

## **VSA Council Minutes**

*April 25, 2010*

### **1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00

### **2. Attendance**

**a. Noyes Proxy, TA Proxy**

**b. Student Life Absent**

### **3. Consent Agenda**

**a. Approval of the Minutes from 4/18**

**b. \$300 from Council Discretionary to TA's**

**c. \$61.98 from Council Discretionary, Capital Contingency to Squirm**

### **4. ViCE Report**

Peter Denny announced that the ViCE Flaming Lips Concert had "more than broken even." Some local restaurants reported an increase in business that night. It was really tiring, however it was invigorating to work at the Civic Center, where they had a loading dock, real tools and Vaseline. There were 2,700 people present.

Activities wondered what was meant by "more than break even" and what would they be doing with the money. ViCE wasn't sure, since they had peddled some cash off to the freshmen to throw a party for once. In addition, ViCE has 10 events arriving in the next few weeks. The first of which was the hypnotist that arrived and scared Peter Denny. The film league will be screening Dazed and Confused.

Main wondered how the transport worked and revealed a personal story not being able to get to Mahoney's due to the Bus Drivers being lame. It was a touching personal revelation which led Mr. Denny to tears.

### **5. Exec Reports**

#### **a. Operations**

Operations announced that not too much had been happening, but that they had passed their \$15,000 mark with the Senior Class Gift. It seems that some jerk gave \$.21. They were up 11% in donations and gifts. Strong wondered when the results party would be held. The answer was 8 pm in the retreat.

#### **b. President**

The President reminisced on the visit by the Attorney General, it was a good trip, with lots of cookies, laughter and tears. The sustainability committee will be coming up with a report on tap water v. bottled water.

Most importantly, the Bus line would be taken up by the county line, however, the VSA would still have to pay for the weekend shuttle. Finally, they were looking to make a proper mascot for Vassar, it seems the giant lacrosse beer stein was inappropriate. She thanked everyone for a good year and wished them luck.

Activities wondered what would happen to the Old Laundry Building, it will be a swing space for faculty.

#### **6. Decertification of Catalyst**

Catalyst would be joining the student activist union, which would just be better for everyone.

All were in favor.

#### **7. Decertification of Investment Club**

The Investment Club would be joining the Entrepreneurs Club and they would in turn become the Business Club. The main order of business would be getting down to business, to defeat the recession.

All were in favor.

#### **8. Decertification of Red Panda**

They had not been active for their entire lifetime as a VSA org. All were in favor.

#### **9. Referenda**

It seems that we, here at Vassar, do not have minors, we instead have Correlate Sequences. This is confusing. They addressed this issue with the faculty, they were non-receptive.

This made Operations "mad as hell," which is odd, because this is really a semantic argument, and he wanted to change. It seems at a correlate relates to a "track."

Academics noted that it was done originally for Women's Studies, where this sort of thing makes sense.

2011 wondered what the point of this was, mostly since nobody seems to care.

2012 liked the changed.

TH's felt that an explanation of the two should be required.

Lathrop agreed with 2011, there was no context.

Strong cautioned about thinking about this too much.

Cushing felt that there should be a comment box, especially an optional one.

Lathrop opposed, All else were in favor.

#### **10. Allocation of \$1250 from Conference to Christian Fellowship**

This conference would help VXF to grow spiritually and grow in unity. It would also build vision and train freshmen leaders. All were in favor.

#### **11. Allocation of \$1500 from Collaboration to TH's**

This upcoming weekend TH will be hosting, in The circle. There were some numbers that had changed, but overall it was a lot of fun. There would be face-painting by Academics and a visit from the fly-people as well as tie-dye.

All were in favor.

#### **12. Open Discussion**

There are only 27 days until graduation.

Activities thanked the committees for their hard work in making the budget.

Main thanked everyone for help on the pool party, even if it was cancelled.

Cushing announced their scavenger hunt this upcoming weekend.

2011 announced the senior toast.

Ferry thanked everyone for the shuttle and remarked that local governments suck.

### **13. Adjourn**

*7:57*