

RESIDENCE HALL STUDENT ASSOCIATION
ASSOCIATE COUNCIL MEETING

Date: 3/30/2020

Location: Zoom Chat¹

CALL TO ORDER 9:03 PM

Clare: Hey everyone! Welcome back from our extra long spring break! I hope you are all doing okay and are all healthy. I know it's crazy and scary. It will be weird moving forward but we will make sure to continue to be here for you guys every week all the time whenever you need us, so that's why we want to make sure we are continuing the AC meetings as usual, having elections, planning programs, and stuff like that for you guys. Today will be a lot of explaining of things we are going to be doing moving forward.

MYSTERY ACTIVITY 9:04 PM

Clare: I am just going to explain how this meeting will work over a video chat. Instead of raising your placard to make a comment, please put an X in the chat. I will have a speakers list going to know who is next to speak and will give you a chance to speak. If you agree with what someone says or like what they say, normally we would snap or clap, but in chat you can send some %%% to show you would be snapping in real life.

ROLL CALL/HALL REPORTS 9:06 PM

Matt O: Hey y'all! 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. If you haven't added your hall name to your name in this Zoom Chat, please do so at this time.

Hall Name	Number Present	RHSA Shirts	NRHH Shirts	Conference Shirts	Hall Report
Ashokan	2	1	0	0	No report.
Awosting	2	0	0	0	No report.
Bliss	1	1	0	0	No report.
Bouton	6	2	0	0	No report.
Capen	1	0	0	0	No report.
College-Shango	3	0	0	1	No report.
Esopus	0	0	0	0	

¹ Due to the coronavirus crisis, all AC meetings after March 19th had to be held online through Zoom Chat for the remainder of the Spring 2020 semester.

Gage	0	0	0	0	
Lenape	1	0	0	0	No report.
Minnewaska	3	1	0	0	No report.
Mohonk	0	0	0	0	
Ridgeview	3	0	0	0	No report.
Scudder	2	2	0	0	No report.
Shawangunk	1	0	0	1	No report.

SENATE 9:12 PM

Clare: I don't see a senate report.

NRHH 9:12 PM

Emily: Applications are still available on our Instagram, @sunynpnrhh. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please email us at nrhh@hawkmail.newpaltz.edu and we will respond to them at our executive board meetings.

OLD BUSINESS 9:19 PM

Motion to Open: Ridgeview

Second: Minnewaska

Secretary

Matt O: I have results from the Facebook challenge for the riddle in the minutes from about 3 weeks ago! Can I get a conference clap? Third place was Lenape, second place was Shawangunk, and first place was Awosting. I asked what percent of student leaders does NRHH honor and the answer is 1%!

Historian

Noah: Hi friends! Starting from this point forward, we're gonna be doing an extra social media challenge a week! The new schedule is gonna be one on Instagram on Monday, Remind on Wednesday, and another on Instagram on Friday! I'll have results for you next week! Also, memes and creative photos are due at midnight the night of the last AC meeting of the month.

Motion to Close: Shawangunk

Second: Awosting

NEW BUSINESS 9:16 PM

Motion to Open: Bouton

Second: Lenape

#itsonNACURH

Serena: They are doing this 4 week program on social media because of all the virus stuff going on with NACURH. It is sexual assault awareness month. Coming soon, we will be posting our own pledge as E-Board members and want to encourage people to post their own pledges as well with the #itsonNACURH to teach others on the importance of taking the pledge and more information on the post. You will see it posted next week to encourage everybody else to take the pledge as well!

Yearbook

Noah: So I still have some halls where people haven't signed up for their specific hall pages, and I really need everyone to sign up on the spreadsheet I sent out for the pages! I don't have anybody signed up for the Awosting, Capen, College-Shango, Gage, Ridgeview, Scudder, and Shawangunk pages. If you're interested, even if you're not a historian or PR for your hall, send an email to the RHSA email and put my name in the subject! There are also general event pages to do as well! It's super easy and fun to create.

NACURH

Serena: They are all unsure of what is happening as of now. We are going to wait until they give us an update. They said they were going to give us an update in early April for a possible virtual conference, but they are not set on that. They said to keep looking at the website and they will send us an email. When I receive that email, I'll relay it all to you guys.

Hollywood

Sarah: I know it's hard to film a video with your whole hall so we are going to have you all submit Tik-Toks instead. If you don't know what Tik-Tok is, it's really fun, you should download the app and have a great time! You can submit one video per person and we are going to watch them at our AC meetings as usual! The only difference is that I am going to change the date because April 4th is not enough time for all of you to make funny videos and I want them to be funny videos so Saturday, April 18th will be the new Hollywood due date so if you can get them in to us by April 18th, submit the link, however you can get those Tik-Toks to us, we will watch them at the following AC meetings. Basically, if you submit one Hollywood video and your hall wins, your hall wins! You represent your hall. It's going to be weird because you are all putting in individual submissions, but it's like the meme challenge.

Programming

Clare: So as you all know, we won't be able to spend time with you in person this semester, but that doesn't mean that we won't be together! The E-Board is working hard to bring us all together not just during AC meetings, but during a variety of digital programs! We want to make the rest of the semester as normal as possible for you all, and we figured the best way to do that is to continue making fun programs so we can all continue to spend time together. In fact, we are starting our programs right away, with a very special event this Friday! So, without further adieu, Sarah will you tell them what we have planned for the rest of the semester?

Buzz Club Penguin

Sarah: You all remember Club Penguin? I love Club Penguin and I'm sure many of you also do. This upcoming Friday, we are going to have Buzz Club Penguin at 7:30pm. Make sure you get your penguins and your igloos all set up and we are all going to go on Club Penguin on the Toboggan server on Cprewritten.com. That's the Club Penguin we are going to be using. Come hang out with us!

E-Board Buddies

Johnathan: Even though we're not here physically, this E-Board is still here for you. Feel free to reach out to us through the email, Instagram, or Facebook. Here's a quick reminder. We would be happy to come to any online meetings you may have and chill with all of you!

Clare: Ridgeview

Sarah: Capen & Shawangunk

Matt K: Scudder & College-Shango

Matt O: Bliss & Awosting

Kevin: Esopus & Minnewaska

Serena: Gage

Johnathan: Bouton & Mohonk

Noah: Ashokan & Lenape

Election

Clare: So we are now going to start our election. This is a very unprecedented election, and they will continue to be for the rest of the semester. Usually, we would ask you all to keep your technology away, but obviously tech is necessary for these AC meetings. However, that doesn't mean you can be texting people during this election, messaging each other, or using any other source that is not the speech, Q&A, the application, or the resume. Apps and resumes were sent out over email last week, if you would like to pull them up, you can, and we also send a link to them in the chat. You will also see the Google Form for voting, but don't even look at that yet. There won't be a mole in the room, obviously, and there will still be 2 voting members per hall. If you want to send a note to a voting member for your hall, there is a way to private message on this. Please keep it at that. You shouldn't be talking to each other outside of that. Also, if you are a voting member, please have a \$ in front of your name so I know who to call on. Only the voting members are the ones who are going to be using the Google Form.

We will start with an expectations list where we will ask the candidates to leave the chat until they are invited back in. Then there will be a 3 minute speech, 5 minute Q&A extendable up to 3 times. After all candidates, we will have a 5 minute discussion period extendable up to 3 times and then vote by secret ballot. I'll now ask all candidates to leave the chat until invited back in. Now Johnathan, could you please tell us the responsibilities as CCC.

Johnathan: Updates all Good Fellowship Points (GFP) information for both semesters; Distributes GFPs to Hall Governments as outlined in the GFP Packet; Manages and updates all software for tracking GFPs; Manages and organizes all information in the GFP Packet (i.e. ice breaker submissions, PUP sheets, etc.); Updates the Associate Council on GFP updates at their

discretion; Announces the winner of Hall of the Semester at Fall and Spring Banquet; Keeps records of all Hall Government contact information; Keeps an archive of all updated Hall Government constitutions; Assigns “hall buddies” for Executive Board members and Hall Governments; Updates the GFP Packet at their discretion; Maintains communication with the Department of Residence Life and National Residence Hall Honorary; Communicates event information with Resident Assistant Liaisons and Hall Governments (i.e. RA Appreciation Day, Hall Government Appreciation Day, etc.); Serves as a resource and mentor for Hall Government Liaisons regarding Hall Government; Maintains the Hall of the Semester and Spirit Weekend plaques; Updates the RHSA Constitution as needed following any legislative changes or friendly amendments; Coordinates volunteers for RHSA events.

Clare: We will now have 5 minutes to list any expectations you have for your next CCC.

Expectations of Campus Communications Coordinator

- Dependable
- Innovative
- Kind
- Friendly
- Organized
- Open to hearing others ideas
- Approachable
- Good communicator
- Proficient in google sheets or excel
- Adaptable
- Good time management
- Honest
- Team player
- Resilient
- Optimistic
- Acronym oriented
- Good at maths
- Willingness to accept criticism
- Patience
- Professional
- Good conflict resolution skills
- Passionate

Candidate 1: Jordan Hennix

Jordan: Hello everyone, my name is Jordan Hennix, I am a psychology major with a double minor in communications and black studies. My pronouns are he, him, his and tonight I am running for Campus Communications Coordinator for RHSA! I have been active in RHSA since my first semester, as an AC Rep for Ridgeview hall. In the past I've applied for and ran executive positions, and, although I didn't get the positions, I knew and still know that I want to be on this executive board! This year, I ran for and was elected Ridgeview Hall Government President. Throughout my experiences in Hall Government, I gained a lot of knowledge and an immense

passion for RHSA! Now as for my responsibilities as CCC! My responsibilities will be to organize pup sheets by hall as well as time and date, keep records through Excel, Google Drive, Maintain attendance sheets for RHSA programs, Train the RA Liaisons, Keep track of GFP for Hall of the semester, updating the good fellowship point packet, Reach out to various campus organizations, assigning Hall buddies, Attend all E-board meetings, keeping an archive of all Hall gov constitutions, updating the RHSA constitution, Serve as a main resource for liaisons, help plan and facilitate programs, coordinate volunteers for RHSA events, maintain communication with the department of residence life and National Residence Hall Honorary, attend bi-weekly meetings with RD advisors and the president, as well as have 2 office hours per week. The passion that I have for RHSA has given me ideas on how I can continue to improve our community, such as the P.R.O.U.D committee that I proposed in my application. The objective of the P.R.O.U.D committee will be to represent ALL communities, in the effort to make everyone feel as if they are included in what we do as an E-board!! Another idea I would like to propose is a diversity and inclusion PUP sheet, which I would like to talk more about in my Q&A! It would be a pleasure to make all of you, the Associate Council, be more included in what we do as an E-Board. As CCC, my goal will be to incorporate new ideas, bring a new perspective, and represent ALL of you to the best of my abilities! My name is Jordan Hennix, and I yield to questions!

Question and Answer

Can you elaborate more on your PUP sheet idea?

Jordan: The PUP sheet idea I had was a diversity and inclusion PUP sheet. Throughout hall gov, one of our responsibilities is to throw programs that are fun and inclusive and advocacy if it's this program. I thought that if we were to have another PUP sheet that is about diversity and inclusion, we would be able to accept multiple backgrounds and learn how to appreciate other people on a cultural level.

How do you keep yourself organized?

Jordan: I took some points from VP Sarah. I use Google Calendar, I log almost everything into Google Calendar and I also keep a planner on me at all times. In regards to time management, Sarah suggested back from a previous position is to organize things by color coding, more specifically with the stop lights, green, yellow, and red. Things that are approaching, like an essay or let's say I have to decide who's hall of the semester when that's right around the corner, those would be color coded in red. Things that are not as time sensitive as red, but that are approaching and I don't want to fall behind on, I would color code in yellow and anything that is nowhere near as time sensitive as the other things that I mentioned would be color coded in green. I will keep track of everything through my Google Calendar and anything that is more time sensitive, I will be ready to tackle.

What are you most excited for in this position?

Jordan: What excites me most is to be a part of the executive board and advocate for the AC, especially for people on this campus. Another thing I would be excited for is to improve RHSA in regards to outreach. It's fantastic what we are doing right now. Making sure everyone is heard and respecting everyone's opinions and making sure everyone has a voice. There have been problems in the past where it seems that the RHSA community could be a little bit bigger. There are some times on campus when I talk to people about this amazing organization and people would look at me as if I'm speaking another language because not everyone knows about RHSA,

so I feel something that would be important moving forward is community outreach. That excites me, trying to tackle that. Even if I'm not able to accomplish the best means of community outreach next semester or next academic year, I hope that the future E-Board will continue from where I left off from.

What is a challenge that you think you will face in the position and how will you overcome it?

Move to Extend by 5 Minutes

Second

Jordan: This will relate to one of my weaknesses, indecisiveness. At times, when I'm trying to make an important decision, whether that be what's best for my hall, my E-Board, whatever the case may be, I tend to be indecisive whenever I'm trying to make a decision. However, I will overcome it by relying on my E-Board and my AC, being that I am supposed to be representing you at large as well as the community at large and I also have other E-Board members to support me with all my decisions. Making an important decision, I will be sure to consult with my E-Board members, especially my president and make sure that whatever decision I am to make that it will be the best decision possible. Not only will it be the best decision possible, but I will also be promoting communication among my fellow E-Board members to make that decision.

What have you done to prepare for this position?

Jordan: First off, I spoke to a couple of RA liaisons and I wanted to know what their biggest concern is being an RA liaison since my job is to directly be a resource for them. The biggest concern is that they felt they were left out of important information at times and that's very understandable. Now, what I plan to do to face this problem is that when I'm training the RA liaisons at RA training in the fall semester, what I first do is establish communication right off the bat, most likely Group Me. Therefore, if we were to ever have any questions, comments, or concerns, they could be addressed to me. They will have a form of communication to reach me. Also, I think it's important to know for the future CCC people, hopefully, me, is to realize that not every RA liaison is very familiar with what RHSA is. Therefore, I think the CCC should give a bit of overview of what RHSA does as well as the point of government. That being said, similar to what Matt Orlander does with the email blast, I will sort of have my own email blast, just to the RA liaisons, letting them about any important info, dates, times, updating contact sheets, hall gov constitutions, etc., etc. Anything important or anything that they need to take part of as well as fun and emphasize their voice in administrative programs, being that RA liaisons are always in the loop and the conversation as well. I've been preparing to train and trying to prepare the perfect means of communication.

Move to Extend by 5 Minutes

Second

Can you tell us what GFP and PUP stand for?

Jordan: GFP is good fellowship point. PUP is pretty unbeatable program.

Can you tell us one of your strengths and one of your weaknesses?

Jordan: As I reiterated before, my weakness is indecisiveness. There will be times when I have to make an important decision and I'll be juggling through multiple decisions, but my strength is communication. I have very great interpersonal communication skills. I've even taken a class for it. In regards to my strengths, if there are times where I need to reach out to other organizations or talk to my E-Board or even talk to the AC, I'll have the necessary means to do so.

Was there anything in your speech you didn't get a chance to say or anything you want to say at all?

Jordan: Two things I will be able to bring into this position is first, my conference experience. I went to the Spring Leadership Conference in 2019. We went to Boston. It was a great time, but I also picked up many different types of skills. Learning that there are many different types of leaders, not everyone is your cookie-cutter type of leader, there are extroverted, always loud, you know what I mean. At the same time, learning how to work with different backgrounds. I feel that moving forward as well, we need to learn to acknowledge that people don't always have to necessarily agree to what you have to say. You have to respect one another and each other's opinions. As an organization, striving for inclusiveness, that is very keen, and active communication amongst each is very important as well as something that I've learned as president is perspective. Being an AC Rep, I was more on the lower gavel order, I guess I could say that, and then, being president this year, I was more higher in the gavel order. I don't want to say more, I'll just say that I was running the meetings. Perspective is key to any position as they rely primarily on my perspectives to keep perspective and help one another. Perspective is an important skill to have in this position because not only will I be able to look at my perspective while also taking into account my fellow E-Board's perspective as well as the Associate Council's perspective and the community at large because at the end of the day, the people we are serving is you guys and the community. Perspective taking, that brings more mindfulness, compassion, empathy, and relationship building, which is also very key to RHSA.

Who did you talk to about this position and what was the best advice they gave you?

Jordan: I spoke to Johnathan through text message and Matt Orlander through text message and the last person I got to speak to right before this was Jennifer Covais. She gave me kind of a different perspective. She was saying how during her term in the spring semester, how she lost her passion and she wished that she could have changed things, so I feel the best piece of advice is to remember why I'm literally on a conference call today, why I ran to get into RHSA two times in a row and doing this for a third time, always remember how much passion I had for the organization, always remember why you decided to run for these positions, what keeps you driving, to keep pushing, to keep going, what is it about RHSA that you love so much, and the people who did it because this is the message we are trying to get out to people, so the best piece of advice is to always remember your passion as well as be a person first, of course.

If you had a conflict with another E-Board member, how would you solve that problem?

Jordan: If I ever have a conflict with another E-Board member, I would do what I do in my own hall gov. First, I think it's best to always have a cooling period because whenever someone is upset, we tend to say things that we don't necessarily mean. Especially the tone that we have, the facial expressions we may have, sometimes, the messages aren't delivered in the best way possible. So, the first thing is having that cooling off period and trying to debrief, try to remember what is it that got you upset and how are you going to bring it as a goal in a rational way. Second, when you find time to meet up after you guys have cooled off, I'll express my concerns while giving a platform for he, she, or they to say why we were so upset and always try to find some sort of consensus. If we are unable to find a consensus with one another, bring it up to the president, and if the communication doesn't work between the president and the two of us, RD so on and so forth. Let's say that that there's a scenario where we hate each other, at the end of the day, we are still serving the AC Reps and the community and I think it's always best to

have professionalism, but of course, conflict always dies itself, but those are the necessary steps that I will take.

Move to Extend by 5 Minutes

Second

Move to Exhaust the Speaker's List Without Additions: Ashokan

Second: Ridgeview

Clare: Do we have any dissent? Seeing none. Jordan, I will ask you to step out and we will let you know when to call back in.

I'll bring back up the expectations list. We will go into discussion, extendable up to 3 times, and it can only be about things talked about in the election or paperwork.

If you are not a voting member, but have a point, direct message your voting member and when we get to the voting, I want to emphasize abstaining.

Move to Open Discussion: Awosting

Second: Minnewaska

Discussion

- We liked someone who is organized. He talked about how he color codes his work and we think that was cool.
- We liked his idea of conflict resolution. We feel it's very thought out.
- Jordan's idea for the diversity PUP sheet is innovative and adds a new dimension to PUP sheets we haven't seen yet. It shows that he's willing to add new ideas and grow with the times and ideas of what's important to students.
- We appreciate the fact that because he has been a president, he has experience working with a team and knowing what to do.
- We believe that his willingness to be inclusive and optimistic is greatly appreciated.
- We appreciate his willingness to be on the RHSA E-Board and his passion for it.
- We appreciate his strides for leadership and his drive to want to learn more as a leader on the SUNY New Paltz campus and putting himself out there with the president position of Ridgeview, with this position, as well as the other position that he has ran for on RHSA, so it shows that he has grit and determination to apply motivation.

Move to Extend by 5 Minutes

Second

- I liked how he talked about the RA liaisons, adding more training and telling them what RHSA is because in our hall, our liaisons were two people who were new to RHSA so we feel that if they had a bit more of an explanation...

Clare: I appreciate your points, but make sure that what you're talking about is just information that you took from this election and not experiences that you've had outside. You can go back to the beginning and emphasize that point.

- We appreciate his willingness to learn and grow and adapt on his weaknesses to fulfill the role.

- We appreciate that he mentioned in his speech that he applied for multiple roles before and this isn't his first try, so he has persistence to keep trying. Secondly, he was able to answer the acronym question immediately.
- We appreciate how he has been able to persevere when he has had a loss in something and kept persevering to be a part of this organization.

Motion to Close Discussion: Lenape
Second: Capen

Motion to Open Voting By Secret Ballot: Ashokan
Second: Minnewaska

Serena: I'm going to do like I do before every election. I will strongly recommend abstaining, even if it's just one person, if you have any personal bias towards our candidate, if you came into this knowing you love Jordan so much or you came in knowing you hate Jordan this much, you should not be voting. You should abstain for sure. Again, for any election, you should be abstaining, if you have any personal bias.

Clare: Now that we have opened our voting period, your options are to vote for Jordan, the second option is no confidence, which is a perfectly valid vote if you feel that the candidate running would not be able to fulfill their duties for this position, and your third voting option is abstain. Just as Serena said, I'm really going to emphasize abstaining, if you are friends with the person, you hate the person, all these other things, just because it will help keep our votes equal and fair as they could possibly be. I will now send out the Google Form. Please insert your name and your hall.

Voting

Jordan Hennix: 10

No Confidence: 3

Abstain: 4

Clare: We did not reach a consensus, so we will go into another period of discussion for 5 minutes, not extendable. Only the voting members should be speaking. I will bring up the expectations list.

Discussion

- We liked how he talked about diversity. From a previous comment, someone brought up that previously, RHSA didn't focus on diversity and we need to focus on what's relevant.

Clare: Everyone should give pros and cons and influence others why you feel a certain way about the candidate.

- We want to reiterate that Jordan seemed very prepared and poised in his speech, he seemed very willing to work and immerse himself in this E-Board position as well as expand communication, as much as possible because that would be his role, especially further in the fact of training RAs and making them more aware of their position in hall gov and how they can help.

- From the election, we can see that Jordan wanted to help build a strong sense of community on campus. One of the ways that he's tried to do that is through hall gov and being president of Ridgeview. Also, he wants to join RHSA so that he can get more people involved in this organization. He mentioned this organization to other people and some people didn't know what he was talking about. A lot of people don't really know what RHSA is and I feel that he would be a great asset to this organization because he has the personality and he is very outgoing and enthusiastic. He wants people to join and give RHSA the enthusiasm that it deserves.
- If we are looking at the CCC position list, some of the things that we said were kind, friendly, honest, and organized and we think Jordan fits all of these categories because speaking to us, he has been trying, even through the communication problems he has been having and only being able to access his phone, and he has just been very personable and he promotes himself as personable and in terms of being honest, he admits his faults and by knowing your faults, you are able to maximize on them and be better. We said kind, friendly, organized. He fits those. He was speaking to us and by owning up to your faults, you maximize and can be better.
- When Jordan was talking about how he was president of Ridgeview, it showed how much of a team player he had to be and especially, going out to reach out to other people to learn how to communicate and learn from his own mistakes as well as gain knowledge from them is important to have as CCC, as we listed.

Serena: If you abstain the first time, you must abstain again or else we will have to redo the vote. The vote would not be valid. We need to have the same amount of abstains. If you did not abstain the first time, but realize now that you should abstain because you have personal bias, you should definitely abstain just to put that all out there.

- We feel like although Jordan seems committed to diversity, often it feels like that is his only talking point, and sometimes it doesn't seem like he has many other causes or ways to improve the organization in other ways. It just doesn't seem very balanced.

Clare: We are going to vote. If you are voting, please put a dollar sign in front of your name so I can see in the chat to know that you are voting. If you abstained the first time, you have to abstain this time. You can abstain this time if you didn't abstain before. Please abstain if you should. That is really good integrity.

Voting

Jordan Hennix: 10

No Confidence: 3

Abstain: 4

Clare: We are going back into another period of discussion.

Discussion

- We would like to hear other people talk, but we feel that in regards to the last comment, Jordan does exemplify diversity. We feel that in every election, there should be something that you feel passionate about, so we feel that he is pushing for diversity in an organization that doesn't have much diversity and we need that. We think Jordan has also

brought other aspects to the table on behalf of RHSA, such as organizational skills and prior experiences. Although, diversity is something that he is really passionate about, I don't think he should be shunned for that.

- While it is very important to have a cause and diversity is an important cause, a candidate should have many points if they are running on rather than just one and he should have a good idea of what he would like to do rather than just one.
- We agree with a previous comment that a candidate shouldn't be punished for a particular position they have. Usually, if someone has passion for something it's because they have experiences that resonate with them and they grow attached to those experiences and want to help other people who can relate to them with those same experiences and whenever Jordan has went through to make him passionate about diversity and inclusion among people of color or queer people or anything that relates to that. How do we have the right? It matters that he is passionate about something and he obviously wants to build it into a leadership career and this leadership position that he wants to do on campus and who would say that he doesn't deserve this position because he's passionate about one topic of diversity?
- As CCC, especially getting the RA liaisons looped into RHSA is extremely important as Jordan said that he has learned that other people have felt left out and his ideas in what he said in his speech with the new email blast would be really helpful and we think all the ideas he's coming from, especially with this position and trying to get the RA liaisons on board more and more involved is really important.
- We would like to clarify our previous statement. We are not saying that you can't have a singular passion for something. We are just saying that as a member of an organization, it is important in our view to have multiple avenues of thought and multiple issues that you think about because there are multiple issues on this campus. We don't mean that he shouldn't be passionate about diversity or be passionate about diversity. We mean that as part an organization, you should have more than one goal.
- We agree with a previous point that it's important to give the RA liaisons extra practice because they can support the hall govs better and also, we feel that it's possible that he only or mainly talked about diversity because not that many questions were asked of him. We don't know what else he could have brought to the table if no one asked.

Clare: We are going to vote one more time.

Serena: Again, one more time, abstaining is so important. I'm putting that out there. Again, if you abstained the first time, you have to abstain again, otherwise the vote is invalid and we are going to have to keep doing it over and over again.

Voting

Jordan Hennix: 10

No Confidence: 3

Abstain: 4

Clare: We did not reach a consensus so this decision is going to the E-Board.²

Clare: Congratulations, Jordan, you are next year's CCC!

Motion to Open Nominations: Awosting
Second: Ridgeview

Clare: First, I'm going to ask these people who have tabled nominations. I'm going to ask if you accept, table, or decline.

Clare: Alyssa from Minnewaska for Historian.

Alyssa: I table.

Clare: Matt Orlander for Vice President.

Matt O: I respectfully decline.

Clare: Emily Yulo for Vice President.

Emily: I accept.

Clare: This is just the CCC election and because everything has been moved around and we want to give the VP more time to be trained. The VP election is going to be this coming election next week. After that is going to be the Historian election and after that is going to be the PR election. Because the PR election was last week, we already closed nominations for that so we are going to reopen nominations for PR. You can still nominate for Historian and PR and this will be the last day to nominate someone for VP.

Motion to Open Public Relations Nominations: Scudder
Second: Ridgeview

Ridgeview: Serena Cruz for VP.

Shawangunk: Second

Serena: I accept.

Shawangunk: Kevin Merting for Historian.

Ridgeview: Second

Kevin: I proudly decline.

College-Shango: I nominate Grace from Scudder for PR.

Ridgeview: Second

Grace: I decline.

College-Shango: Heaven Torres for Historian

² Note: The E-Board held a video chat just among themselves and had a discussion about the candidate, but was unable to make a decision. As a result, President Clare and RD Advisor Shayna made the decision that Jordan will be elected CCC.

Ridgeview: Second

Heaven: I decline.

Motion to Table Nominations: Ridgeview

Second: Shawangunk

Motion to Close CCC Nominations Until Spring 2021: Ashokan

Second: College-Shango

Motion to Close VP Nominations: Awosting

Second: College-Shango

Clare: If you have your Vice President election materials, please email them by Wednesday, April 1st at noon to the RHSA email, rhsa@hawkmail.newpaltz.edu. For every election, your materials are due Wednesday at noon before your election. Historian materials will be due Wednesday, April 8th at noon. Email us a copy of your resume, application, unofficial transcript and one copy of your candidate form.

Motion to Close New Business: Bliss

Second: Awosting

UPCOMING EVENTS 11:20 PM

- Buzz Club Penguin (Friday, April 3rd at 7:30pm to 9pm, Online: Cprewritten.com, on the Toboggan server)

STUDENT CONCERNS 11:21 PM

Clare: Even though we are a part of each other, there are so many things going on both on campus and off campus because we are all still students so we are still going to be hearing them. If you have general concerns for things going on campus wide or Blackboard wide (something's broken, wrong, administrative concerns, faculty concerns), this is your moment to tell us so we can relay the information to the administration. However, if you have any food concerns (type, quality, price, location, or the water), we will not hear them at this point but you can email us at rhsa@hawkmail.newpaltz.edu. If you are on campus and still eating campus food and have concerns, email them to us because they could be very important (How you are getting your food, what time you are allowed to go to the dining hall and stuff like that. That is all very important and we want to be able to hear them so we can tell the administration about them.) Anything related to COVID-19, we would like to hear. There might be a chance that we may not be able to totally answer it. You should be checking your emails for information but on the top of the school website there is a frequently asked questions page that has so much information that would be very valuable to you.

Ashokan: It came to my attention, the weeks before leaving school that the McKenna Theatre has asbestos in it, so on top where there are a lot of electrical wires and on top of the theater, there is asbestos cabling covers around the wires. Supposedly, the school says it's not super important because not many people should be up there, but there are the workers, the theater staff, that have to go up there and deal with that. On top of that, there is asbestos in the orchestra

pit, which is moldy and has asbestos. They brought it down there and then told us that. Those are concerns because they redid everything in the theater except for that.

Bouton: In reference to that, I've been a theater major for 4 years and I just learned that today.

Clare: We will let them know about that. Thank you, Heaven.

College-Shango: My concern has to do with art majors. What are we doing about classes? We don't have studios, we don't have our equipment, we don't have anything right now.

Clare: I can go into this a little bit because I'm an art minor right now and I'm in a sculpture class right now where we do welding. I can't weld at home, so things like that are going to come up, especially if you are any of the arts or any of the sciences and you are using labs. A lot of those questions could be answered in the frequently asked questions, but I also think it's very important to be direct with your professors, especially because they haven't given you an answer yet. I had my first class with my sculpture professor today and he was really open about how we were going to move forward. Work with whatever materials you have. Make art with whatever you have. Obviously, not everybody has access to any materials that may be needed. It's important, specifically in times like this, to be advocating for yourself to your professor and saying what do we do next? You need to be open and clear with us because I'm trying to get an education with you. If they are not being clear with you, if they continue to be vague and not give you answers and you don't know what to do next, reach out to us and we would love to help you out a little more.

College-Shango: I wanted to gear this more towards administration as the professors are understanding, but we are not learning. The whole point of a lot, especially photo classes, the point is that I'm supposed to be in Photoshop learning Photoshop. I'm supposed to be learning controls and different things with the camera. If we don't have equipment with lighting, I can't learn any of those things. These courses are basically pointless at this point. A lot of us are going to get easy A's and quick passes because we don't have anything, but that wasn't the point. I came to college to learn so I think they need to do something about that.

Clare: In regards to that, email one of the head administrators of the art department to see and make sure that the professors are doing it, but because there are so many things underneath that art department, there are photo majors, but there are painting majors who may have paints at home. There are a lot of different people and materials that the art department will be working with as well as any other department. Everything that has been shared with me is that the professors and the administrators have gone through a significant amount of training and things like that (Blackboard, how to make it easy for your students to access information, and the education they are here for). If your professor hasn't figured that out for you, that would be specifically something your professor is doing because you can't get hands on with a camera and that isn't really something that is going to change if the class you registered for right now. However, your professor could find an alternate. I couldn't figure out what that alternate could be, but it's on your professor and if your professor is absolutely slacking, I would say to go to administration, but from administration's point, they have shared with all of their professors how they should be navigating this weird, wacky territory that no one has ever seen before.

Matt K: On top of that, certain departments do mirror other schools. So, I know one of my departments is trying to mirror what other schools are doing. It's not optimal, especially for my major. It's really hard with my class, but they are trying to mirror what other schools are doing, so I would say while it's not the best condition, we are at least making an effort and hopefully, you can try and learn something. I know the research that I'm getting is a lot and it's not what I

expected. I at least have the ability to participate in my classes and have an interaction with professors so even if you don't get what you want in the classroom, at least I'm interacting with my professor and maybe that's the best thing we could do at this point or create a group chat with other people to at least talk about it because that's what I find is helping me through this and it's kind of sad. I love my class and friends, but you got to work through it. Sorry to hear that.

Alyssa: Speaking on James's point, I'm an art major, too, and I get what you are saying. I'm in a finger drawing class and we Zoom chatted the model and drew off my computer, which was very weird, but I think, like Clare was saying, the most important thing is reaching out to your professor because we are all in the same boat, regardless of what kind of art you are taking. I know it's harder for some. I know my roommate was taking ceramics. How is she supposed to do that without a wheel? You can't really anticipate the situation and you have to do the best you can. If you feel that you are not being supported or you are not learning, reach out to your professor because maybe they could hold a Zoom chat. They could make a PowerPoint for you with different Photoshop tutorials or they could find some other way for you to interact and make the most out of what you have.

Who is the current Vice President for Enrollment Management at SUNY New Paltz?

Clare: I want to especially emphasize to any students still living on campus that we are your Residence Hall Student Association so even though I may not be in a residence hall right now, I'm still here to advocate for you if you are on campus. If your vending machine is not working, I'm here to make sure your vending machine gets fixed.

OPEN FLOOR 11:31 PM

Clare: Open floor is also weird, too, because we are not going to be hosting physical events, but just as RHSA will host digital events, maybe that's something your hall gov considers, whether E-Board meetings or something you want to invite us to. It's important to keep this community and make everything feel as normal as it can be, even though these are weird times. Anything that you want to say, please feel free to mention it.

Sarah: For Club Penguin, go on cprewritten.com and go on to the Toboggan server. You can check the minutes and we will also let you know through social media. Please join us. Don't forget. Come on Club Penguin! It's more fun with all of you guys there!

Clare: So we can find everyone at 7:30pm, let's say that we can start in the town. You are going to drop into Club Penguin. Click the map and make sure you start in the town.

College-Shango: Do we still have budgets for hall gov?

Clare: We can clarify that for you in the next week or two. Right now, CAS is a little bit hesitant and I will work with CAS and see what we can do if you guys find any fun programming that you can do digitally that might cost some of your budget. I will find that out for you.

Minnewaska: I have a cool project that I was entrusted with that I could use your help with! I work for the school of fine and performing arts. I run their social media. I take their photos and so, in order to keep that job and work remotely, they said to figure something out, so the idea I had was based on a Tik-Tok where everyone passes in front of a mirror with a camera on, a Pro camera and they pass in front of the mirror from one side to the other and until they get to the other side of the mirror, it transitions to a new person and they keep passing. The goal of the project for the school of fine and performing arts is to really focus on what James is actually talking about, how students across all of the disciplines are working remotely and to take note of

that because there is a community there. We are in mutual understanding that bathrooms are becoming places to build models and kitchen tables are where people are playing their violin and living rooms are turning into painting studios and things of that nature. So, if you are an art major or minor, follow F&P on our Instagram. You are going to see a story in the next couple of days asking for submissions, we are going to ask everyone to film one of those videos, just a snip bit of you walking from one bathroom to the other of you either holding your instrument, you're covered in paint, you're wearing all this metal jewelry you made, something of that nature and mash it all into one video. It's going to say #NewPaltzUnited. It's going to be a really big video project and we would love for all of you to be a part of it. If you are an art major or minor, be on the lookout for that. I'm also going to be interviewing some people, so if you feel comfortable, just let me know.

Lenape: I was wondering the same thing with the money. My hall was thinking about getting merchandise for ourselves. Is that still possible?

Clare: I would just have to find out from CAS and talk to them about it. We will let you know at the next AC meeting or the next, next AC meeting.

PASSING OF MOLLY THE MOOSE 11:36 PM

Clare: Normally, we would pass our good friend Molly, but unfortunately, we don't have Molly. She's on campus and a lot of us are not. We don't have anything this week, but we will find something to do in place of passing Molly. We think College-Shango has Molly.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK 11:37 PM

Kevin: I wanted to say beforehand that this is a very unpredictable and challenging time for a lot of people and that I'm right here in Ashokan Hall. If I'm able to help and you want to reach out to me, I'm always down to talk as I know a lot of people are being thrown into crazy scenarios. I'm here for you. My quote is kind of related: "There is prodigious strength in sorrow and despair." -*A Tale of Two Cities*

Clare: Just like Kevin said, we are all going to be here for you. For the rest of the semester, for the rest of the week, for the rest of the day, we are here for you. We are your RHSA E-Board and through these insane times, I know it's a lot, it's important to keep remembering good things are going on during all these bad times. Keeping those in mind and not letting ourselves get too much in the dumps. We are here for you as an E-Board.

Ridgeview: I was going to comment on how you just said the rest of the day. That is literally 22 minutes.

ADJOURNMENT 11:39 PM

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting: Johnathan

Second: Jordan

Next meeting will be on Zoom on Monday, April 6th!

