**Student Government Association Minutes**

April 02, 2013

1. ROLL CALL: Tim Egan, Steve Evans, Matt Demikat, Anna Dilorenzo, and Justin Connolly were absent. Olivia Dumas, Melvin Rivera, Nicole Primeau, Xandria Sotomayor, Michael Janchuk and Hannah Kelley w excused.
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM March 26, 2013: Minutes were approved.
3. PRESIDENT’S REPORT: *Stephanie Close*
4. I haven’t seen most of you in a while. I hope you had a great spring break, followed by yet another snow day, and I hope you especially enjoyed last week with Taylor Fote.
5. Tonight we have Milton Santiago, our new Vice President of Administration and Finance.
6. Milton Santiago: Good evening everyone.
7. I’m very impressed by the number of students who participate here at Student Government. I’ve been here for about three months and this is a very impressive institution. It has many great things to offer to students, great facilities, and opportunities to participate in a rich collegiate life, which includes your academic programming as well as the extracurricular activities.
8. I don’t want to take a lot of your time, but I just wanted to say that I hope to, at some point, come back to speak with either this group or someone designated to represent this group about some of the decisions that come through my office and your participation in these decisions are important, such as your preference for certain carbonated beverages. I’d be happy to accept to any questions.
   * 1. **Josh Frank**: What strategies are you thinking about using to get information to students about the budgeting process and how that is going?
     2. **Milton Santiago**: Certainly we rely a lot on our VP of Student Affairs, Carlton Pickron, to relay student opinions about the budget process. Right now, we’re hoping to get a more active budgeting process so that we can better assess the allocations and have a conversation about the needs of the students, the institution, etc. That will change hopefully within the next few weeks.
     3. **Stephanie Close**: Can you share some of your ideas that you had shared with the executive board about some of your ideas to bring to campus for new revenue sources?
     4. **Milton Santiago**: Well, certainly, having ideas and being able to carry them out are different things, so we need to figure out what is possible for our situation here. One of things I’ve done before, which involves tennis courts which we were able to rent and lease to a private business to assist with the school’s finances. We also had a deal with a motorcycle operation school where they can use part of the parking lot. These are some strategies that I’ve used to raise some revenue for different things that we can explore creatively within the commonwealth of Massachusetts.
9. Thank you Milton Santiago. We are very excited to have you on board with the University.
10. I know there was some heated discussion while I was away last week. I would like to invite up Dr. Marsha Marotta to speak about early registration for some athletes.
    * + 1. **Marsha Moratta**: Thank you Stephanie. I understand you know how this works, so I’ll be brief with my background.
11. Early registration for athletes has been in the works for about 4 years now, and the intention is to avoid the class scheduling conflicts athletes face with practices and game times. The Athletic Department, in conjunction with Academic Affairs, try to do everything possible to help athletes be successful. The average GPA for athletes is about the same as the average student, which is pretty much unheard of. When Dick came to me with this request, the faculty athletic representative came with a plan that all athletes could register before everyone else, and over time, we came up with this pilot to let first and second year athletes who are registering for the season in which they play their sport, to register after juniors. We think that will be about 75 students, but could reach up to 150 students in the future. Other universities do this similarly so it helps us be competitive with them. Dick, can you add anything?
    * + 1. Dick Lenfest: Good evening, thank you for having me, Stephanie and Rebecca DiVico. I heard that there wsa some controversy in discussion and I wanted to come and answer your concerns, any questions you may have, towards this registration process.
    1. Keep this in mind, this wasn’t intended to be done in secret, or have students not known about it. It’s something we’ve been looking at, working out any issues, and trying to help students who have to miss practice or even games. Four out of the 8 sister institutions, which is Bridgewater State, Salem State, Mass Maritime, and MCLA, that have a registration process, where student athletes had the chance to register for a class, so that he or she would be able to participate in their perspective sport. Please understand that this proposal has taken a lot of time and discussion on Academic Affairs’ and the Registrar’s part to improve student athlete success and the retention rate.
    2. We have 21 Varsity Sports on campus, well over 400 student athletes, and it would only apply to the athletes registering FOR their perspective season. It’s not all the student athletes; it’s only the first-year and sophomore athletes that are at risk, who are new to the University that we want to get off on the right foot. We’re in a situation where students would have to make the choice between missing a class and missing a game. And with travel time involved as well, students can’t be excused from class to leave for a game.
    3. We benchmarked five years ago, because there is a rule that this can’t be done unless other student groups have a registration benefit as well. Currently there are students on campus with early registration so that’s why it is a reality for athletes now. This already occurs at a lot of Division I and II schools, and half of the schools in our division, and the next one of those will be Worcester State, who is working on this with their administration as well.
    4. This is ultimately going to improve student athletes’ relations with faculty and allow us to get to class and not have to miss anything. Any questions?
12. **Kevin Soucie**: You said it’s specific to their playing season; what if it’s a two season sport, such as hockey which overlaps?
13. **Dick Lenfest**: Correct, we have a few sports like that. It’s not being done for these sports just yet, so we’ve been thinking of ways to limit the students that have this opportunity.
14. **Chris Michaud**: The basis of the controversy last week was more along the lines of why we hadn’t been informed of this earlier. I know you touched upon that, but if you could elaborate more about the process?
15. **Dick Lenfest**: If I screw up, please correct me. I went through my Vice President, who at that time was Barry Maloney, who is now the President at Worcester State, to go over some of the concerns. In conjunction, I met with my faculty athletic representative, the registrar, Marsha Marotta, and in the meantime, Dr. Pickron came in and I met with him. To be quite frank, if you’re going to blame anyone, blame me, not them. This wasn’t something we wanted to be secretive, we weren’t trying to pull a fast one, I’m just going to have to swear ignorance on this one, I didn’t know I had to come to you folks. I’ve been here for 8 years and I’ve very seldom address Student Government. I’ve tried to keep a good relationship with Student Government, but the decision to move forward with this pilot wasn’t something I thought of making sure was known. If you’re going to blame anyone, blame me.
16. **Marsha Marotta**: I’ll just add to that, in hindsight I think bringing it to SGA would have been beneficial for us, but the timing of it, because it was so drawn out over four years, probably contributed to the reason we didn’t do that. I meet with the Vice President of Academic Life regularly each year, this year is Rebecca DiVico, and we talk about everything that’s going on, and this project had been on the backburner for so long that it wasn’t something we discussed, whereas ordinarily we would. In fact, when this started, I don’t think there was a VP for Academic Life.
17. **Barbara Hand**: It is a fairly new position.
18. **Marsha Marotta**: Yes, and I also meet with the president on occasion, so keeping this secretive, to use Dick’s wording, wasn’t not our intention. The timing was very unusual and it made things difficult to address, in hindsight.
19. **Stan Costa**: I understand early registration for Banacos center students and Honors, as those are academic related, but I’m curious as to why a non-academic affiliation would get priority registration over first-year and sophomore class.
20. **Marsha Marotta**: I try to suggest that reason was because these students have less registration priority as first-years and sophomores, so that it’s harder to get classes that don’t conflict with their sport times. It is for academic reasons, athletics is a university sponsored program, and it’s important not just for the athletes, but for the whole university. So even though it’s not academic in the same ways that Honors and learning disabilities are academic, this was for academic reasons so athletes weren’t forced to choose between class attendance and practice in order to play in the big game.
21. **Dick Lenfest**: Hey Stan, I’m honestly biased, but I would respectfully disagree. We have the most athletes to be on the honor roll, our GPA is 3.01, and we’re doing this for academic reasons. This is to improve our academic performance strictly in the classroom. It’s a difficult situation when we recruit student athletes who have choices to go to other schools, and we want to be able to be in the same mold as our sister institutions that they have the opportunity to grow both academically and in their sport.
22. **Michelle Hanney**: If we give priority to athletes, then I think this is just going to snowball. RA’s are on duty until 1 in the morning, and need to go to their 8:15. Students who have worked in order to afford to attend Westfield have a work schedule to plan around as well. This will just snowball into other things.
23. **Marsha Marotta**: We haven’t yet got any of those requests, but I think in general, even though I know students who do have to work, most students make school their priority, and they work around that. RA’s are generally at least second year students so I’m not sure how much that would help. We haven’t heard any requests, which we would process just like the one for athletics, but I think work schedule is a different question.
24. **Andy McCormack**: If we’re all students first, then why would a student be given priority so that they won’t miss a game, over someone who has to work or go to a conference or a meeting.
25. **Marsha Marotta**: Most students, who need to go to a conference, can generally talk to their professor about that since it is a once time absence. Excusals are entirely up to the professor
26. **Jen McDiarmid**: I have a few questions. What is your athlete retention rate? How many continue to play for their full four years here?
27. **Dick Lenfest**: I don’t have any exact numbers on that one at this point. It’s hard to anticipate as a first year if you will continue to play all four years, because usually that is their intention at least at first.
28. **Jen McDiarmid**: Okay, I heard you say that you want student athletes to get off on the right foot when they start here. I personally think all students should get off on the right foot. Registration is hard enough, and many are stuck with 8:15 courses, so I don’t see why athletes would have a hard time getting those early classes. In my view, students athletes should put being a student first, playing the sport is a choice, if you really have a conflict, then maybe you should wait a few semesters like many students have to. If your students are already doing so well academically, then why is this an issue?
29. **Dick Lenfest**: I think you’re asking some good questions. But I’m not here to change your mind, I happen to think that the argument that having to work versus playing a sponsored intercollegiate sport for your University are separate issues, comparing apples to oranges. They’re coming here in order to have the opportunity to compete in that particular sport, and I’m sure that there are plenty of student athletes who also work, and just have to try to move their time just like a student who may not be involved in any extracurricular activities. We want the opportunity to grow, we have facility limits, we’re landlocked, and so on, so we’re trying to help students get to class. This is just a pilot study, so maybe it won’t work, but we want to give it a try.
30. **Marsha Marotta**: I would just add that we placed this strategically after juniors so that no junior or senior would not be able to get a class because of this.
31. **Rich Darrach**: I just want to reiterate that we don’t have a problem with athletics, or the teams, but as representatives of the student body as a majority, we are just looking for what’s best for everyone. And I see where athletics is coming from and why this is an academic problem, but my question would be if there is a documented number of students who have regularly had a game time versus classroom time conflict?
32. **Dick Lenfest**: I appreciate that, and this isn’t taken personally; this isn’t us against you, we’re all in this together, so I understand that. We took a survey of student athletes and our SAAB group found that 88% of those surveyed had this concern come up.
33. **Rich Darrach**: You mentioned that part of this program is to attract more athletes and to try to retain them; I guess is early registration that big of a factor?
34. **Dick Lenfest**: No, we’re not looking to attract, we’re just trying to improve the ability for students to play and still do well in class.
35. **Marsha Marotta**: I think I said attract athletes, and what I meant was so that Westfield is competitive with other schools, so I guess in that sense, it is a recruitment tool.
36. **Rich Darrach**: Is this early registration a matter of necessity or convenience for athletes?
37. **Dick Lenfest**: My answer would be necessity, you might not believe me, but schools that have done this have improved their student athletes’ GPAs, and this is just a pilot to determine how it works out here at Westfield.
38. **Josh Clark**: What efforts are made on the part of Academic Affairs and/or the Registrar, to offer more of these in-demand classes at more times or at early times?
39. **Marsha Marotta**: It’s actually a great idea to offer more early classes, but we are at a saturation point. Every classroom is used, almost all day long, except for later afternoons and Friday afternoons. We are meeting with architects now to add classroom space and update labs with a new building next to Wilson, and that will allow us to increase availability for these increases in classes.
40. **Josh Clark**: Would the numbers for these new classrooms balance out the gain of this pilot program so that it won’t be needed?
41. **Marsha Marotta**: We don’t have a number just yet, but this number will only ease the pressure, we’ll never be rich in classroom space unless we build a second new academic building. So we might be able to add a few more courses, but that will be beneficial to everyone, not simply the athletes. Faculty likes to teach in the mornings, so as soon as we have that space, classrooms will be filled.
42. **Pricilla Aguilar**: You mentioned that you survey the athletic department. Did you plan on surveying the entire student body? Because it might increase the equal opportunity and feedback? Would you plan to do that?
43. **Dick Lenfest**: Maybe if the pilot study doesn’t go well, we will certainly think of that.
44. **Pricilla Aguilar**: And as a pilot study, might SGA have an opportunity to vote or give feedback as to if anything continues on into the next semester?
45. **Dick Lenfest**: I would come whenever you want me to come, just ask. We’ll have to see how this goes, and we definitely hope to be transparent with it.
46. **Olivia Dumas**: What time are practices usually?
47. **Dick Lenfest**: Generally at 3:30.
48. **Olivia Dumas**: 8:15 classes aren’t exactly hard to get into. What we’re getting at is that it’s just not fair. You’re bringing this to us, who are all student leaders, and have made the choice to participate and fill our schedules with representing students on committees; we have to work our schedule around what our schedules are set as. So what I don’t understand is why it can’t be done similarly for athletes when the early classes aren’t usually fought over by the rest of the student body.
49. **Dick Lenfest**: Some of that is anecdotal and opinionated, but there are a range of classes they need and they can’t be taking late afternoon or evening classes. Student athletes are also leaders, involved with community relations just like you all, and it is a choice. But I’m seeing this at other universities and I’m trying to benchmark to see how we can compete. I want to tell a parent that their student will have a chance to do well academically while be involved with sports.
50. **Marsha Marotta**: You can only take two 8:15 classes per week in a semester. People are taking those classes, however, and can be a popular time for people who work.
51. **Nick Villante**: This is really impacting first-years and sophomores, and they’re taking the 8:15 common core classes that no one else wants, so I don’t know why the 100 kids doing this becomes a big deal for us.
52. **Marsha Marotta**: Common core classes are the main concern for these student athletes early in their academic career so it doesn’t affect juniors or seniors as heavily as a major course.
53. **Stan Costa**: I move to close the Speakers List.
54. **Marsha Marotta**: Thank you, if you have more questions, just let us know.
55. Thank you Marsha Moratta and Richard Lenfest.
56. If you haven’t noticed the numerous tour groups walking around, this week is accepted students week. You will see a lot of these people walking around after the tour in the DC, Bookstore, etc. If you have the opportunity, please make these visitors feel welcome. This is the last impression most of the students will get before they decide whether or not to come to Westfield State University.
57. Tomorrow, April 3rd, SGA will be hosting the Commuter Luncheon in the Tekoa room from 11:30 am until 1:30 pm. If you are available, I invite you to stop by to mingle with some commuters and enjoy some fajitas.
58. The NSSE survey is still going on. Taylor Fote gave all of you your postcards to hand out. If you are a senior or fist year, please take the survey and tell all your friends as well.
59. The Owl Ball ticket sale ends today. I know Kim Hosmer stayed late last week to make it more convenient for all of you to buy your half priced ticket. I am pretty disappointed that only 17 senators, who are not on the Owl Ball Committee, have purchased a ticket. This event is sponsored by our organization so I would have liked to see a strong SGA presence there.
60. Election papers came out last Friday, March 29th and are due back by Friday, April 12th. If you are interested in running for SGA President, or any other SGA position, please feel free to speak to me.
61. Please remember that campaigning is not allowed until 4:00 pm on April 12th. If you are caught violating this rule, you will be disqualified. This includes all posters, Facebook, twitter, etc. When the time comes for election posters, please remember that anything posted in a residence hall must be approved by Res. Life. If you just bring the poster down to res life, they will look it over and stamp it for approval.
62. Believe it or not, the SGA Awards Ceremony is only six weeks away. I just want to get it on everyone’s calendar. May 7th at 5:30pm in the Scanlon Banquet Hall., we will be having dinner and presenting awards.
63. Our next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, April 9th at 5:30 pm.
64. BOARD OF TRUSTEES’ REPORT**:** *Stone Koury*
65. Seeing as election papers are out, I suppose I should go over what is entailed in the Student Trustee position.
66. My main priority is to attend all Trustee meetings and I sit on the student affairs and academic affairs sub-committee. I also report what happens there to the SGA Executive Board and the SGA at large.
67. I go to state meetings as deemed necessary by me, right now SAC is our big focus.
68. I keep the students informed an active on the state level ie… State House Day.
69. I oversee the Representatives at large alongside the VP of Academic Life.
70. I really can make the position into whatever I feel it needs to be and take up anything that I feel is necessary.
71. If you want to know more about the position, feel free to ask me or if you don’t feel comfortable with that you can talk to Stephanie Close.
72. Our next scheduled meeting is Thursday, April 11th and the SGAC meeting is on Thursday, April 18th.
73. Could I see Isaac Matson, Larry Rodkey and Katie Morrissey
74. All University Committee**: No Report**
75. Neighborhood Advisory Board**: No Report**
76. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT-STUDENT LIFE**:** *Taylor Fote*
77. Student Affairs met on Wednesday, March 27th and we approved two policies for the emergency response system and the emergency response team, which are all acting policies anyways. So now that is off to the Board of Trustee with the drug policy on April 11th.
78. For anyone who is interested in running for my position as VP of Student Life here is just an idea of what I do. I am the chair of the Student Affairs committee, if Stephanie Close is gone, I take over, I work as a connector for students and SGA to residential life, student affairs, student conduct, commuter concerns, public safety and other areas on campus. If you are interested in running for my position please feel free to come and talk to me.
79. Can I see Larry Rodkey after the meeting?
80. Student Affairs Committee**: No Report**
81. Multicultural Committee**: No Report**
82. Food Services Committee**: Tom Durkee**
83. Health Committee: **No Report**
84. Parking Control Board: **No Report**
85. Student Athletic Advisory Board: **No Report**
86. Substance Advisory Committee: **No Report**
87. Community Relations/Fundraising Report**: Jordan James-Blocker**
88. We have the Blood Drive coming up on Wednesday April 17th from 1:00 pm until 7:00 pm in the Parenzo Gym**.** We have had a sign up table set up in the DC; we’ve got some volunteers already. We need more of you to sign up and give blood; you’ll be saving a life and getting a free t-shirt. See me with any questions and also if you are able to volunteer at the Blood Drive.

1. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT-ACADEMIC LIFE: *Rebecca DiVico*
2. I first want to thank you for all the feedback that you gave earlier. I really appreciate everyone asking questions.
3. I hope that all of the juniors who registered for their senior classes last Friday, March 29th had a successful registration.
4. Sophmores in the room, the people that are going to be juniors in the fall of 2013, and your registration period is next week. You guys will be registering on Friday, April 12th.
5. For anyone who has trouble on their registration date and needs to go to the advising center please be aware that they open at 8:30 am according to the course offerings booklet.
6. For all of those interested in my position next year, my position entails a few different parts. I am the liaison between academic affairs and students and I also help the Student Trustee to oversee all of the Representatives at Large. If you have any questions about my position feel free to ask me or any of the other Executive Member.
7. Academic Policies Committee: **No Report**
8. Curriculum Committee: **Katie Morrissey**
9. We met on Thursday, March 30th. We discussed multiple proposals from the education department. All of the proposals were approved.
10. These proposals were to bring the department up to the new requirements set by the state.
11. Our next scheduled meeting is April 11th at 3:45 pm in Wilson 319.
12. Enrollment Management Committee: **Brittany Moniz**
13. The enrollment management committee met last week; here are the updates.
14. Student bills were due on March 31st. Student accounts will begin placing holds on students who have a balance due.

**Rebecca DiVico**: Point of Information: Remember to check your holds before you register, so you aren’t affected when trying to sign up for classes.

1. March 31st was also the deadline for applications in admissions; they had extended the deadline from the usual March 1st date.
2. With that being said, the University is ahead of schedule in terms of accepting “lower-tiered” students, meaning they have lower GPA’s but still have great SAT scores.
3. Financial Aid is preparing aid packages for the incoming first years, which includes 1027 grant and loan awards.
4. Members of the committee are traveling to two of our sister institutions to learn more about going paperless for admissions and enrollment practices. There was also talk about a software program for housing, but that option is still being explored.
5. Our next schedule meeting is Tuesday, May 7th at 1:00 pm in the Presidents Board Room.
6. Campus Technology Committee**: No Report**
7. International Programs Committee: **No Report**
8. Library Advisory Committee**: No Report**
9. Writing Liaison**: No Report**
10. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT-PROGRAMMING: *Michelle Hanney*
11. Programming update: Michelle Hanney

1. I have a few things for you today.

1. Spring weekend is right around the corner and information is starting to circulate. Tickets for the concert will go on sale online starting on Sunday, April 7th. Through April 17th. You will be able to purchase up to two (2) tickets at $10.00 each.
2. At the same time guest packets will go on sale through the Service window and they will be $15.00 not including the concert ticket.
3. **Jen McDiarmid**: If you live in Apartment Complex and don’t have a meal plan and you aren’t going to the concert, do you still need to get a guest packet?
4. **Michelle Hanney**: Yes, just this one weekend, all guests need to be registered regardless of what building you live in. If you have enough swipes to the DC, you can swipe them with you, but if you don’t you will need to pay in cash to eat.
5. The doors for the concert will open at Noon with the concert starting shortly after that.
6. I will have the final schedule for you all next week but until then look out for events on Facebood, twitter, posters, emails etc.
7. Also as most of you have been seeing on Facebood and twitter we have a contest going to meet Timeflies. Every Tuesday up until the concert you can go on you tube and find your favorite Timeflies video and post it to the CAB Facebood page or tag@WSUCAB on twitter and you will be entered in the contest to meet Timeflies.
8. Also, another way ou can meet Timeflies is by participating in a scavenger hunt we have coming up the Thursday of Spring Weekend starting at 7:30 pm but I will have more information on the scavenger hunt within the next couple of weeks.
9. My position as CAB President, Executive board, is to plan events and run spring weekend. It is a lot of work but fun and rewarding.
10. Can I please see the Class Council Presidents after the meeting?
11. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT-FINANCE: *Joshua Frank*
12. Finance Report: Joshua Frank
13. I have one finance proposal to present tonight.
14. WSKB is looking for funds for four student security and two Westfield police officers to cover security for the all-day Music and Arts Festival called “pump up the frequency” that the club will be holding in late April. The goal of the festival is to raise the radio station’s presence on campus; and to give the student body a fun day filled with music, visual art and poetry.
15. I move to allocate $770.00 to the WSKB radio station club. Motion passed.
16. If you are interested in running for the Vice President of Finance, for next year, please see me after the meeting. The Vice President of Finance oversees all club accounts and works with the parliamentarian to make sure all constitutions are in order. You also sit on the Board of Director’s for the Foundation; and are the chair of the finance committee. Once again, if you’re interested please see me after the meeting.
17. Foundation Report**: No Report**
18. SERETARY’S REPORT: *Alexis Wagner*/*Sarah Hegarty*
19. Executive Secretary Report: Alexis Wagner
20. Senators get your Owl Ball tickets from Kim Hosmer. They are $20.00 and you have until Noon on April 3rd everyone else not on SGA has until tonight at midnight so forcefully remind your friends.
21. If you are interested in running for Executive Secretary next year see me. The job includes typing up the weekly minutes, running elections, senator of the week and chairing the semi-formal event committee. Feel free to ask me about that position as well as any questions in regard to the Election process.
22. Legislative Secretary Report: Sarah Hegarty
23. I would like to start with the Big Unit Winner. Going above and beyond the required two units, I would like to congratulate Richard Darrach.
24. The unit lotto winner is Michael Janchuk congratulations and you can pick up your Walmart card from Barbara Hand.
25. I am sad to report that as of 5:00 pm today only 17 senators had submitted their units. The majority of you will receive a half absence, and it is make it or break it. If you are concerned about your attendance numbers, please come see me or email me.
26. Blue Key committee; expect an email from me soon. I am waiting to hear back from two of you before we can pick a meeting time. All of the nominees have been informed and have until Friday to accept it, and then we will be meeting sometime next week.
27. The end of the year ceremony is coming up fast. I would love it if you guys could submit ideas for the SGA t-shirt and I am going to need senators to submit pictures for the slideshow. If you don’t it will be over thirty minutes of Executive council.
28. If you are interested in my position please feel free to come talk to me. As Legislative Secretary I am responsible for overseeing units, SGA attendance, committee attendances, keeping track of Senators following the attendance bylaws, SGA mailboxes, SGA nametags, SGA calendar, chair of the Blue Key Committee and I am responsible for the end of the year ceremony.
29. PARLIAMENTARIAN REPORT: Isaac Matson
30. COMMUTER COUNCIL, CLASS AND HALL REPORTS:
31. Commuter Council: **Luis Arzola**
32. The Wilson board is a go; please make sure to give me whatever posters you want to post there.
33. Scanlon hall is partnering with the Commuter Council to bring everyone the Westfield State University end of the year picnic. It will take place on May 1st from 2:30 pm until 6:00 pm. This event is open to all the campus community. Free food and giveaways while supplies last.
34. **Kevin Soucie**: Is the Commuter Luncheon free only for commuters?
35. **Luis Arzola**: It’s free for commuters, but this week’s event is also open to SGA members.
36. Please fill out the petition paper for Mass PIRG student loan campaign; the papers will be passed around.
37. The commuter luncheon is tomorrow, March 3rd.
38. Our next scheduled meeting is April 3rd at 1:30 pm in the SGA conference room.
39. Senior Class: **Brandon Burr**
40. We still have Senior Fest packets available the deadline is this Friday, April 5th. Tell your friends, packet sales end this Friday. Packets are $225.00 and $285.00 for commuter requesting housing.
41. We have an official speaker for commencement it will be Attorney General Martha Coakley. She is the first female attorney general and also a native of Western Mass.
42. Our walk is this Sunday, April 7th. I hope everyone is signed up. So far we have raised $1,315.00 and we had set a goal of $1,000.00 this is before the event. Please come out and support us. If you haven’t registered, please go on our website and register. AFSP.org/outofdarknesswalk/searchwalkswestfield. It is from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm in Woodward.
43. Please send senior pictures to Classof2013@westfield.ma.edu.
44. Sweatshirts are expected at the end of next week for those who purchased them this round.
45. Junior Class: **Brittany Moniz**
46. Our Friendly’s fundraiser brought in $108.00 for the Class of 2014.
47. Last week, we drew the winner of the Presidents Parking Raffle Space; congratulations to Lindsey Howe of the Class of 2013.
48. Mr. Westfield tickets went on sale yesterday, April 1st at the Campus Center Window. Tickets are $2.00 for students and $5.00 for general admission.
49. The Junior Class has put out a survey to all members of the Class to decide on our first senior event in the fall. The link for the survey was emailed to all students and will be open until April 11th. Some options include a trip to Boston, attending a Red Sox game, Mohegan Sun and Bosquet Mountain Zip lining; you can also suggest other ideas. The date for this event is Saturday, September 21st.
50. Our next scheduled meeting is Thursday, April 4th at 4:00 pm in the SGA Conference Room.
51. Sophomore Class: **No Report**
52. Freshman Class: **Sarah Hegarty for Melvin Rivera**
53. Today, April 2nd is the day that the class of 2016 will be holding the First event of the spring semester. Line Dancing in the Owls Nest. The time is 7:00 pm. The entrance fee is $1.00 and water is $1.00.
54. We will also be handing out Autism pins for Autism awareness.
55. Our next scheduled meeting is on April 10th at 5:30 pm in the SGA conference room.
56. Apartment Complex: **No Report**
57. Courtney Hall**: Lindsey Keating**
58. Last Tuesday, March 28th we had our sex Bingo event. We had a great turn out; our residents really seemed to like it.
59. Our last meeting, we disused our spring weekend event. We are planning on having a brunch on the Saturday, April 20th for our residents.
60. We’ve also finalized our end of the year event. We’re having a human bowling wrist bands, lawn games and lots of pizza and wings. The end of the year event will be on Sunday, April 28th starting at 1:00 pm, everyone is welcome.
61. Our Courtney Hall shirts have finally been ordered as well.
62. Our next scheduled meeting is on April 4th at 6:00 pm in the Courtney RD’s office.
63. Davis Hall: **No Report**
64. Dickinson Hall: **No Report**
65. Lammers Hall: **No Report**
66. Lansdowne Hall: **Andrew McCormack**
67. I move to appoint Jonathan Luz as the Lansdowne President for the rest of the 2012-2013 Academic year**.** Motion passed**.**
68. We have started planning our end of the year event; there will be more details to come later.
69. Our next scheduled meeting is March 27th at 9:00 pm in the Lansdowne common room.
70. New Hall: **No Report**
71. Scanlon Hall: **No Report**
72. UNFIISHED BUSINESS**:**
73. NEW BUSINESS: Move to open new business;
74. Courtney Hall: Joshua Clark
75. We are having a Sex Bingo event tonight, March 26th at 8:00 pm in our common room. We will be giving out free condoms and candy.
76. Also we have planned our end of the year event. The date is set for April 28th from 1:00 pm until 5:00 pm. We will be doing a human bowling activity, D.J., sand art, popcorn, wings, pizza and giving out Courtney Hall 2012-2013 wrist bands.
77. Our next scheduled meeting is March 28th at 6:00 pm in the Courtney Halls RD office.
78. ANNOUNCEMENTS:
79. Isaac Matson: Rules and Regulations meeting after this.
80. Sarah Hegarty: Can I please see Anna Dilorenzo and Justin Connolly after the meeting?
81. Joshua Clark: Can I see Brittany Moniz really quick after the meeting?
82. Michelle Hanney: Can I see the class council presidents after this?
83. Matt Demikat: 3 v 3 Basketball is happening this Friday, April 5th see me for more information.
84. Jen McDiarmid: Don’t go to 3 V 3, go to the Owl Ball on Friday, April 5th.
85. Taylor Fote: Can I see Larry Rodkey after the meeting?
86. Brandon Burr: 44 days until Commencement.
87. ROLL CALL: Tim Egan John Mercurio, Shannon Cullinane, Tara Saraf and Jessica Weaver were absent. Jocelyn Bearegard sent an alternate and Olivia Dumas, Melvin Rivera, Nicole Primeau, Xandria Sotomayor, Michael Janchuk and Hannah Kelley were excused.
88. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:09 pm.