RESIDENCE HALL STUDENT ASSOCIATION
ASSOCIATE COUNCIL MEETING
Date: 4/25/22
Location: SUB409

CALL TO ORDER 9:05 PM
Emily: Hey y’all! I’m going to call this meeting to order.

MYSTERY ACTIVITY 9:05 PM
Emily: HAPPY AC APPRECIATION!! Everyone from your hall can come up and get a t-shirt for AC Appreciation Day, which has “R-O-C-K, YOU ROCK YOU ROCK” with a picture of the Rock! We hope you like them, because we appreciate you all so much!

ROLL CALL/HALL REPORTS 9:07 PM
Saskia: Hi everyone! So when I call your hall, if you can give me the number of people representing your hall, how many RHSA shirts you have on, how many NRHH shirts you have on, how many Conference shirts you have on, and a hall report from your hall gov if you have one.

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This week is the Gage Olympics, with an active program every day of the week—door decorating, seed planting, karaoke, nail care, tie dye, and on Saturday we are having field day which will be the first and third floor versus the second floor and basement.

Lenape 4 4 0 0 Nothing to report- all is calm :)

Minnewaska 1 1 0 0 Wordle event this Thursday where we will be giving away 6 $10 gift cards and have Wordle themed food

Mohonk 1 1 0 0 Hosting collab with Bliss.

Ridgeview 2 2 0 0 Mario Kart tournament went well!

Scudder 1 1 0 0 Nothing to report.

Shawangunk 0 0 0 0 None.

SENATE 9:11 PM

Chet: Our meeting will be this Wednesday at 5 in SUB 6263 as usual. At next week’s meeting, right after our usual time we’re going to be having an extended meeting with the members of the new Senate who are newly elected and are going to be taking over next semester. As part of that meeting, we’ll be appointing Senators to seats that were not able to be filled during the election. If I recall correctly, we have no one for the hall represented seats so if you are interested in being part of the Senate- I don’t want to take you away from RHSA, but if you want to do both- you can talk to me after the meeting. I can get your email and give out some information so you can decide if it’s something you might be interested in and we can talk about you maybe representing your hall for the Senate. I also wanted to thank the RHSA for cosponsoring the food concerns forum event we had last week. It was definitely a step on the right path. I don’t know where that path is going, but we’re on it, so thank you very much for cosponsoring that.

NRHH 9:13 PM

Emily: Stay tuned next week for an NRHH report.

OLD BUSINESS 9:13 PM

    Motion to Open Old Business: Bliss
    Second: Scudder

Winner Winner Chicken Dinner

Allison: I’m going to be announcing our winners from our weekly riddle in the minutes. In first place, we have Gage!
Secretary

Saskia: The riddle in our last AC meeting minutes was “What year was SUNY New Paltz founded?” The answer to that riddle is 1828. Stay tuned for this week’s riddle in the minutes and another chance to win GFPs!

Historian

Allison: This is probably going to be the last one, but here is your weekly reminder that I need photos from your hall governments for the yearbook. Some of you have sent them to me and to you I am eternally grateful, but I still need them from a lot of halls. I need more than I have, so please if you have any photos I’ll take anything you have and I would be happy to include them. I just want to have something to fill your halls’ pages!

Bliss: Do we email them to RHSA?

Allison: Yes.

Historian

Allison: PUP sheets due May 3rd at my office hours, which are next Tuesday from 2 to 5. So for all of these lovely programs I hear you’re putting on this week, please get those PUP sheets in to me either at our AC meeting next Monday, by email, or at my office hours next Tuesday. That is the last day I can accept them and if you hand them to me any later I literally cannot accept them and I’ll be heartbroken, so please get them in.

Food Concerns Forum

Parker: Like Chet said, we had our food concerns forum last Wednesday. A lot of great stuff was talked about, and we do have some updates. Something that was talked about at the forum is that Sodexo has added vegan board meals to GrubHub, which is great because even they admitted they couldn’t believe they had missed that. We also have an update from Steve Deutsch, who said he’s actively working to get vegetarian soups into a regular rotation at Peregrine and Element93, monitoring the allergen free space in Peregrine on a regular basis to make sure the offerings are appealing, as well as plans to form a group to talk about restricted diets and/or allergy options this upcoming fall semester. Those were all things people brought up by going to the forum, so that’s just an update from him on how he’s working on all of that.

Photo Buzz

Saskia: This past Friday was our Photo Buzz event, which was a great success! It was lots of fun to see people come in, take pictures on our sets, and try out our props. If anyone is looking to access photos that were taken, we’ll keep in touch with them and get those to you soon.

Parker: I’m getting them sent to me and will send them along to Allison ASAP.

Saskia: If you were waiting on any pictures, we will get those to you. Thank you guys so much for coming to that event!

Motion to Close Old Business: Lenape
Second: Esopus

NEW BUSINESS 9:16 PM
Motion to Open New Business: Gage  
Second: Bouton

Hollywood  
**Allison:** Your lovely Hollywood videos are due tonight! If you have not sent them to our email yet, please get those to us by the end of the night because we really want to show them next week. Next week we’re going to be showing everybody’s Hollywood videos, including our own. Then we’re going to vote on them and the winners are going to be announced at banquet. I hope you all had fun making your Hollywood videos, and we can’t wait to see them and share them with you all!

De-Stress Fest  
**Saskia:** Our next Buzz event of the semester is going to be De-Stress Fest. This is going to be Friday, May 6th from 5pm to 7pm, which is a different time than our other Buzz events so keep that in mind. This will be in all of the emails as well, but it’s at 5pm, which is not typical. It’s going to be on Parker Quad, and this will be our last Buzz event of the semester so you won’t want to miss it! It’s going to be a big, fun festival with events that are de-stress and wellness themed to kick off the end of the semester and finals week. We hope to see you there!

Banquet  
**Allison:** Two weeks from now, Monday May 9th, is our semesterly banquet. It’s going to be 8pm to 11pm. That’s an hour earlier than we usually meet, so don’t forget. It’s going to be in the SUB MPR. We’re going to be celebrating this semester and all of your achievements. It’s also going to be a big celebration to transition to the new EBoard, which is really exciting. Now I would like to announce our theme. This banquet theme is going to be The Wizard of Oz! We hope to see you there because it’s going to be a really fun celebration and we’re going to be very sad that we’re leaving.  
**Emily:** We’re also going to announce Hall of the Semester and our top three winners.  
**Allison:** Yes, so all of those lovely events you’ve thrown, all of those shirts you’ve worn, and all of the riddles in the minutes that you’ve answered will come to an end and we will announce the winner!

**Emily:** Before we begin our 10 minute break, I just want to announce that we have two elections tonight, each with two candidates. We cannot go past midnight so I just wanted to warn y’all that we have two elections tonight and we’ll try our best to get through everything. We’re going to take a 10 minute break now, and will also do a mini break in between the elections.

10 minute break | 9:30pm

NCC Election  
**Emily:** We will now begin the NCC elections! Just a reminder that if you leave the room, you cannot reenter and there is to be no verbal communication in this room and no technology. We will have an E-Board member keeping an eye out and if they catch you with technology, they
will ask you to leave. For this election and elections in the future, it goes in order of who was nominated first.

If you are running for NCC, please stand! We are going to ask Caroline and Star to leave the room and we will invite you back in for your speech.

Emily: The roles of NCC include:
A. The National Communications Coordinator must complete all duties in conjunction with the National Communications Coordinator on the NRHH Executive Board;
B. Serves as the voting representative on behalf of SUNY New Paltz in NCC Boardroom at NACURH, Inc. affiliated conferences;
C. Relays information from the regional and NACURH level to SUNY New Paltz, and vice versa;
D. Affiliates SUNY New Paltz with NACURH, Inc. through the NACURH Corporate Office;
E. Selects and prepares delegations to regional conferences and the NACURH Annual Conference;
   1. Coordinates preparation of all conference materials;
   2. Collects evaluations from the delegations to send to the Assistant Director of Residence Life;
   3. Coordinates and prepares regional and NACURH-level bids as per Article Twelve, Section Five of this Constitution;
F. Attends the NEACURH Regional Leadership Conference and NEACURH Spring Leadership Conference;
G. Attends the NACURH Annual Conference at the close of their term (if still a current student);
H. Attends the Fall and Spring Sub-regional meetings, if able;
I. Plans the annual New Paltz Leadership Conference;
J. Serves as the parliamentarian at all Associate Council meetings and Executive Board meetings;
K. Serves as a NACURH voting representative from NACURH Annual Conference to NACURH Annual Conference.
L. Attends an NRHH Executive Board meeting bi-weekly.

Emily: We are now going to have 5 minutes to list expectations of the NCC.

Expectations
- Manage time well
- Be a good face for the school
- Good organizational skills
- Willingness to learn
- Respectful to others opinions
- Outgoing, charismatic, and someone people want to talk to
- Ability to articulate ideas well
- Good communication skills
- Comfortable in social pressure
- Professionalism
- Open to different opinions and ideas in order to represent the school
- Good listener
- Good understanding of NEACURH and NACURH
- Understanding of the constitution, or willingness to learn
- Good team player who gets along with the rest of the EBoard

Motion to Close Expectations without Additions: Bliss
Second: Lenape

Candidate 1:
Hi everyone, my name is Caroline Mentes. I am a sociology major minoring in French and women, gender, and sexuality studies. I am a first year student and I’m running for NCC. I currently serve as the vice president of Gage hall government, a position I’ve maintained since September. I joined after discussing it with my RA liaisons back in the fall, and I realized hall gov would be a great place for me to find myself since I really enjoy that sense of community and belonging. I’ve made some of my closest friends through hall gov and I’ve also learned what it means to be a leader. I started attending these meetings in early November which is giving me the chance to understand and value what this organization does for residential students, the voice RHSA gives us, as well as the fun it provides through events, banquets, and conferences. Speaking of conferences, as NCC I would be responsible for the work that goes into organizing the STARS conference in addition to connecting SUNY New Paltz RHSA to schools around the region and the country. If elected I promise to put in the hard work and I will remain open to criticism, effectively communicate information to the rest of RHSA and NRHH, as well as all other responsibilities laid out in the constitution. Overall I believe I am the best fit for NCC because of my ability to effectively communicate, as well as my love for people, my outgoing personality, my organizational strategies, and my problem-solving skills. My past and current leadership experiences have gotten me to where I am in terms of learning to coordinate with people and outside organizations. Some of those experiences include my job as a server last year as well as some environmental justice work. I want to become NCC because I value connections with others, so I have made those connections on a local scale here at New Paltz, and I believe I can bring even more to RHSA by representing this organization on a broader scale. With that I yield to questions.

Question & Answer

How do you organize yourself, and what tools do you use for organization?
Caroline: Can I share about my favorite app? There’s this amazing app I use to organize all my classes. It’s color-coded too. It’s an Apple app, and I use it for all of my classes and hall government work as well. I’m very visually oriented. I have my baby goat calendar with everything on it too. I’d say I’m an organized person. With each of my tasks, I just have to make sure I have enough time set up for those before I move onto the next one.
What is the app called?
Caroline: My Homework, and the logo is a little pencil. It’s really good.
Are you intimidated by the possibility of being the face for the whole campus that other SUNYs will see?

**Caroline:** Not too much. I do really enjoy connecting with people. My work as a server especially helped me get out of my shell more and realize how much I love people, so I think I could represent this organization well.

How do you handle group conflict, or any conflict?

**Caroline:** I believe conflict should be handled from where it starts and to not bring any other people into that conflict if it’s involving two EBoard members. I do like to address conflict internally and at the root, unless there is an absolute need for a mediator. I wouldn’t want anyone to feel upset or embarrassed by anything that I would have to say.

How would you plan on creating and maintaining professional relationships, not only with your EBoard but also the other NCCs.

**Caroline:** Keeping my composure. I do have a very outgoing personality and that can overwhelm people, but keeping in mind that I’m here because I love it and want to be here but I’m also here to do a job. Keeping that mindset is important.

Do you have a working knowledge of the RHSA constitution, or would you be willing to learn more about it?

**Caroline:** I have read through it, so I think I have a good understanding not only as an AC member and of RHSA as a whole, but I have looked over all the roles NCC has to fill. I feel like I definitely have a lot to learn if I were to fill that position, but I’m excited.

Do you have any new ideas or programs you would bring into RHSA?

**Caroline:** I wouldn’t say this is new, but I know conferences are mostly functioning remotely due to Covid so I definitely want to be part of the push to make those in person when it’s safe enough. That would be something I want to change.

Motion to Extend Question & Answer: Esopus

Second: Gage

Will you be willing to give up some times over your weekends or even weekdays for conferences if you were to travel there in person?

**Caroline:** I actually love the idea of being able to go elsewhere to do things like conferences. My weekends are usually boring so to be able to do things with RHSA would be great.

What is accountability to you?

**Caroline:** Accountability to me is understanding my responsibilities and the consequences if I do not feel those responsibilities. When responsibilities are fulfilled, everything functions effectively and efficiently.

What is a positive experience you had at NPLC this year that you feel you could take into this position?

**Caroline:** I was actually thinking about that a lot lately. That’s really where I felt like I got to meet the other hall governments. I remember meeting other vice presidents and presidents there, and that was before I was attending RHSA meetings. When I was able to meet the other hall gov members, I got a sense of how everyone works together. I really appreciated seeing the different presentations people were leading and what everyone can bring to not only their whole governments but RHSA in general. I thought that was helpful in understanding how a conference would function outside of New Paltz.
Why specifically the position of NCC?

**Caroline:** I’ll be honest, at first I needed to make sure I knew exactly what this position is, but as I said before I’ve really enjoyed hall government getting to know other hall governments. I feel like I could bring a lot to NCC because I love people and meeting people, like in other RHSAs.

Do you plan to incorporate your sociology major into this position?

**Caroline:** I hope so, because sociology is the study of society and people and how people work together. This is a very people oriented job and I think I have good people skills. I’m just getting into sociology, but I am declared and I think it will take me places.

Are you the type of person to be afraid to ask for help?

**Caroline:** Not so much in recent years as I’ve come out of my shell a little bit. I definitely feel I’m vulnerable enough to ask for help when I need it.

How could you use your position as NCC and on the RHSA EBoard to further equity and equality?

**Caroline:** With NCC, part of it is choosing people to represent RHSA and I think it’s important to have all kinds of different people and different ideas represented within the organization, and to be able to share differences with others while always uplifting marginalized voices.

Motion to End Question & Answer: Lenape

Second: Gage

**Candidate 2:**

Hi guys! Thank you so much for this opportunity. I do feel I am qualified for this position and I’m excited to tell you why. I’ve only been part of RHSA for the spring semester but I really do love it. I’m super glad this organization exists. I think it’s a really great way to make sure student voices are heard on campus and I’m excited to be part of it. I would like to be even more a part of it and help run it so I would love the opportunity to be your NCC coordinator. I have actual experience traveling and attending diplomatic conferences as part of my high school’s Model United Nations team. For several years I was also an officer, which means not only was I a delegate but I also helped run the club, organize conferences, and managed all of the communications for the club. At these conferences, we spoke only in parliamentary procedure, which was a very fancy and formal way of speaking. When we got together, we debated and discussed a lot of solutions to world issues so I think it was very much a good experience. It was one of the most enriching experiences of my academic career hands down. I also think it prepared me with a lot of the skills in professionalism and diplomacy that I would be able to use to represent New Paltz at different conferences for the region and the state. I really do want to be able to go to these conferences, share our ideas, and bring back new ideas to make this organization even better. I’ve always been an outspoken activist and I want to use this organization to further that and make sure underrepresented voices are heard. I’m very much known for fighting for what I believe in tooth and nail, regardless of the opposition. One time in Model UN I was literally called a zombie for supporting LGBTQ rights, but I kept my cool and kept my professionalism and I represented an entire resolution to protect LGBTQ people despite knowing it would fail because the entire opposition was against me. Just know that as NCC coordinator and as an EBoard member I would do everything in my power to make sure student voices are heard, not just because it’s my job but because it’s something I truly believe in. I want nothing more than to support you guys and make sure your voices are heard because I know what it’s like to not have my voice heard.
Question & Answer

How do you expect this position you’re running for to be different from your experiences in high school with running the Model United Nations?

**Star:** It’s definitely a more adult atmosphere, to be sure. Also this is all real life scenarios, while in Model United Nations it was all fake. I know with anything I do, if it has more of an impact it will only encourage me to work harder. Also something I’m excited for is that not only do I get to present what I feel, but I also get to hear what other people think and bring it back to use it to make New Paltz better. I love hearing other people’s ideas and being able to collaborate and find good compromises.

What are your methods of organization?

**Star:** My methods of organization definitely work for me, and me only. My brain is kind of very scattered, but in my chaos there is definitely organization for myself. Everything has a place. I work very hard to make sure everything gets accomplished regardless of what order it is in. My motivations are a little bit scattered because I do have ADHD, but I work very well with schedules and reward systems to make sure I do get everything accomplished on time. And if not on time, I’m very good at making up for that by working extra hard and making sure it is above and beyond.

Are you at all intimidated by being the face of the campus when facing other SUNYs?

**Star:** No, I don’t believe so. One of the reasons I came to New Paltz in the first place is that I felt there were a lot of people like me. I don’t want to say it’s a laid-back campus, but it’s a campus where a lot of people get along very well. I’m a very artistic individual and I know a lot of New Paltz is as well. I have experience myself being in quite a few minorities- I’m neurodivergent, I’m queer, I’m trans. So I know that I am able to support the entirety of the New Paltz community.

Do you think there are any challenges you might face being NCC and going to these conferences?

**Star:** Probably, not really fitting them into my schedule, but preparing for them. I think I could get anxious right before. It will be fine once I get there, but the anxiety beforehand. Otherwise, I’m really excited for them and think it will be a fun opportunity. And I’m excited to meet everyone else at conferences, because that’s something that very much excites me.

How do you plan to maintain a professional relationship with not only your EBoard but also the other NCCs?

**Star:** Like I said before, I have a lot of experience in maintaining professionalism and I think it’s just a matter of setting boundaries. There are times to be friendly and times to get work done, and I’m very good at splitting those up and making sure work is getting done and fun is hard when it’s ready to be had.

What is accountability to you?

**Star:** Accountability is basically owning up to one’s actions. I know from experiences that sometimes you make mistakes and so you have to be ready to say that you’ve made a mistake. Not really to apologize, but to be ready to maybe not be forgiven and still have to make up and correct everything you’ve done.
How do you feel about having to sacrifice some of your weekends to go to conferences?

**Star:** I don’t really have a problem with that. That’s something I tend to have to do for Model United Nations anyways. It was often a Friday to Monday type of thing so I’m very used to sacrificing my weekends for whatever I need to get done. It’s also just very much a time management scale for me to not wait to get stuff done during the weekend so I don’t have an issue with it. Conference is a fun opportunity so I would most likely be looking forward to it anyways.

Are you willing to ask for help when you need it?

**Star:** Definitely. I think I’m very good at reaching out to my peers whenever I need help. I’m good at working together with people, seeing if we can split up tasks, and finding a way we can get everything done.

Motion to Extend Question & Answer: Ashokan
Second: Bliss

Do you have a working knowledge of the RHSA constitution, or would you be willing to learn more about it within the NCC position?

**Star:** Yes. I did of course read through it when I first became an RHSA representative and when I was getting ready to run for this position I read it through, but I definitely want to study it more intently and work with the current EBoard to learn more about my position and about RHSA in general.

Why did you choose to run for this position specifically?

**Star:** Mostly because I do really want to attend the conferences. I keep saying it, but I do think it would really be an enriching opportunity. I think it would be something I enjoy and I think I would do very well at it. I think I would fit the position pretty well and I would be able to bring ideas back. I want to work with the rest of the EBoard to get stuff done and make improvements to the organization overall.

Motion to End Question & Answer: Lenape
Second: Bliss

Motion to Open Discussion: Bliss
Second: Ridgeview

**Emily:** We will now go into a discussion period for 5 minutes extendable up to 3 times. Please don’t try to compare the candidates, but just say why one candidate is the best. So just keep in mind during discussion that we want to be respectful of both candidates.

Discussion

- We like the fact that Caroline was able to explain different scenarios and examples of why she was qualified.
- We appreciated Caroline’s conflict resolution plan.
- We feel Star’s experience within the Model United Nations is very valuable.
- We appreciate Star’s enthusiasm with experience with their knowledge of previous conferences and excitedness about joining the EBoard.
• We appreciate Caroline’s passion for RHSA, not just today but as a whole the entire semester.
• We appreciate that Caroline kept referencing her love for people and enthusiasm for talking to and learning from people, and also appreciates the interconnectedness between the NCC position and her studies in both sociology and women’s, gender, and sexuality studies.
• We feel Star’s experience with these fields before seems extremely valuable. They seem like someone who has a lot of experience and is very familiar with these high stress situations. That could be something that is not super common with a lot of students coming into a position like this.
• We appreciate that Star was able to be so open and honest.
• We appreciate that both candidates have their own ways of organizing and have their own time management skills.
• We appreciate how Star handles their words because it’s really important. They speak very professionally.
• We appreciate that in Caroline’s response when asked about accountability, they took a proactive approach to making sure responsibilities are maintained instead of focusing on making stuff up after the fact as a more reactive approach to accountability.

Motion to Close Discussion: Gage
Second: Ashokan

Motion to Open Voting by Secret Ballot: Bliss
Second: Lenape

Votes:
Caroline | 8
Star | 6
No Confidence | 0
Abstain | 1

Emily: We did not reach consensus, so we have to vote again. We do have to go into another round of discussion. If you abstained, please abstain again. Make sure if you’re voting for someone, you’re saying why you think they should be NCC to convince other people to vote for them.

Motion to Open Discussion: Gage
Second: Bliss

Discussion
• We appreciate how Caroline has been consistent through this whole year and is an active participant in every meeting she shows up in.
• We appreciate how Caroline has specifically RHSA conference experience.
● We appreciate that Caroline has been part of RHSA since the fall semester and has attended the NPLC, and that she reflected on that during her speech in relation to the NCC responsibilities.

● We feel Star not just having experience at SUNY New Paltz and on hall government and RHSA, but also with several years of at home experience going around with their own high school gives them a separate perspective of not just a college campus and may help them operate in a different sphere.

● We appreciate that Caroline was able to tie her experience working in the food service industry to the people skills required for the NCC position.

● We appreciate Caroline’s willingness to put her time into the position.

● We appreciate Caroline’s dedication to her own hall government.

● We appreciate Star's willingness to adapt to the NCC position, and that they’re already used to giving up their weekends for conferences and traveling for those through Model United Nations throughout high school.

● We appreciate Caroline’s strong presentation and professionalism and clear communication. Whenever she was asked questions about certain aspects she was very quick to answer, which we think is a great aspect to have for the position.

● We feel Star’s willingness to not only build themself up with a long reputation of pre-hall government work but also to be open about their personal adaptability and struggles instead of building themself up as a perfect, immutable character.

● We appreciate Caroline’s commitment to a willingness to learn in their responses about the constitution, attending conferences, accountability, conflict mediation, and when they were explicitly asked about receiving people’s ideas and being able to communicate them back. She mentioned a willingness to learn, expand their knowledge, and adapt.

● We think Star is very enthusiastic about being NCC, and we appreciate all their background in past conferences in high school.

● We appreciate Star’s unwillingness to give up their points of advocacy, specifically for LGBT and trans rights, and how despite knowing that their efforts wouldn’t suffice to everything they would still put in the effort to bring it up at a conference and make a proposal.

● We appreciate Caroline’s willingness to listen to what people have to say and to communicate with people even if she doesn’t know them.

Motion to Open Voting by Secret Ballot: Gage
Second: Lenape

Votes:
Caroline | 8
Star | 5
No Confidence | 0
Abstain | 1

Emily: Let’s give a round of applause for both candidates. Our next NCC will be Caroline!

Move to Groove: Ridgeview
Second: Bliss

Secretary Election

Emily: We will now begin the Secretary elections! Just a reminder that if you leave the room, you cannot reenter and there is to be no verbal communication in this room and no technology. We will have an E-Board member keeping an eye out and if they catch you with technology, they will ask you to leave.

If you are running for Secretary, please stand! We are going to ask Alex and Faith to leave the room and we will invite you back in for your speech.

Saskia: The roles of Secretary include:
   A. Responsible for recording minutes at all Executive Board and AC meetings;
      1. Must post minutes from AC meetings on the RHSA website no later than 48 hours after each meeting;
      2. Must email minutes from Executive Board meetings to the Executive Board, Advisors, and Assistant Director of Residence Life no later than 48 hours after each meeting;
   B. Works with the President to create the agenda for each AC meeting;
   C. Posts the agenda for each AC meeting on the RHSA website;
   D. Leads roll call at AC meetings;
   E. Keeps an inventory of office supplies and purchases them when necessary;
   F. Must be familiar with basic computer and typing skills.

Emily: We are now going to have 5 minutes to list expectations of the Secretary.

Expectations
   ● Be able to speak clearly and communicate their thoughts effectively
   ● Have a steady hand when typing to keep up during meetings
   ● Be a good listener
   ● Have good time management skills and be able to fit that 48 hour window into their schedule
   ● Be a good team player and get along with the EBoard
   ● Have good focus and be able to stay on task
   ● Good organizational skills
   ● Good methods of semi-memorization
   ● Take it seriously
   ● Be attentive
   ● Know everything they need to know the right time

Motion to Close Expectations: Lenape
Second: Gage
Candidate 1: Alex
Welcome back to RHSA on a Monday. My name is Alex Vaynerchuck and I’m a current SUNY New Paltz junior. I’m majoring in theater with a concentration in performance, and minoring in music with a concentration in classical voice. I am running for the position of Secretary for RHSA. My current positions I hold near and dear to my heart and have learned so much from is Ashokan hall president, and I was also Ashokan hall secretary for a semester until our awesome member Jonah joined and took that position. I am the environmental alliance event coordinator. I work as a student assistant at the library. I have worked as a night host for two years, starting freshman year until Covid hit and now I’m a night host again. That’s just some stuff about me. I would love to run to be an RHSA member and secretary because I would like to find ways to give back to SUNY New Paltz. I had a lot of good experiences here. I came in before Covid, now I’m here during Covid, and transitioned here. So I had a lot of good experiences here and want good ways to give back. I spent half or more of my time here just focusing on my grades because I wanted to make EOP proud. I wanted to make my EOP advisor proud so that’s why I took on so many EBoard positions and would like to take on a position here for RHSA. I find that I have developed a lot of good skills while being in all these positions I have taken on, such as communication, problem solving, organization, time management, teamwork, punctuality, and most of all patience. I find that I can work well under pressure especially. If you want, when the questions happen I can tell you about a whole day when I was working from 9 to 8:15 problem solving and everything.

Motion to Open Question & Answer: Bliss
Second: Scudder

Question & Answer:
How do you feel your prior experiences with different jobs you’ve had will allow you to work efficiently, moving concisely between all the different positions you have to fill?
Alex: I feel like with these positions I’ve learned a lot of skills, and developed and strengthened a lot of skills I felt were weak in me like communication. I wasn’t a very open person because I’m a very introverted person, but I open up easily now and do take on more than I thought I could. These positions I’ve taken on help me to be more open minded and open to the thought of doing something like the secretary position.

How do you feel your previous qualifications could help you within the Secretary position?
Alex: I feel like these qualifications help me to fulfill this position because in each position I have made mistakes but held myself accountable to those mistakes, and have not yet repeated them. I feel like taking on all these positions, especially since I took on so many of them this year along with 8 classes and also managed to have all As in my classes, I have lots of responsibilities and kept everything afloat on my end while helping to build others around me up.

How do you organize yourself?
Alex: Organization never used to be one of my strong suits, but I can definitely say it is now. I have a whiteboard. I’m very proud of it, and I have multicolored pens. I write out stuff in advance of what needs to be done. I tend to write stuff out in advance in terms of what needs to get done, what needs to change, who I need to talk to and communicate with. Right now I know my whole schedule for the week because I wrote it down and I remember it. Along with the fact
that I always make sure my phone is charged because I also use my phone for a calendar and a planner to play ahead of time and communicate as fast as possible. You should see the email chain between me and my RD.

With all of your academic and extracurricular responsibilities, how are you planning to fit this position into your schedule?

Alex: I am stepping down from the role of environmental alliance event coordinator because I felt that I have gained skills from that and someone else could learn from that as I did. So I feel like I have a lot less responsibilities and can put in a lot more work and effort and put a lot of myself into this position to fulfill it, learn from it, and give back to the community as much as possible.

How comfortable are you being in front of a computer screen? Do you think you’ll be able to sit for all those hours and type out the minutes?

Alex: I actually feel very comfortable with it.

Motion to Extend Question & Answer: Bliss

Second: Ridgeview

Alex: I feel like I am very well qualified to do that aspect. I find myself to be a very open minded person and very adventurous. For example, if you asked me a year ago today my thoughts on power tools, I would know my place- and that’s fifty feet away! But now that I’ve taken an intro to production class I learned and honestly can tell you about certain saws and how they’re used, different machines and their properties, stuff within a shop. I can do wood shop. Like how a band saw is called that because when you open it up it looks like a vinyl. You can do slight curves with it, but nothing too crazy. I find myself to be very adaptable, such as in these classes I have not been comfortable in in the past. I definitely feel like I can fulfill that because I do it already for fun.

This is a position that requires a lot of independent work, as well as speaking in front of the RHSA at EBoard meetings and here. How well do you think you can multitask and on the stop coordinate those two parts of your role, to be doing your own independent work while also contributing to the conversation?

Alex: I feel like I have a really big background in multitasking, especially being a city kid with all these interests. I was an art student, then I was a fashion major in my high school, and now theater. In my senior year of high school while I was focusing also on colleges, financial aid, essays, and finals I said “What if I just go to different theater companies and audition, and play three roles in each different company?” I definitely feel like I’m traveling back and forth whenever. To this day, I always multitask and feel that I can do both independent work and teamwork and the independent spokesman part of work. Through each position I learn and take everything I can like a sponge.

How are your skills with focus, attentiveness, and stamina? Could you sit through a two and a half hour meeting, listen to everything that is said, and then type it up at a later time?

Alex: Yes, I feel like I definitely can. Like I said before, I used to not have a good sense of organization and time management but I definitely developed a lot of self care while also doing what I need to do. Like now, I have this whole meal chart of what to eat per day. I find ways to access whatever I need to stay focused and healthy within these positions and in my daily lifestyle. If I need to run across campus or find ways to travel or problem solve in these positions I take one, I feel like I can definitely fulfill the position with stamina and self care.
As you mentioned earlier, you’re willing to jump from club to club, job to job, and major to major. How do you feel about having a lot of members in RHSA rely on you long term for organization, meeting information, etc?

**Alex:** I definitely feel like I am a very responsible person and keep myself accountable. I feel like I can definitely be that and be responsible. To take on this position, you need a strong sense of teamwork, understanding, and communication with your fellow RHSA members, the hall governments, those superior to us, and the freshmen coming in.

Motion to Extend Question & Answer: Bliss  
Second: Gage

**Alex:** Even though I like to jump from one thing to another, I always finish what I start and I will never leave anyone hanging because that is not fair. I have the experience of being the person left out hanging to dry and I would not do that to another person, which is why I feel passionate about taking on this position. I feel like I can handle it and I can do what I need to do to help out and make this position not a struggle but instead a great learning experience for me and my potential fellow RHSA members.

How do you plan to make sure other people’s voices are uplifted, particularly marginalized people in your work as an EBBoard member?

**Alex:** I’m a very strong person in terms of standing up for what you believe in and for who you are. Obviously there have been a lot of issues in today's society through Covid and altogether this last year, so I would like to request that if I was in RHSA we would do a lot of community building programs and exercises with hall gov and people in the SUNY New Paltz community. I feel that we need that sense of community for us all to succeed, especially now because of what’s going on in the world. For example, I’m Russian and Ukrainian. Not the best mix, and my families hate each other. It’s okay, you can laugh. But there's that sense that there is no community, no communication, and no want to understand each other. So I could definitely bring that into the position in terms of bringing up people's concerns about injustices, and their beliefs of who they are through identity, sexuality, race. Everyone deserves to be heard and be validated. I have the experience of being who I am and being invalidated, so I can say for sure I will stand up for you as much as I can. Our campus preaches accountability and acceptance, and we need to hold it to a standard in all our positions.

How do you feel your temporary position as Ashokan hall gov secretary will be different from your position as RHSA EBBoard secretary?

**Alex:** I was only secretary for a semester because we didn’t have one, but I definitely feel like I have a little of experience dabbling into what it is to do secretarial work such as having that need for communication with the RD and the hall gov members, making sure everyone has said what they need to say, and especially implementing my role as hall gov president into the role. Ultimately, each of these roles are not that different from each other. They are all strongly important. They all have some minor stuff about them that is different, but they all contribute and need the same amount of skills. From what I learned as secretary, it wasn’t a lot that I did because of the time I did it and the different setting, but I definitely feel like with the skills I learned from that and implementing skills from other roles I’ve had I can definitely fill the position.
Motion to Extend Question & Answer: Bliss
Second: Lenape
Do you happen to know your words per minute?

Alex: Last time I checked was actually recently. I want to say I can do almost 60 words per minute. I was so proud. You should see me working as a student assistant in the library and when it’s a small night I’m practising typing. I’m very proud because I do have a learning disability, dyslexia, but I’ve worked on it a lot. I make sure I read every night and I have a good vocabulary. I feel like with me having that disability, I can put in the position things such as me working hard to do 60 words a minute. I also have a proud moment to share. Back when I didn’t have any time management skills, I had to do a really long sociology essay. I’m not a sociology major whatsoever, but I had to do this essay for my final. I had an hour before it was due and it had to be around 1500 to 1800 words. I did an outline and an essay, 1750 words, and it was handed in a few minutes before the deadline. Guess what my score was? 100. I learned from that because it was a stressful situation, and I haven't done that kind of thing since, but I do work well under pressure.

Motion to Close Question & Answer: Bliss
Second: Scudder

Candidate 2:
My name is Faith Grant and I’m running for the position of secretary. I’m a sophomore here and my major is early childhood education with a concentration in math. I decided to run because I missed being a part of RHSA. During my first semester here I decided to go to hall government elections because I felt off about college so I decided to try it out. I ended up running for AC rep, which I also didn’t know what it was, off of a five second speech because no one else was running. Fast forward: I was in hall government and went to those meetings once a week. Every Monday night I heard people list their concerns and talk about random stuff, and ended up really enjoying it. The environment it gave was good energy so I did it again my second semester. The my third semester I ended up moving halls and becoming president of hall government in Ridgeview, which is a lot of fun but I missed the meeting and I had the most fun at events put on by my RHSA like Spirit Week and the halloween candy event with kids. Now I’m an RA in Capen so I’m used to taking people's concerns there and I like that environment. I also thought it would be beneficial if I was able to recommend residents come over with me if they’re looking for something to be a part of, especially since a lot of residents in Capen are freshmen so they’re more likely to have the same thoughts I had. I’m running for secretary because of the number of typing games I played as a kid, and my mom ran for secretary too. My words per minute are around 55 to 60. My most recent score which I printed out was 56. I used to be a lot better, but I figure my refound love for typing games will put me in a better position for next semester. All around, I enjoy RHSA. In my second semester, I won an EBoard Choice Award from current President Emily. Also, in terms of time toward the position I think I could put in a lot because of my major and next semester I have two days off which is awesome for time management. Also, I like scheduling and I like jumping between different commitments. That’s a good study strategy for me, so if I don’t want to be doing school work I can jump over to this and vice versa, which I think is a good study strategy that works really well for me. Overall, I think I have the time
commitment and focus toward this position and enjoy being part of the community again because it genuinely makes me feel welcome and happy. With that, I yield to questions.

Question & Answer

Are you a hall government liaison for Capen?

Faith: I am not.

Looking at the resume you printed and handed to everyone, you seem to have a solid skill in design and using that to make things visually easy to understand. Do you feel like you’ll be able to bring that to RHSA, and if so how?

Faith: A big idea I’ve had for secretary, especially since you have to write everything out, any standard things I have to write out when I move between things I could prewrite them and then just write in the hall. I think having a template could help out and especially really help with the typing.

What is your favorite thing about RHSA?

Faith: I really like the environment. I like the meetings, I like the events they put on, and I feel like everyone here is friendly. You could be friends with anyone who walks in the room, so I like that.

You said your weakness is understanding the experiences of others to an extent. How do you feel you would be able to effectively uplift the voices of those who are marginalized?

Faith: I think a big thing is just listening because everyone on this campus has an experience they bring. Everyone has something that has affected them a lot, so being able to listen to what they share and take that into consideration when speaking to them, especially in future contexts, in the way that would feel more comfortable to them is important.

While this is a very solitary position where you do a lot of alone work, you also do have to do things like present here or in the EBoard meetings, so do you feel you have a strength talking in front of a group and especially multitasking between doing something like the minutes and also presenting in front of a group simultaneously?

Faith: Obviously I shake a little, but I do like presenting. Multitasking is something I could do because I think having the comfort of something in front of me could help a lot. I think having that comfort of having everything laid out in front of me and knowing what I’m going to say would make it something I’m able to do.

Are you going to be an RA next semester?

Faith: I will.

How do you plan to manage that major time commitment and this possible position?

Faith: That’s a valid question. I do have duty, so I sit for hours on end in one room. I think that would be a good time to work on things. Obviously I have two days off a week as well, and I like things like this. I like being able to schedule what I need to do in a day, so I’ll make a list of everything that needs to be done and what commitments have time constraints on when they need to be done. And just not having to put things off. For minutes I’ll have to organize them, so getting those done Monday nights instead of putting them off for a couple of days is something that would need to be done.

Do you have any program ideas you would like to bring to RHSA?

Faith: I think it’s important to take into consideration what everybody likes. So a couple of semesters ago it was Among Us. Now I think everybody is into plants, especially with spring time. So definitely considering what the environment allows. Right now it’s getting warmer out
so for programs I would possibly recommend outdoor activities like planting. Also Pride Month is coming up, so stuff like that so people feel more involved in things they want to do.

Motion to Extend Question & Answer: Gage
Second: Bliss

You have a lot of experiences working with people, persuading people, and work involving you being in the center and projecting ideas to other people. How do you feel that would affect your position as an RHSA member?

Faith: I think it’s important to listen to what everyone else says and advocate as a group. So for programs, taking into consideration what everybody wants and compromising. Along with that, making sure everyone feels heard while I also feel heard. Not to put myself aside, but to work as a team toward whatever goal is decided on.

Motion to End Question & Answer: Gage
Second: Lenape

Motion to Open Discussion: Bliss
Second: Scudder

Discussion
- We feel Faith has a lot of experience in jobs specific to this area, and especially with her skill in design that can make her the best candidate for the position.
- We feel as though Faith is very committed to RHSA and seems very enthusiastic about the position.
- Faith provided insightful information as to why she is qualified.
- Alex has brought a lot to RHSA and her hall gov over the course of this entire year, and has really shown up for this organization. You can tell she really cares about people as well as groups, and we feel her responses were really effective.
- We appreciate Alex’s enthusiasm and previous experience with RHSA as well as being a secretary in her hall government.
- We appreciate Alex’s answer to the organization and time management questions. They were super thorough and detailed, so we feel comfortable that she would continue to be organized.
- We feel Alex is willing to drop some of her activities to balance out working with RHSA.
- We greatly appreciate Faith’s time management skills and dedication to the position, as well as how clearly and precisely she is able to communicate her words as illustrated in her speech, which will definitely be helpful considering the secretary position requires precise communication.
- We would like to reiterate that comment about Faith’s ability to clearly and concisely speak to get her point across.

Gage: Point of Clarification. Are we allowed to voice concerns?

Emily: So just a negative point? Yes.
- We are concerned about the use of the word ignorant in Faith’s question response sheet as far as weaknesses are concerned.
We appreciate Alex’s acknowledgement of her struggles with communication and appreciate how she talked about how she’s grown over the course of her college experience.

We agree with that point, and feel that Alex was very open and honest about her experiences and her weaknesses. She showed clearly that she had already grown a lot in those areas and is continually working to grow. It is clear she is willing to put in the work for this position so we feel she is qualified.

We feel that while we understand why some people were concerned about the use of the word ignorant, it’s actually very brave of Faith to say that she doesn’t know everything but that she’s willing to learn.

Motion to Extend Discussion: Gage
Second: Capen

We feel that ignorance can be a dangerous thing and that while we can be open to learning more there is also a certain level of understanding we should all have when moving toward taking on an elected position.

We feel that in this context, ignorance is not a statement of being unable to know or not wanting to know, but rather they are unaware first hand and in this context expressing a willingness to learn about the subject as opposed to completely sideling it and not caring.

Having the willingness to say that they believe a flaw about themself is ignorance because they are open about their willingness to learn about how to cooperate and understand other people’s emotions, and are being honest that they don’t always know what people have been through from first hand experience.

We understand the points being made and recognize that the candidate wrote about a willingness to learn, but ignorance is a word that implies an unwillingness to learn and we feel that with the position of secretary clarity and conciseness are super important.

Emily: I will just make the point that we do not know what Faith meant when she used the word ignorance, so we can’t speculate on what she meant. The concern was made and I think there were rebuttals, but just keep in mind that we don’t know what she meant when she said that.

We appreciate Alex’s ability to relate every single one of her life experiences to being the secretary on the RHSA EBoard.

We appreciate Faith’s years of experience both in the field and in typing abilities, as well as years of being in RHSA and hall gov.

We feel Alex has a lot of current knowledge of hall gov and RHSA as she does attend almost every AC meeting and serves as president of Ashokan hall gov currently.

We also appreciate Alex’s knowledge of her typing word count, despite not necessarily having a background that would require her to know that. She still came very prepared to this meeting with that information.

We feel as though Alex’s experience as a library assistant is beneficial to her knowledge of terminology for this position.

We agree with the previous statement because we feel it is important to have experiences on campus that go beyond the residence hall itself.
● We would like to note that Faith was also a candidate who brought in her word count, and they both had a similar number of around 55 to 60.

● We would like to note a concern. While Alex seems like a perfectly suitable candidate, it is a concern that she said one of her greatest weaknesses is in communication. Although we recognize that she said she is growing in this, it is the most important factor when considering the Secretary position so this definitely brings up some concerns.

Motion to Extend Question & Answer: Bliss
Second: Ridgeview

● We understand the concern for Alex’s communication skills, but would like to note that they said they were willing to grow and that this is a position where communication skills could grow with the support of the EBoard members.

● Yield to Redundancy on the previous point.

● We would like to add on to the point about Alex’s communication skills. During the speech and Q&A period, Alex was able to present multiple stories and scenarios in which their communication skills were super strong, particularly as the president and secretary of their hall government communicating between their RD and hall government members.

● We would like to bring up concern about the fact that Alex was a little more all over the place and circularly navigated the questions as opposed to a more direct answer.

● I agreement with that point, hen you’re having a personality that’s very bright and upfront and fun, it’s nice to have but in a position where you have to be very fast and concise with what you’re saying there may not always be room for a joking personality, as harsh as that is to say.

● We feel that Alex’s answers were still answers and that when using personal anecdotes she did still answer the questions in the end.

● Looking at Alex’s resume shows she is capable of professional positions.

● While being all over the place may look chaotic, Alex did say that with all the positions she held she kept on top of her work.

● We would like to say that while Alex claimed she completed everything and that her skills were good in terms of time management, she did go considerably over the time and kept talking after the three minutes was up. That’s great because she’s very charismatic and it’s great to hear her talk, but it is a concern.

Gage: Point of Clarification. We weren’t aware Alex went over her speech time limit.

Emily: She did not go over her speech time limit. I think what you’re referring to is that she utilized all of the Q&A time so we extended three times.

Motion to Extend Discussion: Gage
Second: Bliss

● Alex was on top of all of their extracurriculars while also exceeding in school, which is very important.

● In a way it is admirable that Alex used that much time because it shows that she clearly cares and has a lot to say. Also she is just fully qualified for this position.
Point of Clarification. The concern with time management was directed at Alex saying “Oh my God” when she had one minute left while speaking about her personal accolades as opposed to why she was qualified for the position, and then doing the same at 30 seconds.

We feel that we should not speculate what Alex meant when she was exclaiming as the time limits were coming up. Surprise and feeling as though they need to finish their speech are two totally different things.

Whether or not there was that element of surprise - because, yes, we all get surprised at things when we have less time than we think we do - keeping that coolheadedness and not expressing extreme outright shock is something you have to manage, especially when you are one of the faces of the RHSA EBoard.

We feel that there is a possibility that Alex being up there giving a speech caused a certain amount of stress that may cause certain outbursts but doesn’t take away any qualifications as someone running for secretary. It’s hard up there!

Emily: We will not speculate on what the candidate meant or was feeling at that time because we don’t know since we didn’t ask about it. Just keep that in mind when going through discussion.

The point of concern was that they were not being concise in their language, not the actual exclamation in and of itself. The exclamation was secondary, while the main point was that they had a lot more to say and could not fit that within the time span. And to piggy back off an earlier statement, the exclamation itself also shows that under pressure in a situation like that stress may bubble up and cause unexpected reactions. Again, another role in the secretary position is presenting and giving information in front of others while presenting that information concisely.

We can’t recall any time during Alex’s speech or Q&A in which she did not give a complete answer or didn’t have enough time to finish an answer, and it confuses us as to why that is being referenced.

Motion to Close Discussion: Lenape
Second: Esopus

Motion to Open Voting by Secret Ballot: Bliss
Second: Gage

Votes:
Alex | 5
Faith | 6
No Confidence | 0
Abstain | 0

Emily: We will have to go back into discussion. We did not reach quorum. During this discussion, please do not compare but try to get people to recognize the candidate you’re voting for is the best candidate. Please be concise. We will hear concerns but we will not hear speculation or rebuttals at this time.

Motion to Open Discussion: Gage
Second: Scudder

Discussion

- We appreciate that Alex was able to use all of the time allotted to them, demonstrating that she is passionate and has answers ready. She seems passionate about getting us the answers we deserve as the AC.
- We appreciate that Alex’s speech showed character while her resume showed character.
- We appreciated that Faith was able to express her feelings on why she does RHSA as well as her qualifications in a concise way that was well within the time limit, because the position is about being clear.
- We feel Alex still abided by the time limit, which has been established, and her answers showed character.
- We feel that there is a level of character that still is shown in a concise way, and conciseness and clear communication are important when it comes to picking a position like this.
- We appreciate that from the get go in her speech Alex demonstrated a commitment to uplifting marginalized voices and that she reiterated those commitments again during the Q&A section.
- We would like to recall the point in Alex’s speech where she mentioned that she is able to get things done on time.
- We agree about what was said on Alex uplifting marginalized communities.
- We appreciate Faith’s background in doing specific work, especially in the speaking aspect, in regards to the secretary position.
- We would like to recognize Faith’s experience as RHSA rep, president of her hall gov, and now as an RA. We believe those positions can really help her as secretary.
- We appreciate Alex’s capability in multitasking and willingness to drop activities in order to balance RHSA in her schedule.
- We agree that under pressure Faith has shown to be a good candidate.
- We appreciate that Alex’s experience extends outside of the residence halls into the theater department, eco alliance, the library, etc.
- We feel that Alex’s first semester experience as hall gov secretary will help her in being secretary.
- Among the listed skills on Faith’s resume, not just typing and communication but planning and project scheduling are high amongst them. In a position where you have to do a lot of coordination and communication, planning is just as important as word count.
- We are really interested in the programs Faith mentioned because she seems to have a lot of knowledge on programming and coordination, which we think is really valuable.
- As president of her hall government, Alex has experience planning and coordinating programs as well.
- It is important to note that Alex demonstrated in her speech and Q&A her planning skills.

Motion to Open by Secret Ballot: Lenape
Second: Ridgeview

Votes:
Alex | 5
Faith | 6
No Confidence | 0
Abstain | 0

**Emily:** We did not reach consensus, but since we are almost at our meeting’s time limit the vote is going to go to the EBoard as per our constitution. We will ask our advisor Cindy to come out with us and come to a decision.

Welcome back to our candidates! Congratulations to Faith, our new Secretary of RHSA!

Motion to Open Nominations: Bliss
Second: Scudder

**Nominations**

**Emily:** Are there any new nominations? The only positions remaining are PR and Historian. 3, 2, 1. Seeing none.

Motion to Close PR Nomination until Spring 2023: Lenape
Second: Bliss

Motion to Close Historian Nomination until Spring 2023: Scudder
Second: Lenape

**Emily:** PR & Historian materials are tonight, so if you have them please give them to us. Their election will be next week, and that will be the end of election season! Just a reminder that materials are 1 Candidate Form and 15 copies of the Candidate Application and resume or co-curricular transcript.

Motion to Close New Business: Bliss
Second: Scudder

**UPCOMING EVENTS 11:41 PM**
- De-Stress Fest | Friday, May 6th from 5pm - 7pm | Parker Quad
- Banquet | Monday, May 9th | 8pm - 11pm | SUB MPR

**CONCERNS 11:41 PM**

**Emily:** Just for the sake of ending on time, if you have any concerns please email them to us at rhsa@newpaltz.edu. But also make sure you are checking in with your RAs, filling out work orders to make sure they understand what the problem is, and then if it doesn’t get fixed definitely tell us.

**OPEN FLOOR 11:42 PM**

**Emily:** Are there any open floors?

**Parker:** You may have noticed that every single week me and Madison are late. That’s because we have our capstone class! Our senior show is this week, and it’s open from tomorrow through
next Monday. We have a reception this Friday in the Fine Arts Building from 5pm to 7pm. I’m going to ask you all to take posters to bring back to your hall and give to the RA on duty to hang up. *Who is the only 2020/21 EBoard member who is not graduating this semester?* Come see some cool art!

**Emily:** Any other open floors? 3, 2, 1. Seeing none.

**Passing of Molly the Moose** 11:45 PM

**Emily:** Molly is on vacation again. We hope to see her next week.

**Quote of the Week** 11:45 PM

**Allison:** “It’s not enough to be against something, You have to be for something better.” - Tony Stark

**Adjournment** 11:46 PM

- Motion to Adjourn the Meeting: “NCC” Emily and Secretary Saskia
- Second: NCC IT Caroline and Secretary IT Faith!

Next meeting will be in SUB409!
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