys will approve of Dan Heyman and he'll take the court in a  
46 new direction. There are just a lot of things that are exciting and I think next year will be  
47 a very positive thing for next year. My dedication is still strong and I'm ready to go

1 forward and I think we should take a round of applause for the hard work you did for  
2 everything the past few weeks.

3 Moving forward with the whole address, I'm going to talk about the progress with the  
4 campus center. Like I said, the moving process; Tim Farnsworth and Nadia Dropkin are  
5 working on the office space and by next week we will have that. The new off campus  
6 apartment complex and I just talked to the builder and he wants to have a few more focus  
7 groups so if you're interested in that let me know. Just to let you know it'll be on  
8 Johnson road near Laker hall. They will be really nice and it should be beneficial for  
9 students to have a new venue to go to. I think this is a new opportunity I would like to  
10 thank Dean Scharffenberger and for the vigil for the Virginia Tech incident. They did a  
11 nice job of giving us a venue to express our feelings. I was just given a report about the  
12 SAVAC garage. It is kind of in disrepair. Once I look over the report we'll have an  
13 estimate for building a new garage. SAPB will be coming forward to ask for money for  
14 May Day. It will be humungous and will be really good for the student body. Also the  
15 structure bill; we've worked really hard on that and hopefully that'll be passed tonight.  
16 I would like to bring some directors for approval. I'll start with the Chief Justice  
17 appointment Dan Heyman.

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19 **VP Fields** – I'm going to turn it over to Senator Bronson and Policies recommendation  
20 **Bronson** – we had the chance to talk to Dan and we as a committee got to talk to him and  
21 know more about him. After the interview we all met as a committee and we all  
22 unanimously recommend Dan Heyman for the position of Chief Justice

23 **Jones** – When did you decide to be Chief Justice?

24 **Heyman** – When Josh Miller came up to me and asked me about the job. I looked at my  
25 schedule and decided to make some changes and accepted the position.

26 **Cooperman** – Could you outline some ideas next semester?

27 **Heyman** – I sat and talked to policy about what I want to do with the court. I want to  
28 streamline the constitutional process so far as the approval of the club constitutions and  
29 organizational constrictions. So there is recourse where clubs know they are approved or  
30 not approved so that they are contacted and are all set. I also want to make it a more  
31 public entity. I don't want it to be just where it is litigation season and we're all over the  
32 place. I want to get our name out before litigation arises. I also want to make sure that  
33 paper work is much easier to get your hands on like discovery motions and injunctions  
34 for hearing. I want that all electronically available. I want it to be as accessible as  
35 possible to the student organization on this campus.

36 **Guerrero** – You have said you want to make the court more public, how would you do  
37 that?

38 **Heyman** – I was talking to President Miller and want to have a presence at the leadership  
39 conference and also contacting groups through the constitutional process.

40 **Buchner** – President Miller I'm curious to how many people applied for the position

41 **Miller** – 2 people

42 **Buchner** – Will we ever see you again?

43 **Heyman** – Yes

44 **Trifunovski** – We asked him a lot of different questions is that he wants to explain to us  
45 that he wants to get it more organized and that he wants to work with policy more so that  
46 we can become a great government and I think that is important because he wants to  
47 communicate. I think he is a great candidate.

1 **Jones** – In terms of case procedure how would you make sure that that is effective in  
2 terms of trials and cases  
3 **Heyman** – I think that the basic institution would be that they have a grasp of case  
4 procedure including SA and United States. Just through knowledge comes efficiency  
5 **Jones** – Do you think there has t to be any changes and which?  
6 **Heyman** – We need to streamline things like the constitution and make sure the  
7 paperwork is available for everyone and make the court more visible  
8 **Westfall** – I would urge some caution to make sure there is some kind of electronic  
9 record.  
10 **Heyman** – I just want the paper work you would need for a case to start litigation. So  
11 that it is available.  
12 **Green** – During policy committee we talked about a faculty advisor and are there any  
13 steps you have taken for that?  
14 **Heyman** – I have not but as soon as this is settled I will talk to see if we can go ahead  
15 with this and just proceed with this  
16 **Jones** – Currently there is no appeals process, what do you think about that?  
17 **Heyman** – I think the appeals process would take court cases that are already very long  
18 and time consuming and I would have to go back and look at that and there is a serious  
19 time issue that would come with the appeals process. I guess I don't have a concrete  
20 answer for that.  
21 **Anderson** – Do you have any plans for to work with the senate for your plans?  
22 **Heyman** – I know we have to go through the webmaster for the forms but for  
23 constitutions and what not; I'm not sure how the approval process works so that we can  
24 streamline that and make it easier.  
25 **Bronson** – As Policy committee chair we feel that Justice Heyman is a very strong  
26 candidate and therefore motion to vote  
27 **Oakman** – second  
28 **VP Fields** – This needs a 2/3 votes.  
29 16-0-3  
30 [Mr. Daniel Heyman is appointed Chief Justice of the SA Supreme Court]  
31  
32 **Pres. Miller** – I'm going to introduce you to Tafari Powis for Student Affairs. He was  
33 DOF for the Caribbean Student Association. He was in my office numerous time to  
34 make sure they were doing some successful events to make sure they interacted with all  
35 students not just Caribbean students. He is an individual that can communicate well and  
36 he can organize events such as dinners and the leadership conference and he has a lot of  
37 experience doing that so far.  
38 **Powis** – I'm a sophomore majoring in public relations. I like the color blue and I like to  
39 make people smile and communicate with everyone. I'm just an open person.  
40 **Buchner** – I'm just curious if you'll continue to be DOF of your organization  
41 **Powis** – No  
42 **Cooperman** – I motion to refer the appointee to Procedure to come back for questions  
43 and concerns.  
44 **Kelland** – Second  
45 **Trifunovski** – Objection, can we do a joint meeting with Involvement and Procedure if  
46 anything?

1 **Cooperman**- I would like to announce that these meetings are open to ask questions and  
2 comments that include involvement and we can technically only invite a person to one  
3 committee at a time. Motion to refer to procedure for one week  
4 **Buchner** – second  
5 **Pres Miller** – I would like to bring Chris Hill back for Director of Finance.  
6 **Adams** – We met with Chris Hill yesterday at 9:15 and we talked about what he planned  
7 to do. He wanted better communication between finance as one of his goals. He has  
8 experience as a leader and extensive experience in the finance department and SA as a  
9 whole. He knows a lot for the standard operating procedure of SA. He is very familiar  
10 with the policies and has a lot of ideas for the upcoming year. We unanimously approved  
11 of him for appointment  
12 **Buchner** – President Miller, just how many applied for this position?  
13 **Miller** – Just Mr. Hill  
14 **Buchner** – Will we every see you again?  
15 **Chris** – Always  
16 **Trifunovski** – What is your major?  
17 **Hill** – I’m pursuing the 5 year MBA Accounting degree and my GPA is 3.75  
18 **Adams** – Red Sox or Yankees  
19 **Hill** – Mets  
20 **Buchner** – I just have one question, why was there only one applicant?  
21 **Miller** –We really gave the opportunity for people apply and when they just saw the  
22 application they just went for the assistant position instead to get to know the ropes a bit.  
23 **Westfall** – Do you have any thoughts of changing the duties of assistant director?  
24 **Hill** – Some ideas we are going to change is specifically work with SAPB because they  
25 are such a large organization. The other one is going to get involved with the inventory  
26 and the purchase orders and phone system. That is pretty much what our ideas are.  
27 **Jones** – Did you have any specific goals yourself?  
28 **Hill** – One thing was to increase communication between us and the E-board and make  
29 sure everyone is comfortable with each other and themselves to make sure that things  
30 work. Some things I want to do is work on this summer to get some binders for my  
31 assistant directors in a plain English system so that if an organization would go to them,  
32 they would be more willing and able to help them. I also have some ideas for the  
33 leadership conference to change and improve that. I want to put forth a lot of time where  
34 treasurers can just come in and ask procedural questions.  
35 **Cooperman** – Considering the weight of the DOF do you see yourself overburdening  
36 yourself?  
37 **Hill** – I don’t think so; I’ve learned a lot about time management and have learned that  
38 over the years as being assistant director. I don’t’ foresee that being a problem.  
39 **Green** – What year are you?  
40 **Hill** – I’m a junior now so I’ll be a senior next year  
41 **Adams** – Motion to vote on the appointment  
42 **Oakman** – Second  
43 **Jones** – Objection, how do you plan to work with finance committee to get the goals you  
44 have put forth?  
45 **Hill** – I have cleared up my schedule to meet with finance every Monday and will figure  
46 out the rest of the semester so that I can be there every week to be there so hear what goes  
47 on in the senate.  
48 **Cooperman** – Motion to vote

1 **Kelland - Second**  
2 **VP Fields – This also needs 2/3**  
3 **15-0-4**  
4 **[Mr. Christopher Hill is appointed SA Director of Finance]**  
5  
6 **Pres. Miller – Thank you guys again; we’re really moving forward. I have four people to**  
7 **bring down. The director of Academic affairs, Mike Pawlyk. Mike this year was the**  
8 **president of the biology club and he wasn’t able to go to the leadership conference and**  
9 **we have gotten to know each other and he knows how to get things done on campus.**  
10 **Since biology club is an academic club I think it would be a great way to get other**  
11 **academic clubs involved on campus. Mike is a nice guy and has been able to**  
12 **communicate really well with us over the years.**  
13 **Cooperman – Would you mind giving us a little about you?**  
14 **Pawlyk – I’m currently the biology club president and asked me if I was interested in the**  
15 **position. This is something I wanted to do with the biology club but this would allow me**  
16 **to do just that with more people and I feel I would be able to do that.**  
17 **Cooperman – Thank you very much I motion to refer to procedure committee for one**  
18 **week.**  
19 **Trifunovski – Objection, how does procedure fit this position?**  
20 **VP Fields – Earlier in the year we had a statue that we voted and it specified that all other**  
21 **directors that aren’t mentioned go to Procedure Committee**  
22  
23 **[Senator Cooperman reads from SLE 42.32 to clarify the appointment referral process**  
24 **for Senator Trifunovski]**  
25  
26 **Oakman – So we are still allowed to have our own meeting with him he just has to go to**  
27 **procedure first? So would you like to come to an involvement meeting?**  
28 **Pawlyk – Sure**  
29 **Kelland – I would like to stress that most people in this room were sitting here when we**  
30 **passed this bill. Procedure works with the internal parts of senate and the reason they are**  
31 **being referred to procedure is for that reason. I don’t’ think it is right for the appointees**  
32 **to go to one committee meeting.**  
33 **VP Fields – This legislation is on the books so it is here.**  
34 **Buchner – Out of curiosity who is the current director?**  
35 **Pawlyk – Sara Rassing**  
36 **Buchner – Have you had a chance to speak with her?**  
37 **Pawlyk – We have conflicting schedules so it has been hard**  
38 **Buchner – I would suggest you speak with her then.**  
39 **Cooperman – I would like to inform the senate that if you have a problem with the way it**  
40 **was set up, I’m sorry. But there is no reason to do another meeting to interview the same**  
41 **candidate. Motion to refer to procedure for the period of one week**  
42 **Kelland – Second**  
43 **Pres Miller – Appointee for public relation, Nicole Magnison. I have known her for 4**  
44 **years now and she has helped me publicize for numerous events. She has been on the**  
45 **executive board for Scales hall. She could bring a new flavor to SA and the ability to get**  
46 **a committee formed to get things like that done. I think her ideas as far as that she is**  
47 **talented with. She is a marketing major and a talented artist.**

1 Magnison – I’m a marketing major and arts administration minor. I’ve been secretary of  
2 scales hall for two years and running for president next year. I really like making posters  
3 and it is something I like to do. I’m really creative and like to come up with slogans and  
4 posters. I have also helped Josh with his campaign and really like campaigning. I like  
5 being in group involvement or by myself so I can do it on my own or take ideas from  
6 other people. I have a lot of experience with PR and marketing and advertising and hope  
7 to continue that with you guys.

8 Adams – Motion to refer to procedure

9 Nau – Second

10 Pres Miller – Director of Athletic Affairs, Brody Mapes. I don’t think he needs an  
11 introduction. He’s involved with men’s hockey and having that experience and being on  
12 the senate gives him a great opportunity to be on the e-board

13 Mapes – I’ve been on both sides of the playing field and it has given me extensive  
14 knowledge to SA and also being apart of a club. I want to get a lot of programming  
15 started for next year. I want to get a mailing list going for the athletic organizations.

16 Kelland – Motion to refer to procedure for one week

17 Adams - second

18 Pres Miller – Director of health and safety, Laura Kelland. I don’t think she needs an  
19 introduction but she is highly qualified and I think she could do a lot of things for this  
20 position.

21 Kelland – I’ve talked with him for the new ideas that Kim has started that should  
22 continue. Working with her has showed me what I need to do and what I want to do

23 Adams – Procedure for one week

24 Green – Second

25 Pres Miller – starting to build an executive board and I’m getting excited. There will be  
26 more to come next week. Thank you for your time and thank you for the appointments.

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28 SA Vice-President André Fields

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30 Alright I’m going to start by saying this: you don’t need to make more work for yourself  
31 then you already have. If there is stuff on the books there is stuff on the books. If you  
32 don’t like the law then rewrite it. I would like to welcome our new Senators Bagnuolo  
33 and Senator Jones. First off I would like to talk about student involvement awards. Two  
34 of senators are going to be honored and I would like to ask all of you to be in attendance.  
35 I would like to thank ASO for their dinner. It was a really nice dinner and they had a  
36 good amount of people. Third, I spoke to Senator Adams and the campus canal clean up  
37 went well.

38 We’re approaching the end of the semester and many of you worked hard so as part of  
39 your appreciation I would like to give you something to end your year upon so either  
40 pizza or sandwiches. Wed May 9 at 8pm or after Thursday May 10 8pm or after or  
41 Sunday May 13 anytime 5 or after. I would just like to thank you guys for you work this  
42 year. And last but not least I would encourage all senators to attend the gospel choir  
43 today. It is April 28 at 6pm. It is \$3 to attend. If you don’t have the \$3 just talk to me  
44 and we’ll work something out.

45 Anderson – Can we do a BBQ?

46 VP Fields – Do you have the equipment?

47 Anderson – Yeah, let’s “get er done”

48 Cooperman – I would like to extend my personal thank you.

1 VP Fields – Just get back to me about those dates and also the gospel choir dinner.

2  
3 Chris Hill, Director of Finance

4 Here are your numbers.

5 6502 \$3,682.32

6 6506 \$2,426.00

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8 Tasia Sawyer, Student Association Programming Board

9 Hello everyone, we have the OAR concert this weekend and that kicks off May Day.  
10 This is the flyer for the May Day events. There have been some changes to the schedule  
11 but the locations are right. Probably at your last senate meeting I'll be able to update you  
12 with our elections so you'll know who are upcoming e-board is. There is a number of  
13 events going on so tell everyone you know about the things that are going on this week.  
14 Attendance is important and we want to make sure May Day is a lot of fun for everybody.  
15 May Day is very important for the campus because it incorporates everyone, off-campus  
16 on campus the community. We will need volunteers for May Day that Sunday. So if  
17 you're interested stop by the SAPB office and talk to anyone of us or just leave a  
18 message and we'll reach them. Also, is there anybody who does not have a ticket for the  
19 concert who wants to go?

20 Adams – In case anyone needs to know about the special order tonight, I do have a  
21 breakdown of the cost. So basically you're asking for them to cover the giveaways?

22 SAPB – Yes

23 SAPB – This is what we already have for May Day.

24  
25 **VIII. Senator Issues Forum**

26 Adams – I want to say thank you to everyone who came out to the campus canal clean up.  
27 I saw Senators Green, Christopher Sugar...others, it was a really great time. The pizza  
28 was good and the weather was absolutely gorgeous. It was a beautiful day and we all had  
29 a lot of fun. There was a big chunk of the campus there and a big chunk of the city there.  
30 So thank you to everyone who came and made it enjoyable

31 Trifunovski – when I was speaking about a referral to Involvement I was at least saying  
32 have it be a dual meeting with Involvement. While I understand it is an open session,  
33 asking a particular committee to be there makes it more special and more of a  
34 requirement to be there. Basically what I am saying is that I was not going against a law  
35 but just have a committee there that would deal more with these positions. It would be  
36 more appreciated in the future if this comes up again to address the other committee. I  
37 say that as respectfully as I can.

38 VP Fields – I understand what you were saying, I just want to say that I suggest that you  
39 saw some problems with the way it worked out today, I would encourage you to amend  
40 the legislation with the way it is.

41 Trifunovski – I understand what the argument is and I understand what the law is to at  
42 least invite unofficially to have involvement there

43 Cooperman – For anyone who doesn't understand or agree with the legislation, not all the  
44 directors are permanent only the DOF and judicial appointments are in the constitution.  
45 If I need to personally invite the committees then I'll do that. On a second note, I would  
46 like to inform the senate about the proposal to bring wrestling to campus he has come  
47 very far along with is and it is a really sound idea to get people involved on campus.

1 Buchner – As everyone will notice, VP Fields made lovely copies of Ozzy the laker for  
2 us. I would strongly encourage you to show people because next week I want to know  
3 what you think.

4 Cooperman – What is your general feeling about what people want?

5 Buchner – It has been 50/50 and there are pros and cons to each character. I want to send  
6 it out to the academic community and see what they would like. But the pros of the man  
7 is that he is a well liked character because he is not scary but the downside is that he  
8 looks like Popeye. He is very masculine and some female students have complained.  
9 Other schools that are lakers have the exact same thing it is just a variation. Fish, he is  
10 obviously a fish which people are excited about but we are talking about putting bubbles.  
11 If you go to the Sugar mascot website they have immense detail and there is nothing like  
12 the fish

13 Jones – Could you also create something that the man could do as far as the bubble thing?

14 Buchner – We could do that

15 Green – Is there any opportunities to put Oswego on there?

16 Buchner – His tattoo would be changed to the current laker logo. It would be very hard  
17 to change all the uniforms.

18 Anderson – Is there something we could do about the Saturday Night Fever pose going on  
19 there?

20 Cooperman – Maybe we could put something on his cape with the logo?

21 Buchner – On the back I was hoping to put “OZ” if that’s cool?

22 Green – The name Ozzy, is there any way to make it correlated with OSU?

23 Buchner – People call Oswego Oz so.

24 Buchner – I’m just curious to see what Dean Scharffenberger has to say about this

25 Scharffenberger - I don’t have any comment

26 Bleiberg – Do we vote on this as a Senate as a whole

27 Buchner – I’m assuming of what we do and I’m getting an idea of what the students will  
28 like and I guess when that is done we would purchase it.

29 Cooperman – How final are these two selections?

30 Buchner – I stated last week I would like to see them submitted in drawing form in a  
31 week. It has been a week and I’m not opposed to it but we want to get this bill done over  
32 the summer.

33 Pres. Miller – Could you ask them to draw an abominable snow man

34 Buchner – It would be close to ask them to do the preliminary sketches but its getting  
35 close to crunch time

36 Guerrero – I wanted to also go on with what VP Fields said and it was a very great dinner  
37 and a very pleasant time. I would encourage senators to go to these dinners. The clubs  
38 appreciate it and our VP was given an award. And I would like to invite you to the  
39 gospel choir dinner next week. It’ll be a very decent time.

40 VP Fields – The NAEA, left a card that I would like to read to you now then pass around.

41 Green – NYPIRG is putting on *In Debt we Trust* and there will be a discussion afterwards  
42 and everyone should attend. It was directed toward college students and it will be a  
43 benefit for everyone. They’ll be refreshments.

44 Kelland – Point Of Inquiry, did they do this movie last year?

45 Green – No I don’t think so

46 Cooperman – Motion to close

47 Oakman – Second

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1 IX. **Committee Reports:**  
2 Senator Andrew Bronson, Policy Committee  
3 All we did was meet with Dan Heyman and give him our recommendation. We'll meet  
4 tomorrow once again to discuss all the constitutional goodness. 6 tomorrow night  
5 everyone is invited. It'll be in the Hart Hall classroom  
6 Westfall – This is our first real go around with the legislation, so I want to I know your  
7 feeling about it. Was it a good bill?  
8 Bronson – I felt that is was a very good thing. Our committee was able to ask really good  
9 questions and I think it helped  
10 Adams – I would have to agree with finance because we do have a busy working  
11 relationship with the DOF so it was good to know what he wanted and what his goals  
12 where. And it was very helpful to go over and do that with him in finance  
13  
14 Senator Garrett Cooperman, Procedure Committee  
15 I would like to say that it was very productive and if more senators attended it would be  
16 even more productive. It would be great to have your vice-chairs take efficient notes. As  
17 far as procedure, we discussed the idea of the title emeritus bill which we have an  
18 amendment to present tonight. We will meet tomorrow for a couple of times. I would  
19 like to schedule a meeting with other chairs as well.  
20  
21 Senator Barry Adams, Finance Committee  
22 We had the AMA bill and we thought is what we had and we interview Chris and then  
23 the SAPB with eh special orders and we may need to take a brief intermission for further  
24 discussion. We will meet again next at 12:40 in the SA office. That is a fixed time  
25  
26 Senator Rasheda Oakman, Involvement Committee  
27 We didn't meet last week because of special session. We will meet this week because we  
28 have a new member and we will meet with Senator Cooperman in Late night at Hewitt  
29 Union  
30 Buchner – Do you have any seats open?  
31 Oakman – No  
32  
33 Senator Laura Kelland, Health and Safety Committee  
34 We were going to meet on Friday but due to Schedule conflicts it did not happen and  
35 because of student involvement awards we will not be meeting. I would like to remind  
36 senators that you are able to sit on health and safety because we need 5 members.  
37  
38 Senator Nicolina Trifunovski, Elections Committee  
39 As everyone knows we had the special election and gave the results at the special session.  
40 We did not meet other than for the elections and the special session. Hopefully I got the  
41 information to get the apportionment bill through. I don't have any other information at  
42 this time so that is about it.  
43 Green – Is there one open seat on your committee?  
44 Trifunovski – I will let you know next time  
45  
46 CCRC

1 Bronson – I wasn't able to make it out Sunday but honestly I've been consumed by the  
2 SAPB guidelines bill so I plan on speaking with President Emeritus Tascarella and  
3 former senator Misercola to have a report next week  
4  
5 Kelland – I would like to nominate Senator Buchner to Health and safety  
6 Adams – Second  
7 VP Fields – Do you accept the nomination?  
8 Buchner – Yes  
9 Bronson – I resign from involvement  
10 Oakman – I would like to nominate Senator Jones to Involvement  
11 Adams – Second  
12 VP Fields – Do you accept?  
13 Jones – I accept  
14 Kelland – I would like to resign to every committee I'm a member of. Well, actually just  
15 policy.  
16 Bleiberg – I nominate Bagnoulo to Policy  
17 Buchner – Second  
18 VP Fields – Do you accept?  
19 Bagnoulo – Yes  
20 Trifunovski – I still have an open seat on elections.  
21 Green – I nominate senator Accordino  
22 Buchner – Second  
23 VP Fields - Do you accept?  
24 Accordino – Yes  
25  
26 **X. General Orders**  
27 SLE 42.49  
28 Buchner - Motion to wave the reading  
29 Jones – Second  
30 Bronson – Motion to amend in the following ways.  
31 Anderson – Is that fiscal year or school year?  
32 Bronson – It'll be academic year.  
33 Cooperman – I was only going to ask for a clarification to see what we would be voting  
34 on because this does not include the appendix.  
35 Scharffenberger- What would be the nature of the review?  
36 Bronson – There is no real procedure but maybe I could direct it to senator Cooperman  
37 Cooperman – Perhaps adding that it should be referred to policy committee or perhaps it  
38 would fall under the policy committee. It should be reviewed every year to keep it current  
39 and I think that falls under policy committee.  
40 Scharffenberger – A legislative review can mean a lot of things and it also means that a  
41 procedure should be established and my concern is you have a very extensive operation  
42 here and what it is based on.  
43 Sawyer – The point of the review is so that SAPB, Senate or the incoming president  
44 could look at it or perhaps make some addition. We would do a review at the first year of  
45 trying this but someone else must have decided to do it each year.  
46 Anderson – I think we need to establish some sort of criteria to review this so that  
47 everyone is on the same page and they know what we're looking for.

1 Cooperman – I think I understand more clearly now but it is the duty of the senate to  
2 oversee the duties that are reviewed by the amendment. I would strike the final “be it  
3 enacted” because it’s over legislation  
4 Scharffenberger – I don’t object to that but my suggestion is what Sawyer is saying it is  
5 an internal review and I don’t understand the assertion of the legislature in the review of  
6 that period.  
7 Green – Is there any way to re-refer this. I have some thoughts on this?  
8 Bronson – I gave senators adequate time to look over this and since we’re discussing it I  
9 see no point to re-refer.  
10 Green – I guess this part of internal review I didn’t think about.  
11 Cooperman - I think as far as an internal review that we feel if SAPB is having a problem  
12 with their internal affairs that they would be able to discuss that with the president to  
13 discuss an amendment to bring to the senate so I’m in favor of striking lines 20 – 24  
14 Adams – Second  
15 VP Fields – All those in favor of striking that say aye, all those opposed say no;  
16 abstaining, the ayes have it. Amendment passes  
17 Bronson – I want to vote on appendix A as a separate matter.  
18 Adams – Motion to vote on the amendments before the bill  
19 Oakman – Second  
20 VP Fields – All those in favor say aye, all those opposed say no; abstaining. The ayes  
21 have it. Amendment passes  
22 Bronson – Moving on to Appendix A. I have a bunch of friendly amendments to do.  
23 Motion to vote on the amendments  
24 Anderson – Second  
25 VP Fields – Voting on the amendments: all those in favor say aye; all those opposed say  
26 no; abstaining. The ayes have it; Amendment passes  
27 Bronson – Moving on, to pages 4 and letter D  
28 Buchner – Could you start to use the copy we have because the pages are different?  
29 Bronson – Sure I can do that. I’m just referring to the old appendix and you have the new  
30 appendix. Motion to vote on letters B-D  
31 Nau – Second  
32 Sawyer – I have a question about number 13. I think the position of director has to be  
33 elaborated on more because I thought it was originally taken out.  
34 Cooperman – I’m not quite sure what your objection is because it was relating to  
35 accountability for funding of the event not what the price should be. The chairs are  
36 operating under the director and that would be the whole point of the director.  
37 Anderson – But if it is only under their discretion and if you strike it would not be a  
38 problem  
39 Buchner – The director is the one who is responsible for the prices?  
40 Sawyer – It just made it seem like there was no checks or balances.  
41 Cooperman – Just to clarify if the director has a problem with the chair then they can go  
42 to the President who is responsible for that department. That is your right as a student.  
43 To add that would be over legislation.  
44 O’Neil – As SAPB works now, we are like Senate and it is democracy and if I say  
45 something and everyone can go around the table and say if they like it or don’t like. I just  
46 want to see it changed so that if I feel he or she is being unreasonable toward something,  
47 they can go and say something and come back to the SAPB board as a group and  
48 determine the final say.

1 Bronson – We could amend it then if you would like?  
2 Cooperman – I would object to that  
3 Adams – Ticket prices should be left to SAPB as a whole; as a team and maybe 13 should  
4 be stricken altogether.  
5 Pres. Emeritus Tascarella – How about we add in “in collaboration with” or “with  
6 consent”?  
7 Green – I concur with Pres. Emeritus Tascarella  
8 Cooperman – Motion to strike 13  
9 Oakman – Objection, as was stated the director has the final say in collaborations. So  
10 striking it altogether would be no legislation  
11 Cooperman – I think that what we have discussed is that the DOF is responsible for  
12 signing the POS and he has to work in collaboration of the executive branch. So if they  
13 have to work in collaboration with the executive branch there is no need for legislation  
14 that.  
15 Adams – I think 13 is over legislation so I say just strike it.  
16 Anderson – Motion to strike line 13.  
17 Adams – Second  
18 Green – Objection, someone has to be held accountable for something and a lot of it is  
19 projected ticket sales.  
20 O’Neil – There is accountability under A1 so there is accountability.  
21 Oakman – Motion to strike line 13  
22 Nau – Second  
23 VP Fields – All those in favor of the amendment say aye; all those opposed say no. All  
24 those abstaining. The ayes have it line 13 will be stricken  
25 Bronson – Moving on the approval of B, C, and D  
26 Cooperman – Motion to vote on sections B, C, and D  
27 Oakman – Second  
28 VP Fields – Voting on amendments to sections B, C, D. All those in favor say aye; all  
29 those opposed say no; abstaining. The ayes have it, amendments pass  
30 Bronson – Motion to votes on amendments to section E and F  
31 Nau – Second  
32 VP Fields – The ayes have it amendment passes  
33 Bronson – Section G, I  
34 Green- Motion to vote on letters G through J  
35 Nau – Second  
36 VP Fields – All those in favor say aye, all those opposed say no; abstaining  
37 Bronson – Motion for a 3 minute recess  
38 Green – Second  
39 VP Fields – Meeting reconvenes at 9:09  
40 Bronson – Section K, N  
41 Jones – In section N, is the campus life staff aware of this?  
42 Bronson – I believe they are  
43 Bronson – To vote on sections K – N  
44 Anderson – Second  
45 VP Fields – Voting on amendments to sections K – N. All those in favor please say aye.  
46 All those opposed and abstaining?  
47 It is the opinion of the chair that the ayes have it.  
48 Amendment passes

1 Bronson – Motion to vote on O and P  
 2 Kelland – Second  
 3 VP Fields – all those in favor of the amendment say aye, opposed; abstaining. The ayes  
 4 have it. Amendment passes  
 5 Bronson – Under the section meetings.  
 6 Jones – Point of clarification for letter A, are you saying they must conduct bi-weekly  
 7 meetings with anyone who comes?  
 8 Bronson – Correct except during finals weeks  
 9 Cooperman – Point of inquiry – would you be using Roberts Rules in your meetings?  
 10 Sawyer – I don’t know what that is  
 11 Bronson – Motion to vote on this section  
 12 Bleiberg – Second  
 13 VP Fields – All those in favor say aye, opposed; abstaining. The ayes have it  
 14 Bronson – Number IX.  
 15 Buchner – Motion to vote on this section  
 16 Hammond – Second  
 17 VP Fields Voting on the amendments for this section.  
 18 Bronson – Section X  
 19 Kelland – There is a problem in section X that needs to be fixed but I’m not sure how.  
 20 Buchner – The amendment would be for “the day after May Day” that way it won’t be a  
 21 specific date.  
 22 Cooperman – Amend it to say: “the term of all executive committee members shall be  
 23 the day following the last day of May Day to the term following the last day of May Day  
 24 in the following year”  
 25 Bronson – Motion to vote on the amendment  
 26 Kelland – Second  
 27 VP Fields – All those in favor  
 28 Amendment passes  
 29 Bronson – Section XI. Motion to vote on this section  
 30 Oakman – Second  
 31 VP Fields – Amendment passes  
 32 Bronson – Section XII.  
 33 Adams - Motion to vote on this section  
 34 Accordino – Second  
 35 VP Fields – Amendment passes  
 36 Westfall – I think we spent way to much time working on this and in the future I think we  
 37 should fail something that had this many amendments with it instead of spending 2 hours  
 38 to work on this many amendments.  
 39 Bleiberg – Motion to vote on the bill  
 40 Buchner – Second  
 41 VP Fields – Voting on the bill SLE 42.49  
 42 Bill Passes  
 43 18-0-1  
 44  
 45 SLE 42.57 Student Association Senate Apportionment  
 46 Trifunovski – Motion to re-refer it to elections for one week  
 47 Jones – Second  
 48 VP Fields – Voting on the re-referral to elections for one week

1 19-0-0  
2 Bill is re-referred for one week to the elections committee  
3  
4 SLE 42.59 AMA, Gas, and a Battle of the Bands  
5 Adams – Motion to wave the reading  
6 Westfall – Second  
7 Adams – Motion to vote  
8 Westfall – Objection, change one line.  
9 Kelland – Motion to vote  
10 Buchner – Second  
11 Bill passes  
12 17-0-2  
13  
14 SLE 42.60 Title of Emeritus  
15 Kelland – Motion to wave the reading  
16 Buchner – Second  
17 Cooperman – Motion to amend in the following ways.  
18 Kelland – Motion to vote on the amendment  
19 Bleiberg – Second  
20 VP Fields – All those in favor say aye; all those opposed say no; abstaining. The ayes  
21 have it, the amendment passes.  
22 Cooperman – Motion to vote  
23 Guerrero – Second  
24 Bill passes  
25 17-1-0  
26  
27 **XI. New Legislation**  
28 SLE 42.63 LSU Leadership Retreat  
29 Adams – Motion to wave the reading  
30 Buchner – Second  
31 Adams – Finance, one week.  
32 Buchner – Second  
33  
34 **XII. Roll Call:** Jones, Oakman, Cooperman, Bleiberg, Bagnoulo, Anderson, Green,  
35 Hammond, Smith, Nau, Westfall, Bell, Accordino, Adams, Bronson, Buchner, Guerrero,  
36 Kelland, Trifunovski  
37  
38 **XIII. Adjournment 9:48 p.m.**  
39 Bleiberg – Motion to adjourn  
40 Buchner – second  
41