

November 1, 2006

I. Roll Call

Absent: 8th St. #3, Area 2 #2, CHill #1, Woodies #1

II. Guest Speakers

- Representatives from IFC speak about the Greek Habitat for Humanity project.

III. Approval of the Minutes

IV. Executive Reports

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V. Standing Committee Reports

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VI. Special Committee Reports

VII. Bill Status Reports

- 07-006: Trick-or-Treat Night **P** **\$ 750** Samantha Thompson
- 07-008: Haunted House Video Production **P** **\$ 133.23** Nik Reddy
- 07-009: Chocolate Fondue Fountain **CO** **\$ 150** Dave Colman
- 07-010: Halls of Horror **P** **\$ 1780** Megan Brodale

VIII. Special Orders

IX. Old Business

- 07-011: Finding Common Ground **P** **\$ 3000** George Ray
Bobby Beaulieu presents.
George Ray: Where else is money coming from?
BB: Various campus departments, SGA, different initiatives.
FOC Recommendation: Amend to \$1000
Roughly half of campus is residents, so we'll fund half participants (100) @ \$10/person.

George Ray moves to amend per FOC.

Amended to \$1000.

GR: This is a valuable event that benefits all students. The money in our programs account should be for RHA Programs. The support for this event should come from both students AND *faculty*. It seems most of the money is coming from student organizations and alumni.

Desmond Dean: I disagree with the belief that since there is already student support, we shouldn't support it. I don't like "if somebody else likes it, we don't have to." If it's good, we should put our name on it and support it.

4th St: SGA has increased funding from \$30,000 to \$40,000, clearly there is strong student support.

6th St #2 arrives at the meeting.

DD: I believe not all the participants will be residents, and the FOC amendment addresses that well.

BroHo: Even w/ the amendment, this is a significant amount of money. I agree w/ George that more money should come from the administration.

DD: I ask rhetorically, how often does an event like this happen? How often does Maya Angelou come speak?

Tim Gallagher: This money is for food for small group discussions, not Maya Angelou.

DD: Yes but that takes away from the entire event in general, which includes Maya Angelou.

No further discussion, moving to a vote.

Bill fails, 5-15-3.

X. New Business

- 07-013: Transfer of Funds Lisa Stuber

Lisa Stuber presents.

LS: Since Ramblin' Nights didn't occur this year, this bill reallocates the money from that account to the USA Today Collegiate Readership Program and Speakers.

Tobey Fowler: Why didn't Ramblin' Nights occur this year?

Tim Gallagher: Conflicts with other events on campus, poor planning on people's parts.

4th St: What is Ramblin' Nights?

TG: <insert long-winded explanation here>

George Ray: Why New York Times and USA Today?

TG: We could choose two, and these were the highest ranked in a survey.

GR: How will the program work?

TG: They will be distributed around campus – in the two dining halls, GLC/10th & Home, and the Student Center.

GR: Can I get all the different papers in one day? Yes.

Marcus Smith: What speakers are we getting?

Patrick Wiseman: The Speakers Ad Hoc Committee looked at 3 different options and chose the mid-level option.

- 07-014: Taste of Africa **P** **\$ 720** Neil Tolbert

Ayo Balogun presents.

We are a group that helps to involve African students and help them to adjust to life here. The event is an annual event with food, a fashion show, and other events. We are collaborating with other African organizations from other schools. We are asking for \$720 because we have to go through an approved caterer (St. Charles Deli).

George Ray: Is this in conjunction with the fashion show bill in SGA? Yes.

4th St: Will this event be free? Yes.

GR: How many participants will be residents? About 150.

Wryen Meek: How much advertising have you done for this event?

AB: Facebook event, flyers all over campus, posters and banners, flyers at other campuses.

- 07-015: Food for SJP Movie Festival **P** **\$ 500** Neil Tolbert

Nabil Taha presents.

NT: Event on November 13. Showing a different movie each night. \$2000 speaker fee no longer on bill (doesn't affect amount). Expecting 400 people, about half will be residents.

George Ray: What kind of food is being served and where is it coming from? Various kinds of foods. About half of food coming from other places.

GR: What movies are being shown?

NT lists and explains movies.

Marcus Smith: How many people are you expecting again? About 400.

MS: Where are you getting the licenses from? Various places.

- 07-016: Financial Literacy Program **P** **\$ 150** Neil Tolbert

Jaclyn Oshodi presents.

JO: CAs required to put on events. Event is going to cover basic financial responsibilities. Bills submitted to CHill and 8th Street. Bringing in other guest speakers. November 16 in SC Ballroom.

Area 2: Open to all residents correct? Yes.

Desmond Dean: Do you have to register? No, first come first serve.

- 07-017: Campus Wide Capture the Flag Committee Megan Richards

Phil Lacasse presents.

PL: How many people did not hear me speak on this last week?

George Ray (raising hand): Oh, wait, you said *not* hear you last week.

PL: We're going to play across all of campus, using residents (east v. west) w/ free agents to balance teams. No entering of buildings for safety concerns. I'm here today to form a committee under RHA consisting of 23 members, including representatives from various umbrella organizations.

Marcus Smith: Have spoken to GT Legal?

PL: No, since I don't know if it will happen yet.

Tobey Fowler: Have you had any response from administration? No.

GR: Why are there two facilitators?

PL: It's me and the other guy who started this w/ me.

MS: Don't you think it would be a good idea to go to risk assessment before you form this committee?

PL: Well a committee can do more than just plan this event, but if you really want, I can.

6th St: Why are there only 3 Greek Representatives and 17 Hall Council Reps?

PL: It's unrealistic to have all ~50 Fraternities/Sororities represented.

6th St: What about less HC Reps?

Tim Gallagher reminds everyone to keep questions factual and non-debatable.

GR: But debates are fun!

GR: Why did you form this committee under RHA instead of separate from any organization?

PL: I don't want to go through the red tape of creating a new organization, this is more a pilot program

Glenn: Can we change "free agents" to "mercenaries?"

PL: Up to the discretion of the committee.

XI. Open Forum

- 07-014: Tobey Fowler motions to suspend the bylaws and move 07-014 into old business and consider immediately since the event is scheduled for this Saturday.

FOC Recommendation: \$360

Since it's more of an Atlanta-wide event, funding half of it to represent residents more accurately.

Marcus Smith: The guy's not here.

Motion to vote. Lots of opposition.

Motion to accept FOC recommendation.

Vote divided, vote count: 13-9. **Amended to \$360 per FOC.**

Folk-Caldwell: If we only fund half of it how will the event happen?

George Ray: I think this is a great event and this is a fair amount.

MS: The vast majority will be residents. People aren't going to come all the way from Athens (UGA).

Matt Scudato: Did we fund this bill last year?

Tim Gallagher: They didn't come to us last year.

FC: If this event doesn't occur will we get the money back? Yes.

Bill passes, 21-1-0.

- 07-013: Harrison-Cloudman motions to move 07-013 into old business and consider immediately.

4th St: Do you have the speaker recommendation in writing?

Patrick Wiseman: Yes, I can go print it out right now (goes to print it out).

Marcus Smith: We have enough money; we can wait a week to vote on this.

Discussion suspended until Patrick Wiseman comes back with the speaker recommendation.

George Ray doesn't want to wait until Patrick comes back, motions to vote.

Bill passes, 22-1-0.

- 07-017: Folk-Caldwell motions to move 07-017 into old business and consider immediately.

Motion fails after vote.

XII. Miscellaneous Business

XIII. Announcements

Tim says don't move things into old business for no reason.

XIV. Adjournment