



Senate  
42<sup>nd</sup> Legislative Session  
13<sup>th</sup> Meeting  
5 December 2006

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- I. Call to Order
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- V. Public Comment
- VI. Executive Report
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- VIII. Committee Reports
- IX. Special Orders
  - 1.) SLE.42.26 Envy Step Team Transportation
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  - 1.) SLE.42.19 Social Justice Club Newsletter and Flyers
  - 2.) SLE.42.20 Bowling Club Trophy and Fees
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  - 1.) SLE.42.23 Field Hockey Club Funding
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- 1 I. **Call to Order: 6:11 PM**  
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3 II. **Roll Call: Fields, Oakman, Conlon, Cooperman, Lee, Bleiberg, Farnsworth**  
4 **Chadev, Sugar, Marra, Zoll, Walsh, Mapes, Misercola, Umana, Westfall, Bell,**  
5 **Adams, Guerrero, Kelland, Knee, Trifunovski, Bronson**  
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7 III. **Approval of Minutes**  
8 **Motion- Sugar**  
9 **Second- Cooperman**  
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11 IV. **Approval of Agenda**  
12 **Fields- Add SLE 42.26**  
13 **Motion- Walsh**  
14 **Second- Cooperman**  
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16 V. **Public Comment**  
17 **NYPIRG**  
18 **-The Higher Ed teach-in is on Thursday**  
19 **-I'd like to introduce some members of NYPIRG**  
20 **-Our book exchange is coming up, it works like eBay would, trade books with**  
21 **other students and get most of your money back**  
22 **-[www.nypirg.org/bx](http://www.nypirg.org/bx)**  
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24 **Chess Club**  
25 **-Meets Thursday in Hart main lounge**  
26 **-We have 10 members, and are looking for some more**  
27 **-Working on a campus tournament, need funding for boards and clocks**  
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29 **Bowling Club**  
30 **-Bill coming up for in-house tournament and lane fees for next semester**  
31 **-Our budget was planned on past years; we now have double the members, so we**  
32 **need more money**  
33 **-Have spent almost all of the money we were allotted already**  
34 **-Looking to compete; would pay for that out of pocket**  
35 **-Meet Saturday at 2 PM**

1 -We have 16 active members

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3 **VI. Executive Report**

4 President Tascarella

5 -We have a new contract with NYPIRG that they have agreed to sign

6 -It talks about NYPIRG being valuable and has better specifications as to how  
7 money will be allotted

8 -We set up criteria to decide on worthwhile projects and activities

9 -Otherwise, the rest of the contract is the same

10 -Had a long meeting with SAVAC yesterday, said the senators are not giving  
11 correct information on the issue

12 -The \$100 fee is for the transport to the hospital, NOT charged to the student,  
13 charged to insurance

14 -Reason for billing is to keep ambulances new

15 -Soft billing would be for people who absolutely can not pay

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17 Vice President N. Mapes

18 -Next semester we will meet in Lanigan 102 again

19 -Binders are still in my office

20 -Will be here over winter break

21 -Please review Finance Policy and Election Law over break

22 -If you are having meetings that discuss private issues, have them in the SA  
23 Office

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25 Director of Finance Miller

26 65.02 \$13,469.62

27 65.05 \$3,000.00

28 65.06 \$2,826.00

29 -Been working on changes for Financial Policy and club brochure

30 -Been working with Ski and Snowboard Club

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32 Director Buchner

33 -Been meeting with task force for sexual assault, meeting December 14<sup>th</sup> in Hart  
34 Hall to try for a coordinator to put programs together fighting sexual assault

35 -Have emergency phone numbers to pass out

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37 **VII. Senator Issues Forum**

38 Sugar- Thank you to everyone who came to the Off-Campus Forum, it was a  
39 success, I hope to see more of you next semester

40 Knee- Due to personal reasons, I may not be here next semester, thank you to  
41 everyone in Senate

42 Motion- Sugar

43 Second- Chadev

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45 **VIII. Committee Reports**

46 Policy- Worked on Committee Structure Bill, submitting after break

47 Procedure- Worked on the same bill, will be working more over break

48 Finance- Got bills finished, meet Sunday at 5PM in the SA Office

1 Involvement- Will discuss senator contact list and dates for show and brochure  
2 this week

3 Health- Met with Woman's Center, helping put together campaign supporting  
4 legislation for sexual assault committee

5 Elections- Stay after meeting please

6 CCRC- Made an event calendar and sub-committees

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8 **IX. Special Orders**

9 SLE 42.26 Envy Step Team Transportation

10 Fields- Motion for a 5 minute recess

11 Farnsworth- Second 7:01 PM

12 Call back to order: 7:07 PM

13 Fields- Motion for a 5 minute recess

14 Farnsworth- Second 7:07 PM

15 Call back to order: 7:12 PM

16 Fields- Motion to amend line 9

17 Kelland- Motion to vote

18 Misercola- Second

19 VOTE: 20-0-2 Pass

20 Fields- Motion to vote on bill

21 Kelland- Second

22 VOTE: 20-0-2 Pass

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24 **X. General Orders**

25 SLE 42.19

26 Farnsworth- Cleared up constitution issue; money would be used for 6 newsletters  
27 and 800 flyers

28 Sugar- Should we support a political writing

29 Farnsworth- Not fair to only support certain clubs

30 Kelland- Can't say we are supporting only them

31 Kelland- Motion to vote

32 Farnsworth- Second

33 VOTE: 18-0-4 Pass

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35 SLE 42.20

36 Adams- Finance recommended leaving original amount, felt there were  
37 reservations.

38 Kelland- What are your reservations?

39 Cooperman- Motion to vote

40 Farnsworth- Second

41 VOTE: 13-4-5 Pass

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43 **XI. New Legislation**

44 SLE 42.23

45 Misercola- Finance one week

46 Walsh- Second

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48 SLE 42.24

49 Sugar- Finance one week

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Kelland- Second

SLE 42.25

Mapes- Procedure 2 weeks

Kelland- Second

**XIII. Roll Call:** Fields, Oakman, Conlon, Cooperman, Lee, Bleiberg, Farnsworth, Chadev, Sugar, Marra, Zoll, Walsh, Mapes, Misercola, Westfall, Bell, Adams, Guerrero, Kelland, Knee, Trifunovski, Bronson

**XIV. Adjournment**

Goodbye Alan!

Motion- Fields

Second- Conlon

7:32 PM



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- 4 **Zoll, Mapes, Misercola, Umana, Westfall, Bell, Adams, Guerrero, Kelland,**
- 5 **Trifunovski, Bronson**
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- 7 III. **Approval of Minutes**
- 8 Adams- Motion to amend page 2 lines 14 and 36, page 4 line 12
- 9 Sugar- Motion to approve
- 10 Mapes- Second
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- 12 IV. **Approval of Agenda**
- 13 Farnsworth- Motion to amend, add SLE 42.28 Spoken Writers Guild Venue
- 14 Funds to Special Orders
- 15 Fields- Motion to amend, add SLE 42.29 Two and a Half Sexual Assault
- 16 Awareness
- 17 Fields- Motion to approve
- 18 Sugar- Second
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- 20 V. **Public Comment**
- 21 NYPIRG
- 22 -Welcome back
- 23 -We have some cool stuff happening this semester, including a lobby in Albany,
- 24 to talk to legislator
- 25 -Will be talking about higher education, possible \$200 tuition increase, Bigger
- 26 Better Bottle Bill, and global warming
- 27 -Our first meeting is at 6:30 PM in 13 Hewitt Union tomorrow night
- 28 -A NYPIRG lobbyist will be coming to talk on February 15<sup>th</sup> to talk about higher
- 29 education
- 30 -We have a student in Albany working with the governor right now
- 31 -I will be available Thursday in Hewitt Union from 10 AM-2 PM
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- 33 Spoken Writers Guild
- 34 -Event on Friday the 2<sup>nd</sup> at 8 PM called "Show me what you got" in the Ozone
- 35 -There will be performers and judges

1 -Mr. Mohamed will give a speech after the show

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3 Chess Club

4 -Working for a chess tournament with STG club in Hewitt Union sometime in  
5 April

6 -We have no funding for clocks, sets and pieces as of right now

7 -Also want to increase the amount of members, right now there are 6 consistent  
8 members and 3 or 4 random

9 -This bill would cover all expenses

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11 **VI. Executive Report**

12 President Tascarella

13 -Welcome back

14 -We created 6 goals for the senate... have we reached those goals?

15 -Need to meet with Policy and Procedure this week

16 -Working with SAPB

17 -Website closer to completion

18 -Trying to put blogs and message boards up, hopefully it will be done by February  
19 15<sup>th</sup>

20 -Ordered sticks with the webpage name on them for the hockey game

21 -Working on the transition to the new Student Center

22 -Direct Assembly will be within the next month

23 -Tomorrow kicks off College Hour

24 -There are petitions in the office for anyone that wants to run for a position

25 -Need four students to sit on faculty assembly Monday from 3-5 PM

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27 Vice President N. Mapes

28 -I hope you will all promote College Hour and use it wisely

29 -We have lost a few senators and are gaining some, which leaves committee seats  
30 open, the new senators have first pick as to what they want to sit on and then  
31 current senators can switch if they want to

32 -The senators who left us are Knee, Conlon, and Walsh

33 -Spots open are 2 Funnel, Off Campus and At Large, 3 Onondaga, 1 Waterbury,  
34 and 1 Scales

35 -Chairs are due at 7 PM now and bills at 6 PM

36 -People who are running to be a senator need to get at least 50 signatures

37 -Started the scanning project officially, starting at the back of the books, they will  
38 be available behind the library circulation desk, thinking about getting an assistant  
39 to help with it next year

40 -Elections are coming up soon

41 -Petitions are due on February 9<sup>th</sup>; if you plan on running, please be respectable  
42 about it

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44 Director of Finance Miller

45 65.02 \$12,671.57

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48 -It's been a busy beginning to the semester

49 -Tier three budgets are due February 9<sup>th</sup>

1 -The Financial Policy is finished; hope you all will read through it, a lot of  
2 wording was made more concise  
3 -We are forming a committee with SAVAC to look into getting an optional fee  
4 put on tuition  
5 -We have received all but one of the charters, we requested to revise it, and this  
6 Sunday is their last chance  
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## 8 VII. **Senator Issues Forum**

9 Lee- I've been a senator here for the past 3 semesters. I've been in the military as  
10 well and my commanders told me that I need to take on some new jobs, so I am  
11 resigning. I wish you all the best of luck.

12 Sugar- I'm concerned with the minutes, it seems like they are shorter

13 Vice President N. Mapes- It's hard for her to copy down as fast as people speak;  
14 I'm giving her permission to interrupt at any time

15 Trifunovski- College hour seems to be getting a bad rap; people are saying that it  
16 is a waste of time and that it will cause big lines at lunch time

17 President Tascarella- It is too early for people to criticize, I would encourage  
18 people to wait a while and go to the events

19 Farnsworth- Political science students had trouble scheduling, they need to know  
20 how to utilize it

21 Vice President N. Mapes- You can easily get the word out

22 Bell- At another campus, people found it most useful to get meeting times  
23 arranged and matching schedules

24 Cooperman- Tell them that lunch wont back up if people go to the events, and that  
25 professors will be available and are going to work on breaking up the time. People  
26 need to see it in a positive light

27 Vice President N. Mapes- It hasn't even happened yet, so people need to give it a  
28 few tries first

29 Kelland- College hour is only on Wednesday's, not 3 days a week

30 Mapes- Pathfinder lunch lines have gotten out of control

31 Farnsworth- The same goes for just trying to get out of buildings to get out of  
32 class

33 Sugar- People don't seem to know about how the bus routes now stop at the  
34 campus center

35 Vice President N. Mapes- It's just part of the new route, it comes back around to  
36 the new Student Center then goes on its regular route again

37 Fields- I would like to yield my time to Senator Cutler- As for dining hall lines, a  
38 lot of people are out of class at the same time due to college hour, so that could be  
39 at fault

40 Guerrero- That's true, so people should aim to go earlier or later than the rush so  
41 it's not as busy

42 Cooperman- That's always been the case that people get out of class at similar  
43 times, college hour may cause a higher volume but it's not at fault  
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## 45 VIII. **Committee Reports**

46 Policy- Stay after senate

47 Procedure- Going to meet with President Tascarella and Finance, meet after  
48 senate

1 Finance- Would like to meet with Policy and Procedure, Tier Status bill coming  
2 next week

3 Involvement- Finishing up last semester's work, idea about mass emailing for  
4 people to order emails, meet after senate

5 Health and Safety- Working with a lot of different organizations, lost a member,  
6 meet after senate

7 Elections- Exciting semester ahead, meet after senate

8 CCRC- Meet Thursday at 7 PM

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10 **IX. Special Orders**

11 SLE 42.28 Spoken Writers Guild Venue Funds

12 Farnsworth- They found out that the grant from the Ozone had run out, so they  
13 need money to get a venue to put on their show. They looked for help, but didn't  
14 get any. They are a very active club; I feel this bill is reasonable.

15 Motion- Fields

16 Second- Kelland

17 VOTE: 15-0-3 Pass

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19 **X. General Orders**

20 SLE 42.23 Field Hockey Club Funding

21 Sugar- Did Finance rule on this?

22 Adams- Yes, motion to amend. These changes show what we decided, they  
23 wanted 4 cases originally but we decided 2 was sufficient to start. They also need  
24 coach's pay, they feel she deserves it. The total amount was cut from \$380 to  
25 \$290

26 Motion- Cooperman

27 Second- Oakman

28 VOTE: 16-0-2 Pass

29 Motion- Cooperman

30 Second- Fields

31 VOTE: 16-0-2 Pass

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33 SLE 42.24 Chess Club Promotion Bill

34 Sugar- I'm interested in what Finance has to say

35 Adams- We learned some new information on the tournament for April. Much of  
36 the equipment is privately owned, so the committee decided it is a worthy  
37 investment. This would help buy clocks, boards, pieces and awards

38 Miller- My notes say \$108 and \$20, your saying \$128 and \$40

39 Adams- That's correct, needs to be changed

40 Motion- Cooperman

41 Second- Farnsworth

42 VOTE: 16-0-2 Pass

43 Motion- Trifunovski

44 Second- Adams

45 VOTE: 16-0-2 Pass

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47 **XI. New Legislation**

48 SLE 42.25 Amendment to SLE 39.28 Student Association Election Law

49 Mapes- Elections one week

1 Cooperman- Second  
2 SLE 42.27 Amendment to SLE 36.27 Student Association Financial Policy  
3 Farnsworth- Finance one week  
4 Cooperman- Second  
5 SLE 42.29 Two and a Half Sexual Assault Awareness  
6 Kelland- Finance one week  
7 Cooperman- Second  
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9 XII. **Roll Call:** Fields, Oakman, Cooperman, Lee, Bleiberg, Farnsworth, Sugar, Marra,  
10 Zoll, Mapes, Misercola, Umana, Westfall, Bell, Adams, Guerrero, Kelland,  
11 Trifunovski, Bronson  
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13 XIII. **Adjournment**  
14 Motion- Cooperman  
15 Second- Kelland  
16 8:37 PM



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  - 2.) SLE.42.33 2007-2008 Tier Status
  - 3.) SLE.42.34 Chinese Culture Club New Year Celebration
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  - 2.) SLE.42.32 Amendment to Student Association Bill SLE.37.23 Presidential Appointments
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**Senate Minutes**

- 1 I. **Call to Order: 6:17 PM**
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- 4 **Umana, Westfall, Adams, Guerrero, Kelland, Trifunovski**
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- 6 III. **Approval of Minutes**
- 7 Trifunovski- Motion to refer one week
- 8 Umana- Second
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- 10 IV. **Approval of Agenda**
- 11 Sugar- Motion to approve
- 12 Trifunovski- Second
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- 14 V. **Public Comment**
- 15 NYPIRG
- 16 -We have a lot going on this semester
- 17 -We have a huge bottle drive we will be holding, the money will be donated to a
- 18 charity
- 19 -Working on hunger and homeless outreach and the Bigger Better Bottle Bill
- 20 -One main thing we do are lobby days, on February 27<sup>th</sup> we will be in Albany,
- 21 there are 10 slots open; on March 7<sup>th</sup> we will be in Albany for higher education
- 22 issues
- 23 -On the 22<sup>nd</sup> in Lanigan 107 there will be "Lobbying 101", where people can
- 24 learn tips about lobbying
- 25 -Any significant stories you have are helpful to adjusting TAP
- 26 Jonathan Green: Thanks for the support; we are learning a lot about these issues. I
- 27 feel like I'm running through hoops trying to get people involved, showing them
- 28 that we are a good group
- 29 -Tonight we are holding a petition
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- 31 **Ski Club**
- 32 -Thank you for your past financial support, we wanted to show you what you
- 33 made possible
- 34 -Trip was in Tremblant, it was very fun and nice, we had fun skiing, at the spa,
- 35 and having dinner together

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Two and a Half

- We are a new group that deals with sexual assault; it actually originated in Brooklyn, NY
- We bring general knowledge to campus on what to do if you are or ever have been sexual assaulted
- Meetings are on Tuesday's at 8 PM in the formal lounge
- It helps to protect and defend students
- There is a poetry slam on Friday
- We're not funded because we are Tier 1; we have tried to do some fundraising
- This is an issue that is pushed aside; we want to bring it to attention

Women's Center

- In the past, most of our funding has been spent on conferences, now our focus is bringing things to campus, but our budget isn't laid out that way
- I'm requesting a senator sponsor part of a bill to get money for conferences
- Asking for support

NAEA

- We want to propose a bill for a conference on March 14<sup>th</sup> where we would stay for five days, need a senator to sponsor, there will be events from 7 AM to 11 PM, a lot to do
- We had our first fundraiser today, it was successful, and we made \$150
- This group just formed this year, this conference only comes to the east coast every seven years, and we would like to go for networking opportunities
- We will be asking for money for trains, it's the most cost effective way to travel
- The total is \$1240 for 12 students

Habitat for Humanity

- We have expanded our group
- Asking for money for our spring break trip, it will cover transportation and other fees
- Doing a lot of our own fundraising, and every student has to pay \$100 as well
- People who go have life changing experiences; it is an amazing thing to do

Social Justice Club

- Our membership is going up
- We're starting a new campaign, sends literature to prisoners and letters to political prisoners, who may be in jail for the wrong reason
- The newsletter will be out by the end of the week
- We have three events coming up: March 8<sup>th</sup> is Beehive Collective, about activists and imperialism in Latin America; March 9<sup>th</sup> through the 11<sup>th</sup> is a national conference on organized resistance, where there will be two days of workshops; and April 12<sup>th</sup> is a festival for alternative media projects
- We are looking to be reimbursed for gas
- Hoping for your support

- 1 -Need representatives for committees
- 2 -Want to do a yearbook/Oswegonian 48 page graduation issue
- 3 -Moving forward with SAPB structure
- 4 -The Cortland game is this Friday
- 5 -OAR is going to be our concert this year; it will be on April 29<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM
- 6 -The NYPIRG petition is invalid for two reasons, it can't be finance based, and it
- 7 is service based

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9 Vice President N. Mapes

- 10 -I hope you all enjoyed your week off
- 11 -I'm a little upset because every time I tried to change a meeting date, everyone
- 12 would say they couldn't come
- 13 -Used to be that people would drop everything to come to a meeting
- 14 -Met with CCRC, broke up into subcommittees, there are some projects going on
- 15 -Chairing Government Exchange Day, the first or second week in March
- 16 -Co-chairing the Donation Drive to give away to the needy
- 17 -As for the petition, says you support funding, not the actual organization

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19 Director of Finance Miller

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- 23 -Been collecting budgets from all Tier 3 organizations
- 24 -Meeting all day Saturday and Sunday from 10:30 AM to 6 PM

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26 **VII. Senator Issues Forum**

27 Mapes- Thank you to SAPB for bringing OAR here

28 Sugar- I'd like to let Tim address the petition as to why it's invalid, and when

29 they found out about it

30 Tim Dutch- I feel that it is there opinion that it's invalid, I don't believe it is

31 Fields- About Senate and people not showing up, it's sad that people wouldn't

32 give up some time for a special session; you signed up for this, you have a duty,

33 and it adds to the negative view of us

34 Cooperman- I agree with Senator Fields, you should be here because you are

35 dedicated. Also, can a senator send a proxy for a special session?

36 Vice President N. Mapes- Yes

37 Cooperman-You can always send a proxy. As for the website, it is case sensitive,

38 need lowercase letters right now

39 Farnsworth- Would like to agree with you to a degree, but some did put effort

40 forth, but not fair to preach to the whole Senate, because there are chairs who

41 canceled

42 Trifunovski- Can we resort to a more diplomatic approach on the NYPIRG issue,

43 I feel this needs to be worked on as a group

44 President Tascarella- Funding is the presidents' decision, that's why they are

45 elected to make the right decision

46 Trifunovski- There are a lot of negative feelings about it, would like to see it

47 worked out as a Senate

48 Vice President N. Mapes- We are working to resolve, it's been going on for a

49 long time. I'm remaining unbiased, petitions will be reviewed

1 Trifunovski- I would just like to bring it to a close  
2 President Tascarella- I feel we've been working closer; personal feelings have  
3 nothing to do with this issue  
4 Trifunovski- I apologize if you're offended  
5 Fields- My comment is directed to the whole Senate, it was a broad statement  
6 Sugar- Would like to say thank you to Mrs. B. for her help to me and the other  
7 off-campus students when we were stranded  
8 Cooperman- I would like to yield my time to Tim  
9 Tim Dutch- Our working relationship is fine, but it is an issue that needs to be  
10 resolved, we are going to meet with Dan, I'd like to thank the Vice President for  
11 being objective. Any question can deal with money but the students are not bound  
12 by that question. Also, this is a student organization. Between President  
13 Tascarella and NYPIRG, this is a very complicated issue  
14 Vice President N. Mapes- What was the purpose of the question on the petition?  
15 Tim Dutch- Feel that it's a good opportunity for students to speak out. It's the  
16 same as asking if Senate should be here, just allowing for students to take part in  
17 it. It's an idea of students taking power  
18 Vice President Mapes- Why not asked as "do you support NYPIRG" if that was  
19 what you were after?  
20 Tim Dutch- Wanted to make it as accurate as possible hits major points. Should  
21 be referred to the student body  
22 Farnsworth- Why put in a set amount instead of just a general support question?  
23 Why not a survey?  
24 Tim Dutch- A petition holds more weight, there are other ways to form the  
25 question, I didn't write it, it's not binding; we were just seeing if there was  
26 support for funding  
27 President Tascarella- You are contractual, so you are different and unique from  
28 other organizations  
29 Tim Dutch- This is a student organization though, directed by students  
30 Vice President N. Mapes- If this is non-binding, why are you pursuing it?  
31 Tim Dutch- Didn't receive any difficulty until now, just seeing what kind of  
32 support we have, it gets to the core issue  
33 Guerrero- Need to understand fully what you are signing, seems like some people  
34 don't read what they are signing  
35 Cooperman- Motion to close  
36 Kelland- Second

## 37 38 **VIII. Committee Reports**

39 Policy- Meet tomorrow at 6 PM in Hart Hall classroom  
40 Procedure- Met with President Tascarella to discuss referendum revisions bill,  
41 would like more members as soon as possible  
42 Finance- Tier Status bill is up tonight, Financial Policy didn't get worked on  
43 because of the snow, meet at 5 PM on Sunday in the SA office  
44 Involvement- Met two weeks ago, going through a transition, Senator Oakman  
45 will be the new chairman. Meet after the meeting, we're very short in members  
46 Health and Safety- Missing a member, haven't met yet this semester, meet after  
47 this  
48 Elections- Thank you for the help last night. The debate times are: Wednesday the  
49 21<sup>st</sup> in Cayuga at 8 PM, Sunday the 25<sup>th</sup> in Johnson at 8 PM, and March 4<sup>th</sup> in

1 Hewitt Union at 8 PM. I'm looking to get the lower level of the food court in the  
2 Student Center. I don't feel the Election Law is ready, I want to re-refer it, and  
3 there is an open meeting tomorrow at 8 PM on it in the SA conference room.  
4 Meeting Thursday, also will be meeting on Monday  
5 CCRC- Any questions contact me  
6

7 **IX. Special Orders**

8 SLE 42.31 2007 Student Association Constitutional Revisions and Referendum  
9 Language

10 Vice President Mapes- Amendments supposed to be referred, due to the time  
11 constraint, I propose we discuss it tonight

12 Cooperman- Second

13 President Tascarella- The first change is clarification on job duties, the second  
14 change is criteria for funding, it's a better explanation, pts what we can fund in  
15 order

16 Umana- Motion for a five minute recess

17 Sugar- Second

18 8:30 PM

19 Call back to order: 8:35 PM

20 Sugar- Motion to amend

21 Trifunovski- Second

22 Strike "priorities"; add "the following criteria"

23 Farnsworth- I feel this amendment is silly, what would happen to the next section

24 Cooperman- Financial bills go through senators, won't worry about priorities,  
25 senate has the power to control the wording

26 Adams- Perhaps a better compromise, like "suggested priorities"

27 Cooperman- There's already guidelines, if you change it, criteria is a necessity,  
28 everything will be needed and not just suggested

29 Farnsworth- Leaves too much interpretation, criteria makes it a necessity

30 Cooperman- Priority means no obligation

31 Kelland- Motion to call the question

32 VOTE: 16-0-1

33 VOTE: 1-11-3

34 Kelland- Motion to vote on section

35 Cooperman- Second

36 VOTE: 14-0-1

37 Fields- This is self explanatory, motion to vote

38 Kelland- Second

39 VOTE: 15-0-0 Pass

40 President Tascarella- Reading of section

41 Farnsworth- No individual can get funding, grant goes through an organization

42 Umana- Motion to vote

43 Kelland- Second

44 VOTE: 12-1-2

45 VOTE: 13-0-2 Pass

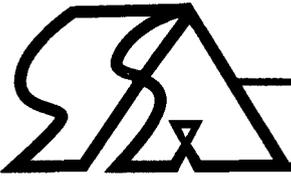
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47 SLE 42.33 2006-2007 Tier Status

48 Adams- Outlines Tier 2 moving to Tier 3 and Tier 3 staying at Tier 3

49 Fields- Motion to vote

1 Kelland- Second  
2 VOTE: 14-0-1 Pass  
3  
4 SLE 42.34 Chinese Culture Club New Year Celebration  
5 Cooperman- I yield time to Adams  
6 Adams- I think we should have a recess  
7 Fields- Motion for a five minute recess  
8 Farnsworth- Second  
9 9:08 PM  
10 Call back to order: 9:15  
11 Adams- We've made a decision to change the amount from \$450 to \$175  
12 Cooperman- Motion to vote  
13 Kelland- Second  
14 VOTE: 14-0-1  
15 Kelland- Motion to vote  
16 Umana- Second  
17 VOTE: 11-1-3 Pass  
18  
19 **X. General Orders**  
20 SLE 42.25 Amendment to SLE 39.28 Student Association Election Law  
21 Mapes- Motion to re-refer to Elections for one week  
22 Cooperman- Second  
23 VOTE: 15-0-0 Pass  
24  
25 SLE 42.27 Amendment to SLE 36.27 Student Association Financial Policy  
26 Adams- We didn't look over it, motion to re-refer to Finance for one week  
27 Kelland- Second  
28 VOTE: 11-2-2 Pass  
29  
30 SLE 42.29 Two and a Half Sexual Assault Awareness Program  
31 Trifunovski- Motion to vote  
32 Umana- Second  
33 VOTE: 14-0-1 Pass  
34  
35 **XI. New Legislation**  
36 SLE 42.30 Habitat for Humanity Alternative Spring Break Funding  
37 Finance one week  
38  
39 SLE 42.32 Amendment to Student Association Bill SLE 37.23 Presidential  
40 Appointments  
41 Policy one week  
42  
43 **XIII. Roll Call:** Fields, Oakman, Cooperman, Bleiberg, Farnsworth, Sugar, Marra,  
44 Zoll, Mapes, Umana, Westfall, Adams, Guerrero, Kelland, Trifunovski  
45  
46 **XIV. Adjournment**  
47 Motion- Kelland  
48 Second- Cooperman  
49 9:47 PM



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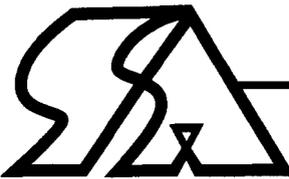
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Senate  
42<sup>nd</sup> Legislative Session  
16<sup>th</sup> Meeting (Special Session)  
15 February 2007

## Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Agenda
- IV. Executive Reports
- V. General Orders
  - 1.) SLE.42.27 Amendment to SLE.36.27 Student Association Financial Policy
- VI. Roll Call
- VII. Adjournment



Senate  
42<sup>nd</sup> Legislative Session  
16<sup>th</sup> Meeting  
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**Senate Minutes**

- 1 I. **Call to Order: 8:47 PM**
- 2
- 3 II. **Roll Call: Fields, Oakman, Proxy Shapiro, Bronson, Proxy Bagnuolo, Farnsworth,**
- 4 **Sugar, Marra, Zoll, Mapes, Umana, Westfall, Adams, Guerrero, Trifunovski**
- 5
- 6 III. **Approval of Agenda**
- 7 **Motion- Trifunovski**
- 8 **Second- Oakman**
- 9
- 10 IV. **Executive Reports**
- 11 **President Tascarella**
- 12 **-Thanks for coming**
- 13
- 14 **Vice President N. Mapes**
- 15 **-We must be out by 9:30 PM tonight**
- 16
- 17 **Director of Finance Miller**
- 18 **-Lets do this fast**
- 19
- 20 V. **General Orders**
- 21 **SLE 42.27 Amendment to SLE 36.27 Student Association Financial Policy**
- 22 **Miller- I expect you've read through it**
- 23 **President Tascarella**
- 24 **- Took things from constitution that related**
- 25 **- Put more on organization communications**
- 26 **-Made it easier to understand, sections are smaller**
- 27 **-Raised amount for Tier 2 organizations**
- 28 **-Freezing of accounts is the same as before, all just reworded**
- 29 **-Advanced funds and petty cash has whole policy now**
- 30 **-No big changes with the activity fee, just clarified**
- 31 **-Added timeline to reimbursements**
- 32 **-Added paying members of organizations**
- 33 **Director of Finance Miller**
- 34 **-Added criteria for use of gas cards**

1 -Food policy is brand new, there are specific guidelines  
2 -Prizes must be a reasonable price  
3 -Clothing rules clarified  
4 -New event form  
5 President Tascarella  
6 -Specified membership dues, clarified payments  
7 -Money transfers changed, new policy  
8 -Revenue lays out what must be done with the money  
9 -Income line section is clarified, in the past we've had issues  
10 -Donations part clarified, must pay of money spent before donating  
11 -Funds allocated is first come first serve  
12 -Reserve funds section is edited and has new parts  
13 Adams- Motion to amend  
14 Page 4, line 3; page 4, line 5; page 5, line 17, page 6, line 11; page 6, line 17; page  
15 6, line 26; page 12, line 40; page 14, line 25; page 15, line 24; page 19, line 7;  
16 page 24, line 12; page 24, line 24; page 24, line 29; page 26, line 14; page 27, line  
17 16; page 29, line 21; Priorities and Criteria for Funding, I, II  
18 Major amendments  
19 "Charter for tier 3 organization", IV, VI  
20 Sugar- Motion to vote  
21 Oakman- Second  
22 VOTE: 14-0-1 Pass  
23 "While Senate is not in session", I  
24 Trifunovski- Motion to vote  
25 Sugar- Second  
26 VOTE: 14-0-1 Pass  
27 "While Senate is not in session", II  
28 Fields- I would like to add the vice president to that  
29 Director of Finance Miller- If that is required and they are not there, we cannot  
30 conduct business  
31 Cooperman- It is a physical approval  
32 Fields- More based on having them there because they are the president of Senate  
33 Fields- This isn't getting anywhere, motion to withdraw  
34 Trifunovski- I don't feel the Senate is represented  
35 President Tascarella- We just need to be able to conduct business over the  
36 summer  
37 Mapes- Just add "and vice president if available"  
38 Farnsworth- Would need more so it's proven  
39 Westfall- add "vice president kept abreast of these contractual negotiations"  
40 Trifunovski- Will someone have voting power?  
41 Cooperman- Senate is only in session in the school year  
42 Director of Finance Miller- Whose interest is being represented if there is no  
43 Senate in the summer?  
44 Farnsworth- This gives situations an opportunity in the summer  
45 Trifunovski- I don't see the representation  
46 Cooperman- Motion to vote  
47 Sugar- Second  
48 VOTE: 10-2-3 Pass  
49 "Student Association Grant Policy", Add entire section

1 Farnsworth- Wanted criteria that laid out how this grant would work  
2 President Tascarella- Not a problem  
3 Director of Finance Miller- Can be utilized  
4 Sugar- Motion to vote  
5 Zoll- Second  
6 VOTE: 14-0-1 Pass  
7 Recess: 9: 49 PM- 9:51 PM  
8 Farnsworth- Motion to amend  
9 Page 25, I.E.  
10 Sugar- Motion to vote  
11 Mapes- Second  
12 VOTE: 13-0-2 Pass  
13 Farnsworth- Motion to amend  
14 Line 13  
15 Sugar- Motion to vote  
16 Farnsworth- Second  
17 VOTE: 13-0-2 Pass  
18 Farnsworth- Motion to vote on bill  
19 Fields- Second  
20 VOTE: 9-3-3 Pass  
21  
22 VI. **Roll Call:** Fields, Oakman, Cooperman, Bronson, Proxy Bagnuolo, Farnsworth,  
23 Sugar, Marra, Zoll, Mapes, Umana, Westfall, Adams, Guerrero, Trifunovski  
24  
25 VII. **Adjournment**  
26 Motion- Adams  
27 Second- Zoll  
28 10:03 PM



Senate  
42<sup>nd</sup> Legislative Session  
17<sup>th</sup> Meeting  
20 February 2007

**Agenda**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes
  - January 30, 2007 14<sup>th</sup> Meeting
  - February 13, 2007 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting
  - February 15, 2007 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting
- IV. Approval of Agenda
- V. Guests of the Senate
  - Chris Hockey, Transfer Coordinator
  - Michele Hill, "Helping Our Heroes"
- VI. Public Comment
- VII. Executive Report
  - Dan Tascarella, Student Association President
  - Natasha Mapes, Student Association Vice President
  - Josh Miller, Student Association Director of Finance
  - Other Directors
- VIII. Senator Issues Forum
- IX. Committee Reports
- X. General Orders
  - 1.) SLE.42.25 Amendment to SLE.39.28 Student Association Election Law
  - 2.) SLE.42.30 Habitat for Humanity Alternative Spring Break Funding
  - 3.) SLE.42.32 Amendment to Student Association Bill SLE.37.23 Presidential Appointments
- XI. New Legislation
  - 1.) SLE.42.35 6505 to 6502 Funds Transfer
  - 2.) SLE.42.36 NAEA National Conference
  - 3.) SLE.42.37 Club Hockey Transfer of Funds
- XII. Roll Call
- XIII. Adjournment



Senate  
42<sup>nd</sup> Legislative Session  
17<sup>th</sup> Meeting  
20 February 2007

**Senate Minutes**

- 1 I. **Call to Order: 6:15 PM**
- 2
- 3 II. **Roll Call: Fields, Oakman, Cooperman, Bronson, Bleiberg, Farnsworth, Sugar,**
- 4 **Marra, Zoll, Ballesteros, Mapes, Misercola, Umana, Nau, Westfall, Bell, Adams,**
- 5 **Guerrero, Kelland, Trifunovski**
- 6
- 7 III. **Approval of Minutes**
- 8 **January 30, 2007**
- 9 **Motion- Sugar**
- 10 **Second- Trifunovski**
- 11 **February 13, 2007**
- 12 **Farnsworth- Motion to amend page 3 lines 4, 9, 15, 20, 24, 29, 30, and 31**
- 13 **Motion- Trifunovski**
- 14 **Second- Marra**
- 15 **February 15, 2007**
- 16 **Motion- Umana**
- 17 **Second- Zoll**
- 18
- 19 IV. **Approval of Agenda**
- 20 **Kelland- Motion to amend, add SLE 42.38 Women's Center Conference**
- 21 **Sponsorship to New Legislation**
- 22 **Motion- Trifunovski**
- 23 **Second- Sugar**
- 24
- 25 V. **Guest to Senate**
- 26 **Chris Hockey, Transfer Coordinator**
- 27 **-Here to talk about new internship positions opening up on campus**
- 28 **-There are many offices coming together into one office**
- 29 **-The purpose is to help students move through, from start to graduation. Wanted a**
- 30 **student work team to help do this**
- 31 **-Working on pier assistants and public relations internships, 12 students as piers**
- 32 **and about 6 for public relations**
- 33 **-At the end of the first year we will take the top three out of the 12 and put them**
- 34 **into a paid position**

1 -Please reach out to your constituents and let them know this position is available.  
2 It gives access to a lot of outlets, the ability to advance, and teaches a wide range  
3 of skills. Navigation students would work in specialty areas  
4 -Applications are due February 28<sup>th</sup>, they are available on the Career Services  
5 website  
6 -March 5<sup>th</sup> is a group interview from 6:30-9 PM; individual interviews will be the  
7 following week  
8 -If there are not enough applicants, we will probably push the deadline back  
9 -A navigator can be any year, but the public relation interns should be of junior  
10 status and public relations majors  
11 -This information will go out through various list serves, and all jobs are on the  
12 website

13  
14 Michele Hill, "Helping our Heroes"

15 -My idea for this program came after hearing soldiers' stories, about how they are  
16 forced to leave loved ones, and the conditions they live in  
17 -It touched m life personally; it's time to give back to the men who sacrifice for us  
18 -I'm asking the community to donate supplies, small acts of kindness can raise  
19 moral  
20 -Even the littlest bit can help  
21 -Thank you for the opportunity, I hope you are all willing to make a positive  
22 influence; I want to get enough supplies to mail them all over Iraq  
23 -Donations can be dropped off on campus or we will pick them up; willing to do  
24 practically all of the work

25  
26 **VI. Public Comment**

27 NYPIRG

28 -Bigger Better Lobby Day is next week  
29 -Bottle Bill: If and when it is a law, it will save colleges and organizations money.  
30 It takes time to recycle, it will benefit NY. I encourage you to tell your  
31 constituents about the bottle drive coming up, there is no date yet  
32 -Survey on internet privacy policies will be held  
33 -Write your representatives on TAP financial situation, strongly encouraged  
34 -Lobbying 101 at 7 PM in Lanigan this coming Thursday

35  
36 Habitat for Humanity

37 -Here for alternative spring break  
38 -Please take this seriously, we are not funded by SA, but we have done some  
39 fundraising  
40 -Funding would be for five vans at \$2,295.00 for the week  
41 -March 7<sup>th</sup> is our fundraiser, spaghetti dinner at 5:30 PM in the Newman Center;  
42 \$3 for students, live music

43  
44 Circle K

45 -Looking to go to our district convention from March 30<sup>th</sup> to April 1<sup>st</sup> at Utica  
46 Hotel  
47 -\$140 per person, asking for \$90 per person  
48 -Will be getting two, four person rooms  
49 -Looking for someone to sponsor our bill

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2 **VII. Executive Report**

3 **President Tascarella**

4 -Hopefully next week we will have someone for the judicial spot

5 -Will try for tours for the Campus Center the 27<sup>th</sup> at 3 PM

6 -Thanks for coming to the special session and passing the Financial Policy

7 -Budget meeting was over the past week, there were a lot of questions

8 -Requested referendum on NYPIRG question:

9 -First concern was the misleading nature. According to the student count,  
10 there are about 8,000 students. When applied to the question it would amount to  
11 about \$66,000. The next question is being reviewed; the same issue has made it to  
12 the Supreme Court in the past. It must be neutral with no political views when  
13 dealing with student activity fees. I took the premise of this argument and applied  
14 it to our issue.

15 -My second point is the fact that they are a contracted service. They have a  
16 local coordinator, internships, etc. There is a guaranteed membership to fee payers.  
17 They are not entitled to have a petition, they are contracted already to a specific  
18 service, and it is not a student organization.

19 -President can use powers that shall not be denied

20 -Has been precedent in the past for this, question was shown for 2005, allowed  
21 referendum

22 -NYPIRG actions over the past week include passing notes to senators; this is not  
23 to be tolerated. We met to discuss the referendum too, I thought we had an  
24 agreement, but they later went against the compromise. They were informed  
25 about budget for Tier 3, came and didn't have answers about numbers

26 -NYPIRG bylaws say they do not want to be a student organization. A student  
27 organization uses money only for the benefit of the student community; it  
28 couldn't just go to their causes. It has to go to others as well

29 -\$49,000 is a lot of money; other organizations tend to get less. No student  
30 organization got as much as this contracted amount

31 -Problematic lobbying and interference must put restrictions that prevent this  
32

33 **Vice President N. Mapes**

34 -There are a lot of notes being passed, this is ridiculous. If I see them anymore,  
35 they will be confiscated

36 -As the vice president, I will not take a public stance, and won't provide an  
37 opinion. We are all here because we believe in SA, don't want to see it disappear  
38 but grow stronger. This organization makes a lot of things possible that otherwise  
39 wouldn't be.

40 -Thanks to those who attended the special session. Two senators were approached  
41 afterwards in an aggressive manner. You shouldn't raise your voice to other  
42 senators or anyone else. There were an unusual amount of objections and  
43 abstentions. If you have a problem you should speak about it, it is the best interest  
44 of the Senate and SA to voice oppositions. I hope to see improvement in Senate.  
45

46 **Director of Finance Miller**

47 65.02 \$11,833.52

48 65.05 \$3,000.00

49 65.06 \$2,826.00

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2 -Thank you to those who helped with the budget this weekend. A lot of  
3 presentations and paperwork was done. Will get together again this weekend  
4 -It is very time consuming, if you have questions please come and ask me  
5

6 **VIII. Senators Issues Forum**

7 Farnsworth- I apologize for my manner after the meeting last week, it was  
8 unprofessional I had the Senates' best interest at heart, though. I do not want to  
9 apologize for my viewpoint, it is your obligation to participate in debate, and your  
10 voice is not just a yes or a no. If you feel strongly, please debate and propose  
11 ways to make it better

12 Fields- If there was a compromise on the table, explain why you agreed and then  
13 left it?

14 Joseph Stelling- Suggested idea of "wish to support NYPIRG", we agreed to  
15 consider the idea, didn't completely made an agreement, didn't have the authority  
16 to completely change the question, wasn't in our authority

17 Fields- Who came up with the NYPIRG question including \$4?

18 Joseph Stelling- Can't say originally, it's similar to past questions, resembles  
19 others used all over the state

20 Fields- What's the need for including \$4?

21 Joseph Stelling- In the past had including a \$4 allocation. Hadn't included that  
22 number, just used it this semester

23 Cooperman- Recently posted on Facebook site about the snowstorm, thank you to  
24 those who helped respond to posts from students. I would like to draft ideas about  
25 a future plan

26 Adams- Met with the Faculty Assembly yesterday, having seen how their  
27 discussions went, I wanted to share. A lot goes into deciding to close school, this  
28 time it was too much snow too fast, there was nothing like this before, and they  
29 are treating it as a learning experience. As for winter driving, people should be  
30 driving fast in snow; a lot of drivers are flying

31 Sugar- I've scheduled the next Off-Campus Forum for March 5<sup>th</sup> at 12:40 PM,  
32 invited candidates to come and speak. It's in Hewitt Formal Lounge, no reason  
33 why you shouldn't be able to come

34 Vice President N. Mapes- You should hold one early in May

35 Oakman- Please pick up some campus debate flyers to be put up in your  
36 dormitories

37 President Tascarella- The Director of Public Relations is working on a flyer for  
38 elections

39 Trifunovski- March 7<sup>th</sup> is anxiety screening, I will be there doing massage therapy,  
40 please support the cause; it's 11-2 PM in the Formal Lounge

41 Kelland- I'd like to announce my resignation from elections, I can't make the time  
42 commitment

43 Fields- I've been thinking; how would the Senate feel if we looked for a 3<sup>rd</sup> party  
44 mediator for the NYPIRG issue, it's hard to be impartial and I feel it would be  
45 best to find an independent 3<sup>rd</sup> party

46 Vice President N. Mapes- If formed; it would have to be completely neutral

47 President Tascarella- There shouldn't be one, as the president I'm supposed to  
48 handle all situations with outside organizations

1 Cooperman- I understand the president point, but senators have to bring  
2 information back to their constituents; it's hard to bring information back that is  
3 unbiased. Also, the snowstorm matter would be a good Health and Safety issue  
4 President Tascarella- I disagree with eh bias issue, it's all facts, I can sent it all out  
5 for you, the facts won't change  
6 Farnsworth- As senators, we have a job to seek out all the information and find  
7 the best way to report the information. Now is not the time to talk about contracts  
8 Misercola- I understand the desire for a committee, but the basis seems  
9 unnecessary; we need to know the petition is overturned and the financial bill  
10 passed, that's it. Just need to know the hard facts  
11 Guerrero- Will President Tascarella e-mail his notes to us?  
12 President Tascarella- Yes, I can send it out  
13 Guerrero- I agree with Senators Fields and Cooperman  
14 Vice President N. Mapes- Lets investigate the committee idea over this week  
15 Cooperman- I understand we should cut down reports but they might want more  
16 information so we should be informed so that we can address those questions. But  
17 hard facts are all that is necessary  
18 Kelland- Motion to table the discussion  
19 Trifunovski- Second  
20 Sugar- Good idea to propose, thank you to those who stayed late and to the people  
21 who cleaned up the grounds  
22 Farnsworth- Thinking of creating incentive for senators, I showed Dr.  
23 Scharfenberger a bill for a new committee to explore these new propositions. I'd  
24 like some feedback, if you have questions see me  
25 Vice President N. Mapes- This is extremely important, can be good or bad, loot at  
26 both angles  
27 Cooperman- Are directors given time to speak in this forum?  
28 Vice President N. Mapes- Certain people  
29 Director Buchner- Movie theater is free  
30 Farnsworth- Motion to close  
31 Misercola- Second  
32

### 33 IX. Committee Reports

34 Policy- Went over bill for presidential appointments, found no changes that are  
35 needed. Meet at 6 PM tomorrow in Hart Hall classroom  
36 Procedure- Only two members and a chair right now, some things I want to get  
37 done that I've held off on until they get filled. Meet Wednesday at 7 PM in the  
38 conference room. I need two people  
39 Finance- Had a light week, only one bill was referred to us, introduced a bill this  
40 week to move money in the accounts around. I have the chair and five members  
41 Involvement- Didn't meet last week, working on fliers for debates. Meet at 8:15  
42 PM Thursday in the SA Office. Have one chair and three members, two seats  
43 available (Farnsworth resign.) Now three seats open  
44 Health and Safety- Haven't met yet, meeting with policy this week hopefully  
45 about a referendum. One chair and three members, one open  
46 Elections- Posted slate on Friday, met with candidates, big week for elections,  
47 setting up online page and debates. Debates are Thursday at 9 PM in Seneca, and  
48 Sunday at 8 PM in Johnson. Met with Farnsworth, had valuable input towards

1 elections law, will amend to have new appendix, I want people to look at it. Have  
2 one chair, three members, two open (Kelland resign.) Now two seats open  
3 CCRC- Split into sub-committees. Canal Clean Sweep will be in April, Off-  
4 Campus Housing Fair on the rights of tenants and how to be a good neighbor.  
5 Working on the four people per household law

6  
7 **Seats Open**

8 **Procedure**

9 **Farnsworth- Nominate Ballesteros**

10 **Fields- Second**

11 **Accept**

12 **Farnsworth- Nominate Nau**

13 **Fields- Second**

14 **Accept**

15 **Involvement**

16 **Trifunovski- Nominate Bronson**

17 **Fields- Second**

18 **Accept**

19 **Trifunovski- Nominate Guerrero**

20 **Oakman- Second**

21 **Accept**

22 **Health and Safety**

23 **Sugar- Hold off for now, there is no set time and it is hard to commit to that**

24 **Elections**

25 **Fields- Nominate Oakman**

26 **Marra- Second**

27 **Accept**

28 **Cooperman- Motion to close**

29 **Farnsworth- Second**

30  
31 **X. General Orders**

32 **SLE 42.25 Amendment to SLE 39.28 Student Association Election Law**

33 **Mapes- Motion to amend, line 0; want to take effect immediately for the next**  
34 **legislative system**

35 **Cooperman- I'd like to clarify that if we didn't have this it would go into effect**  
36 **now, motion to vote**

37 **Kelland- Second**

38 **VOTE: 20-0-0 Pass**

39 **Appendix A**

40 **Cooperman- If questions, come to elections committee, motion to vote**

41 **Fields- Second**

42 **VOTE: 20-0-0 Pass**

43 **Farnsworth- Motion to re-refer to elections for one week**

44 **Cooperman- Second**

45 **VOTE: 20-0-0 Pass**

46  
47 **SLE 42.30 Habitat for Humanity Alternative Spring Break funding**

48 **Bleiberg- Self explanatory**

49 **Adams- Motion to amend**

1 Farnsworth- Object, better to re-refer  
2 Adams- It was overlooked, amendment is to change the total amount, wasn't  
3 accurately presented, new information presented was a change in the need for  
4 transportation  
5 Farnsworth- Was under a certain understanding in committee, it's not necessary to  
6 get passed today, a re-referral would be better  
7 Vice President N. Mapes- Would suggest showing amendments before re-  
8 referring  
9 Fields- Did we talk about this new breakdown in finance committee?  
10 Sugar- Everyone is saying different things  
11 Vice President N. Mapes- We are just presenting for now  
12 Adams- When we met the current costs were \$3,245.00, new breakdown changes  
13 it to \$9,290.00, without food would be \$6,665.00, each person paying \$100 plus  
14 fundraising. Overall, asking us to fund \$3,040.00 now  
15 Director of Finance Miller- This is not as discussed, I think another week would  
16 be best, and please type up comments in the future  
17 Farnsworth- Motion for a 5 minute recess  
18 Cooperman- Object, suggest we fail it for now  
19 Misercola- Motion for a 5 minute recess  
20 Second- Second  
21 8:23 PM  
22 Call back to order: 8:27 PM  
23 Adams- Withdraw amendment, propose to re-refer to finance for one week  
24 Farnsworth- Second  
25 Vice President N. Mapes- Wanted correct information to be brought up  
26 VOTE: 18-0-2 Re-referred  
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28 SLE 42.32 Amendment to Student Association Bill SLE 37.23 Presidential  
29 Appointments  
30 Westfall- Point is to allow the Senate to have a better understanding of  
31 presidential appointments, hard to know about them, gives advanced warning  
32 Cooperman- Runs a breakdown for what will be for each committee, not closed  
33 meetings, to move meeting along  
34 Fields- The president sends a nomination to Senate, and then they have to vote in  
35 committee, will this be the same?  
36 Cooperman- It will be a recommendation  
37 Farnsworth- Says only Senate members can speak thought it would be interpreted  
38 as only committee members  
39 Sugar- Will the minutes be made public?  
40 Westfall- They can read them if requested or can go get them if they want.  
41 Consulted with the executive board, they are OK with it, not a problem  
42 Farnsworth- Motion to amend line 30, remove senate and members, and no need  
43 to add only  
44 Cooperman- Motion to vote  
45 Kelland- Second  
46 VOTE: 19-0-0 Pass  
47 Director of Finance Miller- When the new president comes in and gets a new  
48 director for finance, what happens in the two weeks where there is no director?  
49 Adams- That directors' term ends at the end of the fiscal year?

1 President Tascarella- Worried when there is a switch over, leaving no director for  
2 finance  
3 Farnsworth- Could they appoint an interim director?  
4 President Tascarella- Best thing would be for the president to appoint his own  
5 director of finance  
6 Trifunovski- What happens if the Senate does not approve?  
7 Vice President N. Mapes- Anyone appointed is done by the Senate  
8 Farnsworth- Are there any solutions you can propose?  
9 President Tascarella- This just came to our attention  
10 Vice President N. Mapes- President appoints the director of finance; this bill will  
11 apply to any appointment  
12 Sugar- Motion to re-refer to policy for one week  
13 Fields- Object, what would normally take place?  
14 Dr. Scharfenberger- You would need someone appointed by the president, then  
15 voted on by the Senate later  
16 Kelland- Motion to re-refer  
17 Farnsworth- Object, new information from Dr. Scharfenberger shows the senators  
18 aren't needed, it is a strong bill  
19 Guerrero- Clarify please?  
20 Dr. Scharfenberger- Problem with the vacancy, interim can be appointed  
21 Sugar- Should we fix this problem?  
22 Farnsworth- Same steps to fill the vacancy, the procedure is already there  
23 Kelland- Motion to vote  
24 Sugar- Second  
25 VOTE: 19-0-0 Pass  
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27 **XI. New Legislation**

28 SLE 42.35 65.05 to 65.02 Funds Transfer  
29 Adams- Motion to refer to finance for one week  
30 Kelland- Second  
31 Farnsworth- Object, information for all senators, motion to amend line 17  
32 Sugar- Motion to vote  
33 Zoll- Second  
34 VOTE: 17-0-2 Pass  
35 Adams- Motion to refer to finance for one week  
36 Guerrero- Second  
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38 SLE 42.36 NAEA national Conference  
39 Fields – Motion to refer to finance for one week  
40 Kelland- Second  
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42 SLE 42.37 Club Hokey Transfer of Funds  
43 Mapes- Motion to refer to finance for one week  
44 Sugar- Second  
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46 SLE 42.38 Women's Center Conference Sponsorship  
47 Kelland- Motion to amend, \$1380.00 down to \$1365.00 due to contribution  
48 Cooperman- Motion to vote  
49 Mapes- Second

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VOTE: 17-0-2 Pass  
Kelland- Motion to refer to finance for one week  
Oakman- Second

XIII. **Roll Call:** Fields, Oakman, Cooperman, Bronson, Bleiberg, Farnsworth,  
Sugar, Marra, Zoll, Ballesteros, Mapes, Umana, Nau, Westfall, Bell, Adams,  
Guerrero, Kelland, Trifunovski

XIV. **Adjournment**  
Motion: Fields  
Second: Mapes  
8:55 PM



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Josh Miller, Student Association Director of Finance  
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- XIII. Adjournment



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Senate Minutes

- 1 I. **Call to Order: 6:10 PM**  
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3 II. **Roll Call:** Fields, Oakman, Cooperman, Bronson, Bleiberg, Farnsworth, Sugar,  
4 Marra, Zoll, Martinez, Ballesteros, Mapes, Misercola, Umana, Nau, Westfall, Bell,  
5 Adams, Guerrero, Kelland, Trifunovski  
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7 III. **Approval of Minutes**  
8 Motion- Sugar  
9 Second- Kelland  
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11 IV. **Approval of Agenda**  
12 Motion- Sugar  
13 Second- Zoll  
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15 V. **Guests of the Senate**  
16 Mike Flaherty and Craig Traub, Auxiliary Services  
17 -Thank you for inviting us  
18 -About 550 students who work for us, want to thank them, a lot of people worked  
19 hard to get here during the snowstorm, it made a big difference  
20 -Wanted to talk a little bit about college hour, it's been a challenging year for us, a  
21 lot of renovation, expected a great increase at Cooper, double whammy  
22 -Very aware of this, working very hard to serve a large amount of people  
23 -Between 12:30 and 1 PM serve around 300 to 350 people  
24 -A lot of variety to expand choices for people's meals, missed a day due to snow,  
25 delivered snacks to try and recover. This was a plan we came up with to modify  
26 student concerns. Once a month we do a dinner in a residence hall  
27 -Met with construction people for lakeside area, building should be done by July.  
28 We work hard to serve everyone. When you're in line, and you know that you are  
29 continuously moving, that is the best we can do. We aren't perfect, but we try  
30 -There are some options. If you can come to lunch before 12:30 you can do that,  
31 and other dinning halls are open as well. Also, there is a bagged lunch option, take  
32 it to a college hour program even  
33 -Bagged meal to go can be used for dinner too, just blocks your dinner. Hesitant  
34 to let hot foods out for health reasons  
35 -Continental breakfast has been very popular on lakeside

1 -Jump Asian cuisine is coming back  
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3 **VI. Public Comment**

4 NYPIRG

5 - Bottle drive to benefit local food pantries coming up

6 -Working on a consumer protection project, consulted local pharmacies about  
7 prescription prices, it will be reported media release style

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9 NAEA

10 -Asking for your support on our bill tonight  
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12 Women's Center

13 -Events are coming up for almost every day in March, thank you to SAPB and  
14 Resident Life and Housing

15 -Thursday is our first event, there will be a fill at 6 PM

16 -Our second event is Monday at 7 PM at Timepieces, where there will be a  
17 performance and open mic with a poet from Brooklyn

18 -Last year we brought in a sex educator, this year is G Spot 101 in the Forum at 8  
19 PM

20 -Human rights concert will be this year  
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22 Nadia

23 -I proposed a bill, I understand that it's being referred, I am asking for your  
24 support  
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26 **VII. Executive Reports**

27 President Tascarella

28 -Thank you to Director Ryan for helping with the posters

29 -Hopefully we will get the SAPB Structure done

30 -The big thing right now is the budget; please tell Tier 3's to sign up

31 -There were two things filed in the Supreme Court, in the case of Jonathan Green  
32 against myself, including a temporary injunction  
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34 Vice President N. Mapes

35 -If any questions about the Supreme Court hearing can't answer here in Senate,  
36 but you can email Ben Patterson

37 -Meeting tomorrow to discuss the dropoff fundraiser will let you know more next  
38 week

39 -Switch day will be at the end of March, don't want the Mayor to have to sit  
40 through any problems. If you have any questions for him can start writing them  
41 down to prepare for when he is here  
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43 Director of Finance Miller

44 65.02 \$11,608.52

45 65.05 \$2,826.00

46 65.06 \$3,000.00

47 -Budget process going on, looking at budget proposals

48 -Will be meeting and trying to finalize the numbers for the budget  
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2 **SAPB**

3 -Sunday the 29<sup>th</sup> is the OAR concert, as of now will be in the Campus Center,  
4 tickets on sale this Thursday, due to contract issues couldn't go on sale on time,  
5 but will be selling starting Thursday

6 -Ludo is the opening act

7 -Working with WNYO

8 -Starts at \$10 for a student and \$12 for non students, then to \$16 and \$18 on the  
9 16<sup>th</sup>, will be \$25 for the day of the concert

10 -Will start between 6:30 and 7:30 PM

11 -Starting Saturday tickets will be available to anyone online

12 -Seating is general admission, can sit or stand anywhere you want

13 -If run out of parking space, people will have to start parking in Romney

14 -Wednesday in the Forum will be a discussion focusing on the civil rights  
15 movement

16 -On March 5<sup>th</sup> will host a man who went to Europe and lived on \$0.84 a day  
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18 **VIII. Senator Issues Forum**

19 Fields- I would like to say that during the past couple of weeks there has been  
20 some nitpicking of the minutes, a few comments made to Sarah about it, I would  
21 like to apologize on the behalf of the senate

22 Sugar- Posted on Facebook, there is an Off-Campus Forum March 5<sup>th</sup> 12:40 to 3  
23 PM in Steeper Bell, Senators at large and off-campus senators must attend, if you  
24 are coming please RSVP

25 Bleiberg- Would like to apologize for last weeks interruption, she didn't realize  
26 that I can't just leave the meeting

27 Oakman- Witnessed poor behavior at debates, not pointing a finger, but would ask  
28 you reevaluate your actions

29 Cooperman- If you see any unfair actions, bring to elections committee and please  
30 try and stop it

31 Adams- A lot of people are coming down with colds, getting pretty bad, I would  
32 like to recommend a campaign maybe working with the Lifestyles Center to work  
33 on the situation

34 Farnsworth- Last week spoke of a new committee, if anyone wants to help out  
35 with this informal committee please stay after Senate to talk about it

36 Guerrero- From my understanding there already is a campaign dealing with the  
37 colds going on right now, do you just want more?

38 Adams- There is a poster campaign, my thought was just to bring it up in Health  
39 and Safety and look for areas that could maybe use improvement

40 Fields- Health and Safety, have you been in contact with the people who deal with  
41 snow? Because it's getting kind of late as far as when people put salt down, it's a  
42 concern

43 Kelland- I had called maintenance, extension 3200, if you ever see a dangerous  
44 location on campus, you should call that number. They work hard, but sometimes  
45 may miss a spot

46 Oakman- I need to know what's happening with Health and Safety, there have  
47 been questions about lights and snow issues, I need information to give to my  
48 constituents, please get on the ball

1 Kelland- I haven't heard anything about traffic light issues, I can't do anything  
2 about it if no one tells me about it  
3 Motion to close- Fields  
4 Second- Kelland  
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6 **IX. Committee Reports**

7 Policy- Meeting with President Tascarella tomorrow and with Health and Safety  
8 in order to discuss solutions, meet at 6 PM on Wednesdays, but tomorrow the  
9 meeting is during college hour instead  
10 Procedure-Met last Wednesday, discussed the committee structure bill; I  
11 recommend that anyone who wants to give input come to the meetings at 8 PM on  
12 Thursdays  
13 Finance- Covered our bills, Senator Farnsworth working on grant policy, anyone  
14 interested please come to our meetings; meet at 5 PM Sunday in the SA Office  
15 Involvement- Scheduled an emergency meeting, have one seat open, meet  
16 Thursday at 8:15 PM  
17 Health and Safety- Meet tomorrow at the SA Office at 1 PM, urge any senators  
18 who have concerns to attend, will be discussing a possible resolution. Have a lot  
19 of issues to talk about, and have one open seat  
20 Elections- Have had two debates, was very pleased with the turnout, vast  
21 improvement from last year. Met last night to discuss election law, passed around  
22 two amendments.  
23 CCRC- Haven't met since last week, discussing plans for the year, article will be  
24 out this Wednesday  
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26 **Nominations**

27 Sugar- Nominate Martinez for Involvement

28 Fields- Second

29 Accept  
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31 Vice President N. Mapes- I would like a list of all committee members from each  
32 committee  
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34 **X. General Reports**

35 SLE 42.25 Amendment to SLE 39.28 Student Association Election Law  
36 -Friendly amendment to add Senator Cooperman's name added under "submitted  
37 by"  
38 -We put pending in front of anyone who isn't official  
39 -Elections doesn't deal with senator elections  
40 -Made a few changes to all campus election responsibilities; had to secure times  
41 and locations. Format will help so that all structure is the same  
42 -Made debates mandatory  
43 Farnsworth- What is the reason for giving responsibility to the chair vs. an official  
44 candidate?  
45 -Wanted to be specific, chair has the power to delegate  
46 Through letter D  
47 VOTE: 18-0-1  
48 Letter D

1 -Just cleaned up the process for addressing petitions, pretty self explanatory, will  
2 be easier to pinpoint mistakes  
3 -In C, cleaned up the language so that it goes more smoothly, no huge change  
4 Farnsworth- Possible errors leaves too much room for interpretations  
5 -Meant to strike that, "but are not limited to"  
6 D through 3  
7 VOTE: 17-0-1  
8 Part 3  
9 -Not a lot of substantial changes, some rewording  
10 Guerrero- Clarify C?  
11 -People will be replaced in a timely manner  
12 VOTE: 17-0-1  
13 Part 4  
14 -Self explanatory  
15 VOTE: 17-0-1  
16 Article II, A  
17 -Most strike outs cleared up later on  
18 VOTE: No objections  
19 A  
20 -Section in constitution that says they must be student with at 2.2 GPA  
21 Sugar- How is that legal?  
22 Westfall- Could get either a waiver or have them bring in proof  
23 Kelland- Wouldn't petition prove that?  
24 Vice President N. Mapes- No, just a petition; the petition would be handed to me,  
25 I would verify it; if they cannot provide it or are below, they will not be able to  
26 hold the position  
27 Farnsworth- Is it customary to have law mirrored in another setting, or does the  
28 original law hold for everything?  
29 Dr. Scharfenberger - If in constitution, it holds, but the requirements should be on  
30 the petition  
31 VOTE: No objections  
32 Article III, B  
33 -Slate had never been defined, so we did that  
34 Farnsworth- Could there ever be a situation where there is a special election that  
35 has a referendum question?  
36 -Possible, would most likely be a friendly amendment  
37 Farnsworth- If you put and/or, could give a possibility to have a separate slate that  
38 is still official  
39 C  
40 -In the old election law, wasn't up to date with online voting, so we moved it.  
41 Sugar- Is this policy in place now or would it be made later when we loose  
42 internet?  
43 -Elections committee can decide how they want to deal with it at that time  
44 VOTE: No objections  
45 D, 1  
46 -Major change is that you used to have to pay \$20 to receive \$80 to start your  
47 campaign, didn't see point to this so we took it out

1 Farnsworth- Understand premise, but does the \$20 help to only have serious  
2 people run, which might be true but also might exclude those without the money  
3 who may want to run  
4 -Taking out that amount is better in the long run  
5 Trifunovski- Hard to decide who is working the hardest, so going through the  
6 process is enough to show that you are dedicated in some way  
7 Sugar- Would seem like fundraising which doesn't sit right with me, so I agree  
8 with this  
9 Farnsworth- Just curious if we would get senators who aren't really dedicated,  
10 wondering if we would get an influx of people who just want to run "because"  
11 -Getting 300 signatures proves in itself an initiative and a want to be a serious  
12 competitor  
13 Guerrero- I agree with that, Senate ultimately decides if the person is serious;  
14 some people may not have the money  
15 -Dealing with constituents, ultimately up to them who deserves it, will pick whose  
16 worthy of the position  
17 -Fields- Don't you have to use some of the money for the internet polling site too?  
18 -Separate account  
19 Farnsworth- Are we then saying that the higher positions are more important than  
20 senator positions, we aren't giving money for a campaign, people will have to go  
21 out of pocket to campaign, we are financing people to run and this would ensure  
22 that its not wasted  
23 Farnsworth- Propose to vote down this amendment  
24 Mapes- Would object to this because would take out other changes we made that  
25 come later  
26 Trifunovski- Motion to vote, letter D, 1  
27 Guerrero- Second  
28 Farnsworth- Can we withdraw the vote and talk about the rest of the amendments  
29 before voting  
30 -D, 1, struck D, 1, d, moved it down to D, 2; when someone runs for president  
31 against the director of finance their plans tend to be seen by the director, this  
32 would change that. Also, e would become a new d  
33 Farnsworth- What about when other candidates have privileged information? Will  
34 they be told that they can no longer do their job? Haven't had problems in the past,  
35 still supervised, will we be legislating every job on campus?  
36 -Outside of our legislation  
37 Kelland- Although might restrict some things for the director of finance, it would  
38 only be the purchase orders for the other candidate, it is a possible problem, better  
39 to fix it now than leave it to be an issue in the future  
40 Sugar- Would the same go for the Supreme Court Justice?  
41 Farnsworth- If we start legislating for every scenario that could come up, could  
42 cause some problems, don't need to specify  
43 Trifunovski- This just makes it clearer for the future, really not ethically fair to  
44 have an opposing candidate that close to the others information. Conflict of  
45 interest  
46 -Good point, can be requested that the president go over the order forms instead,  
47 motion to withdraw  
48 All of D  
49 VOTE: 11-5-1

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-Made some significant changes, nothing in this law that regulates running mates, so we created guidelines. Saying can't officially have a running mate but can endorse a fellow candidate

-Making sure people follow rules

-Defined publicity and the rules regarding it

Adams- Friendly amendment to 2, d "individuals"

Sugar- How does it work when people spend their own money?

-Just keeps people from pooling their money together

VOTE: No objections

Guerrero- What is meant by constituency?

-Any student

VOTE: No objections

-All about process for addressing violations stuck the old process and came up with a new one. Used to be if we got an allegation had to come forward to the senate, and it looks bad on the person because it hasn't been determined yet, so now once it's decided it comes to the senate. Defined an official report so that everything brought is clearly defined in the election law

VOTE: No objections

Dr. Scharfenberger - Would like to go back to E, 2, d; there is a prohibition against tickets and people running together, I need your response to whether or not this permits tickets

-Believe that when we wrote this we felt it was in conflict

Dr. Scharfenberger - If permitted to endorse the others ideas?

Farnsworth- More to say that they support someone's ideas or solutions was to get away from where you can't mention a name or idea that has come up between multiple people. Doesn't mean that by endorsing you are working together just says you are able to partake in debate

Dr. Scharfenberger - I just feel there is too much room to create an issue that is in conflict with the law

-Putting it in here could be contradicting, E,2,d and in Article I,c,5 and d,4.

Farnsworth- Just because someone answers a question and uses another candidates name doesn't mean they are part of that debate.

Sugar- Are you referring to having it sound like candidates are doing things together?

Dr. Scharfenberger - I'm not taking sides

Sugar- Is there any way to refer this?

Fields- If anyone has ideas just bring them to the floor right now

Farnsworth- Not electing a ticket, electing an individual. Says you can endorse an idea or a candidate, doesn't say that

Sugar- Can see this becoming problematic, it is open to interpretation, important to get it right

Cooperman- Because it seems like there is a support system on one side, might become problematic.

Kelland- May I offer taking out "may verbally endorse other candidates"

1 Farnsworth- Only problem is leaving it up for interpretation, if I say I support  
2 someone ideas, could be interpreted as they support the candidate  
3 Vice President N. Mapes- What exactly are we saying when we say endorse?  
4 Guerrero- look up endorse and support definitions to compare  
5 Farnsworth- Wouldn't call Dictionary.com a credible source  
6 Trifunovski- Could you just take the whole thing out?  
7 Mapes- Taking that out would take away the whole spirit of it. I support how this  
8 is now and leaving it  
9 Kelland- Motion to amend, add "individual candidates may verbally endorse the  
10 ideas of other candidates  
11 Farnsworth- Would encourage everyone to vote this down, reason this is written  
12 in here is to make it very clear, doesn't help to clarify it at all  
13 Sugar- Agree with Kelland, endorsing is completely separate from agreeing with  
14 them  
15 Adams- Agree with Sugar and Kelland,  
16 Mapes- You are saying you can only support their ideas, but you already can do  
17 that, it takes away from what this is trying to do  
18 Cooperman- Explain direct endorsement  
19 Kelland- Cannot go out and say that you support a specific person, just their  
20 views  
21 Cooperman- Understand point, but wording is vague  
22 Farnsworth- If a candidate cannot say that they support someone; I see it as an  
23 infringement to their first amendment rights  
24 Sugar- Suggestion for the second part of the amendment?  
25 Mapes- Strike down the amendment and leave it as it was. Concur with  
26 Farnsworth, feel you should be able to say that you support someone, don't see  
27 the problem with it, and motion to vote  
28 Kelland- Objection, if you have candidates who are constantly saying they  
29 support one another it may mislead the student population  
30 Sugar- Motion to vote  
31 Trifunovski- Second  
32 VOTE: 5-12-1 Failed  
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34 Farnsworth- Motion to vote on 2  
35 Oakman- Second  
36 VOTE: 14-3-1  
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38 Article IV  
39 -Was poorly written, cleaned it up, threw elections for every scenario together,  
40 changed that and made them separate with the different procedures. Big change is  
41 that no campaign material can be within 20 feet of a polling site. Ultimately, it's  
42 left in the discretion of the hall director. Responsibility of the candidate now  
43 instead of the election committee  
44 VOTE: No objections  
45 Article V  
46 -Adds off-campus and at large senators, otherwise pretty much structured the  
47 same  
48 -Cleaned language up  
49 Adams- I think it would be better with "on the direction of"

1 Oakman- It's fine as it is  
2 Kelland- What was your main point  
3 Westfall- What about adding "fulfill the direction of"  
4 -Specified for presidential seats in d, a few changes  
5 -clarified times for e, that's about it  
6 VOTE: No objections  
7 Article VI  
8 -Added to reference for board of trustee policy  
9 Trifunovski- Article III, D, 2 Motion to amend  
10 -Were all on the same team, just trying to make things as fair as possible. Can't  
11 fix all problems but can fix as many as possible, this is an issue we can deal with  
12 right now as a senate. This has been an issue in the past  
13 Adams- Should include "as they pertain to the student association general  
14 elections account" to clarify  
15 Farnsworth- This amendment isn't thought out completely, we are singling out  
16 one individual, as long as he is not using his position to gain, it's fine. This is  
17 incomplete and there are too many other possible scenarios that could happen,  
18 would encourage people to vote down this amendment  
19 Kelland- Is it possible to amend this amendment?  
20 Cooperman- Concur with Farnsworth to vote it down  
21 Sugar- I concur  
22 Mapes- I do want to remind you that it is the elections committee to make sure  
23 everything runs fairly, we should just leave it  
24 Guerrero- We can't foresee problems, I concur with Trifunovski  
25 Bell- While the amendment may not cover all circumstances; it does relieve the  
26 director of finance from a potentially uncomfortable position. If I were them, I  
27 wouldn't want to be in that position  
28 Mapes- There is another procedure for submitting purchase orders  
29 Trifunovski- If a candidate does not approve their purchase orders going through  
30 the director, how could that be fixed?  
31 Mapes- Just like this semester, just have them go through the president and then  
32 to the dean of students  
33 Trifunovski- Instead of coming to agreements, it would already be in there  
34 Vice President N. Mapes- There is the option to go a separate route  
35 Farnsworth- This is very imperfect, if the director abused the position that is  
36 covered. It can be discussed in elections committee, this is covered, encourage  
37 you vote this down  
38 Oakman- Is there a way that we can have in writing that the candidate can have it  
39 taken to the president?  
40 Kelland- Throughout the rest of the document they have referenced the ability of  
41 a candidate to do that  
42 Cooperman- A compromise would be to strike shall and change it to "may",  
43 showing that they can use this option  
44 Sugar- Can we re-refer this to a special session?  
45 Vice President N. Mapes- We can discuss this right now  
46 Farnsworth- This is just over legislating, I call the question  
47 VOTE: 17-1-0  
48 VOTE: 6-11-1 Failed  
49 Cooperman- Motion to amend B, 1

1 Farnsworth- If there is an abusive position, then that director would be  
2 investigated, there is no need unless we are going to list out every situation, not  
3 much thought put into it  
4 Kelland- The word shall is not best, "at the discretion of the candidate" would be  
5 better. This lets them know that the option is there avoiding dispute  
6 Cooperman- What about "upon request of the candidate"?  
7 Kelland- Yes  
8 Cooperman- This is there just to help for now, problem that can be helped now  
9 instead of waiting for it to come up as an issue  
10 Farnsworth- I believe that we should vote this amendment down, already has been  
11 used and people are aware of it, motion to call the question  
12 VOTE: 17-0-0  
13 VOTE: 10-7-1 Pass  
14 Kelland- We've spent the past hour and a half, aware of the changes, motion to  
15 vote  
16 Guerrero- Second  
17 VOTE: 18-0-0 Pass  
18  
19 SLE 42.30 Habitat for Humanity Alternative Spring Break Funding  
20 Adams- Motion to amend, add lines 14-17  
21 Adams- They want to send people to build houses over spring break, would add in  
22 money for transportation and gas  
23 Farnsworth- Is there a representative?  
24 Bleiberg- Does not receive any SA funding; there are fundraisers, a spaghetti  
25 dinner and a Fajita Grill fundraiser  
26 Farnsworth- How much have you fundraised now, how much time do you have to  
27 fundraise?  
28 Bleiberg- None yet, just through the upcoming fundraisers  
29 Farnsworth- There have been three meetings that this group hasn't sent a  
30 representative with answers yet, would be careless to send them without answers,  
31 lack of information and lack of clarity  
32 Kelland- We did not give them money for their winter break because we said we  
33 would fund this  
34 Sugar- Motion to re-refer to finance, if they aren't making an effort then I'm  
35 inclined to vote no  
36 Bleiberg- Object  
37 Trifunovski- Concur with Kelland. Understand the point, but it's going to a good  
38 cause, look at what they are doing, doubt they are going to abuse this money  
39 Fields- Concur with Farnsworth and Sugar, don't want to be careless, questions  
40 we want to have answered, know this is a good cause but needs to be dealt with  
41 further, would also be inclined to vote no  
42 Cooperman- Could members come to finance?  
43 Bleiberg- Yes  
44 Mapes- Right now we are going to give them a quarter of our budget, would be  
45 irresponsible to give it to them without answers, also inclined to vote no  
46 Adams- They did show us all the costs needed, only provided a rounded amount  
47 over \$1000.00 for fundraising, person who came to present information to us had  
48 an obligation and had to leave when our meeting ran late. Main concern is that we  
49 made our recommendation, focused on the transportation cost, wasn't sure how

1 much fundraising would cost and still aren't sure because we don't have any  
2 numbers in

3 Farnsworth- How successful has previous fundraising been is a question I have,  
4 they have had plenty of time to answer our questions, and it is a large amount of  
5 money

6 Kelland- The full amount of the trip is just below \$10,000.00, but it is not that  
7 much in the whole scheme of things, sending people to build homes, we've done  
8 this before, motion to re-refer to finance for one week

9 Farnsworth- Second

10 VOTE: 15-0-3 Re-referred

11  
12 SLE 42.35 65.05 to 65.02 Funds Transfer

13 Adams- Don't have previous resources, with things being moved to the new  
14 campus center, feel that it can help cover some of the costs that we will be  
15 authorizing for the remainder of the term

16 Sugar- Motion to vote

17 Fields- Second

18 VOTE: 16-0-2 Pass

19  
20 SLE 42.36 NAEA National Conference

21 Fields- Spoke with Adams, said the committee did recommend the full amount  
22 Adams- Did meet with NAEA, just asking for money to cover trains, everything  
23 else such as food and hotel is being paid out of pocket, they have a couple of  
24 grants, putting the bill on themselves for the most part. Trains are the cheapest  
25 way to get there

26 Kelland- Motion to vote

27 Cooperman- Second

28 VOTE: 16-0-2 Pass

29  
30 SLE 42.37 Club Hockey Transfer of Funds

31 Adams- They have the money needed to cover the trip, just not in all the same  
32 place, would put it together, and motion to vote

33 Fields- Second

34 VOTE: 14-0-3

35  
36 SLE 42.38 Women's Center Conference Sponsorship

37 Kelland- The amount was brought down

38 Adams- Motion to amend

39 Adams- Nadia was unable to attend our meeting, we had been asked to fund three  
40 conferences, now just showing the cost of the conference in Tennessee, would  
41 cover registration, some airfare, dorm, and membership fee, reducing total amount  
42 to \$100.00

43 Farnsworth- Have you received any additional funding

44 Nadia- Received some funding; don't think that the donors would have a problem  
45 pushing that money forward for it

46 Farnsworth- I don't feel \$100 would really cover the costs, I feel we should find  
47 out more information and look over it again, and re-refer it for a week

48 Nadia- Price of airfare has already jumped, so I booked a flight, so I guess that's  
49 not a problem

1 Kelland- Will be represented SUNY Oswego, should not be taken lightly, \$100 is  
2 not enough for such an endeavor  
3 Sugar- Motion to re-refer, this is too small of an amount  
4 Farnsworth- Second  
5 VOTE: 15-0-3 Re-referred  
6

7 **XI. New Legislation**

8 SLE 42.39 B.A.S.I.C. Conference Funding  
9 Fields- Finance one week

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11 SLE 42.40 Circle K Conference Funding  
12 Fields- Finance one week

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14 SLE 42.41 Senate Oaths  
15 Fields- Procedure one week  
16

17 **XIII. Roll Call:** Oakman, Cooperman, Bleiberg, Farnsworth, Sugar, Marra, Zoll,  
18 Martinez, Ballesteros, Mapes, Westfall, Bell, Adams, Guerrero, Kelland,  
19 Trifunovski  
20

21 **XIV. Adjournment**

22 Motion-Fields  
23 Second-Oakman  
24 9:54 PM



Senate  
42<sup>nd</sup> Legislative Session  
19<sup>th</sup> Meeting  
6 March 2007

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- XII. Roll Call
- XIII. Adjournment



Senate  
42<sup>nd</sup> Legislative Session  
17<sup>th</sup> Meeting  
6 March 2007

Senate Minutes

- 1 I. **Call to Order: 6:10 PM**
- 2
- 3 II. **Roll Call: Fields, Oakman, Cooperman, Bronson, Green, Marra, Zoll, Martinez,**
- 4 **Ballesteros, Mapes, Nau, Westfall, Bell, Adams, Guerrero, Kelland, Trifunovski**
- 5
- 6 III. **Approval of Minutes**
- 7 Motion- Trifunovski
- 8 Second- Cooperman
- 9
- 10 IV. **Approval of Agenda**
- 11 Fields- Motion to amend, add Charity for Children and Auxiliary Services to
- 12 Guests of the Senate
- 13 Kelland- Add Chinese Culture Club under New Legislation
- 14 Motion- Kelland
- 15 Second- Oakman
- 16
- 17 V. **Public Comment**
- 18 NYPIRG
- 19 -Thank you for putting up with my absence last week, was lobbying for the
- 20 Bigger Better Bottle Bill
- 21 - Students have been lobbying and went to Lobbying 101, can come to me for
- 22 further information on lobbying or information on the bottle bill. We're moving
- 23 forward
- 24 -Finished up our bottle drive on Sunday, students went out to present the bill to
- 25 people in the community so they can approve of Governor Spitzer's bill which
- 26 would include Bigger Better Bottle Bill
- 27 -16 students showed, great success and a good time
- 28 -Higher Ed lobby day is tomorrow, have some students attending
- 29 -Preliminary stages of reintroducing our small claims action center, need to get a
- 30 move on it, there is a need in the community for it. Can't give legal advice but can
- 31 help get them involved
- 32 -Will be starting our new government campaign
- 33
- 34 Joshua Miller
- 35 -Good evening

1 -Stand before you as a student who pays a fee for Oswego. Elections will later say  
2 that I violated the election law. Also have my purchase order form here, which  
3 was verified by the chair, Brody Mapes. I believe that I am innocent, and that I  
4 have done no wrong. Allegations are completely false, look forward to working  
5 with all of you later on  
6

#### 7 Habitat for Humanity

8 -Wanted to thank you for your support and patience with our bill< encourage you  
9 to pass our bill since the trip is coming up shortly  
10 -Tomorrow night is the spaghetti dinner to raise money  
11

#### 12 Mark House

13 -Wanted to ask if there has been any progress as far as wrestling goes or if this  
14 has been talked about at all, I have the proposals and a recent flyer, multi media  
15 products we use  
16 Trifunovski- Had a little discussion in past, perhaps you could work with  
17 Involvement Committee, we would welcome you to come to a meeting, meet at  
18 8:15 PM in the SA Office  
19 -Thank you very much  
20

#### 21 Intramurals and Recreation

22 -Good Evening  
23 -For our background, we have a longstanding relationship with the campus; we  
24 promote individual health, leadership and career development, and recreation. Our  
25 facilities include Lee Hall, the fitness centers, and outdoor fields. We are lucky to  
26 have our own facilities instead of sharing. Annually, over 73,000 people use our  
27 facilities  
28 -Activities include broomball, ping pong, ski trips, etc. We have open recreation  
29 all of the time. Sports clubs are also available, and help with swim classes.  
30 Programs include, flag football, floor hockey basket ball, wallyball, volleyball,  
31 dive in movie, body acceptance and eating awareness day, tournaments, golf,  
32 softball, etc. We have 14 programs in the fall and 23 in the spring. Had over 5,000  
33 participants last year  
34 -Open approximately 95 hours a week, pool is open for 54 hours a week  
35 -Provide services to club sport teams allow them to reserve practice space, help  
36 maintain the fields and prepare them, help schedule game times, make people  
37 aware of safety rules, provide equipment storage. Also provide clinics and private  
38 swim lessons. We do take input from students; they can provide ideas and do  
39 program evaluations.  
40 -Our budget for 2006-2007 shows that 34% of our budget came from SA, the rest  
41 from the college. Also get help from maintenance. Last year only received 61% of  
42 what we requested; we need your help to provide better programs. We had to cut a  
43 lot of programs because minimum wage went up and don't have that extra  
44 funding. This year we had 19 cuts, including fantasy football, indoor soccer and  
45 hockey, and the number of games for leagues. We also lost intramural travel trip,  
46 spring softball, employee hours, etc.  
47 -Basically what we are asking for is \$10 per student to gain back everything we  
48 had before. This would ensure future growth, could get events back up and

1 running, and continue to provide facilities for people who use them. Would also  
2 support club sports and the pool, and promote fun competition for our students.  
3 -\$150,112.00 is what we are asking for overall  
4

5 **VI. Guests to the Senate**

6 Mike Flaherty and Craig Traub, Auxiliary Services

7 -Last year raised over three thousand dollars to donate to charity through Miss-A-  
8 Meal

9 -Hear to present that check tonight to Charity for Children

10 -Auxiliary Services has two scholarships we do, the applications are online,  
11 looking for returning students to apply, minimum GPA is 2.7, can also pick one  
12 up in my office. Overall, there are 12 scholarships, email them to me or drop them  
13 off at my office, tend to not get very many applications

14 Executive

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16 **VII. Executive Report**

17 President Tascarella

18 -OAR concert is sold out; SAPB did a real good job with that

19 -Meet about the technology fee for next year. A lot of internet complaints, going  
20 to all be fixed next year, fee will raise some but think students will appreciate it

21 -College council meeting is tomorrow

22 -Had a few court cases, been taking up all of my time

23 -SAPB Structure final chapter all done, meeting again Friday

24 -Graduation issue that we want to give out will most likely be happening, going to  
25 be 48 pages with a color cover (front and back), something nice to give

26 -One last tour this Wednesday, a lot of slots left, feel more than welcome to go  
27 sign up to see how the new Campus Center looks

28 -We will have the budget for finance this Sunday

29 -Student assembly is in Syracuse this year in April, it is basically where all the  
30 SUNY schools come together to discuss issues, have workshops on a lot of  
31 different things, presentations, and so on. I'd like to get 10 people to go; I will  
32 have more information by next week

33 -I will be leaving early, have a meeting to go to with a lawyer  
34

35 Vice President N. Mapes

36 -First I'd like to talk about dress code, I brought it back, people have been  
37 slacking off in the past, so far this year it has been great, but in the last few weeks  
38 people have been slacking again, I would appreciate it if you guys dressed  
39 appropriately, I believe it is more professional

40 -Wednesday, I will be meeting with the library to wrap up plans for the online  
41 catalog. First set of books just got back, will be online shortly. Will be doing  
42 about two books at a time, and starting at very end and moving our way forward.

43 -Ned Waterbury that I work with on CCRC is working with me to do a drop-off  
44 project geared toward off-campus students for the most part and on campus too.

45 You can drop-off old clothes and it is a great project, but this year want to get the  
46 off-campus students involved too. Will be food collection areas in front of all  
47 residence halls and the union, and furniture drop-off areas; if you feel it might be  
48 stolen make arrangements with me. Can also give away school supplies because  
49 those are needed as well, and drop-off bottles and cans. Money will be used

1 toward donations or future events. Do not want this to be a trash bin. Will be  
2 talking with WTOP and others to get the word out and do some advertising. Not  
3 sure if we will be dividing the donations up or giving them all too different places  
4 every year, will figure that out later. Hopefully we will be able to get trucks to  
5 haul everything away, if you have any trucks please help. This will be during the  
6 last two weeks of school, please make sure to bring this up to your hall councils  
7 and that everyone is aware.

8 -If you have any suggestions or comments I would gladly take them, I want this to  
9 turn out the best it possibly can

10  
11 **Director of Finance**

12 65.02 \$ 13,362.52

13 65.05 \$ 0

14 65.06 \$ 2,826.00

15 -I printed out the account list of how money has been spent for you all

16 -By this Sunday we will have the budget ready

17 -Will be preparing a memo for every organization

18 -Helpful hit of the week will also be going out, one promoting the website and  
19 one about the campus life blog

20  
21 **VIII. Senator Issues Forum**

22 Green- I would like to apologize for the way I acted to Marra and Zoll in the  
23 previous meeting

24 Cooperman- Motion to close

25 Kelland- Second

26  
27 **IX. Committee Reports**

28 **Policy**

29 -Met this week to discuss some important issues, meeting this week at 6PM in  
30 Hart Hall classroom tomorrow

31 **Procedure**

32 -Met on Thursday, had one member show up, came up with meeting time for  
33 Wednesday in the SA conference room at 9PM, encourage all to vote re-referral  
34 on our bill tonight

35 **Finance**

36 -Got a lot of work done, the bill regarding the grant policy revisions will be  
37 coming shortly, will hopefully set up a time where everyone can see the budget  
38 before it goes through, meet at 5 PM in the SA office

39 **Involvement**

40 -Met Thursday with perfect attendance, did an outstanding job with voting, signs  
41 are up that we drew up, meet 8:15 Thursday in the SA Office

42 **Health and Safety**

43 -Met during college hour, on Thursday signed on to grant paper work for safety,  
44 meet at Wednesday's at 4:30 PM, still have an open seat

45 **Elections**

46 -Busy time of the year for us, met numerous times. Had debate on Sunday, would  
47 like to read the letter Josh Miller was referring too. There was evidence showing  
48 that presidential candidate Josh Miller violated restrictions for donations. Please  
49 do not jump to conclusions

1 CCRC

2 -A lot of what is going on will be going on in May and September, main  
3 discussion dealt with the drop-off

4 Vice President N. Mapes- Recently Senator Sugar has resigned, leaves spots open  
5 on policy and health and safety

6 Cooperman- Nominate Green for policy

7 Kelland- Second

8 Accept

9  
10 **X. General Orders**

11 SLE 42.30 Habitat for Humanity Alternative Spring Break

12 Adams- Motion to amend and change the amount to \$2,595.00, had a couple of  
13 changes in the structure, will only be using four vans now

14 Fields- Just keep in mind that this is about the same amount of money that they  
15 used for last year's trip, a little more

16 Kelland- Was that for last fall?

17 Fields- Fall 2005 was the last time we funded for them

18 Cooperman- This is a good cause, motion to vote

19 Trifunovski- Second

20 VOTE: 16-0-2

21 Kelland- We all agree this is a good cause, motion to vote

22 Cooperman- Second

23 VOTE: 16-0-2 Pass

24  
25 SLE 42.38 Women's Center Conference Sponsorship

26 Adams- Motion to amend, reducing amount from \$1,380.00 to \$337.50, would  
27 like to extend a thank you to Dr. Scharffenberger's office for helping to fund part  
28 of this trip. Covers three conferences that she will present for, is basically doing  
29 what some women on other campuses are paid to do

30 Kelland- I think it's great that she has gotten support in other places

31 Westfall- Believe we are also changing the account number

32 Adams- Yes, taking it from 65.02 now

33 Cooperman- We should now strike the third whereas then

34 Kelland- We should strike and, and put a period in there as well

35 Green- This is a good cause

36 Cooperman- Motion to vote

37 Kelland- Second

38 VOTE: 16-0-2

39 Adams- Thank you again to Dr. Scharffenberger's office for the help

40 Cooperman- Motion to vote

41 Trifunovski- Second

42 VOTE: 16-0-2 Pass

43  
44 SLE 42.39 B.A.S.I.C. Conference Funding

45 Adams- Motion to amend changed it to 65.02. Every year they go to a conference  
46 to meet and do workshops, cost per person is around \$75.00, decided to allocate  
47 \$1,100.00 to knock off \$20.00 from the cost, they are taking their own cars, and  
48 they have done some fundraising

49 Cooperman- Motion to vote

1 Kelland- Second  
2 VOTE: 15-0-2  
3 Trifunovski- Motion to vote  
4 Bronson- Second  
5 VOTE: 15-0-2 Pass  
6

7 SLE 42.40 Circle K Conference Funding  
8 Trifunovski- Bill says that they are service oriented, only asking for a \$400.00,  
9 hope that this goes through  
10 Adams- Met with them at finance, they are a service organization, and so any  
11 funding that they fundraise has to go to outside sources, so they can't use it. This  
12 conference is important because it's where they choose their national  
13 representation. Covering cost of registration and conference fees, they are paying  
14 for all other costs, felt it was fair  
15 Trifunovski- Accidentally put 65.06, meant to put 65.02  
16 Cooperman- Fundraising should be stricken if they aren't allowed to fundraise  
17 Trifunovski- I agree with that, I thought they could fundraise but since they  
18 cannot it would make sense to take it out  
19 Cooperman- Also strike the semi-colon and the and, motion to vote  
20 Trifunovski- Second  
21 VOTE: 15-0-3 Pass  
22

23 SLE 42.41 Senate Oaths  
24 Fields- I feel that my whole committee needs to address this before we address it  
25 as a whole, motion to re-refer for one week to procedure  
26 Trifunovski- Second  
27 VOTE: 17-0-0 Re-referred  
28

29 **XI. New Legislation**

30 SLE 42.42 Chinese Culture Club Yuan Xiao Festival  
31 Kelland- They are looking into changing their name, if they change it before next  
32 week I will amend to change that, motion to refer to finance for one week  
33 Cooperman- Second  
34

35 **XIII. Roll Call:** Fields, Oakman, Cooperman, Bronson, Bleiberg, Green, Marra,  
36 Zoll, Martinez, Ballesteros, Mapes, Nau, Westfall, Bell, Adams, Guerrero,  
37 Kelland, Trifunovski  
38

39 **XIV. Adjournment**

40 Motion- Trifunovski  
41 Second- Kelland  
42 7:40 PM



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  - 1.) SLE.42.43 Amendment to SLE.39.28 Student Association Election Law
  - 2.) SLE.42.44 Social Justice Club Beehive Collective
  - 3.) SLE.42.45 Supreme Court Organization Constitution and Charter Approval Procedure
- XI. Roll Call
- XII. Adjournment



Senate  
42<sup>nd</sup> Legislative Session  
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13 March 2007

**Senate Minutes**

- 1 I. **Call to Order: 6:15 PM**
- 2 II. **Roll Call:** Fields, Oakman, Cooperman, Bronson, Bleiberg, Farnsworth, Green,
- 3 Marra, Zoll, Ballesteros, Mapes, Nau, Westfall, Adams, Guerrero, Kelland,
- 4 Trifunovski
- 5
- 6 III. **Approval of Minutes**
- 7 Cooperman- Page 3, line 33; Page 4, line 18
- 8 Motion- Cooperman
- 9 Second- Zoll
- 10
- 11 IV. **Approval of Agenda**
- 12 Farnsworth- Motion to amend
- 13 Motion- Fields
- 14 Second- Farnsworth
- 15
- 16 V. **Public Comment**
- 17 NYPIRG
- 18 -Last Tuesday had higher education lobby day, students went to Albany to lobby
- 19 for the ability to re-file and change your TAP
- 20 -Scheduled to go to Senator Wrights office, will help students learn to lobby, will
- 21 be meeting with him about the Bigger Better Bottle Bill
- 22 -This week we are focusing on scheduling the homelessness service project
- 23 -Also working on a cell phone bill for usage, taking surveys in an effort to give
- 24 that to our lawyer so we can create a report on hidden fees
- 25 -Have been speaking with students about Green vs. Tascarella, meeting tonight,
- 26 important to attend and have your voice heard
- 27 -I have an issue for concern for myself, I was more or less encouraged to stop
- 28 working with students on this project, had to file a police report, for those
- 29 responsible, are you kidding me? Thank you
- 30
- 31 WNYO, WTOP, Oswegonian
- 32 -Good evening
- 33 -The hockey team made it to the championships; we are looking to record that, we
- 34 will provide some funding, asking for the senate to help offset some of the costs

1 for that, providing ourselves \$1,000.00 between the organizations, asking for  
2 about \$600.00 from the Senate  
3

4 Tafari Powis

5 -I am a concerned student from Funnelle Hall

6 -Over the past two years the Senate Elections Committee has made many errors,  
7 we feel that our voices are not heard. This has caused serious discontent. I as a fee  
8 paying student should not allow my rights to be suppressed, nor should my fellow  
9 students. The student association can remain its dark course or pick a new one of  
10 equality. We demand nothing more or less. Should we not be afforded these basic  
11 principles, we will mobilize until we get them. Let it be known that you all have  
12 the responsibilities to the students who put you here. Do not continue with an  
13 elitist type attitude. We pray you do what is right no matter what the pressure is  
14 from within. If not we will have no choice but to do it ourselves.  
15

16 William Willis

17 -I stand before you as a concerned student from Funnelle Hall. All of you were  
18 elected to serve the community with moral values. Now, if you are going to  
19 attempt to run for one of these positions, you should prove your values by running  
20 an honest campaign. It has come to my attention that some of the actions from the  
21 candidates were less than what was expected. If someone is to run for office, is to  
22 run for a position of power, I would like that person to represent me with honesty  
23 and integrity. If you are unable to do that, and no one else is able to say that this is  
24 not right, then I will do that for you.  
25

26 Ajani Clunie

27 -I am a concerned student from Hart Hall. I come to discuss a question about  
28 some of the actions of the Student Association. Over the past few years, negligent  
29 mistakes have been made. It has become apparent that our voices do not matter.  
30 This has caused concern and discontent. I am a paying member of SA, and I come  
31 to you to make it known that I do have rights and I am concerned. I come to you  
32 in an hour of student association darkness, and opportunity. Student Association  
33 can continue this dark path, or equality. If you do not choose equality, we will rise  
34 to change. The choice is yours, and yours alone to make. I pray and hope that you  
35 do what is right no matter what the pressures are. Take action on our concerns,  
36 otherwise, we will be forced to take action ourselves.  
37

38 Juanita Grant

39 -Good evening, I am a concerned student of Hart Hall. Over the years, the Student  
40 Association has made terrible mistakes. It has become apparent that our voices do  
41 not matter. This has caused serious discontent in the way that things are going. As  
42 a paying member, I won't watch my rights are suppressed. I fell that the way  
43 things are going are corrupt. SA can remain on a dark course, or choose that of  
44 equality. If not, we will mobilize until we get results. The students put you here,  
45 well at least most of you. Do you continue with elitists attitudes, or do you choose  
46 that of equality? Take action, or we will do it ourselves.  
47

48 Fantasia Hamilton

1 -I am a concerned student from Hart Hall. I come to discuss a question about  
2 some of the actions of the Student Association. Over the past few years, negligent  
3 mistakes have been made. It has become apparent that our voices do not matter.  
4 This has caused concern and discontent. I am a paying member, I come to you to  
5 make it known that I do have rights and I am concerned. I come to you in an hour  
6 of student association darkness, and opportunity. Student Association can  
7 continue this dark path, or equality. If you do not choose equality, we will rise to  
8 change. The choice is yours, and yours alone to make. I pray and hope that you do  
9 what is right no matter what the pressures are. Take action on our concerns,  
10 otherwise, we will have no choice and be forced to take action ourselves.

11  
12 Malewo Kinzonzi

13 -I stand to question some of the actions of the Student Association. Elections have  
14 made despicable and negligible mistakes. This has caused serious discontent in  
15 the way that things are going. As a paying member, I won't watch my rights are  
16 suppressed. I feel that the way things are going are corrupt. SA can remain on a  
17 dark course, or choose that of equality. If not, we will mobilize until we get  
18 results. The students put you here, well at least most of you. Do you continue with  
19 elitists attitudes are choose an attitude of equality. We do not stand to make idol  
20 threats, but to make promises. The choice is yours, and yours alone to make. Take  
21 action, or we will do it ourselves. My voting rights were taken advantage of.  
22 Rules have been broken, and no one has taken action against those who break  
23 rules. We feel rules are only addressed towards certain people.

24 Ben Patterson- Please allow due process of law to move forward, it will be  
25 addressed at that point

26  
27 Christina Rateau

28 -I do trust the Senate, but the rules have been lax... as a Cameron supporter, I feel  
29 that this has happened with Andre last year, feel this is happening again. I am a  
30 concerned member of Seneca Hall. Over the years, the Student Association has  
31 made terrible mistakes. It has become apparent that our voices do not matter. This  
32 has caused serious discontent in the way that things are going. As a paying  
33 member, I won't watch my rights are suppressed. I demand that my voice be  
34 heard. We do matter here, as a minority, as a RA, I want my fee to be worth it,  
35 and right now it's not worth it.

36 Ballesteros- We are here representing you all

37 -I feel that I am not correctly represented

38 Ballesteros- Why not bring this up before?

39 -Only a sophomore, just recently became an RA

40 Farnsworth- Do you believe that there is innocence until proven guilty?

41 -No, not if I have evidence that they are guilty, then no

42 Farnsworth- Because of the court case, why come before us now, until waiting to  
43 see if the correct steps are followed

44 -I feel that you guys are taking your time with this; you are taking it too lightly

45 Farnsworth- Do you know about any of the allegations brought up against the  
46 other candidate?

47 -Yes, but he gave me evidence showing how it's not true

1 Trifunovski- Any individual doesn't need to go through senators, you can come  
2 here without that, it is your right to come here as individuals and you have the  
3 right to come here and voice your opinions

4 Cooperman- The judicial body is there to deal with violations, I understand your  
5 concerns, but there are others to deal with these concerns, would like to make it  
6 known that we worked a lot of hours

7 -I beg to differ

8 Patterson- Those who have been subpoenaed to the session tonight, please report

9  
10 Amelia SanJorge

11 -I was going to read the same speech, I've been here seven years, I'm a graduate  
12 student, and it is embarrassing to say I am a student here with how unfairly  
13 Cameron was treated. This is the first time I've heard of actions being taken. Yes  
14 I am here as an individual, but our mission is for equality and justice. We demand  
15 nothing more and nothing less. We will mobilize if action is not taken. We do not  
16 make idol threats but promises. You all have a responsibility to us. The choice is  
17 yours and yours alone to make. Will you continue on the path of elitists or will  
18 you choose equality. What's right is right, what's wrong is wrong. We pray you  
19 do is what is right, or we will be here every week at 6 PM reading the same  
20 speech over and over and over again.

21  
22 Amanda Rosa

23 -Over the years, the Student Association has made negligent mistakes. It has  
24 become apparent that our voices do not matter. This has caused serious discontent  
25 in the way that things are going. As a paying member, I won't stand by idol and  
26 watch my rights be suppressed. I fell that the way things are going are corrupt.  
27 Student Association can remain on a dark course, or choose that of equality. If not,  
28 we will mobilize until we get results. We deserve equality. We want nothing more,  
29 nothing less. You all have responsibility to us. The choice is yours and yours  
30 alone to make. Do you continue with elitists attitudes or choose one of equality. I  
31 pray that you do what is right no matter what the pressure is from within Senate.  
32 Take action, or we will do it ourselves.

33  
34 Rhianna LaShannon

35 -I know that the Senate is the voice of us, but this is not happening. We are here  
36 as individuals, we share the same view and want the same goals met. Over the  
37 years, the Student Association has made negligent mistakes. It has become  
38 apparent that our voices do not matter. This has caused serious discontent in the  
39 way that things are going. As a paying member, I won't stand by idol and watch  
40 my rights be suppressed. I fell that the way things are going are corrupt. Student  
41 Association can remain on a dark course, or choose that of equality. If not, we  
42 will mobilize until we get results. We deserve equality. We want nothing more,  
43 nothing less. You all have responsibility to us. The choice is yours and yours  
44 alone to make. Do you continue with elitists attitudes or choose that of equality. I  
45 pray that you do what is right no matter what the pressure is from within Senate.  
46 Take action, or we will do it ourselves.

47 Kelland- Id like to make it known, I'm glad you are concerned and interested,  
48 keep this drive, come next year and become a part of senate and a part of  
49 everything we do

1  
2 Ashley Saladin

3 -I'm not going to sit here and read the speech, but I would like to say that I am an  
4 active member of the community. I remember your faces and how you are saying  
5 all of the same things that you said last year, again. I'm not here to be a  
6 threatening presence, but a presence of change. I'm here to tell you that  
7 something is wrong; I do pay my fee to say what I want to say. It is my  
8 responsibility to know who is in Senate, but it is more my responsibility to tell  
9 you all my concerns. Please listen to what everyone is saying, these are members  
10 of society who want change and have a problem with what you are doing. Take  
11 this not as a threat but as a promise. I care, I am a student, and I am friends with  
12 Cameron. I know you do a lot to try to help us, but we have a problem here and  
13 you need to address it. We need you to do be there for us, because you are here  
14 because of most of us, I would like to see active change.

15 Cooperman- I would like to point out that yes, there was a problem last year, but  
16 it is a different problem, I would appreciate everyone understanding that

17 -The key word is problem, not many people were being informed, and there was  
18 an injustice to us

19 Oakman- Problem with the same committee, of which I am a member of  
20

21 Kedisha Kelly

22 -Hello everyone, I am a highly concerned member of Oneida Hall. I am not only  
23 here for Cameron's injustice, but for things we were not told about. I am here to  
24 discuss and question some of the actions of Student Association. Over the years,  
25 the Student Association has made negligent mistakes. It has become apparent that  
26 our voices do not matter. This has caused serious discontent in the way that things  
27 are going. As a paying member, I won't stand by idol and watch my rights be  
28 suppressed. My vote should count. In this hour of darkness, it is an opportunity  
29 for you to change. I fell you should add equality and justice. Student Association  
30 can remain on a dark course, or choose that of equality. If not, we will mobilize  
31 until we get results. We deserve equality. We do not make idol threats, but  
32 promises. We want nothing more, nothing less. You all have responsibility to us.  
33 The choice is yours and yours alone to make. Do you continue with elitists  
34 attitudes are choosing that of equality. I pray that you do what is right no matter  
35 what the pressure is from within Senate. Use your morality to make decisions.  
36 Those before me may have allowed this, but I will not. Take action, or we will do  
37 it ourselves.

38 Farnsworth- Do you know what the results were?

39 -700 to 300

40 Farnsworth- So how was your vote not counted?

41 -Not saying that

42 Fields-

43 -No one knows about the \$100.00 cap, seems the public not properly notified

44 Farnsworth- Was the other candidate over the cap? They did too, not the same  
45 amount but you get what I mean

46 -The quality and quantity did not equal \$100.00

47 Oakman- This is not a court trial, Farnsworth you are not a lawyer

48 Vice President N. Mapes- I am not seeing respect in here on either side  
49

1 Janelle Wilcox

2 -I come as a representative of Seneca Hall. I am here because last year there were  
3 problems with the election and Andre Fields, as a freshman I did not know I could  
4 help, but to see it happening again this year, it is time to take a stand. Over the  
5 past two years, the Student Association has made negligent mistakes. It has  
6 become apparent that our voices do not matter. This has caused serious discontent  
7 in the way that things are going. As a paying member, I won't stand by idol and  
8 watch my rights be suppressed. My vote should count. In this hour of darkness, it  
9 is an opportunity for you to change. I fell you should add equality and justice.  
10 Student Association can remain on a dark course, or choose that of equality. If not,  
11 we will mobilize until we get results. We deserve equality. We do not make idol  
12 threats, but promises. We want nothing more, nothing less. You all have  
13 responsibility to us. The choice is yours and yours alone to make. Do you  
14 continue with elitists attitudes or choose that of equality. If change does not come,  
15 we will be here every Tuesday.

16  
17 Shauntay Roberts

18 -Good evening, I am a student from Oneida Hall. Over the past two years, the  
19 Student Association has made negligent mistakes. It has become apparent that our  
20 voices do not matter too many here. These mistakes over the past two years; that  
21 seems like a long time, I only have two more years here. This has caused serious  
22 discontent in the way that things are going. As a paying member, I won't stand by  
23 idol and watch my rights be suppressed. My vote should count. In this hour of  
24 darkness, it is an opportunity for you to change. Our mission is equality and  
25 justice. If we do not receive results, we will mobilize until we get results. We  
26 deserve equality. We do not make idol threats, but promises. We want nothing  
27 more, nothing less. You all have responsibility to us. The choice is yours and  
28 yours alone to make. Do you continue with elitists attitudes are choose that of  
29 equality

30 Ballesteros- We believe you have a voice, but how many SA meetings have you  
31 been to?

32 -This is my first

33 Ballesteros- How can we help if you aren't here to voice yourself? If you do not  
34 come to the meetings, how are we able to help you

35 -That is why we here today

36 Cooperman- We are a puzzle of representatives

37 Green- Anyone can speak if they raise their hand

38  
39 Darian M.

40 -I am an active member of this campus, I have been to many SA meetings, but  
41 that does not make me more qualified. Some people just do not know. I had no  
42 knowledge of this situation unless a friend had told me, then I had to go and look.  
43 I am simply here asking for consistency. We all do things right and wrong, but it's  
44 about being balanced. Where is the point where the representing body becomes  
45 separate from the body they are representing? When I was a freshman, I watched  
46 the process of someone deciding to be the SA process, and I saw those individuals  
47 get challenged. I am asking for consistency and policy. I didn't know that it was  
48 being worked on, I was glad to hear it. You are the only people we can come and

1 talk to. As a leader, you have to take your emotions out of the situation. It is hard  
2 to be objective, but you have to be.

3 Farnsworth- I appreciate your comments. You spoke about balance and how you  
4 weren't aware of it right away, by any chance did you talk to the committee chair,  
5 the candidate, the president... just to find out more

6 - I didn't know I had that option, most students don't know who the Elections  
7 Committee is. It doesn't change that I am upset about this though

8 -Are you saying Senate doesn't do enough?

9 -Yes. I live off campus, but I don't know who those senators are. Obviously more  
10 can be done. Every time I have been here I have cut class, including now. Hard to  
11 be here and know what's going on.

12 Cooperman- clear there is a problem with communications on all sides, I wanted  
13 to announce that last year I created a Facebook group, if you are in that group  
14 please visit it, I try to bring the issues here from it

15 Trifunovski- Your elections committee is made up of us four members

16 Green- I am your off-campus senator, another is in training.

17 Bronson- I am the at large senator, so I represent all of you as a whole. I thank all  
18 of you for your words, if you feel strongly please become a senator

19 -Again, I'm asking for consistency and policy

20  
21 Joslynn White

22 -I am a concerned student, and concerned executive member of the Black Student  
23 Union and an executive member of the step team. We are not here to criticize and  
24 crucify Josh, but we know that rules have been broken and we feel they have not  
25 been addressed. I will come and sit on your floor and read this speech. I feel that  
26 Senate has failed me. If you tell me to whisper, you should tell everyone to  
27 whisper. I feel that I am disrespected and that you won't listen to what I have to  
28 say.

29  
30 Taisha Brown

31 -I am a concerned student of Seneca Hall. I didn't know you had to come to these  
32 meetings to speak. I am here for my first time because I am concerned. I am also a  
33 fee paying member of this entity. As a product of my SA fee, I feel I speak for  
34 everyone when I say I would like to see change. This has caused a loss in the trust  
35 of the government. You said its in progress, but I am here to remind you that the  
36 choice is yours. We came in numbers because we felt like we were disrespected  
37 as a group. We are here to say we feel we were treated unfairly.

38 Ballesteros- Apology to anything I had said that was misconstrued

39 -Shouldn't matter how many of us there are, shouldn't matter if we had been here  
40 before, right now we have concerns

41 Guererro- A lot of the people we see here tonight I have seen around campus, I  
42 agree that just because they may not have been here before shouldn't be punished.  
43 They have strong concerns now, and that's all that's needed. This is great, would  
44 like to see even more people, and would like to see more people involved. I'm sad  
45 that you all feel your fee isn't used correctly, and I'm hoping others feel the same.

46 Farnsworth- I think some of the questions as to if you have been here was  
47 questioning how we could help, find all problems that need to be fixed.

48  
49 Christina Blades

1 -Good evening. I am here because I support both candidates, but I don't support  
2 dishonesty. I felt hat last year Andre was immediately attacked, and that this year  
3 it is treated the same with equality and justice.  
4

5 Racquel Crocker

6 -I am a concerned senior and off-campus student. When I look at some of y'all, I  
7 feel like I'm looking at the Bush administration. You are disgracing me. I was  
8 part of senate, and now I'd like to say that I'm glad that I am not anymore. Over  
9 the years, the Student Association has made negligent mistakes. It has become  
10 apparent that our voices do not matter. This has caused serious discontent in the  
11 way that things are going. I rise to make it known, that as a paying member, I  
12 won't stand by idol and watch my rights be suppressed. I put you in the position  
13 that you are in. In this hour of darkness, it is an opportunity for you to change.  
14 Nobody is perfect, but there are certain things you really need to take into  
15 consideration. When Andre he was wrong, he was put out of office in a second.  
16 Why not done like this, this time? Consistency is needed. Right is right, wrong is  
17 wrong. Start doing what you have to do please.

18 Cooperman- Why not be more active, you say your glad not to be here, why not  
19 get more involved in Senate?

20 -I have other responsibilities I have to deal with, I am from the outside, but I feel  
21 my voice should be heard just as equally

22 Trifunovski- We didn't represent you, so you're saying you are here today  
23 because we didn't do our job in representing you

24 -Yes

25 Fields- I want to applaud you for coming in here tonight. I think she is using her  
26 right to voice her concerns

27 Cooperman- I concur  
28

29 Julissa Torres

30 -I am here as a concerned individual. I am the president of the Latino Student  
31 Union, and am active in other ways in the community as well. I would like to  
32 know from the Senate if they keep records of the meetings, and if I would like to  
33 see them could I?

34 -Not right now

35 -Facebook is not a way to reach out to all students. I have been to numerous  
36 Senate meetings, a lot of you know me, but most of you don't acknowledge me.  
37 How many of you have come to our meetings? Have you seen how hard we work  
38 and the time consumed working? Have you even bothered? We did get someone  
39 to come to our meeting last year but that was only because elections were coming  
40 up. We are making a difference; we don't have to be a part of Senate to make a  
41 difference. Why are we facing this problem? Did you go through the proper  
42 procedures so that this wouldn't happen? I would like to see records.

43 Bronson- When do you meet?

44 Every Monday at 7 p.m.

45 Farnsworth- Did someone accuse the organization of not working hard?

46 -Directly no, but when we stand before you, you tell us we aren't doing enough

47 Fields- All records are public; you can get it at any time. Everything is going to be  
48 online soon so everyone can see it. It is all public information, with the exception  
49 of financial things

1 Cooperman- Not accusing, if you have the drive, just requesting that if anyone  
2 who has the will to work could help

3 -The fact that we are here... doesn't that prove something?

4 Oakman- As a member of the Elections Committee, don't speak for me, the  
5 procedures were not followed

6 -As soon as Andre's problem happened, he was immediately removed. This is a  
7 runaround; I don't understand why actions have not been taken

8 Green- The committee's job is to alert the Senate

9 Vice President N. Mapes-I ask people start letting me speak and hold a orderly  
10 meeting

11 Fields- Elections committee last week reported that it was violated in committee  
12 reports

13 Oakman- Isn't that the start up of the procedure which was not followed up on?  
14  
15

16 Samuel Bligen

17 -I would like to thank the Senate for allowing me to speak. I come as a student  
18 rather than a politic. I am a representative of Hart Hall and myself. SA stand for  
19 student, all of us are students. Each of us has a voice, and has our own issues.  
20 This is my first meeting. Not here to blame people, I will take some blame. It  
21 shouldn't have taken us this long to speak our voices. We should come just so  
22 support, not only in conflict. Today, all I see is people going back and forth. We  
23 all have to take responsibility. Without students, there wouldn't be a Senate. If we  
24 aren't involved, how can they represent us? We must look inside ourselves and  
25 ask, why does it take this situation to get us to come to a meeting? We cannot  
26 blame anyone but ourselves. As an incoming freshman, a lot of situations have  
27 occurred. When the issues were brought up, why wasn't that turnout like this one?  
28 We need to check our priorities. Why weren't we voicing our opinion then? It  
29 should be consistent, every week. I felt hat I must participate for my voice to be  
30 heard. Everyone has taken math throughout my life. The point is everything  
31 should be equal. That equal sign should act as a bridge. We must make sure this  
32 bridge is built so that we can all become one community.  
33

34 Benjamin Amey

35 - I am here on behalf of the Oswegonian, wanted to let everyone know that the  
36 media is aware of the story. There is an article that will show both sides of the  
37 issue that will be published. A lot of you said that most students didn't know  
38 about the issue, at least now more people will be aware. I am writing it personally,  
39 I have received many opinions voiced from both sides. I wanted you all to know  
40 that to at least put some of your concerns to rest.

41 Green- Has the Supreme Court alerted you about the issues?

42 -Yes, by Ben Patterson himself  
43

44 Ashley Saladin

45 -I noticed a lot about everyone talking here tonight. I think the important thing is  
46 that we recognize everything in this room. There are people with other  
47 responsibility, who are members of other organizations. They are not nobody, but  
48 people who represent more people. They are representing a greater group when  
49 they come here. It takes a lot of time to handle our responsibility, you handle your

1 things we handle ours. We continue the legacies of the organizations we are in,  
2 and establish something that is functional for this campus. We do a lot of little  
3 things to make this campus better. We elect you to take the place we can't,  
4 because we are members of our own organizations. We are all helping, there are  
5 new things happening. They preach to more people, so it is important for them to  
6 come here and be informed. The people here are not nobodies, but active  
7 members of campus.

8  
9 Amelia SanJorge

10 -I feel like we're encouraged to come and speak our minds, but yet we are being  
11 attacked for voicing our opinions. I was offended by how we were treated like we  
12 were on trial.

13 Kelland- I wanted to apologize, on behalf of the Senate, which is not what we  
14 mean at all

15 -I have been here before, and that has never been the case. I know we came in a  
16 large number, but it's not fair

17 Kelland- I feel that your point has been made, I do thank you for doing this

18  
19 Kedisha Kelly

20 -One question; I have never heard of the Dan Tascarella case?

21 Farnsworth- There is a notice saying that there is a trial tonight. Basically, he  
22 found a referendum to be invalid. They found that the question on the petition was  
23 invalid

24 -To be honest, we don't have to be here, that's why we elected senators. You are  
25 our voice. Whether I am present or not shouldn't matter, you are here to elaborate  
26 for me. Everything is not being tended to as they should. Indirectly I am a part of  
27 Senate.

28  
29 Tanshia Henry

30 -I have a question. What are the steps to impeach a senator, if the student body  
31 feels they are not doing their job? Would the information be online?

32 Fields- Refer to article 6, section 5. Shall be in the hands of the constituencies. If  
33 two thirds of the members of a hall favor the removal, the senator shall be  
34 removed.

35 -If both parties are found at fault, who would hold the presidential position?

36 Fields- The vice president would assume the duties, and then the Senate would  
37 decide to have an election or follow the line of succession.

38  
39 Darian M.

40 -This time I am going to be sterner. At what point of monitoring a meeting do you  
41 cross the line of respect? For example, I was listening to the chair bark at senators  
42 and students. What person will join when people bark at you like that? At what  
43 point do you respect a whole crowd of people? When we walked in, we were told  
44 that if we were going to whisper, to move back. I have never heard that in another  
45 meeting towards anyone else. At what point do you have to disrespect the people?  
46 When you take this job you have to take your personal feelings out of it in order  
47 to govern. I am making assumptions, we all do it. But, is this allowed? I was fine  
48 until I realized that I am seeing more than just government, we are seeing  
49 relationships. And this is shown in your leadership. It's not right. I shouldn't be

1 able to sit here and know who buddy buddy is. Being a leader is taking your  
2 personal life out of it. This way you can govern accordingly.  
3 Vice- I apologize, I was going to make a statement but I will say it now. I  
4 apologize on both ends. When I came in I didn't mean to select a group. Usually  
5 in the past, when groups come in, people will talk and whisper, so I was only  
6 trying to alleviate that problem.  
7 -To the current winner, I am not saying anyone is wrong. But I am saying that if  
8 you want our respect, you should speak. This wouldn't be fair if you don't speak.

9  
10 Joshua Miller

11 -I chose to wait to be addressed so that you could all speak. I do maintain my  
12 innocence. I have only spent \$100.00 and no more. I went door to door, several  
13 meetings; it wasn't juts posters that won the election. What happened is that 770  
14 students voted for me based on what I stand for. Everything I did I checked with  
15 elections before I did it. It had been approved by elections chair. I went to your  
16 dinners before I was campaigning for votes to meet people on personal levels. It  
17 wasn't an empty promise, its promises that I will uphold. I maintain my innocence.

18 Oakman- I'm not trying to attack, but please be careful when you say elections  
19 committee, I am a member oft hat committee, and you didn't sit down with me.

20 Please address the individual. I would like to apologize that this is going array

21 -The finance committee chair is who signs all PO's. I brought numerous  
22 allegations against the committee and they were heard so I understand. But I  
23 maintain my innocence

24 Cooperman- the Senate meetings are run by the Roberts Rules, if you see any  
25 breaches against this, bring it up so we can have order.

26 Trifunovski- I wanted to make it clear that although we all have questions, but  
27 now may not be the right time. Let us keep it to certain procedures and rules.

28 -Just in closing, I've worked with many of you and look forward to working with  
29 you in the future, if you have questions id be happy to sit and talk

30  
31 Julissa Torres

32 -I am here for public comment; do I need to define that? I don't think so. You go  
33 by Robert's Rules. I feel my speech is being limited. If someone up there has a  
34 question, I feel that we should be able to ask that and not just allow the senators to  
35 ask questions.

36 Fields- If senators didn't know, you can yield time to the students for them to  
37 speak. If you want to let them speak I encourage you yield your time

38  
39 Ashley Saladin

40 -Given that the president is being sued, what faith can we have in Senate?

41 Trifunovski- There is a system of checks and balances, if there is a boundary that  
42 we feel was overstepped, usually the Senate can override his vetoed. However  
43 with that case, it was never brought up to the Senate. We will work harder to  
44 create a better system of checks and balances

45 Cooperman- I believe petitions and bills are handled differently

46 President Tascarella- I have the power to veto a bill, there is a grey area for  
47 petitions, and they will decide if I did something wrong, I feel that what I did was  
48 right

1 Vice President N. Mapes- I do check for the legitimacy of Senate, send out letters  
2 on proper approaches  
3 DJ- sometimes it may seem like Senate is not doing enough, were you saying that  
4 organizations get denied money because they do not do enough according to  
5 senate?  
6 -Yes  
7 -We are not upset Josh one, just want to make sure that procedure is followed  
8 Trifunovski- Just so people know, in the constitution, article 6 section 4, part d,  
9 will explain further about petitions such as they were in the case right now. The  
10 elections committee verifies the signatures, and the signatures were valid  
11 --Are any Senators aware of when the court case will be happening?  
12 -Just accepted today, that isn't decided yet  
13 Vice President N. Mapes- Can go to lead center for more info  
14 --Where should we look for these postings?  
15 Vice President N. Mapes- Mahar and Hewitt are most prominent, should be  
16 around campus. Can stop into the office, should be on the SA bulletin board  
17 DJ- This is coming out Friday, which is when Spring Break starts. Half of the  
18 people are gone. People won't be notified.  
19 Adams- We don't control when the paper comes out, just to put that out  
20 Ballesteros- Thank you for coming out and speaking, encourage you to voice your  
21 opinions more  
22 Kelland- Ask us if you see us outside of Senate as well, we can show you that we  
23 can do what we are here to do  
24 -For the Oswegonian, we will try to get it out as soon as possible, the earliest  
25 place is Hewitt Union  
26 Proxy Anderson- to Josh Miller- you said that media is supposed to be alerted,  
27 what date were you alerted?  
28 Josh Miller- They were made public last week, but I was served with the case  
29 today  
30 Oakman- Have you read the election laws and read where it states that all actions  
31 by the chair of elections must be introduced to the Senate  
32 Ashley- Thank you for listening to us, hope that from this meeting, better things  
33 are to come  
34 Kelland- Motion to close  
35 Nau- Second  
36  
37 Kelland- motion to move special orders  
38 Adams- Object, motion to suspend the rules and move 46.44 and move the  
39 meeting until tomorrow  
40 Vice President N. Mapes- I'm going to call roll call, if people leave there will be a  
41 problem, the meeting should run smoothly  
42 Cooperman- I believe Ben Patterson said they will wait for you  
43 Trifunovski- Feel it is proper that my voice be heard on the bill  
44 Fields- If that does happen, I suggest that we motion to recess until a time that the  
45 Senate sees fit  
46 Kelland- Obviously the president sees the need to leave, motion to move SLE  
47 42.46 between presidential reports  
48 Cooperman- Second  
49 VOTE: 13-0-0

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3 **VI. Executive Report**

4 **President Tascarella**

5 -I Vetoed SLE 42.45, there was a part that broke the rules.

6 -Putting the section in would violate the board of trustees and constitution

7 -made a new one with the necessary changes, hope you will approve it

8 -I just took a section out and made the change from \$100.00 to \$150.00, if you let  
9 me know when elections meets I can come

10 Trifunovski- Why was this not brought up to the committee?

11 -It violates policy, I vetoed it

12 -First change was the \$150.00, also changed the wording a little bit in b and f.

13 Also changed total allocated by Senate to \$900.00. In part 2, edited b. Right under  
14 process for violations, I took out a and said that the committee would investigate  
15 and then make a report about it.

16 Kelland- Where it was changed to 6 still says 8

17 Cooperman- Where are these changes from?

18 President Tascarella- Additional- clearly violates our own constitution. Also, if  
19 you want to go to Student Assembly, email me. Congratulations to Josh for his  
20 win.

21  
22 **Special Orders**

23 SLE 42.46 WNYO, WTOP, and Oswegonian Frozen Four Broadcasting Trip

24 -Cost down to \$800.00 that is being asked from Senate

25 Josh Miller- Since they were able to move ahead, they have been talking about  
26 covering the game. We had the organizations all show an interest in doing this, I  
27 feel this is important to do as students. They all put in a lot of money that they  
28 worked hard for, feel you should support this. 20 hour road trip, a lot of time that  
29 they are willing to put into this

30 Kelland- Line 11, another e

31 Adams- Is there anything that other senators would like to know

32 -\$2,826.00 is in the account

33 Trifunovski- Motion to vote

34 Oakman- Second

35 VOTE: 12-0-2 Pass

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37 **Vice President N. Mapes**

38 -I want to congratulate Senator Fields for being the new Vice President, he will  
39 take over at General Orders, please give him the up most respect

40 -I want to apologize for my behavior earlier, I overstepped my boundaries, it's  
41 never happened before and won't happen again, you all mean a lot to me, I get  
42 upset when I feel like I'm on your end being spoken to

43 Cooperman- I would like to follow the hand raising rule if that happens again

44 Oakman- Want to apologize as well, I did not realize the difficulty of handling  
45 this kind of a meeting, this has been very frustrating, I want to apologize for my  
46 behavior and how my actions conflict

47 -As senators, you have to be unbiased, there were a lot of accusations to me  
48 tonight, you have to take it as it comes, a lot of what was said is right, I will be  
49 gone, I know Fields will do a great job

1 Kelland- I would like to commend you on how you handled yourself tonight, you  
2 handled yourself very well

3 Oakman- My apologies are extended to Josh as well, did not mean to offend you  
4 as well

5 -I am happy with all of your behavior tonight  
6

7 Director of Finance Miller

8 65.02 \$8,930.52

9 65.05 \$0

10 65.06 \$2,826.00

11 -We asked that the budget not be released because we were still making changes,  
12 so if anyone knows who did that to tell us, because we asked specifically for that  
13 not to happen

14 -If you want copies of the budget come to my office

15 -It was a hard task, a lot is going on with the budget. We can try to keep the  
16 Corner Store open for a few more months, but not for next year. We may be able  
17 to lobby for a new Corner Store in the Campus Center, but for now can't keep it.

18 -Thank you to Senator Guerrero for catching a mistake we made, would have  
19 been a huge problem  
20

21 Kim Buchner

22 -I will be looking into the water issue

23 Fields- Motion to move General Orders to next

24 Kelland- Second  
25

26 **VII. General Orders**

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28 SLE 42.41 Senate Oaths

29 Fields- Motion to amend, want to switch the whereas around to make it sound  
30 better. Strike lines 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15. Also strike lines 17, 18, 19, and 20.  
31 Edit line 22, edit under "submitted by"

32 Cooperman- I support this bill

33 Bronson- Can my name read Andrew, not Andy; motion to vote

34 Kelland- Second

35 VOTE: 13-0-0 Pass

36 Kelland- We have all had time to look at this, these are sound changes

37 Oakman- This was very well thought out, I feel this is one step forward to make  
38 the Senate better.

39 Cooperman- Wish people could see this

40 Fields- Would like to thank my committee for their work and everyone who  
41 helped, motion to vote

42 Kelland- Second

43 VOTE: 13-0-0 Pass

44 Kelland- Is it possible to vote by hands?

45 Vice President N. Mapes- wouldn't do it

46 Cooperman- Motion to relinquish the chair

47 Marra- Second  
48

49 SLE 42.42 Chinese Culture Club Yuan Xiao Festival

1 Kelland- Change title to Chinese Students and Scholars Association, and the first  
2 whereas  
3 Cooperman- Motion to reinstate the chair  
4 Kelland- Second  
5 Adams- We met on Sunday, and I couldn't find any contact information for them,  
6 emailed them, haven't heard back. They were asking for \$160.00, the committee  
7 decided that \$75.00 was sufficient. A lot of the stuff can be used from residence  
8 halls.  
9 Kelland- All halls do not have the same kitchen equipment  
10 Guerrero- Friends in other buildings may have those items  
11 Cooperman- is there a date?  
12 Kelland- Friday  
13 Fields- We should use an amendment to remedy this problem  
14 Kelland- They should be able to do it, based on the best judgment and the issue of  
15 time  
16 Ballesteros- Some might have the items needed in other halls  
17 Oakman- In reference to how they failed to meet with Senator Adams, this  
18 amount is sufficient, motion to vote  
19 Ballesteros- Second  
20 VOTE: 10-2-1 Pass  
21 Adams- Obviously the choice is up to you, use best judgment  
22 Cooperman- They need it to do the event, motion to vote  
23 Ballesteros- Second  
24 VOTE: 11-1-1 Pass  
25 Cooperman- Motion to recess for 10 minutes  
26 Bronson- Second  
27 9: 55 PM  
28 Call back to order: 10:13 PM  
29  
30 SLE 42.25 Amendment to SLE 39.28 Student Election Law  
31 Cooperman- The president has 10 days to veto it, we can refer it if we need to  
32 Bronson- I concur, I think we should deal with it with a full senate  
33 Cooperman- voting on the veto?  
34 Vice- To uphold or go against it  
35 Cooperman- We've already passed this, think we should vote on it today, the  
36 consider the amendments  
37 Vice President N. Mapes- He asked that you uphold the veto then look at the  
38 amendments  
39 Nau- Why don't we refer it and look at it for a while longer and then decide  
40 Westfall- We should be careful looking at election law legislation, prefer to re-  
41 refer it, I have some questions that weren't cleared up, I don't fully understand it  
42 Cooperman\_-I did look through it, if you would like to discuss it now I would  
43 prefer to, anything dealing with the election law should be dealt with immediately  
44 Fields- Senate will reconsider his decision, if two thirds approves, it will become  
45 law  
46 Vice President N. Mapes- We are able to re-refer, don't even have two thirds to  
47 vote on it tonight  
48 Kelland- Also need to deal with elections as carefully as possible, not in our best  
49 interest to make a decision with only 13 or 14 present

1 Cooperman- If we all vote yes, could pass it with two thirds, we are already here,  
2 hard to get people together

3 Vice President N. Mapes- You can discuss it now, but the president isn't here to  
4 discuss it with you

5 Trifunovski- Hearing a lot of the constitutions and laws seem to be based on the  
6 interpretations of the individual, something like this needs careful consideration  
7 and shouldn't be dealt with so quickly

8 Cooperman- What if we decided to hold a discussion without voting

9 Fields- I would object, there were questions I wanted to ask the president, he isn't  
10 here to do that, motion to re-refer the bill for the next meeting

11 Oakman- Second

12 VOTE: 14-0-0 Pass

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14 **VIII. Senator Issues**

15 Cooperman- I'd like to thank everyone for their behavior and keeping control  
16 tonight, it was a stressful situation. I will be starting a committee to keep the  
17 Corner Store, if you want to help contact me.

18 Fields- There was a lot going on tonight, I'm glad people came and voiced their  
19 opinions. We need to build on that, if they are from your building make an effort  
20 to go and talk to them and see what their concerns are.

21 Guerrero- I believe that when I speak to my friends they ask me about these topics,  
22 if you ease this information into your conversations can help to inform people.

23 Sometimes not all the information that you are supposed to give to your  
24 constituents is given, so we should try to work on that. I know there are concerns  
25 about getting more shuttles that go to Wal-Mart, because there is only one and it's  
26 hard to deal with. Not everyone has a car, would like to work on this.

27 Trifunovski- I don't want to sound like I'm lecturing; I know I've not always been  
28 liked in the past or currently. I just want us to work together as senators. United  
29 we stand, divided we shall fall. We need to start sticking together- I have respect  
30 for all of you. I look at you guys as leaders, and we need more leaders. We need  
31 to work together and put our issues aside. Let's show SUNY Oswego that we are  
32 good and not just here to create controversy.

33 Vice President N. Mapes- You all should be holding yourselves to be the up most  
34 professional. We may fight and have problems, but when you walk out it should  
35 divide from your personal life. It can be done, has to be done.

36 Trifunovski- Outside, it would be nice to develop friendships too

37 Bronson- Wanted to take this time to thank Fields and elections for letting me sit  
38 in on their meeting and for the time I was allowed

39 Oakman- Our constituents came to us concerned, please build on that as  
40 constructive criticism. I will not look at you with disrespect if you realize that this  
41 is not the job for you or if you resign. I understand this may be too much for you,  
42 we are here to carry out a duty; if you are unable, I would not take it personal if  
43 you choose to resign. I am proud of how we conducted ourselves, I extended  
44 apologies and do so again for any disrespect.

45 Kelland- I can't believe how dedicated you all are, I'm glad and I thank you

46 Proxy Anderson- For \$20 you can have a bus pass for the year

47 Guerrero- Other schools provide bussing for free, that was the concern

48 Vice President N. Mapes- Not covered because we only have so many students  
49 and there is a limit on the budget

1 Adams- The budgets from finance were for senators and not to be given out to  
2 students, they get that as a memo. It's a little disrespectful, and your job is to give  
3 the most accurate information, and that wasn't completely done yet  
4 Vice President N. Mapes- Leaking information is a serious offense  
5 Cooperman- Motion to close  
6 Fields- Second

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10 **IX. Committee Reports**

11 Policy

12 -Have a bill, Meet tomorrow at 6 PM

13 Procedure

14 -Meet tomorrow at 9 PM

15 Finance

16 -Budget, bill this week, and meet tomorrow at 7:30 PM

17 Involvement

18 -Need to go over the NWA proposal, meet Thursday at 7 PM

19 Health and Safety

20 -Tomorrow during college hour Patrick Murphy will be meeting with us, open to  
21 any senators at 12:40

22 Elections

23 -Results will be on the agenda next week

24 CCRC

25 -None

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29 **X. New Legislation**

30 SLE 42.43 Amendment to SLE 39.28 Student Association Election Law

31 Trifunovski- Motion to refer to elections

32 Cooperman- Second

33 SLE 42.44 Social Justice Club Beehive Collective

34 Cooperman- Motion to refer to finance

35 Oakman- Second

36 SLE 42.45 Supreme Court Organization Constitution and Charter Approval

37 Procedure

38 Cooperman- This bill has had a lot of thought, any questions come to committee

39 Bronson- Motion to refer to policy

40 Fields- Second

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42 **XI. Roll Call:** Fields, Oakman, Cooperman, Bronson, Proxy Anderson, Marra, Zoll,  
43 Ballesteros, Nau, Westfall, Adams, Guerrero, Kelland, Trifunovski

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45 **XIII. Adjournment**

46 Motion- Fields

47 Second- Adams

48 10:51 PM

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Senate  
42<sup>nd</sup> Legislative Session  
21st Meeting  
27 March 2007

**Agenda**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes
- IV. Approval of Agenda
- V. Public Comment
- VI. Executive Report
  - Dan Tascarella, Student Association President
  - Natasha Mapes, Student Association Vice President
  - Josh Miller, Student Association Director of Finance
  - Other Directors
- VII. Senator Issues Forum
- VIII. Committee Reports
- IX. General Orders
  - 1.) VETO SLE.42.25 Amendment to SLE.39.28 Student Association Election Law
  - 2.) SLE.42.43 Amendment to SLE.39.28 Student Association Election Law
  - 3.) SLE.42.44 Social Justice Club Beehive Collective
  - 4.) SLE.42.45 Supreme Court Organization Constitution and Charter Approval Procedure
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  - 1.) RES.42.02 2007 All-Campus Election Results
  - 2.) RES 42.03 Thank You Dan Tascarella
  - 3.) RES 42. 04 Thank You Sarah Smith
  - 4.) RES 42.05 Thank You Natasha Mapes
  - 5.) SLE.42.47 SAVAC EMS Teaching Day Conference Funding
  - 6.) SLE.42.48 Student Association 2007-2008 Budget
  - 7.) SLE.42.49 Student Association Programming Board Guidelines
  - 8.) SLE 42.50 PANGIA Guest Speaker Funding
  - 9.) SLE 42.51 Basically Infused
  - 10.) SLE 42.52 SWG Game Over
  - 11.) SLE 42.53 Two and a Half Flyers
- XI. Roll Call
- XII. Adjournment



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42<sup>nd</sup> Legislative Session  
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**Senate Minutes**

- 1 I. **Call to Order: 6:13 PM**  
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3 II. **Roll Call:** Fields, Oakman, Cooperman, Bronson, Bleiberg, Farnsworth, Green,  
4 Anderson, Marra, Zoll, Martinez, Proxy Maining, Nau, Adams, Guerrero, Kelland,  
5 Trifunovski  
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7 III. **Approval of Minutes**  
8 Nau- Motion to amend, page 8 line 44, add every Monday at 7 PM  
9 Farnsworth- Motion to amend, add line 45, organization  
10 Cooperman- Motion to amend, correct name spelling on line 34  
11 Motion- Farnsworth  
12 Second- Cooperman  
13  
14 IV. **Approval of Agenda**  
15 Fields- Motion to amend, add SLE 42.53 Two and a Half and RES 42.04 Thank  
16 you Sarah Smith, also amend 42.51 Basically Infused, 42.52 SWG Game Over  
17 and 42.53 Two and a Half Flyers to new legislation.  
18 Farnsworth- Second  
19 Cooperman- Motion to amend, add RES 42.03 Thank you President Tascarella  
20 Farnsworth- Motion to amend, add RES 42.05 Thank you Vice President Natasha  
21 Mapes  
22 Trifunovski- Motion to amend SLE 42.50 PANGIA Guest Speaker under new  
23 legislation  
24 Farnsworth- Second  
25 Motion- Farnsworth  
26 Second- Trifunovski  
27  
28 V. **Public Comment**  
29 NYPIRG  
30 -5 Minutes isn't enough time to clarify all of the things that are going on with  
31 NYPIRG, for you to understand all sides, it would take more time than is allotted  
32 in public comment  
33 -First, I'd like to talk about page 6 of the Oswegonian, where it misquotes me. It  
34 makes it seem like I as an individual was behind a group who wanted protest,  
35 which is untrue. What I actually said is "which was created for that voice".

1 Public comment is here for people to speak. It said it only took people a weekend  
2 to plan... but people had been working longer than that. Yes, NYPIRG supports  
3 the right to free speech, but we were not behind what was said or the movement  
4 of the students; that was on their own

5 -As for old business, we had the bottle drive for the Bigger Better Bottle Bill. An  
6 article about it was published, and another will be coming. Also, WRVO will be  
7 interviewing me and another woman who does a lot with donating bottles. We  
8 may get involved with her; ask her to participate in our meetings

9 -New business, we have another local delegation visit coming up, where we will  
10 talk about the mid-year TAP adjustment. I've spoken to some students who could  
11 have benefited from having this option, so they may speak on its behalf

12 -So far we have 6 groups signed up to our cell phone help campaign fighting  
13 hidden fees

14 Farnsworth- Why do you feel you were invited to the meetings as project  
15 coordinator, what actions did you take at that meeting?

16 -Mainly listening, just said to know what you are going to do if you do something,  
17 and to look at the handbook

18  
19 Oswego City Democratic Committee

20 -I was recently elected chair of the Democratic Committee, want to invite you to  
21 help us out, come to some committee meetings and so on. You could get involved,  
22 and there are internship possibilities. Not here to preach, just would like to help  
23 you and to have you help us, and would like to see a relationship to grow. You  
24 guys have a good thing going on here. March 29<sup>th</sup> we have the mayor coming to a  
25 dinner, student tickets are \$25, but we could set up something to off-set the cost.  
26 Also, we have free campaign training on May 5<sup>th</sup>, a county legislator is putting the  
27 event on, will talk about campaign messages. Also, the senator will be coming to  
28 an event, also having a golf tournament. All of these are coming up, if anyone is  
29 interested please just contact me. I will be more than willing to work with you

30  
31 Benjamin Amey

32 -Honorable members of the Student Association, Vice President Mapes, President  
33 Tascarella, and SUNY Oswego students, I come before you today to ask for  
34 change. We have all seen the outcry of the students of this campus to recent  
35 conduct of SA members, to recent trials, and to recent allegations concerning our  
36 last campus wide election. It is time for changes to be made, and it is time for the  
37 students of this campus to see that SA is listening to them and wants to change for  
38 the better. Therefore, I am looking for Senators to sponsor three pieces of  
39 legislation. Two are constitutional amendments, the other a piece of SA practice  
40 and policy. First, the issue concerning SA practice and policy. I am asking a  
41 Senator to sponsor legislation stating that the Student Association must publish  
42 the current Constitution, Elections Law, and minutes from Senate meetings on  
43 their website for the public to view. This will allow students to be better informed  
44 about their own student government, knowing what rules they are following, and  
45 will perhaps shed light on why things are done the way they are. In addition to  
46 this, should any changes be made to the Constitution or to the Elections Law,  
47 students must be notified by e-mail no less than two weeks in advance, and the  
48 proposed changes must be posted as well so students will be given plenty of time  
49 to form and informed opinion about such changes before they vote on them. The

1 first constitutional amendment that I am proposing and looking for Senate  
2 sponsorship from is one concerning petitions and referendums. One point that was  
3 made very clear to me during the recent trial brought against President Tascarella  
4 is that this section of the Constitution is very vague. **This must change.** I propose  
5 that when a petition wants to be circulated, it is brought before the Senate for a  
6 majority, up or down vote on the question. If the Senate deems the petition  
7 question valid, then the petition process will continue as currently outlined in the  
8 Constitution. If the Senate deems the question invalid, then the petition is not  
9 circulated until such time that the Senate deems the question acceptable by  
10 majority vote. We must tie up loopholes in our Constitution to prevent another  
11 trial such as the one we just had. The second Constitutional amendment concerns  
12 campaign financing in presidential and vice presidential elections here in the  
13 Student Association. As we can see, this issue has divided our campus and has  
14 torn us apart at the seams. We cannot allow this to happen again. I suggest two  
15 courses of action. One, we can send around a petition asking the student body of  
16 this campus if they believe that candidates in these elections should be able to  
17 receive donations and/or discounts on products they buy for their campaigns.  
18 After the students have let their voice be heard, the Senate can then take action.  
19 The second option is to craft a set of rules **clearly** outlining campaign reform. Are  
20 donations allowed, or not? Are other people allowed to make signs in support of a  
21 candidate outside the candidate's campaign, or not? Are discounts, of any kind,  
22 allowed? If so, which are not allowed? Do purchase orders have to be checked off  
23 by the Elections Committee Chairperson, or the entire Elections Committee?  
24 These are all issues that have plagued this most recent election, as well as ones in  
25 the past. So, now I ask you: will you stand idle and do nothing about these issues  
26 that are tearing apart the campus that we all love? Or will you set aside y our  
27 differences, your grudges, your agendas, and work together for the purpose that  
28 Student Association was founded on, to give the students a voice and make the  
29 lives of the students on campus better? Mistakes have been made, we all know  
30 that. But let not a man be judged by his mistakes, but instead by how he learns  
31 from those mistakes. I pray that we will all be able to learn from our mistakes.  
32 Any Senators wishing to contact me about writing these pieces of legislation can  
33 reach me at [amey@oswego.edu](mailto:amey@oswego.edu). I thank you for your time.

34 Farnsworth- You brought up an interesting point about email, but we don't have  
35 that access. What role does the media play in informing the public? Because right  
36 now the government plays a huge role, and in this Oswegonian, it quotes the  
37 procedures incorrectly.

38 Amey-I feel they play a big role, and that they should play a bigger role. I think  
39 there should be a section on what goes on here every week. I was here last  
40 Tuesday, I gave the person who wrote that article information I had gathered.  
41 Unfortunately, I left just before the article was done, and I was personally very  
42 upset with the article and picture, as well is the misquotes.

43 Farnsworth- What role does that play on the perception of SA and its failures?  
44 Media reporting can make it hard to show that change

45 -I agree, I'm not technically even a member of the staff that is something to be  
46 taken up with our staff advisor. I would see an apology follow up article in order  
47 Trifunovski- I don't know if you put much effort pertaining to the donations  
48 question... you made some good points, but did you think about what might be  
49 the consequence for people who may not be able to afford campaign material?

1 -With this speech, it was completely me, no one else. As far as financing goes, I  
2 think the \$100.00 is great, but then the question is do they get donations from  
3 other students, discounts, etc. I'm not saying its wrong, just saying it needs to be  
4 made clear.

5 Mapes- Could you sit with the committee tomorrow?

6 -I have class

7 Mapes- I'll send you an email then

8 Fields- If you feel this strongly, I would suggest you join and voice your opinion,  
9 and help take the lead on this project.

10 Cooperman- I would suggest you talk to procedure and policy as well.

11  
12 Justin Tossas

13 -Good evening. I am here as the President of Spoken Writers Guild. I feel as  
14 though I am one of the luckiest young men on this campus. I've been involved  
15 with a few organizations and held a few positions. For this organization, we look  
16 to showcase as many artists as possible. April 15<sup>th</sup> will be the Oswego Gospel  
17 Choir. We are dedicated to give positive performances. We have a bill coming for  
18 \$400.00 for our final event, "Game Over", which will have a more elaborate set  
19 up than in the past. To date we have had 4 performances, and we are looking to  
20 add 3 more. I believe we have outperformed many higher tier organizations. We  
21 work to have an impact and create positive performances.

22 Farnsworth- How many people do you have come to your events?

23 -We average about 30 or 40, and that's on extremely tight budgets, which I feel is  
24 impressive

25 Adams- Finance will meet at 5 PM on Sunday so you know

26 Farnsworth- Your doing a great job

27 -Thank you, I think you all are doing a good job too

28  
29 Cameron Jones

30 -Good evening. I am here to specifically address the elections committee. I am  
31 here to resolve some lingering issues. I have been accused of going over my  
32 budget. I have followed to the best of my ability. On Sunday night I stumbled  
33 over some supplies for my campaign, and here before me is a box of chalk that I  
34 had purchased. I did not use it and will return it. According to the law, \$800.00  
35 will be allocated for campaigns. All unused funds will be returned to the  
36 contingency account. The school store said they were unsure where the money  
37 would go, I expect for the elections committee to decide where the money should  
38 go

39  
40 Jeremy Lombardo

41 - PANGIA is a new tier 1 organization on campus this year, which represents the  
42 unrepresented religious students on campus. On April 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30- 9 PM, we plan  
43 to have a speaker come to speak about religious tolerance, and the misuse of  
44 religion in the government. She is a revolutionary and a freedom fighter. She  
45 continues to fight for freedom, and her work continues to this day. SAPB is  
46 sponsoring this, and there is a bill on the floor tonight for the remainder of the  
47 cost for transportation and hotel.

48 Farnsworth- You were very disrespectful to the secretary today in the office, why  
49 should we support you

1 -I cannot comment on that because it is not relevant to the bill  
2 Fields- We should hear what is going on because we are lost  
3 Farnsworth- I am a senator outside of this room, and I apologize for my actions  
4 when I go beyond. I have the right to ask someone about their behavior because  
5 they are a reflection of that organization. This was about his conduct as a  
6 representative of that organization, that's why I did it. I'll leave it at that  
7 -It is irrelevant to the bill on the floor

8 Kelland- Although we might be senators outside of this room, if we do something  
9 wrong we hope it will not reflect in senate, its not fair to hold a standard that is  
10 not held against everyone, I personally took offense to your statement, his  
11 organization is totally different

12 Adams- irrelevant, finance is at 5 PM on Sunday  
13

14 Sarah Smith for Scott Robinson

15 -Good Evening President Tascarella, Vice President Mapes, Dr. Scharfenberger,  
16 Executive Branch, and my favorite group SA Senate. For all of those who don't  
17 know me or have made every attempt to forget me, my name is Scott Robinson I  
18 was the Vice President last year. I want to thank my close friend Sarah Smith for  
19 reading this to you all, because I was unable to attend the meeting for personal  
20 reasons. At this point Dr. Scharfenberger is probably thinking, "What is Scott  
21 going to possibly say?" Well I will get right to the point, because this is an  
22 important night. Many people need to be congratulated, including both VP Mapes  
23 and President Tascarella. I also want to congratulate both President-elect Miller,  
24 and Vice President-elect Fields. As everyone knows this is the last Senate meeting  
25 for a couple people, and everyone should applaud the job they have done.  
26 President Tascarella has accomplished a great deal, following a person that I  
27 consider a great SA President. While VP Mapes stood tall through controversy  
28 last April, and had to fill the shoes I left for her. She's done a great job. What  
29 many of you do not know is that Dan has now served three different positions on  
30 the E Board and Mapes has served the students for more than three years, serving  
31 on a wide range of committees. I offer my highest congratulations to both of  
32 these individuals. I know as this meeting approaches everyone is thinking about  
33 Emeritus or Thank you resolutions. I have always made it a point to allow the  
34 Senate to make their own decision, so I won't lobby any of you to give anyone  
35 Emeritus or not. If there is any question though on whether someone should get  
36 the honor or not, I would just ask what many of you are comparing their  
37 performance to. Many of you do not know what Dan has done previous to this  
38 year, nor do you know what Mapes has accomplished. I would simply  
39 recommend that everyone in this room look at each individual and what they have  
40 accomplished through their tenure in SA. Sometimes you want to hold back on  
41 giving out a Resolution because you want to save them for people that really  
42 deserve them, which you should do. You just have to look at each individual and  
43 see how they have personally benefited SA. Last year for example, Ian Farrell  
44 was more active than any President I can remember. In his two years in SA he  
45 rewrote the Constitution and reworked many agreements, including work with  
46 contractual groups on campus. He attempted to make sure everyone was being  
47 accountable to SA. Cassie Beal, in a matter of a single year rebuilt a relationship  
48 with the City of Oswego; when times in the City were extremely tense. We look  
49 at these two individuals and see that they both deserved the highest honor. Last

1 year VP Mapes stood up amid controversy and led SA. She showed strength and  
2 determination in her early days, when there were uninformed bodies trying to  
3 strike down the Senate's decision to place Mapes in the Office of the Vice  
4 President. The Senate clearly made the right decision the night they put Mapes in  
5 office, and it has shown as she has helped take SA in the right direction. Dan has  
6 also helped take SA in the right direction over the past three years. He has worked  
7 with two previous Presidents and then running the show on his own. I recently  
8 heard that Dan even stood up to a contractual organization on campus, which only  
9 showed his strength in the position. Alright, I have made Sarah read too much  
10 already and have taken up too much of your time. Mapes I'm so sorry I can be  
11 here tonight, but just know I am so very proud of everything you have done. It's  
12 always hard to follow the guy who used to say "Shizzle and Flavor Flav", but you  
13 have done it so well. If you want you can give Sarah a hug, and pretend it's me.  
14 Senators good luck, and have a nice evening. Also could you applaud Sarah for  
15 actually reading this for me

#### 16 NYPIRG

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18 -There was one more thing I wanted to say but I forgot so I will just move on. At  
19 4 PM on the 13<sup>th</sup> there will be a meeting, and on the 25<sup>th</sup> there will be a  
20 pollution/carcinogen workshop to fight pollution. A lot of students signed a sheet  
21 last year urging the governor to make changes, and those have come about. So,  
22 this is a great tie in to show how it affects cancer in living people. The 18<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup>  
23 will be a workshop on tenants rights. They have rights and we want to inform  
24 them of their rights

25 -We've been on this campus for 16 years, and we helped increase the student  
26 activity fee so that we would not be seen as taking money away from the students.  
27 The funding has been relatively stable for these past 16 years. People have been  
28 saying that issues have been going on for years, but I urge the Senate to get both  
29 sides of the situation. When a vote might take place, we feel cut out of the process  
30 by a very few people. Once again, just want to urge you to seek more information  
31 before any decisions are made

32 Green- Does the ad hop committee make sense now? Does it really matter if  
33 Miller will be the one making the contract, will it make a difference?

34 -It matters because right now the budget process won't have any negotiation if the  
35 senate decides to not give any money to NYPIRG. So, you need to start at the  
36 negotiation stage

37 Adams- With contracts, it is the executives call, the senate gives a voice during  
38 the financial policy, but mainly it is not in the hands of the senate

39 -Yes, the president's job is to negotiate contracts. If you pass a budget that doesn't  
40 have a negotiation place to start from, you are actually taking that power away from  
41 the president. We were under the understanding that we would get to talk about  
42 tall of this, seems like it would make sense to take some time and go more into  
43 detail with issues like this. Makes more sense to start at a negotiation level

44 Director of Finance Miller- NYPIRG is not in the budget, I decided I will not be  
45 bringing them back, I think they should come back and work through as a tier  
46 organization. That way there is an equal opportunity for NYPIRG and other  
47 organizations to budget. I have made the decision, I hope that they will come back  
48 and just work their way up the tier status levels

1 Farnsworth- You are assuming that every contract must be re-negotiated, but it  
2 can be decided if they are not needed anymore that they can be dropped  
3 - With this decision nothing can even be negotiated, it is just starting at zero.  
4 From my understanding there seems to be a pigeon hole of how people view  
5 NYPIRG. There were many ideas on how to handle the situation, even work with  
6 rock the vote, but we already worked with them and were successful. People are  
7 registering to vote earlier and earlier, I think that it is impossible to insist that  
8 every person be registered when they enter into college

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10 SAVAC

11 -Good evening. I am here because later you will be voting on a bill for SAVAC. I  
12 am requesting \$300.00 to send students to an EMS event. Leading researchers  
13 will be presenting, including one on defensive tactics for offensive patients. I have  
14 already had two combative patients. When a patient strikes a member of SAVAC,  
15 it becomes a felony. It is a minimum of 16-25 years in prison. I'd think we would  
16 all agree that we do not want to see any students spend time in prison

17 Green- I support this, I think you should have gotten what you asked for, have  
18 you looked into other means of obtaining the money?

19 -No, we do not actively fundraise; we are allowing that in our budget for next  
20 semester. There are numerous conferences, this is a local event, and a great way  
21 to get out there and gain experience. We just found out about it

22 Green- You could ask a member of senate to look at what insurance could do for  
23 you

24 -Good idea I will look into that

25 Adams- Finance is at 5 PM on Sunday, thank you for coming in

26 Adams- Motion to relinquish the chair

27 Cooperman- Second

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29 **VI. Executive Report**

30 President Tascarella

31 -Board guidelines are being submitted, hope you all look it over; there were many  
32 meetings to make sure everyone could live with it, defined responsibilities. This  
33 will take the place of the old group's constitution. Next week people will be here  
34 to answer any questions you have on it

35 -We are proposing a \$3 increase this year in the budget. There will be more  
36 opportunities to do programming, want to make sure that there are proper funds  
37 for that. We are going to vote on it in two weeks, hear appeals next week.

38 NYPIRG was not included in the budget, that money was put in where all the  
39 other clubs are. I feel very strongly against this, I have lots of information on it in  
40 my office if you would like to see it

41 -The other big change will be intramurals, a lot have been cut over the years and  
42 students want to see more of them. We are proposing a big increase for that next  
43 year

44 Kelland- How much with the \$3 give to the budget?

45 -Not sure

46 Green- What is the reason for the increase?

47 -To drive more money for organizations, including equipment to operate

48 Tim Dutch- Is that money just for clubs?

49 -Not specific, its juts as an overall for the whole budget

1 Director of Finance Miller- I've chosen to leave the corner store space open, but  
2 we are losing a lot of income from that, it will help offset that loss

3 Tim Dutch- What's the next highest funded student group, and will they be  
4 targeted for budget cuts in the future?

5 -I believe probably SAVAC

6 -The graduation issue isn't going to happen this year, so we are going to plan to  
7 have it for the following year. Hopefully there will be 3 or 4 students who work to  
8 make it happen on time. I wanted to make sure students were involved in it, going  
9 to meet later this week so that some students could be registered to work on it in a  
10 capstone class.

11 -We had the tours and some good discussion after. There is a blog for the Campus  
12 Center, I will email you the link later. If you could please register for it and  
13 discuss it that would be great. Give your input and talk about questions

14 -I encourage you to go to the Democratic Committee meetings, it could be  
15 beneficial

16 -Yesterday I chose three student art pieces, bought them and gave honorable  
17 mentions to others. Hopefully they will be put up in the future; they will be  
18 displayed in 128 if you are interested in Tyler Hall

19 -Student Involvement Awards are coming up, encourage you to register. There are  
20 many different awards that you can win, including senator of the year. Deadline is  
21 this Monday at 4 PM

22 -Have been meeting with Josh about the transition into president, should be a  
23 smooth transition

24 -The vote on the veto will be this week. One of the big things the Board of  
25 Trustees did was ensure there wasn't any fraud and that we weren't losing any  
26 money. We had put in a policy for internal controls regarding purchase orders. IF  
27 the DOF is running for president DR. S. would sign for it. He's only reviewing,  
28 not approving or authorizing it. It says that PO's will be approved by the president  
29 and the director of finance. So, the DOF needs to be signing off on it. I vetoed it  
30 because you're not having him approve it and that's a huge problem

31 Trifunovski- Says or a designee, in times of conflict we can designate someone to  
32 act in the interest to act on their behalf

33 -Okay, but it says the officer though, he's kind of like our check.

34 Trifunovski- How do you think we could provide a solution when we have a  
35 conflict of interest?

36 -We can discuss that when we go over election law, to overturn the veto just  
37 because there isn't a solution isn't a good reason

38 -I'd like to thank people since this is my last meeting. First I'll start with Dr. S, we  
39 used to argue about things, it's been a pleasure to have your guidance helping me,  
40 I look forward to seeing you after I graduate. Second, President Emeritus Farrell,  
41 he has acted as a mentor and really helped me. Third, Director Buchner, I'd like to  
42 thank you for taking the position and working at it. Next, Josh Miller, I wish you  
43 the best of luck, I know you will do a great job. Next, Tim Farnsworth, for all of  
44 your help over the past few months, if you have any questions feel free to call me.  
45 I would thank Westfall but he isn't here. And last, Vice President N. Mapes, I  
46 want to thank you for working with me this year, it was nice when you would  
47 rewrite my bills. It was nice being a team this year. I was going to write a speech  
48 but I decided not to. When I came to my first Senate meeting I didn't know much  
49 at all, and I came for Kevin Sutherland, and that was the start of this for me. Then

1 I was asked to be the DOF and that was exciting, then I grew to love it and  
2 working with organizations. Last year I decided to run, there have been just as  
3 many good as bad times, I'm glad I've done this. I think I walk away a better  
4 person. If I could offer any advice to President Elect Miller I would say to work  
5 closer with Senate, go to more committee meetings, and build that relationship.  
6 You need to stand up for what you believe in. Even if its hard, you should always  
7 do what you believe in your heart to be right. I was in the office all of the time,  
8 every day, and senators didn't really come by that much. I would hear that some  
9 people were unhappy, if you have concerns go talk to Josh and don't rush to  
10 judgment. You're doing a lot, working really hard, give him the benefit of the  
11 doubt. If you have a problem, just go talk to him about it. He will be a great asset  
12 with a lot of experience. I graduate in May, ill be available for the rest of the  
13 semester. I think ill miss this more than I thought. If you have tissues for Mapes...  
14 she's going to cry

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16 Vice President N. Mapes

17 -I work in admissions, and last summer one of the girls gave out nicknames and  
18 gave me butters, and it turned into this huge thing. It spread and spread and now  
19 its everywhere and I am the South Park character Butters.

20 -I want you all to meet Senator Maining, she's not a senator just yet but she will  
21 be trained by Vice President Elect Fields, so welcome her.

22 -I haven't seen Senator Misercola and its becoming a problem, she is in Lacrosse  
23 and it's hard to balance. Don't think she is a bad senator, because she has done a  
24 lot of good, but the attendance policy may become a problem for her. We are  
25 going to be meeting with CCRC to final all plans for the off campus fair, to do the  
26 collection of donations and introducing Vice President-elect to the committee

27 -Cataloging- I'm very proud I got this on the road, the first two books have just  
28 been finished, and he picked up more to start working on yesterday. Don't let him  
29 take any more than two or three at a time, because we can't afford them to be  
30 gone. They will be available at the circulation desk. We finalized the financial  
31 aspects of it, its about \$30.00 a book including labor, which comes to about  
32 \$1,200.00 total. I ask we keep the extra \$300.00 as a cushion in case something  
33 goes wrong.

34 -We haven't done a spring Miss-A-Meal yet, I'm hoping to keep it local again,  
35 that will be in Vice President-elect Fields hands though. There is a literacy  
36 teaching place that helps grown men and women who aren't able to go back to  
37 school below HSBC, it's a really good program and I would like to see some  
38 money go to that. Last year for Canal Clean Up we created sub committees, and  
39 I'm not part of it so I'm not too sure on its status, but I'd think its going to happen.

40 -In regards to tenant's rights, I think it's awesome that the information is going to  
41 go out, I hope that more people attend than last time.

42 -Tonight, it has been four years with this organization. I have seen so much in  
43 these past years, the good and the bad. I always felt lower than everyone else, but  
44 I slowly learned about Senate. I am here to earn a degree, but I felt more passion  
45 about SA than anything else. Stick with this as long as you can, you learn a lot of  
46 interesting information. Don't limit yourself to the information just presented to  
47 you. This is a good glimpse to the real world. It got to the point where I was living  
48 and breathing SA. If you're stressed, it just means you are working hard. I've  
49 spent time with other uptight VP's, but its just not me. You should be able to

1 laugh at things. I hope to continue see playful but professional behavior continue  
2 on. We can't scare off others. We are all in a position of power, don't abuse it.  
3 Ego's wont get you anywhere in life, so don't abuse your position. I love SA. It  
4 will always be a part of me. My fiancé Ian is becoming a professor, I have a  
5 strange feeling he will work at a school and again be involved in SA. There's no  
6 way I could give all of my advice to you. You screw up to make yourself better.  
7 I'm a better person for my screw ups. I met some of the best of friends through  
8 SA. Kristen Beck is a good friend of mine, but couldn't be here tonight. She is an  
9 amazing person, and was also a female vice president which is huge about it.  
10 People don't take females as seriously, and its hard. Another is Scott Robinson,  
11 who took me under his wing. I owe a lot to him. Again, he is an awesome guy,  
12 and I love him dearly. Also, there is Alan. He is a guilty pleasure of mine. He has  
13 always been there, and he is like a living encyclopedia. He is an awesome person,  
14 and will always be a part of SA. Finally, there's Westfall. He has been quiet, but  
15 he has been around for a long time and is a wealth of information. He is a really  
16 nice guy, and he can help you with anything dealing with registration. As for the  
17 rest of you, I cant write down everything. Barry, get a haircut, I will miss him, he  
18 is hysterical, and you will have fun dealing with him. Nau, don't know you too  
19 well, but you are a smart kid. Marra and Zoll, how many times have you talked in  
20 senate? Talk! They have a lot to contribute; you need to ask them to get them out  
21 more. I'm glad I've worked with you, say no sometimes. Oakman, I love your  
22 shoes, you have a definite voice and speak out a lot and you should continue with  
23 that. Bronson, he was president at his other college before he came here, so he  
24 already knows a lot. Cooperman, you are like a mini Alan, you and your  
25 amendments to the minutes, you are awesome and have done a great job this year.  
26 The Facebook group has helped so much and deserves credit for that. Kelland, she  
27 has her significant other in Senate, remember when they went up in arms with  
28 each other last week, and so continue your efforts. Trifunovski, you have a strong  
29 voice, and you question a lot of things, and I commend you for that, keep it up.  
30 Anderson, I feel he deserves shades and a trench coat because he reminds me of  
31 the matrix. Thanks for coming in a suit, that's great. Green, same for you, you're  
32 a good guy. He does a good job in NYPIRG. Martinez, start coming to meetings,  
33 kick some ass. She wants to be in Finance Committee. Guerrero, keep on with  
34 your efforts, you also have a strong voice. Bleiberg, she is me my freshman year.  
35 She's shy now, but has potential. Farnsworth, we have become good friends, I  
36 love him to death, he is a great senator, and deserves a lot of credit for his  
37 thoughts and views. Your work with the court cases was remarkable. He is going  
38 to resign to become the chief of staff; I'm upset because he was such a key  
39 component. He will still be there to help you though. Brody, my brother, we have  
40 a lot of similar interests, I'm not going to cry, but I love you, never once did we  
41 cross work and family boundaries. He's been involved in a lot of crap, I'm sorry  
42 for that. He's doing an awesome job, continue after I leave. Andre is awesome, he  
43 will do a great job, I'm glad he's taking over. I didn't get to do a lot this year that  
44 I know he will take over. I wish you the best of luck. Dan- you have taken a lot of  
45 crap this year, but it doesn't mean you were a bad president, I think you were a  
46 better president for being controversial. I wish you the best. Just remember who  
47 got you here. Remember the dinner at my house- he hates tomatoes. You will  
48 always be a good friend of mine; maybe Ian will let you in the wedding party. I  
49 feel Dan and I worked together really well, he is a really good friend. I'll miss you

1 a lot. Last but not least, Ian. He supported me and helped me a lot last semester.  
2 Thank you for everything you have done to me. We would fight about SA a lot,  
3 but it was all worth it, I love you. We used to sit next to each other in Senate and  
4 now we are getting married. You were a great asset to SA. Thank you for  
5 everything, I love you. Berger, you are the brain of all brains. Listen to him; he  
6 has a lot to say. He is a great guy and is really nice, you should speak to him and  
7 introduce yourself to him. Thank you for all you have done. Patterson, I love you  
8 your awesome. Miller, also same for you, love you you're an awesome friend.  
9 You're going to do great as president. Buchner, keep her in mind for health and  
10 safety issues, she's done a great job. I'll miss you. Erica is my best friend, she's  
11 the only fan who came to the meeting. Thank you all for making my last year  
12 awesome, I'll miss you all.

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14 Director of Finance Miller

15 65.02 \$8,824.52

16 65.05 \$0

17 65.06 \$2,826.00

18 -We will be having a number of meetings over the course of the next week. If you  
19 turn to the back page, the first column is last years, second this years, third is  
20 proposed, and fourth is what has cut and allocated. There is about \$40,000.00 that  
21 we will not make as income, which is why we are increasing the fee. We might  
22 work for the corner store, a lot of people are asking to keep it

23 -Put more money in for intramurals so that there can be more of that, a lot of  
24 students take part in them

25 -We meet on Wednesday and Friday during college hour to talk about budget for  
26 anyone who is interested. I'd like to talk about it more in detail with all of you  
27 Green- I've been questioning whose authority that was, whose was it?

28 -Dan and I do not want to sign a contract with NYPIRG, so there will be no  
29 signing

30 President Tascarella- We have both said we will not sign, so they did not budget  
31 for that

32 -For the organizations, it is not possible to make it happen without cutting budgets

33 Farnsworth- Budget council did hear and ask questions about this correct?

34 -Yes, got a few answers but not to the questions I asked for. At this point I feel we  
35 can allocate information to better causes

36 Adams- Could you explain the reason for increasing the president salaries?

37 -I upped pretty much every salary, looking at the way people have been paid,  
38 there have been no raises. It is hard to get real results when they aren't given  
39 proper compensation. I went in and talked to Cindy, you're expected to be in  
40 office hours 10 hours a week, felt it was only fair to give raises. By offering  
41 higher salaries, I think we will get better results, and will get people to perform  
42 more. Also, you get a better pool of applicants

43 Kelland- why is there differences between directors pay?

44 -Based on the amount of hours I expect directors to work. Less work has a lower  
45 pay

46 Bronson- A concern of mine is that I didn't get paid anything, how do you justify  
47 giving yourself that large of a raise?

1 -I don't think its fair to say we are expected to do all of this work and not get paid,  
2 its something that should be paid. Some schools do much more for these positions  
3 that are not possible here but wanted to make this change

4 Vice President N. Mapes- I struggle with the amount I make right now. I have  
5 been fortunate to get a few hours from admissions, but other than that its been a  
6 struggle. It's so hard to live off of \$84.00 every other week. I was in the office  
7 until 10 or 11 PM every night almost. A little bit more is a good thing for this  
8 -I do have a part time job that takes away from what I could do in the office. It's  
9 hard, it's tiring, and the raise could help take away the need for those part time  
10 jobs

11 President Tascarella- It's tough to get everything done if you are worrying about  
12 money all the time. This can improve SA

13 Director Buchner- I have the lowest salary, and I am the only one here besides  
14 Miller. If you approve this, you mandate that they come to more meetings.

15 -I would request you don't require directors to come, it could be confusing to  
16 have them answer to the senate, and it takes away from the president of SA. If we  
17 don't have the answers they can be called, but shouldn't be required. It can  
18 become very confusing to deal with

19 Trifunovski- I know we can't satisfy everyone, but does the Senate think the  
20 budget honestly reflects the view of the students? Are there other things that could  
21 be looked at, is this honestly what the students would want? You want directors to  
22 get more money to give them motivation to do their jobs, but where is any senator  
23 being paid and yet we get paid

24 -I do think salary is motivation, it's incentive. I walked door to door to campaign,  
25 and this reflects what I got from those students. I've worked with students and  
26 organizations all year. Students react to having a good program. I think to cut  
27 down what we've done with SAPB would be detrimental. Also working with  
28 media groups, hopefully in the future we can raise that. Couldn't do that this year,  
29 but hopefully in the future. This budget is a way for us to be a more programming  
30 organization and to give students better quality. If we keep shortcutting the budget,  
31 we won't get the quality needed

32 -Moving on to student assembly, if there is anyone who still wants to go let me  
33 know now and I can call and try to get you in

34 Vice President N. Mapes- Large amount of seats compared to last year

35 -8 seats total of what we can send

36 Bronson- Is recommended only for senators and directors, but can have  
37 exceptions

38 Vice President N. Mapes- Typically, who goes is based on seniority

39 -Appeals were also finished; you should look them over on the last page

40 -Wanted to thank Dan and Natasha for all they have done this year, you guys are  
41 great and its been good working with you, thank you for your support

42 -Also, with Liz, she is an employee; she's been with us for 18 years, in the past  
43 year an a half I've been there. I've never heard someone talk to her like that, she  
44 deserves better than that, and he was very irate and yelling at her.

45  
46 Chief Justice Patterson

47 -Before vacation we did come to a decision in Green vs. Tascarella. The case said  
48 that Tascarella found the petition invalid and vetoed it, and was deemed out of his

1 boundaries in the end. Also, would like to thank Dan, Natasha, and Ian for all they  
2 have done

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4 **Director Buchner**

5 -Just wanted to give an update on the water outage- in the morning when the  
6 water was checked, the water alarm didn't go off and 2 of the 3 main pipes were  
7 clogged, it was pumped out as soon as possible. Some dorms lost water supplies  
8 and other buildings were limited, he wanted to thank the students for being  
9 concerned and planning their use of the bathrooms. Now they are installing a 3<sup>rd</sup>  
10 alarm

11 -The Mary Walker health fee is being raised, going up \$4 per year; it is  
12 comparable to other schools. If it didn't happen, people would be leaving without  
13 pills

14 -I accomplished all of my goals except for one, being the student health campaign.  
15 I wanted to look into the safety systems of the campus and blue lights, if you have  
16 questions you can come to me and ask. Also wanted healthier foods in the dining  
17 halls, students didn't really want it but it was there. I've met with health and  
18 safety all year, and I've had a voice in those meetings. I've come to as many  
19 meetings as possible, met with the Department of Justice as well. I was in  
20 constant contact with the disabilities committee too. I'd love to sit in on the  
21 meeting to pick the new director. Cindy Adams now calls me Krimmer. Fixed the  
22 lighting in the Campus Center, the whole issue was resolved. Crosswalks will  
23 continue to be fought by me even when I resign. We were working on a mascot, I  
24 will continue to work on that as well. I won't be involved with SA next year, but  
25 you will still see me around

26 Kelland- You are probably the one director who is consistently here, so I would  
27 like to thank you

28 Trifunovski- I would also like to thank you, you have done more than your fair  
29 share

30 Farnsworth- What kept you from informing the Senate about the meeting  
31 regarding the fee, because that could have been a good discussion to have?

32 -It was between meetings, they had other students that had been invited, asked to  
33 call Laura, I wanted to get people involved but it was a tough situation

34 Green- I concur with Trifunovski

35 Guerrero- I concur and she is awesome

36 Cooperman- She is awesome

37 Bleiberg- Motion to recess for 10 minutes, 9:30 PM

38 Trifunovski- Second

39 Call back to order: 9: 51 PM

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41 **VII. Senator Issues Forum**

42 Farnsworth- I just want to clarify a few things, I understand that funding decisions  
43 should necessarily be held based on that. There's no reason to swear and be  
44 belligerent with someone from SA like that. When I acted out of order, I  
45 apologized, that's all I was asking for. When it came to funding, he was very nice.  
46 Student organizations on this campus are represented by students, and they should  
47 be held accountable for their actions

1 Cooperman- I would suggest that this matter should be brought up to her  
2 members of the organization so that they organization as a whole could be aware  
3 of it.

4 Anderson- I think our job is to be based on relevant information, not outside  
5 actions, has nothing to do with what we are being asked to do

6 Trifunovski- I'd like to concur, I'm not close to him, but I know he's not normally  
7 like that whatever his reason even if it wasn't right; we shouldn't look at that and  
8 base the judgment on the action. It may tie in with religion tolerance, it's a good  
9 thing to allow diversity, whatever he did has nothing to do whether they get to  
10 have this speaker come or not. The actions should not be reflected in the vote

11 Adams- How we deal with others in the capacities as representatives of what we  
12 do as a member? As for funding, shouldn't deal with that

13 Farnsworth- I just did agree that it shouldn't be held against the funding, but when  
14 they come to public comment it is also a time to speak to that organization and  
15 ask of them. By being in a position of leadership, doesn't make it inappropriate to  
16 ask these questions. It is a place we can talk to them, I thought it was an  
17 opportunity to talk to him, no individual should have been treated that way.

18 Trifunovski- I agree people should be held accountable, however the key words  
19 include them and not he, because they are looking for funding as an organization,  
20 not just him

21 Anderson- We don't have the right to demand an apology at public comment

22 Cooperman- I wanted to thank Farnsworth for his time he has spent here, he puts  
23 up good questions and gives good arguments. I have a lot of respect for you and  
24 your passion.

25 Motion to close- Adams

26 Second- Cooperman

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30 **VIII. Committee Reports**

31 **Policy**

32 Cooperman-We looked over the bill we had up but we are going to be putting it  
33 up for re-referral due to questions that have been brought up, we will be meeting  
34 to discuss that, Sunday at 2 PM in the SA office

35 **Procedure**

36 Fields- Chair position will be open after tonight, we decided that Cooperman  
37 would resign and take over as pro-temp for the remainder of the year to keep  
38 things going, and Bronson would step up as well

39 **Finance**

40 Adams-We are going to have a very busy week. Starting tomorrow we will be  
41 doing the budget during the college hours, I'd like everyone who can to attend.  
42 We will also be meeting on Sunday as a regular committee, for just the regular  
43 committee. We have two open seats now, and Zoll is now the vice chair

44 **Involvement**

45 Oakman-Met Thursday, went over the proposal, meet at 7 PM on Thursday

46 **Health and Safety**

47 Kelland-Two open seats

48 **Elections**

1 Mapes-Tonight are the off-campus election results, encourage you to all vote yes.  
2 We are holding a special elections meeting about it tomorrow night. This is the  
3 first meeting in a while, want it to be an open meeting. We have one opening  
4 Cooperman- Nominate Kelland for Finance  
5 Trifunovski- Second  
6 Zoll- Nominate Guerrero to Finance  
7 Marra- Second  
8 Marra- Nominate Anderson to Finance  
9 Cooperman- Second  
10 Trifunovski- Nominate Oakman to Finance  
11 Bronson- Second  
12 Adams- Nominate Trifunovski to Finance  
13 Oakman- Second  
14 VOTE: Kelland, Anderson appointed  
15 Trifunovski- Nominate Bronson for Elections  
16 Farnsworth- Second  
17 Accept  
18 Kelland- Two open spots for Health and Safety  
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20 **IX. General Orders**

21 VETO SLE 42.25 Amendments to SLE 39.28 Student Association Election Law  
22 Fields- Violates student association article six, have submitted a correction to the  
23 error. I discussed why I vetoed it, I won't go over it due to time  
24 Farnsworth- I encourage you not to override this veto, it was questioned, there are  
25 things created for the Elections Committee, this amendment was flawed, and this  
26 is a good opportunity to send this back to the committee and make the bill  
27 stronger  
28 Fields- Article 3 of the election law, section 1e is what is in question which deals  
29 with PO's  
30 Guerrero- I advise everyone to override this, we went over it and made the  
31 changes  
32 Vice President N. Mapes- We have no record of the changes  
33 President Tascarella- Says we need an officer overlooking PO's, says the DOF  
34 must approve all expenses, you can go further and see where we much follow  
35 policy that must be approved, if not it clearly violates the policy. I urge you to  
36 uphold my veto  
37 Mapes- Yes we did pass it, but new information has arisen since then, we can  
38 uphold it and come back with an even stronger election law  
39 Adams- I think it should be overridden as a matter of procedure, because he  
40 submitted a new bill  
41 Vice President N. Mapes- If you override the veto, what you voted on gets passed.  
42 If you uphold it, you start at square one  
43 Cooperman- I agree with some changes and disagree with others, but it is  
44 regardless. If we uphold it, everything isn't lost, we can still go back and make  
45 changes to work on something that can be even better. Given the new information  
46 I would be in support of upholding the veto  
47 Trifunovski- I remember my amendment got turned down, and his got passed, so  
48 it's open to interpretation. Doesn't mean what you say is true, just your  
49 interpretation. Second, if Dean S has to approve, no one brought up how the

1 director of finance can be an offer. Also, we made a lot more changes to this law,  
2 if you have an issued cant you try to change some of it and not override the whole  
3 thing? If you have an issue put forth an amendment.

4 Kelland- The main point being pushed here is the del but that is not the only  
5 change being made with the veto

6 Cooperman- I small part breaking a law still breaks a law, so we need to address  
7 the problem and not overlook it

8 Cooperman- Motion to vote

9 Farnsworth- Second

10 VOTE: 4-11-0 Upheld

11 SLE 42.43 Amendments to SLE 39.28 Student Association Election Law

12 Mapes- Motion to re-refer to elections for one week

13 Oakman- Second

14 VOTE: 15-0-0 Re-referred

15 SLE 42.44 Social Justice Club Beehive Collective

16 Adams- They asked for \$600.00, when they came to committee, we found out the  
17 women's center was giving \$200.00, so two things happened. The amount was  
18 reduced to \$400.00 and we asked that the money be taken out of 65.02.

19 Kelland- I think finance has done its research, motion to vote

20 Cooperman- Second

21 VOTE: 15-0-0 Pass

22 Cooperman- Motion to vote

23 Bronson- Second

24 VOTE: 15-0-0 Pass

25 SLE 42.5 Supreme court Organization constitution and Charter Approval

26 Cooperman- Motion to re-refer to policy for one week

27 Kelland- Second

28 VOTE: Re-referred

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30 **X. New Legislation**

31 RES 42.02 2007 All-Campus Election Results

32 Mapes- Cut and dry

33 Green- People weren't able to read the constitution, what action can we take

34 Vice President N. Mapes- Right now you're just passing the results, which can be  
35 dealt with later

36 Mapes- Motion to pass by acclimation

37 VOTE: Pass

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39 RES 42.03 Thank you Dan Tascarella

40 Farnsworth- I'd like to thank Dan for his work, and address the Senate who might  
41 feel that his court case shines bad light on him, but it shows he has resolve and he  
42 acted in the best interest of SA. His years of service show his dedication to SA  
43 and to its future

44 President Emeritus Farrell- I was very pleased to have my name on this, I was  
45 happy to bring him aboard on the administration. I'm very proud to say I had a  
46 chance to work with him, I believe he deserves this, when you vote, I ask you to  
47 pass by acclimation. Controversy is a sign of a great leader, shows he challenges  
48 you

1 Adams- I agree he has faithfully served, and that he wasn't afraid to do what he  
2 thought was right, but id like to make a friendly amendment to allow the pronouns  
3 reflect his gender  
4 Green- Concur with Farnsworth and Farrell, I do believe he was doing what he  
5 thought was best, but we need to look at what has happened with what has  
6 happened this year. We need to think about what our constituents would say. I  
7 would decline  
8 Cooperman- Everyone should take everything into account, while some have  
9 expressed displeasure, he was voted in for a reason. How many people applaud us  
10 for our work? When you hear displeasure, it means people want change, and he  
11 addressed that  
12 Green- You just really needs to think what Emeritus status means  
13 President Emeritus Farrell- Usually these times recognize those who have worked  
14 toward the benefit for the student body. Emeritus means working diligently and to  
15 better the SA, and serving for an extended period of time. I strongly believe that  
16 this is a time to thank Dan for his work, even if it was not always in agreement.  
17 Regardless, he has worked hard. This is extreme honor. I'm proud of it, and he  
18 should get the same  
19 Guerrero- Motion to vote regularly  
20 Kelland- Rather or not you agree, Emeritus means you have contributed for the  
21 betterment of all. Just because you don't agree doesn't mean he hasn't worked  
22 hard.  
23 Director of Finance Miller- Dan has put in so much work over the past year, he  
24 has gone above and beyond when it comes to the financial policy. I don't think  
25 people realize how big of a task that is, take it into consideration  
26 Cooperman- I understand that some senators already have their minds made up  
27 and acclimation probably won't be passed, motion to vote  
28 Green- I know Dan has worked hard, but it's more than him working hard, were  
29 praising him for moralities and ethics  
30 Bronson- We're going in circles, call to question, motion to vote  
31 VOTE: 14-1-0  
32 VOTE: 8-1-6 Pass  
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34 RES 42.04 Thank you Sarah Smith  
35 Cooperman- Change have to has in line 8, and also Sarah has an h, and; on line 9,  
36 I go at it all the time and find little issues, wanted to express my personal thanks  
37 Kelland- Can you please add my name, I support this bill  
38 Ian- Thank you  
39 Guerrero- I concur, and please include my name  
40 Trifunovski- Motion to pass by standing acclimation  
41 Kelland- Second  
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43 RES 42.05 Thank you Vice President Natasha Mapes  
44 Farnsworth- I'd like to thank you, last year you helped me out and were very  
45 helpful, you were always there; I want to extend my appreciation. Its surprising  
46 how quickly you can make such good friends  
47 Adams- Even though sometimes I was afraid for my life, it has been great  
48 working with you, when you would come to meetings that were also really fun.  
49 It's been a good time, we'll miss you butters

1 President Emeritus Farrell- Our time together has been great, I can remember  
2 some of our first time together, you deserve everything. She deserves Emeritus, I  
3 hope you all give it to her  
4 Cooperman- When I first came to Senate, I was a proxy for Kelland. She helped  
5 me through and I've had the best time here, I think its due to her contribution. I  
6 can't tell you how many times she was willing to help me, I owe you more thanks  
7 than I can express  
8 Trifunovski- I concur, and I've enjoyed my time here. You're a great person; I  
9 wish you the best of luck  
10 Director of Finance Miller- Over the summer, you gave me an understanding of  
11 SA, and it's been wonderful working with you all year  
12 Oakman- I concur despite any disagreements, I respect you and I think you did a  
13 great job, and I thank you  
14 Bronson- When I came in here, I had to change positions, and I'm glad that she  
15 was there  
16 Kelland- You made me feel welcome, and helped me stick with it, you've done a  
17 great job, you've never lost your composure, and I respect you for that  
18 Mapes- Sorry Dan, that you didn't get your acclimation, this applies to you as  
19 well. Everyone has their own opinions, but it's a fact that she represents all that  
20 Emeritus embodies, motions to pass by standing acclimation  
21 Anderson- This is only my second meeting, I abstain  
22 Green- This is a question of morality, you were the opposite of that, and you were  
23 the only person who rejected my opinions. I feel it was personal, I'm sorry you  
24 felt that way, and I'm not going to abstain I'm just leaving  
25 Adams- That is hurtful language, we endorse identity, but attacks should be  
26 frowned upon  
27 President Emeritus Farrell- If you have objection, make an amendment, but  
28 people who have served should be respected  
29 Guerrero- I concur, you've always been there, I feel so bad that was said, it feels  
30 great to see a female in that position  
31 Trifunovski- While I may not agree to Green, he is entitled to his opinions  
32 Kelland- Motion to suspend rules in order to vote to have Anderson removed, he  
33 is planning to abstain, I believe this honor should be with acclimation, and she  
34 deserves this  
35 Anderson- I don't object to that  
36 Green- I do respect her, that's why I'm leaving the room  
37 Vice President N. Mapes- I've worked hard, people shouldn't have to go through  
38 this to get Emeritus, if you're going to crack down on what it means make  
39 amendments, but as for right now, its just ridiculous  
40 Trifunovski- Motion to approve by standing acclimation  
41 Guerrero- Second  
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43 SLE 42.47 SAVAC EMS Teaching Day Conference Funding  
44 Adams- Motion to refer to finance  
45 Cooperman- Second  
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47 SLE 42.48 Student Association 2007-2008 Budget  
48 Adams- Finance two weeks  
49 Oakman- Second

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SLE 42.49 Student Association Programming Board Guidelines  
Kelland- Policy one week  
Cooperman- Second

SLE 42.50 PANGIA Guest Speaker  
Trifunovski- Finance one week  
Adams- Second

SLE 42.51 Basically Infused  
Kelland- Policy one week  
Cooperman- Second

SLE 42.52 SWG Game Over  
Adams- Finance one week  
Cooperman- Second

SLE 42.53 Two and a Half Fliers  
Adams- Finance one week  
Cooperman- Second  
Motion to reinstate chair: Adams  
Kelland- Second

XI. **Roll Call:** Oakman, Cooperman, Bronson, Bleiberg, Farnsworth, Green,  
Anderson, Marra, Zoll, Martinez, Proxy Maining, Adams, Guerrero, Kelland,  
Trifunovski

XIII. **Adjournment**  
Motion-Fields  
Second-Trifunovski  
11:43 1PM