General Body Meeting
September 26, 2006

I. Call to Order
II. Roll Call
III. Approval of Agenda
IV. Approval of Minutes
V. Pledge of Allegiance
VI. Public Sector  
At this time, members of the public who wish to make announcements may do so.

Lori – I am one of your co-advisors. Share office with RCPC. Happy to see some of you at Constitution Day. Tell everyone about first year election. Set meeting with advisor for e-board and chairs. Trade keys with me for new with old one. Can go to operation to open door, if close go to front desk for members other than e-board and chairs. We have an organization kickoff on Sunday.

Jill: My key doesn’t work.

Dave: The lock has been changed twice.

Grant: I’m not on key list.

Lori: Susan just sent me an updated list so I will have that fixed.

Sarah (NJPIRG) – Voter reg. training tomorrow in the S lounge at 9 pm. Training tells how to register voter. Want everybody and anybody to that. Student leadership conference, sign up sheet if interested in going in Boston 10/20 – 10/22. Great for a lot of us to go to conference, it is exciting. Can see how many people doing voter reg. and people fighting for higher education. We are the social change machine. Will pass around sign up sheet.

Sanket (AIR) - Invite to South Asian Social at LSC college hall. Rutgers community to come and learn about the south asian community. Geared toward freshmen and sophomores. Starts at 8 pm. Food and DJ, 10/7 hosting national be the change day community service project. Look for volunteers to sign up. All day event starts at 10 am. For more info. go to this site: www.ruair.net.

Sanket: Can ask question about bill later?

Dave: Yes

Barbara (OCSA) - Tell everyone Monday 10/2 is the general body mtg room 407. Tell all your friends. Any questions? Will have Dean Neighborne there.

Andrew Rose (Guest) – Mobile Campus Text Messaging

Thank Dave. Appreciate having me hear. Graduated from Maryland. Decide to work instead of grad school. I was once in student government. Mobile Campus – text messaging. Allow student to communicate more effectively. Model after list serv. Students are opting in to text msg community. They will in turn get msgs to their phone. Text message reflector. In addition worked with local vendors so students can get discounts. Can email to Dave the presentation on computer. Any questions just interrupt me.
Want to go through program and see what you think.

All opted as permission based. Choose whether students want to be involved or not. Generate website for student organizations. Fraternity or Sorority or student union. Start texting students instantly. Go through websites. Little prompt and moderator, type msg and goes out. Also has authentication. Goes out to students that have been opted in. Concerts, football games can go to large number of student or selective group. Allow student to get time sensitive things to get out immediately. This is a way for you guys to fundraise. Students have to opt in to get these discounts.

The service for mobile campus can be running up in 45 days when contract is sign. We don’t charge university for them being there. In return we ask students and campus to just get the name out there. To advertise and have table space. Employ students to get the word out. Passing out flyers or even getting the word out. Work with student government (SG), let us mold and shape for the student. Open platform system – can create apps. Can work with paypal, generate info portal, polling, survey, GPS features for shuttle routes, something we can do with mobile campus. Not necessarily have the program but can work it out. It uses cell phone companies you already have. 10 cent a message. Counts towards your plan with your wireless company. Contract them based on using what students are currently using.

45 days takes to get up here and running. Get office close to Rutgers and hire students. No cost to university. Already at U Florida, U Texas, Texas State, Ohio State, 24,000 students enrolled in the first year and half. Students are actually using this service. 80 merchants in 3 months. Students using and vendors are using it as well. Cost effective to promote themselves and student discount. Service works well. 200 merchants total. Work with even a national branch. Try to save students money. Very simple, fast, and efficient. As soon as at university students can use the text message. Takes time to build up merchants. Give Rutgers SG a dollar for every student that is enrolled. 5% of revenue goes to university.

Excellent communication with university not just students. Can work with faculty and staff for your own particular classes. If professor wants to cancel class get text meg. It is ideal. Student group messaging for room change, meeting change. Students will not get over message, they is a maximum. So don’t get over burden with it. Can make it limited as to when to receive. Make that in profile. Choices up to the students. Don’t expect a 100% of students to do it.

Student just put phone number, name or user id. So know they are students and not anyone taking advantage. Work with students to ensure they are who they are. To create a group, anyone can create an organization, work with university to create criteria. Text message has to be from the internet and not from the phone. Must verify they are moderator of the group. If something that you are interested, bring to students to make college less expensive and communications more effective.

Grant – How do you go redeem the coupon?
Andrew – Say on message when will expire. All message redeem at restaurant using phone. Can print it out online too. Can forward to friends.

Khush- Contract with university? How does it work if everyone has different plans?
Andrew – University acknowledge that mobile campus is here. In terms of how it works, with message we do not contract between any particular contract, when you enter cell phone on the
screen, if RCGA list of all members, When Dave sent out msg we send that msg to technology partner, see who gets the message and see all the carriers. Msg goes to hub and then distinguishes what carriers and msg goes to carrier and then goes to the particular member.

Dina – What information is being given out?
Andrew – None. Contract not to give out or sell that number. It is against the law. Have student id, will have a patch so can make sure you a student. Use university email

Dusan - .10 cent per msg. whenever you get msg get charged .10?
Andrew – Based on your plans. If don’t have plans then, .10 per msg. Message come in through mobile campus is charged based on plan. Have 300 msg everyone month allotted, 10 from mobile campus is allot towards the 300.

Akash- Generated money for campus? How much? Whose is making that money?
Andrew – Up to the university and the SGs. 100, 000 to 500,000 in 5 yrs. We don’t go to every school, choose school. Market will help in our investment. Once contracted there is a better estimate. This is more student focus and student organization.

Dave: People in technology office have contacted them and pursuing themselves on the academic side. This is only for the students organization aspect.

Mike – In terms of contract, what if RU does not enough students, who has disgression if contract can be terminated?
Andrew – As business not interested in losing money. In worst cases, university didn’t like way is working, we cannot exist. We need to have a healthy relationship with university. Contract do allow for it to be thrown out. We as a company do a lot of research before we get there.

Kerri – What do you need to launch?
Andrew – We need university to say yes we want you to be here. We can just be there and just try and get students enrolled, it doesn’t work that way. We need university to work with student organizations to advertise to students. Need university endorsement to be here. Can have a kiosk outside. It is all in contract to what we ask for, not necessarily need them. Cannot exist based on just tabling outside. We hired professional staff to work in the area.

Maurice – If get university endorsement how quick to launch?
Andrew – In 45 days, first priority is getting the website up. Can do it in 30 days but it would be off the wall.

Grant – The student list have our names and phone number, will the entire university be able to see it?
Andrew – No, not entire university sees this. Just shows students groups which one is private and public. Moderators can invite people. Administrators can only send messages cannot see phone number.

Dave: Business cards and have his contact to talk to him.

VII. External Representative Reports
Jill – BOG rep, special mtg. on Friday we purchase a building in Newark for business school. 51 million to purchase, rebuilding 18 million. Education policy and planning meeting this Thursday. Deals with degree programs and tenure issues. Questions or concerns send me email and get heard. It is a closed meeting. Sharo and I went to UCGA, elected a lot of members last night. Trying to get computer lab for non traditional labs away from student center. Try to move it down further on College Ave.

Sharo – Will go to DCGA to give BOT and BOG reports and introduction. Building committee mtg. canceled.

LCGA – Redo student ctr. LC is neglected. Livingston should be a priority. Told 20 million to build and fix up. Cut that in half and now having a hard time in general getting the money. VP Qualls was there, everyone is for it keeping as an individual. Bring attraction to LC. How to ace expos, we are holding that 10/13 or 10/10. Not sure.

PGC – Holding its meeting today. No update and will forward emails.

Khush – What time and where?
PGC - Bimonthly on Wednesdays at 6:30pm. Two weeks from tomorrow in room PH lounge

Motion to amend agenda. Move old business ahead of in-body. Made for only attendance of such members. Moved by unanimous consent.

VIII. In-body Election
   Class of 2008 Representative
   Nominations – Samir Balwani and Erin Hammond

Meeting closed at 7:43 pm.
Meeting opened at 7:53 pm

Samir won the Class of 2008 Representative.

   University Senator
   Nominations – Kalindi, Chris Keating, Zach Wilder, Charlie Pyler

Meeting closed at 7:54 pm
Meeting opened at 8:28 pm

Chris is the new university senator.

IX. New Business
X. Old Business
   RF06-03 Bill to Grant “Be the Change Day” Special Events Status and Funding

Eddie – How much does the event cost and the breakdown?
Sanket - Don't know off top of my head. 17,000 advertising in Targum ads, flyers, and posters. Expenses are toward the academy buses to rent. 600 a piece and get 4. Speakers coming from California, pushing for building school in India. Have food 10/7 have speaker session on 10/4 international lounge on Busch. No admission fee. Will have time to sign up the events can sign up online.

Jill – Which criteria is met?
Dave – Half is met by other sources and it is done last year. Meets 3 of the 4.

Sanket – A group from DC. It is the 6th or 7th time we are doing Set up service project in the local area. Highland Park, Elijah’s soup kitchen. Go to nursing homes. Instill values of community service at RU. Change name to advertise less ethnic audience. Open to everyone. Try to get county buses to run to and from the place.

Eddie – Turnout last year? What about this year?
Sanket – 120 volunteers. Projected turnout for this year is 150 – 200. Confirmation from 2 or 3 projects.

Dusan – What is the total budget?
Sanket – 16,000 or 17,000 if we can afford everything or raise money

Maurice – What is 6,000 used?
Sanket – Overall budget. Mostly towards buses, food, speaker session and room rentals.

Khush – You said 6th or 7th year?
Sanket – Not sure. Last year it wasn’t special funding. The year before that it was. 3rd year as special funding.

Shawn – What is the portion for food and buses?
Sanket – 3,000 for buses and 2,000 for food and speaker session

Samir – Is Air the most funded group for any event?
Sanket – Don’t think they are most funded.

Dave – No get the most money.

Jill – Point of info – can’t be special funded if from allocations

Lori – How many group total?
Sanket – Trying the get South asian frat, the Indian scholarship group.

Dina – 3,000 buses, 2,000 for food, 1,700 for advertises where the 10,000 goes to?
Sanket – Try to get the honorarium to get here. Speakers from California. It is a two day event to inspire to get RU community to do service.

Motion to move by unanimous consent. Pass.
RF06-04 Bill to Co-Sponsor Class Council of 2008 Bus Trip to Navy Game

Motion to move by unanimous consent. Failed. Motion to move committee to whole for 5 minutes. Failed. Motion to committee whole for 2 minutes. Failed. Debate list open

Against the Bill
Dusan – The only reason I am against because of the price for ticket that the student is going to pay to be able to go to event. 15.00 is a lot of money for student. At the same time all the event we have co-sponsor students didn’t have to pay more than 10. Going to the event like this is similar last year it was to see basketball game, don’t remember the price ticket but don’t think it was more than 10.00. Never done it before and not fair for students who don’t have money to pay for it.

Khush – Point of inquiry, it was a basketball game last year

Mike – Ticket for game is 10 and then add money for transportation. They are losing money. It is at a reduced discount. It is going to Maryland.

Jill – More than 4 hours it is 625 per buses.

Dina – Estimate for trip is 50 per person.

Dave – Can just say point of info for non bias info.

Shawn – What is the standing rule on co-sponsorship?

Dave – Nothing

Dusan - Don’t organize an event that is going to take more money from student. It is not something that I have or SCA in the past year have approve. It is the disgression of committee.

For the Bill
Jill – Believe everyone should vote and approve. 35 discount to go to this. Otherwise not alot of student can go. 15 is a fair price. And 50 is the actual price. I really think that it is a good event from an active class council and we should encourage class council. It is a spirit building activity and this is one way we show that we support them.

Chris – Move to previous question. Passe

Dave – Goes into roll call.
Dina
Susie

XI. Officer Reports
   a. President Dave Cole
Jim and I went to DCGA meeting, said hi and agenda on the year. Gave feedback on their agenda. Talked about getting implantation committee up and running. Freshemen election running. Tell all
your friends. I ask to extend the election until noon on Friday. But that of course has to be voted on. I would like to see it happen In-body election: 08 rep next week, the week after that 09 and senate

Akash: How many people are running for freshmen election?
Dave - 3

b. Vice President Jim Kline
Travel waiver for retreat. Do not put SSN number put RUID. It has to be in tonight or I will be knocking on your door at your dorm. Chairs we have a meeting tonight. First meeting of the semester. Congrats to Samir and Chris. Implementation reach to RCGA and give report. Eric send an email.

This waiver is to give university consent and permission to ride in the bus to and from the place. Name, signature, emergency number, healthcare number and ru id. And give back to me. It’s critical. The retreat planning meeting before this meeting at 5:30 pm, went over schedule and the activities doing. Not telling you all. Had a good meeting. Discuss alternative things to do. Next week come to meeting next Tuesday. Last meeting before retreat. Give you all info. What to tell your parents, packing stuff. All the nitty gritty next week. I need to see Jeff, Katie, and Grant, and OCSA rep. And anyone who did not fill out a program waiver from last week. This week is a Rutgers waiver to get on bus.

Everyone should check blogs and chairs should be posting. Check out RCGA website. The VP enrollment management, hired 2 weeks ago. Guest speaker on 10/17. More details as it gets closer. Next Tuesday, tradition with the new freshmen for Stuff Yer Face. Talk about that later.

c. Treasurer Michael Convente
d. Recording Secretary Susan Ko

Sent out updated contact sheet, please send me changes.

e. Corresponding Secretary Khushboo Shah
President and VP at DCGA and currently BOT and BOG rep is at the meeting. Passing sheet around for envoys.

f. Parliamentarian Sharo Atmeh

XII. Committee Announcements

IA – Meetings are at Wednesday night at 9 pm. Service hours due next Monday. You have to have 4. Only handful have done them. Some have no hours, worry me. If any outside events make sure get slips signed. Sorry about not being able to log in on Monday for the freshmen election.

AA – Meeting this Friday at 3:30 pm. There is a conflict with the schedules.

UA – Meeting at Zimmerli at 12 noon to view the College Ave greening design on Thursday. Invited of the sports team to come to our committee meeting. Interested in that issue let me know.

XIII. Internal Representative Reports
Grant – Sunday night went to first membership subcommittee mtg. Did a lot of brainstorm with different ideas. Coming along neatly. Not too specific yet. RHA had mtg last night. Talked about robbery that occur and what hall government can do for awareness. Have full executive board.

Akash – Where did the robbery happen?
Grant – Behind Morrow and the housing building.

Dusan – More about the safety issues, 2:20 am 9/22 in quads area another robbery.
Grant – Educate residents about public safety awareness. Public safety people are willing to come to different residence hall to demonstrate safety things and talk.

Mike – Point of Info, any way to get police patrol sometimes?
Grant – Last night found out, budget cut paid foot patrol. Don’t know if can do anything about it

Maurice – Foot Patrol, police, or security?
Grant – Security

Lori – Cut 10 security due to budget cut. They are the ones that lock building and patrol area.

Chris – Mobile campus with the flyers, Chinese menu on door, does University monitor for advertising, it is free advertising, raises security issues?
Grant – Students let them in. Student should monitor the activity. Monitor yourself. Don’t know if university have a policy. Do have security cameras.

Lori – There is a no solicitation policy in the hall it should only be for elections and campaign.

Dina – Behalf of class council thanks for co-sponsorship. Meeting at 10 at atrium to come in and help out with different event. EGC had two bills, support EGC cup, know engineers send them over to EGC, did some allocation stuff.

Akash – Went to LCGA meeting. A lot of people won’t want to choose Livingston over Rutgers in terms of housing. We came up with an idea to have housing by designated by course selection or major. Can see that as an empty campus. Spoke Molenaar and he is willing talk about our concerns. B bus changes are only proposals. Don’t takee place until talk about it. Meeting with Molenaar at public safety building at 11 am tomorrow. Let me know so I can get a head count.

Grant – There were talking about making new building of residence hall, apartments?
Akash – A lot of hotel company wants to, we love to build new dorms. That is going to save us time and money. The one thing is to be careful of the code of the campuses and qualify their building construction codes with what RU offers.

XIV. Press Questions

XV. Public Sector

Lori – Interested in mobile campus thing and let me know your thoughts. Email me.
Dave – Need keys go see Lori.

XVI. Additional Information

Dusan – Good idea for group of students to go to the Northeast Student Leadership Training. It is a good training for the new people. Can learn so many things. I am going and couple of others are going. I am willing to drive. You don’t have to pay for it. The accommodation is sleeping in a dorm. A simple night – one night. It is at Harvard University, all can go see that college too.

Jim – Get me the waivers when done.

Eric – Real quick about intramurals sport, most people for dodge ball and volleyball. Read off names and if not added let me know.

XVII. Roll Call
XVIII. Adjournment
   8:55 pm