**Student Government Association Minutes**

March 01, 2016

1. ROLL CALL: Sandra Mercer and Tara Lambert were absent. Ashely Deleon, Lezlie Campbell, Michaella Tretheway and Will Sondrini were excused.
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM February 23, 2016: Minutes were approved.

1. PRESIDENT’S REPORT: *Evelyn Dina*
2. Hi everyone and happy Super Tuesday. Today is the day of the Massachusetts primary, and if you have not yet voted please do. If you are registered to vote here in Westfield, polling is taking place at the Dower Center (formally Juniper Park) and they are open until 8:00pm tonight.
3. For our first speaker tonight, I would like to welcome Reverend Bruce Arbour from the Interfaith Center, to speak on behalf of the student food bank on campus.
4. **Reverend Bruce Arbour**: Hello, I’m Reverend Bruce Arbor. I’m one of the Protestant Chaplains at the First Interfaith Center, and Class of 1983. It’s good to be here, I’m here to give an update on the Interfaith Center and the work that’s going on there. The Chaplains are very excited about the opportunities we’re offering the students and trying to expand that throughout campus. We have an Imam, a Rabbi, a Catholic priest and two Protestant ministers. What we’re hoping is that you’ll stop by the Interfaith Center and get to know us.
5. It is hard for us; we’re trying to be on campus as much as possible. You can reach us, we are listed through the campus website as of now so you can reach any one of us and we’re available at any time, so spread the word amongst your fellow classmates.
6. Also, something really exciting about the food bank. We entered into a contract with Second Congregational Church, which is just off the campus and the progress is moving forward. You’ve probably seen the collection boxes around the campus; there are four of them for dropping non-perishable food products into. Now we’re in the process of building the shelves in the food pantry, so it will be opening soon. We’ll be looking for volunteers to help staff it, so if there’s a student group that wants to participate and share in staffing that, we’d love to have everyone participate. This is a critical need, people don’t think of university settings as places where people go hungry, but people do go hungry right here on campus. I believe as a student body, as Chaplains, as faculty, we can make a difference. Let’s support one another in that good school spirit and let no one go hungry.
7. **Xavier Carmona**: If we did have a group that was willing to volunteer for staffing the food pantry, who would we contact?
8. **Reverend Bruce Arbor**: We’re going to bring that information directly to you because we’d like to set up a schedule and then plug various volunteers into that schedule. I think the best avenue for us to do is to send the schedule back here once we establish it.
9. **Evelyn Dina**: When do you project that the food bank will be opening for students?
10. **Reverend Bruce Arbor**: As far as I know right now, because a lot of it depends on the volunteer labor and building shelves, I think we’re projecting that the start of this will be after Spring break.
11. **Morgan Suddeth**: Where is the food pantry located?
12. **Reverend Bruce Arbor**: It’s located in the Second Congregational Church in one of their classrooms, so there will be signage on the building as to how to get into the actual space itself. We’ll also post the hours of operation around campus.
13. Thank you Reverend. Next we have Ashiah Richeme to speak about this upcoming year’s Living Learning Communities.
14. **Ashiah Richeme**: Hi guys! This year, I’m the coordinator for the Living Learning Communities. It’s the first year we’ve had them, and so far it’s been a success, but we want next year to be even bigger and better. If you haven’t already signed up for LLCs, I’m going to give you a secret: you get to sign up for housing first if you select to live in an LLC. To all you returners who like to wait until the last minute to do your housing application, then wait for the lottery number that Josh Hettrick gives you, all those steps, I’m going to save you from that. You can sign up to live in an LLC by March 11.
15. LLCs are Living Learning Communities, or themed housing that have nothing to do with your major. For example, I binge watch The First 48 and Law and Order: SVU, so if I was a student, I would live in Courtney Hall in the Law and Society LLC with other people that share the same passion as me. I’m hoping that me telling you guys this, that you’ll tell members of other organizations or your residents here. We have Educators of Tomorrow in New Hall, which has nothing to do if you want to be a teacher, but rather if you have a passion for education. If you want to work in the community, a principal, a tutor in any shape or form, Educators of Tomorrow is in New Hall. If you’re into traveling, global awareness, or you want an international student as a roommate, you can live in Global Awareness which is in Lammers. If you’re an individual who likes Law and Society, that’s in Courtney. If you’re good at science, but maybe don’t want to tell anybody, you can live in scientific connections in Courtney. Also, Paving the Way for first generation students, if you are connected to Urban Education and Trio, we have an opportunity for you to live in Lammers as well. University Hall has Arts and Honors which has filled, so if you’re interested in that, unfortunately we’ve reached capacity on how many people can sign up, and not all the individuals that signed up for that LLC will be placed there. If you got that email on Friday from me that I sent to the whole entire campus by accident, people will still have the opportunity to pick a different LLC if their preference is already full.
16. **Sharleen Varghese**: Is there an actual application that needs to be filled out for anyone that wants to be a part of an LLC?
17. **Ashiah Richeme**: On your housing application, it’s all wrote into one. If you’ve filled it out or haven’t filled it out, you’ll have a chance to do so until March 11. It’s going to ask you for you preference, and please list more than one preference so if one of the LLCs fills, you still have the opportunity to be a part of another one.
18. **Andrew Morin**: Are there any LLCs in New Hall or the Apartment Complex?
19. **Ashiah Richeme**: The Apartment Complex does not because the way it’s set up does not allow the community to build there. New Hall has Educators of Tomorrow, which I think is going to be on the second floor.
20. **Evelyn Dina**: Are there any New LLCs that will be starting in the next academic year or any that are in the works?
21. **Ashiah Richeme**: One new one is in Dickinson, it’s called Wellness. As you guys know, Dickinson is no longer a first year building. It’s now a mixed hall with modern renovations. If you’re into wellness, yoga, active living, Dickinson is the place for you. We are currently working on an LGBTQIA gender neutral LLC for potentially next year, so we’re working on that with groups on campus to create a proposal and see what building is the best location for it. If you have any ideas for other ones, I’m always open to new ideas.
22. **Dana Kilby**: If a student doesn’t get into an LLC but they live in the same building as that LLC, can they still be invited to participate?
23. **Ashiah Richeme**: Of course, we’ll never tell people they can’t go to programs because they’re not in LLCs. We also have faculty and staff members that partner with LLCs, so you can still reach out to them as a mentor for anything you may need.
24. **Maddie Dexter**: So to reiterate, there’s no application that needs to be filled out explaining why we are interested in being a part of an LLC?
25. **Ashiah Richeme**: Yes, it’s right on MyHousing, I just ask that you pick more than one option in case your first option fills.
26. **Brennan Kauffman**: Is there a pricing difference between normal housing and LLC housing?
27. **Ashiah Richeme**: There is no pricing difference between rooms in halls regardless of LLC.
28. **Shayna Arnott**: When do you find out your specific room information if you sign up for an LLC?
29. **Ashiah Richeme**: After you sign up, we send you your lottery number, I think the selection days are the end of March before the rest of campus selects. You should have two nights to select in case your first LLC option fills.
30. Vice President Carlton Pickron is here to update you all on the fan bus status for the girl’s championship basketball game. NCAA Champs.
31. **Vice PresidentCarlton Pickron**: Our woman’s basketball team not only won the regular season championship for the MASCAC conference, but they won the MASCAC tournament which gives them an automatic berth into the NCAA championships, so they can be national champions of division 3. They are playing this Friday night, February 4 at 7:00 PM at Bowdoin College in Brunswick, Maine. It’s approximately four to five hours from here, and unfortunately, we’re going to have to watch it on our computers. Trying to do it as a fan bus trip gets dangerous because bus drivers are only allowed to drive eight hours a day, we just pushed this to 10 hours, meaning two drivers. This causes the price to keep going up, so the bottom line is I’d rather stay here safe and cheer the team on as they leave on Thursday. We will email the link so you can watch the game on Friday night on your computer. If you know any of the players, give them a good hoot and cheer when you see them around campus. It’s a sweet victory this year because last year if you remember, they were ahead in the same championship game but came up short. Anyway, go Owls!
32. On Friday, April 1, 2016, Fitchburg State University will be hosting the 15 annual Student Leadership Retreat. The program will allow you to connect with other student leaders across the state as well as learn more about the Massachusetts legislative and budget processes. The day will begin at 9:00am and will end at 3:30pm if anyone is interested please contact Kim Morgan in Student Affairs.
33. On April 3 Westfield State will be hosting a water stop on Western Avenue for the Boys and Girls club half marathon that will be taking place from 10:30am to 1:00pm. If anybody would like to volunteer for that, also contact Kim Morgan.
34. This Thursday, March 3 is the Life after Westfield event in the Owl’s Nest from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. This is a great event, which will have alumni from different departments sharing their career path and stories. It’s a great opportunity to ask WSU alumni for advice. There will also be two former SGA exec members there, Joshua Frank and Lou Cimaglia.
35. Tonight in the Owl’s Nest from 7:00pm and 9:00pm will be the “What College Won’t Teach Y” event. It will contain four mini sessions each only taking 20 minutes. There will be snacks at each of the mini sessions. These sessions will be:
36. Post Grad Opportunities from 7:00pm to 7:20pm.
37. Paying off student loans from 7:30pm to 7:50pm.
38. Travel Opportunities from 8:00pm to 8:20pm.
39. Finding the right place to live 8:30pm to 8:50pm.
40. Representative John Velis will be here on March 22, so that will be a dress code meeting, right after spring break.
41. I mentioned that Bring a Friend to SGA Day and our Movie Trivia will be on March 29. For the trivia prize, we will be giving $10.00 in Owl Buck to each winning team member. I will be splitting everyone into teams of five.
42. Big congratulations for Musical Theater Guild for a great show.
43. I move to appoint Amanda Canale as SGA Repetitive at Large for the Remainder of the 2015-2016 academic year. Motion carries.
44. Items not listed on the agenda.

1. BOARD OF TRUSTEES’ REPORT**:** *Justin Connolly*
2. All University Committee**: Dan Pendenza**
3. All University Committee had a meeting last Wednesday, February 24. This is the first report of AUC, I will be trying to report more because governance committees should be reported on. So AUC sent 2017-2018 academic calendars to the Academic Policy Committee for referral.
4. We also sent a change in program requirements for History major/licensure, change in course description for HIST 120 and a new course HIST 121, The Historian to the Teachers Education Council.
5. Also President Torrecilha did say that he is going to bring commencement back to campus and is also looking for more faculty participation at commencement.
6. Our next scheduled meeting is March 9 at 3:30pm in the Parenzo Board Room.
7. Neighborhood Advisory Board**: No Report**

1. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT-STUDENT LIFE**:** *Matthew Carlin*
2. Student Affairs Committee**: No Report**
3. Multicultural Committee**: No Report**
4. Food Services Committee**: No Report**
5. Health Committee: **No Report**
6. Parking Control Board: **No Report**
7. Student Athletic Advisory Board: **No Report**
8. Substance Advisory Committee: **No Report**
9. Community Relations/Fundraising Report**: No Report**

1. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT-ACADEMIC LIFE: *Jon Cubetus*
2. Last Friday, February 26, I met with Dean of Undergraduate Studies, Diane Prusank to catch up on what is going on in the realm of Academic Affairs.
3. We spoke about the new Research Center that will eventually be housed in the library. The goal of the center is to both increase the amount of research on our campus as well as to eventually hold a research conference similar to the annual one at UMass Amherst. Our center will support both academic research such as studies and that of creative work, like theatre and arts performances.
4. We also talked briefly about new efforts to reach out to undeclared students. Through the Academic Advising Center, Staff will be actively asking undeclared students about their interests and perhaps the field that they would like to go into. This effort stems from the fact that our retention rate overall is excellent, but our undeclared students are most likely to leave after the first or second year.
5. In response to the question that I received last week, the tentative Summer I and II schedules are released. If a student goes to the Westfield DGCE homepage, there are links to the tentative schedules. Currently, undergraduates do not have access to them through the Westfield Portal, but Dean Prusank is working on fixing that.
6. The next office hours with Dr. Marotta are next Tuesday at 4:00pm in the SGA conference room. If you have the chance, please stop by and chat for a little while.
7. The Diploma order forms for seniors were due earlier today, so if you have any questions about that, please see the Registrar’s office.
8. **Matt Carlin**: Is academic affairs distinguishing undeclared in the sense of they don’t know what they want to do or more towards those who don’t necessarily get into their first major, and how are you going to address that concern?
9. **Jon Cubetus**: It’s a little bit of both, as we know there are a few majors that are very restrictive in how many students they take in every year such as nursing and criminal justice. They’re reaching out to all of them to get them into something they want to do, maybe if someone wants to do criminal justice, they can be pointed in the direction of something similar. It’s generally just to increase the retention rate overall.
10. **Vice President Carlton Pickron**: Just a follow up on the degree order form, don’t freak out if you didn’t turn it in yet, you can still turn it in up until commencement day, but you should turn it in as soon as possible.
11. **Andrew Morin**: I was looking through the course offering booklets and noticed a couple mistakes, so just remember that when you’re doing your schedule to use the booklet as a guide, but go by what the online catalog says.
12. **Jon Cubetus**: That’s a great point, they do make changes after the book is released and they don’t necessarily tell anyone.
13. Academic Policies Committee: **No Report**
14. Curriculum Committee: **No Report**
15. Enrollment Management Committee: **No Report**
16. Academic Technology and Information Services Committee: **No Report**
17. International Programs Committee: **No Report**
18. Writing Liaison**: No Report**
19. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT-PROGRAMMING: *Haley Batchelder*
20. Programming update**: Haley Batchelder**
21. If you are going to the Celtics game tomorrow, the bus leaves at 4:00pm form Scanlon. Sign a travel waiver if you haven’t yet and we’ll see you tomorrow.
22. Reminder that ice-skating at Amelia Park is this Friday, March 4 from 9:00pm until 11:00pm. Shuttles will be transporting students from Scanlon throughout the night. Rental skates are $3.00 and are offered on a first come, first serve basis.
23. We are rebranding Spring Weekend with a new logo “Now That’s What I Call Springfest”. Designed by Maddie Dexter, a throwback theme with novelties, and entertainment. You will see this plastered around campus, followed by regular unveilings of Springfest, so keep an eye out.
24. **Shannon Cullinane**: When is the last shuttle for Amelia Park?
25. **Haley Batchelder**: Shuttles will be running back and forth up until 11:00 PM.
26. CAB will be meeting will not be tomorrow Wednesday, March 2 due to the Celtics game. Our next scheduled meeting is March 9.
27. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT-FINANCE: *Brandon Trafford*
28. I will be discussing the newest predicament the SGA is currently in with its finances. This year, as you all know, the SGA Finances have been very thin due to the deficit coming into this year. The Finance Committee did a wonderful job this year efficiently allocating our lack of resources, and spreading what money we did have around so we could help out as many students and student clubs as possible.
29. Unfortunately a couple weeks ago, the Student Government had $30,524 removed from its operating budget by the University? The reason for this falls within the lines of previous years Senate Banquets. In the past our University a had upwards of 800 students attending these annual dances and with a group of students this large, the Student Government needed to book a large venue known as Chez Josef. In order to book this venue however, the Student Government had to pay for the vent upfront before the tickets were sold which created bill of $30,524. In front the $30,524 to the Student Government as to allow us to pay then reimburse the University the $30,524 we achieve in ticket sales.
30. After the Senate Banquet ceased to exist however, the University to apply a stop order. Thus, the University kept giving the SGA $30,524.00 at the beginning of the year and then removing the $30,524.00 at the end of the year.
31. In the past few years there were calls made to the university posing questions about the $30,524.00 yet there was still no official stop order placed on this sum of money.
32. Regardless there was a phone call made this year about the $30,524.00 it was sitting in our actual operating budget. For years we had wrongfully assumed it was in a side pool. This being said we, the SGA, thought we had a $30,524.00 footing that we didn’t have. So, when the University rightfully pulled out the $30,524.00 they depleted all of our club funds as well as some important aspects of our operating budget.
33. After the university pulled out the money, we had approximately $9,137.00 in our total operating budget. This money was supposed to last from now until the end of the year. To put how little money this is into perspective, Cotillion this year, which consists fo funds that come out of our operating budget, will cost approximately $8,000.00. After a few simple calculations, we figured out our operating budget would need $11,000.00 to $11,500.00 to sustain life here in the Student Government.
34. Our projected expenses come from the cost of Cotillion, the SGA Banquet, at the end of the year, and the costs for the day to day operational needs in the SGA offices.
35. After some digging, it was discovered that there were some unused club sports funds in the areas of Boxing and Fencing. Removing these unused funds boosted out operating budget by $3,200.00 on top of this the STA’s production of “Praying for Rain” brought in an additional $467.00 and MTG’s wonderful production of “The Wedding Singer” brought in a total revenue of $2,049.25. With the addition of these extra funds, out total operating budget went from $9,137 to $14,853.25.
36. This means we do have enough money in our operating budget to perform all tasks from now until the end of the year efficiently, and we do have the money to give to the Art Club for their $72.50 proposal. The rest will be put in reserve for emergency funds.
37. Does anyone have any questions?
38. Finance Report: **Brandon Trafford**
39. Earlier this year, Academic Affairs allocated $15,000.00 to the Student Government to allow us to supply supplemental funds for various student entities on campus. One of the programs that came down seeking funds for supplemental travel was the Art Club. The Art Club submitted a proposal for $1665.00 to cover the cost of the bus to get to New York. Due to the fact the executive council wanted to help as many groups as possible with the Supplemental Travel funds, we granted the Art Club $832.50 in Supplemental Travel funds and told them to submit a Finance Proposal that would cover the costs for the second half of the bus.
40. As you can see on the Finance Proposal sheet, the Finance committee is only recommending the allocation of $72.50 to the Art Club for this event. This is because one group that was allocated Supplemental Travel funds is no longer going on the trip they had proposed, and another group that had expected to take 25 students on a trip is now only taking 23 students. This being said the SGA received $670.00 in unused Supplemental Travel funds. These funds will be going straight into the Art Clubs proposal to help cover the cost of their trip bringing the $832.50 to $72.50.
41. The Finance Committee has recommended the passage of this proposal through senate with a unanimous vote.
42. Before I make the motion, I would like to clarify that due to the small size of this proposal our operating budget does have enough money in it to allow the SGA to allocate these funds without negatively affecting our budget.
43. I move to allocate $72.50 to the Art Club to help cover the transportation fees for their trip to New York. Motion carries.
44. Foundation Report: **No Report**
45. SERETARY’S REPORT: Brendan McKee*/Jacob Lotter*
46. Executive Secretary Report: **Brendan McKee**
47. Legislative Secretary Report: **Jacob Lotter**
48. Hi everyone. I’m going to start by awarding our Big Unit Award winner for the month of February. With 16 units the winner is Maddie Creamer. Now for the $25.00 Owl Bucks from the Unit Lotto the winner is Michael Janchuk. Congratulations.
49. There will be three units due for the month of March and they’ll be due on April 5 at 3:30pm. Otherwise, I want to encourage everyone to please nominate their friends for the Blue Key Award. Barbara Hand has sent out the email with the nomination instructions twice and it’ll go out again once more early next week. So far we have nominations for 21 different students, and my personal goal is 30, so please nominate people. Other than that, I’m all set have a great week.

1. PARLIAMENTARIAN REPORT: *Ryan Losco*

Rules and Regulations Committee: Ryan Losco

1. I move to pass the following amendment to the SGA Constitution. Motion Carries.

The following amendment shall be added Article IV, Section 2 of the Constitution of the Westfield State University Student Government Association.

“*One (1) student representative who shall be appointed by Veteran Affairs. This representative need only be an undergraduate student and not a representative for any particular class. This representative he must also meet any and all requirements set forth by the Veteran Affairs Office and will act as a liaison to SGA*”

Such amendment shall become Nine (9) of the previously noted article and section.

The amendment, should it be passed by the Rules and Regulations Committee and the Legislature of the Student Government Association, shall take effect immediately.

Respectfully submitted to the Rules and Regulations committee on the Sixteen of February 2016.

1. You all will notice that I put a sheet of paper by the mailboxes. Rules and Regs this year looked at clubs and liability, what an active member of a club is and what would happen if they were to get hurt. We ended up working with our attorney and came up with what you’re looking at right now; it started off as four sentences and is now rather lengthy. The committee last week voted to adopt this amendment and the regulation that every club has to amend their constitution to include this and they have until SOC next year to do this or they will not be recognized as a club. We also redid the club information form. Legally, for this to uphold, we need to have students sign and date that they read it. Being that this is a part of their constitution, they need to know it anyways, so now the only added step for the club information form is that you have to read and understand your constitution. I will be, with the help of Barb, sending a letter out to campus letting them know what’s going on and the timeframe for it. You have a lot of time to get this done.
2. **Haley Batchelder**: When does this need to be implemented?
3. **Ryan Losco**: What the committee decided to do is that we will not start actively enforcing this until the first SOC meeting, so this is a grace period of sorts to get this done. There are a lot of clubs on campus, so we can’t have a two-week turnaround. We’re trying with this large amount of time to keep clubs from procrastinating. It’s much easier to do this across the board, but this is focused more on clubs that pose a higher risk for injury such as powerlifting or rock lifting, skiing or snowboarding. It’s actually more work to pick and choose which clubs we’re going to give more attention to, so we just decided to do it to all the clubs.
4. **Andrew Morin**: For section D, any club practice, meeting, rehearsal or competition needs an advisor there?
5. **Ryan Losco**: Not necessarily an advisor, so let’s say you’re in the gym, there’s a manager there. You’re in the Owl’s Nest, there’s usually someone there. It’s more so you can report to somebody; you’re not meeting in the basement of a building where it’d be difficult to get to you in the case of an emergency.
6. **Andrew Morin**: There are a lot of clubs that meet late at night between the hours of 5:00 PM and 11:00 PM, so it’s impossible to keep faculty there unpaid. However, as you said there is potential for someone to fall off a stage or get generally injured, but that’s what public safety is for.
7. **Ryan Losco**: How we’re looking at it is that there is a responsible person nearby, like for Bingo, CAB hosts it and Barb is not there but there’s still a responsible person like an ISO there. As long as there is access to a responsible person or party, I think it should hold up.
8. **Ashiah Richeme**: If we could send an email out to residents and advisors, that would be great, I’m still slightly confused, so sending out a mass email may be easier.
9. **Ryan Losco**: We can call an SOC meeting to discuss it if necessary as well, I’ll talk to the chair of SOC about that.
10. **Jon Cubetus**: If for whatever reason clubs don’t adhere to this and lose their active status as a club, where does that liability fall if they lose their status, still meet, and someone gets hurt?
11. **Ryan Losco**: That wouldn’t be on SGA because we wouldn’t recognize them as a club.
12. **Andrew Morin**: Is being able to pick up the phone and call public safety not enough to meet these requirements? The way I’m interpreting this is that if I don’t have some sort of certified person at my rehearsals, we’re going to become inactive.
13. **Ryan Losco**: That’s a great question. I will say that we’re trying to blanket for a specific group. We cannot monitor every club and every activity that goes on, it’s feasibly impossible. If you’re meeting without an advisor and we don’t know about it, it’s very hard to enforce. We can talk about it in committee again if someone wants to bring it up again.
14. **Maddie Dexter**: If something were to happen at an event such as Bingo where no advisor or officer was present, would we have to cancel?
15. **Ryan Losco**: These are all great hypothetical questions, but the problem with these is that there are no facts to apply to them so I cannot give a strong answer. If you’re worried about us going after CAB for holding bingo, that’s not going to happen. What we’re really focused on is groups acting recklessly and inappropriately, and then trying to come back and get SGA. I can understand everyone’s concerns that a faculty member must be required there, we’ll see if having public safety is enough, but it’s mostly just having a person to provide oversight and make sure everything is going well.
16. **Shayna Arnott**: What does SOC stand for?
17. **Ryan Losco**: Student Organization Council, it’s with all of the club presidents, me, Brandon Trafford, and advisors.
18. **Andrew Morin**: I think it would be worth revisiting this because I’m not worried about you guys coming after MTG, but maybe 10 years from now when none of us are here and it doesn’t apply to us but it’s still a part of the club constitution, for some reason if SGA is pissed at a club and uses the amendment to make a club inactive.
19. **Barbara Hand**: Why did you decide to incorporate this into all clubs rather than the higher risk ones?
20. **Ryan Losco**: Our answer to that would be that there isn’t a way to classify what is high risk and to objectively say which clubs are more dangerous than others. WHIP could end up doing an improvisation sketch that could be very dangerous. I think it would be more difficult for us to pick and choose what clubs need more special attention than others, it’s just easier to say that everyone should be acting this way.
21. **Chaitali Brahmbatt**: You’re making really great points, but we’re going to revisit that because there are a lot of questions and we want to make sure that everybody is on the same page. If there are any concerns, make sure you get those to Ryan so we can hear all aspects of this.
22. **Lizette Rivera**: As someone who advises several clubs too, I would like to advocate that there needs to be something equitable because what I’m hearing is that some may not count or that not knowing when clubs meet doesn’t count, and that just doesn’t seem equitable across clubs. We definitely need something that’s completely equitable. For those clubs that meet at times where advisors can’t be there and the only safety a club can have is public safety, the clubs and students are going to have to pay for that. You may have to pay to have someone there, so I would just like these points to be considered.
23. **Andrew Manchino**: In section D, it talks about a certified facility manager; I’m assuming someone like the gym manager or someone in Ely that sits at the desk?
24. **Ryan Losco**: Yes.
25. **Andrew Manchino**: Is there a way that each club can have a member of their executive board trained to know the protocol to be like an advisor of sorts for this type of situation?
26. **Ryan Losco**: Yes, for example, people who belay for rock climbing are certified, as long as they have a certification, they can oversee it and I don’t see a problem with that legally.
27. **Alina Bracken**: Not that public safety isn’t quick to respond in some situations, but how are we going to work with public safety if they can’t come to an event or meeting and we do end up having to call them?
28. **Ryan Losco**: It would work the same way as it always has. They wouldn’t be subbing in as your advisors, but they’d be easily reachable in any situation. We don’t have to do any more with them, we’d just call and they’d respond.
29. **Dean Sue LaMontagne**: First of all, let me commend Ryan Losco and anyone who worked with Ryan on this. This has been about an eight month process to get this to where it is now, and it started really because of concerns we had mostly about off campus facilities that were being used by clubs where we had no idea if these places had someone responsible for emergency situations. I think that applying this to all clubs is a twist that we can revisit for sure, but the gist of it is that when you’re on campus, there are automatic protections in place because you’re in our event management system. Public safety is here to respond, so we have risk management covered on campus, which goes to the answer that Ryan keeps trying to say that the on campus stuff is covered. Sometimes we’ll tell you at big events to have your advisors there. I think there’s a way we can look at the language with the attorney again to delineate on campus resources and off campus. Let us look at it again, send us feedback. The spirit of it is where you are; we just have to fix the language a bit.
30. **Andrew Morin**: Even though I feel like we’re beating you up, I feel like this is great and most of this should be in every constitution because personally I wouldn’t know what to do if someone fell off the stage and got hurt. This is an important thing to have in all constitutions; my reservations just lie with section D.

1. COMMUTER COUNCIL, CLASS AND HALL REPORTS:
2. Commuter Council: **No Report**
3. Senior Class: **Ryan Losco**
4. Junior Class: **Andrew Morin**
5. The Class of 2017 is working hard on Mr. Westfield with our contestants. We are having a great time and are making strides with our fundraising. Please donate to your favorite contestant even $5.00 will help us grant a wish.
6. Our class t-shirts should be in within the coming weeks. Please stay updated if you purchased one.
7. We will be having a tye dye event on April 6 from 7:00pm to 9pm. we have ordered blank white shirts that say Mr. Westfield on them. They will cost $5.00 to tye dye. If you wear this shirt to the event, you will not be charged the admission price.
8. The Mr. Westfield contestants will be hosting Brown Bag Bingo on Thursday, March 24 in Scanlon Banquet Hall. We hope to see many of you there.
9. Haley Batchelder: Point of Information, Bingo with Mr. Westfield contestants will be on Thursday rather than a Friday because of Good Friday.
10. Our next meeting is tomorrow at 5:30pm in Ely E003.
11. Sophomore Class**: No Report**
12. First Year Class: **No Report**
13. Apartment Complex: **No Report**
14. Courtney Hall: **No Report**
15. Davis Hall: **Kelsey Butler**
16. I move to appoint Sean Bacon as a Davis Hall Representative to senate for the remainder of the 2015-2016 academic year. Motion carries.
17. Our next scheduled meeting is on March 2 at 5:30 pm in the Davis Hall RD’s office.
18. Dickinson Hall**: No Report**
19. Lammers Hall: **No Report**
20. Lansdowne Hall**: No Report**
21. New Hall**: No Report**
22. Scanlon Hall: **No Report**
23. University Hall**: No Report**
24. UNFIISHED BUSINESS**:**

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1. NEW BUSINESS:
2. ANNOUNCEMENTS:
3. **Dan, MassPIRG**: Happy Super Tuesday, we had a mock election in the DC today. Seventy seven people voted, we’ll announce the winner on our Facebook page tonight. Tomorrow is our day of action for our Clean Energy Campaign; there will be a table from 11:00am-2:00pm upstairs. What we’re doing is calling in to all of the State Representatives and asking them to sign on with us.
4. **Brendan McKee**: May I please see Cotillion Committee after the meeting?
5. **Jacob Lotter**: Can I see Amanda Canale and Sean Bacon after the meeting?
6. **Matt Carlin**: Rules and Regs in the conference room after the meeting.
7. **Maddie Creamer**: 2018, buy your t-shirts online.
8. **Andrew Morin**: The Student Theatre Association is hosting a 48 hour play slam this weekend, if you’d like to sign up, stop by the theatre department.
9. **Nyasia Velazquez**: Tomorrow is a Commuter Bruncheon in the Tekoa Room, tell all of your friends!
10. **Ryan Losco**: Rules and Regs in the conference room after the meeting.
11. **Sharleen Varghese**: Can I see the SAAC representative after the meeting?
12. **Michael Janchuk**: 81 days until commencement.
13. ROLL CALL: Sandra Mercer and Tara Lambert were absent. Ashely Deleon, Lezlie Campbell, Michaella Tretheway and Will Sondrini were excused.
14. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 6:44pm.