

**Senate Agenda**  
**December 4, 2006**  
**Academic Council Room- 4<sup>th</sup> Green Hall**  
**6:00 PM**

**I. Roll Call**

**II. Old Business**

- A. Malina Swiatek - CPLA Chair: CG Constitutional Changes (5 min, 5 min?s)

**III. New Business**

- A. Yang Qiu – CGVP: SOAC Constitutional Changes (5 min, 10 min?s)

**IV. Open Discussion**

- A. Paola Reyes, SPEC Chair, and Amy Wang, Beebe: New Ad-hoc Committee (7 min, 6 min?s)  
B. Katie Watson and Severance Senators: Severance Event (5 min, 5 min?s)

**IV. Dean's Corner:** Dean Kim Goff-Crews (8 min, 7 min?s)

**V. Beyond the Bubble:** Malina Swiatek – CPLA Chair. (10 min)

**VI. Adjourn**

Estimated Time: 1 hour 40 minutes

**Emily Oxford, College Government President (CGP):** We have quorum- yeah!!! We can vote and go on to Old Business with Malina Swiatek.

**Malina Swiatek, Committee for Political and Legislative Action (CPLA) Chair:** We are going to vote on the College Government Constitutional changes that we presented last week with the friendly, friendly amendments from the friendly, friendly people. Is there a motion on the floor?

**Dana Montalto, Tower:** I move to approve the CG Constitutional changes.

**Emily Oxford, CGP:** The motion on the floor is to approve the CG Constitutional changes presented last week. The motion carries. We will move on to new business with Yang Qiu who is coming back to us with her proposal from last week, and I think it will make a lot more sense now. Yang?

**Yang Qiu, College Government Vice President (CGVP):** It will make a lot more sense with the handouts. I just want to reflect on what went on last week. With Jackie Moon and Blair Edwards, I am presenting to you the proposed constitutional changes for the SOAC constitution. We received some questions and friendly amendments when we presented this at last week's senate and we took those back and revised our proposal. The handout you get today has the front side with "Fall 2006 SOAC Change." You should see the old constitution and the new section with the proposed change on the bottom. This change concerns the creation of the Committee policy handbook. This change will be part D of section 6, Activities, in SOAC constitution, called "Use of Committee Policy Handbook." It has three parts which state: "1. SOAC shall conduct its business according to the procedures outlined in the SOAC Policy Handbook., 2. Any change in the Handbook shall be approved by the committee by a majority vote with three-fourths of the committee members present. The approved change must be presented to Student Senate., 3. Any voting member of the Senate can move to bring a vote to Senate on the change(s) in the Policy Handbook." You may notice that the last part takes in part the suggestion brought to you by Cortni Jones last week so everyone will remember what we discussed last week. It will also allow any voting member in senate to bring a vote to Senate over the changes. Also, thanks to Tiffany Sirc for bringing up the point of suggesting to see the outline of the Policy book. This very rough outline is on the back of the handout. I also included concrete examples of what would go in under each section of the handbook and you can scan through those so you can get a sense of what the handbook will be right when we propose the full version of the book during the spring semester. Tonight we are proposing to make the changes to the SOAC Constitution that are listed on the front page, which includes part D of section 6 with its three sub sections. SOAC will work on the creation of the handbook during Wintersession and the spring semester and we will come back in the spring with the full version of the handbook to present to you all. Any questions? I just want to point out, that if you do have any concerns or questions, you can email me at CGVP or contact any of our SOAC members, especially Jackie Moon or Blair Edwards who are working on this project. Or you can email the SOAC conference.

**Emily Oxford, CGP:** If there are no questions, I'm assuming we all feel better about this proposal now. Since we do not have Senate next Monday, we are going to conduct an online vote. This is what you do – if you are a special interest senator – you are going to send your vote with "aye" or "nay" in the subject line to the "Senate Votes" conference. If you are a senator in a residence hall, you will conduct your vote at house council tomorrow night and after that you will send one email to the "Senate Votes" conference with the appropriate number of "ayes" and "nays" according to the portion of your house council which voted in that manner. The deadline will be Tuesday at midnight or after

your special interest meeting this week. And now, because it is our last Senate we have the Widows to perform for us! Thanks so much for coming y'all!

When is y'all's concert? This Saturday in seven in the chapel? We should all come! You can stay for Senate if you want! And Alyssa is representing all of you on the Presidential Search committee so email her if you want! So back to business, we have Paola Reyes and Amy Wang about a new Ad-Hoc. If you remember, it is SPEC's duty to regulate Ad-Hocs.

**Paula Reyes (SPEC Chair):** We have the first Ad Hoc of the year. Hopefully you will get excited and join because it is part of your duty to participate.

**Amy Wang (Beebe):** if you remember last year, there was an ad-hoc to acknowledge k-12 students, but we have revived the project. The mission is the same as last year, to honor outstanding teachers who have contributed to the education and growth of Wellesley students.

**Lisa Sankowski, Courage and Renewal Northeast:** You have probably noticed if you've been to graduation that DCW asks all educators to stand up and be recognized. She recognized that the work it takes to get here. Wellesley students here are great and start early. When she got a grant from the Mellon Corporation, she gave it to Courage and Renewal. We are a pro-renewal program for teachers. We are different from other renewal programs that focus on technique, but we focus on the identity of the teacher. Because we remember the people who helped us – who they were. We help teachers keep themselves present in their work. Part of what we will do with our work to support teachers and honor DCW, we want to provide a way for seniors to reflect on the teachers that gave them support. We talked to the Education Department and together with us; we want to support this as a student initiative. I ran this past President Walsh and she is excited and would love to attend the event.

**Amy Wang, Beebe:** The actual event is planned for around the first week of April and it will be for Seniors. The inspiration was that last year I received a letter from my 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher and it was small but showed me she was thinking of me. The event will hopefully be in Tishman and we will provide scrap booking material and each senior can create a brag sheet to their teachers. We want to include the book "Teaching with Fire" which is poetry teachers wrote about how teaching has enriched their lives. We also want a signed letter from DCW for everyone as a cover letter. I am here to get support. They are doing a great job supporting, and I would like a group of 4-5 senators. The main jobs would be generating interest on campus, such as publicity, as well as publicity to seniors to bring things back from home over spring break, like addresses. And someone to budget and fundraise, and then help with the logistics of the event. I will be in contact with you and I think this will be a great project and a good op for everyone to reflect on their past.

**Sabina Khan, Student At-Large:** I was just wondering, but can students in general student body be part of the committee too?

**Amy Wang, Beebe:** I would prefer seniors weren't on the committee, but I would like to present it as a gift to the seniors.

**Tiffany Sirc, Chief Justice:** What would the cost be to the students: it sounds expensive?

**Amy Wang, Beebe:** We hope the books will be funded by the President's office.

**Lisa Sankowski:** We do have a small budget.

**Cortni Jones, Student Bursar:** Sit his just for a one-time thing, or a pilot project to see this happen again?

**Amy Wang, Beebe:** I hope it is perpetuated again in the future, but an ad-hoc is the fastest way to get something done. I hope for your help!

**Paula Reyes, SPEC Chair:** To make an ad-hoc, the group gives me their goals and a timeline. Then we contact Natalie and come to present at Senate to get enthusiasm at Senate and provide information. Then I continue to contact the chair of the ad-hoc once a week to make sure they are meeting their goals and following their timeline. And if they aren't, I have to explain adjustments to the timeline. And once the ad-hoc is disbanded, it has to be disbanded by a two-thirds majority at senate. If anyone is interested in starting one, let me know.

**Emily Oxford, CG President:** Thank you. And I think some people over there in crazy clothes have some stuff to present.

**Katie Watson, Severance:** We are from Severance House Council and with the Res staff, we are putting on a fundraiser for Rosie's Place, which helps disadvantaged women. It is tomorrow from 8 to 10 in Severance Hall. We are selling things, giving out raffle tickets for goods, and there are prizes. You can also buy raffle tickets for one dollar. We have over 500 dollars of prizes.

**Victoria Starrett, Severance:** We have lots of prizes. One is dinner and movie for two. We have a basket with laundry detergent, quarters, and tide pens. We also have Elizabeth Renee 50 dollar facial, dellaria's cut and style, starbucks' mug and gift certificate, 25\$ to Wellesley booksmith, a gift bag from Wellesley bookstore, a senate punch pass, and we have 2 \$25 flex points to be added to your flex points. We have a free lockout if you lock yourself out. Also, \$50 to Target, \$25 to CVS, \$20 to Gap, so we are hitting it up. We really hope you guys come out and support it and it is really going to a good cause. Any questions?

**Amy Wang, Beebe:** Did you rhyme movie with laundry?

**Victoria:** Yes I did. I wrote this in my Spanish class.

**Yang Qiu, SAL:** Do people have to stay for the duration of the program to know the outcome because the time is over house council times.

**Victoria:** We said we will. We will honor it if you get a ticket and you aren't there, we will step in and give it to you because we told you we would.

**Malina Swiatek:** Why wasn't the rap in Spanish?

**Victoria:** I started it in Spanish, but then I realized it wouldn't be fair for everyone. So I translated it to English.

**Jeffy Yuan, ASU:** I think it's awesome you guys are doing this and everyone should join the facebook group.

**Aysha Gregory, Ethos:** Is there a way to get raffle tickets before the event?

**Katie:** Not officially, but send money or clothes or stuff with your friends, buttons as well. And I have free handouts for everyone.

**Victoria:** Take them back to your constituencies and post them on your senate board. And we'll forward the e-flyers.

**Emily Oxford:** Now we are back to Dean's Corner. We have Dean Kim back with us!

**Dean Kim:** We had a seven siblings conference. With DCW, Dean Shennan, Faculty member, and Mary Hill in public relations talking with our siblings at Bryn Mawr. It is a very nice college. We also meet in our own affinity groups so all the deans met for lunch hand dinner and the dean's of college met to talk about sexual relations between students and faculty. We're assuming that is a no from the snaps. And we talked about mental health issues on all our campuses and transgender issues because there is a conference at Mount Holyoke on Friday. And we talked about advising and academic support. It was a good meeting to figure out what was going on. We also talked about where there was a brand for the seven sisters. So is the brand a trademark, or is there something that is the trademark of the seven sisters. Does it exist? Do people relate to it? Does it work for us? What is the marketing aspect? The problem is with the transgender stuff, is it sisters? Siblings? We have so many colleges going co-ed, so what does it mean for the seven sisters conference. Michelle's actually sick in India but I think she's getting well. She sends her hellos. The only other things I wanted to touch base on were that we are ending the semester and stress levels are obviously going up. Take care of yourselves as much as you can, set priorities if you have issues. Religious and Spiritual life is setting up listening posts around campus and if you want to vent, you can go hang out with good food and good company and just vent. Just have a conversation with someone listening to you and helping you process what you are going through- that can be helpful. There are fliers about that. Also, as you know, we have had a rash of thefts on campus this weekend. The police are working to find out what happened and who is involved. We are an open and safe campus, but lock your doors, especially if there are events on campus.

Don't let people in you don't recognize. And if you have any problems, call the police. We all love campus but keep your head's don't lend your keys to anyone and we'll all be fine as we go forward. Those are my catch-ups – but do you have any questions?

**Malina Swiatek, CPLA Chair:** I was wondering about listening posts? Who is involved?

**Dean Kim:** most people from religious and spiritual life. This is a group that is underutilized and they are good at soft counseling. It's not religious, or by denomination, but it's just people to listen.

**Sabina Kahn, Stone:** A lot of times I hear that people don't want to lock their doors because they can't afford the lock-out fees. Is there a consideration to change the fee?

**Dean Kim:** No one has mentioned that. I'm assuming it is that way to cut down on people locking themselves out. I call the police all the time to get unlocked and I've given them lots of money for that to be waived. That might really be an issue.

**Emily Oxford, CGP:** can you fill us in on the fraternization policy? I don't know how, but this came up in class of mind the other day, is it true that we have an open door policy for certain professors?

**Dean Kim:** I have no idea.

**Emily Oxford:** What is the fraternization policy on campus? There are urban legends on campus and rumors about what is appropriate.

**Dean Kim:** Typically, in many colleges, if you are a male person, and you're dealing with a woman, you will leave the door open as a matter of practice. You don't want it to seem unseemly. The guys have probably figured out this is a good idea. But Dean O'Keefe has his door open all the time – more a practice than a policy, which is a Dean Sheannan question. Our policy is that if you are a faculty member or you have authority or power of anyone, you can't fraternize. What we say to our students is you can't have a relationship with students- I am going to send it to you but we have specific policies for staff in dinning and res halls. The general philosophy is not to allow relationships where one person has control over the other person and most schools don't have these policies.

**Amy Wang, Beebe:** As to the listening posts, will it be a private room? Are people in a room or will people be able to hear you?

**Dean Kim:** We were going to do it like a Dean's Tea. But what would you like? Maybe we'll have an open session with a room next door where people could be pulled in for privacy. We are going to try and do it in certain places so if you want us to be somewhere, let us know.

**Cortni Jones:** I was wondering that why can't RDs be around from 9-5 to do lock-outs. If they could be free, it would be a much less of a burden. I also know they have lives, but they could say they could be around. Either way you get fined, but if RDs could do it.

**Kris Niendorf, Director of Residential and Campus Life:** The purpose for the fine is for you to carry your keys. And if you did, that would solve the problem. And from 9-5 they do have responsibilities, but they have office hours each day. These are posted in the res hall and on probably on the house council board.

**Dean Kim:** So, what is the student's responsibility for their guest's on campus? And at what point is it an Honor Code problem? Hypothetically, we can figure out that someone did something and they are tied to a certain student, what can Gen Judic do? We need a conversation about that in the future.

**Yang Qiu, CGVP:** I don't have a response for that, but right now I'm confused about the listening event. Is that the same thing as the listening space from religious and spiritual life?

**Dean Kim:** It is the same thing.

**Yang Qiu, CGVP:** This is on the fourth floor of LCW in room 415, 3-4 in afternoon.

**Dean Kim:** they started it already. But I'm going to ask them to spread it out across campus as well.

**Hannah Heller, Hillel:** we were talking about the sex policy at Hillel of all places the other nights. I thought that it only applied if the professor was in your major. So if you were going to be graded potentially.

**Dean Kim:** if there is a power differential that's a no-no. If it is a different major and you don't see them or have control over the, you ostensibly could have a relationship. In that case, it could happen. But if it is your major, we say no.

**Hannah:** in any case, the student is not held accountable, but the professor. But in the extra-departmental situation, would then the professor still be held accountable?

**Dean Kim:** If the student brought up a charge, we'd probably think the professor should have known better. There is no rule, but there is a general belief that you shouldn't be with a student. We would say there is some issue there but legally we can't say you can't have it.

**Hannah:** I promise I'm not having one!

**Liz Marlow, Parliamentarian:** We are done with the speakers' list, and is there a motion to suspend the rules and discuss that honor code in regard to your guests.

**Amy Wang, Beebe:** I motion to suspend the parliamentary procedure for five minutes to suspend rules and discuss guests in regard to honor code. All opposed say nay. We have five minutes and we'll go through speakers' list, but it will be more laid back.

**Cortni Jones:** Is there a policy now?

**Dean Kim:** It just says you're responsible for your guest.

**Tiffany Sirc, Chief Justice:** The worst case scenario I've seen is dyke ball where you can get kicked out of the party for your guest. But what do we do?

**Siobhan O'Keefe, Beebe:** My feeling is that you can't know everything your guest does all the time. However, if you knew something was going on, you should be held as responsible as if you did it yourself. If I had a guest, I would know they had four laptops computers. But if they didn't know, would they be as accountable?

**Aysha Gregory, Ethos:** The whole thing is, it is hard to know where your guest is? What if we started signing in our guests like other schools do? They have bells and every door has a sign-in so you know who is here so you won't be singling out so and so for doing things. You will contact everyone who is there and sending that list to the police. That is something to maybe consider.

**Amy Wang, Beebe:** I think the lack of the stringent guest policy is the better things of Wellesley. I know it didn't work this time, but usually it does. But in the time when your guest comes back with four laptops, the person is probably in it. I think you should be held accountable, but I think major changes to the guest policy would create an aura of paranoia and make the problem worse.

**Shayla Adam, MAC:** I don't know if guest's should be accountable for what happened. It happened to me this summer and we couldn't believe that no one saw it happen. If I had to pay for that laptop it would be awful. Often times people have alcohol involved, I'm just saying they might not have been conscious of what was going on all the time. I know one of the times they recovered what was taken in my party was the surveillance camera in the hallway. If in any way you are responsible for your guests, perhaps it is to cooperate with the police, but as far as legally responsible, I don't think people should have to pay.

**Mona Minkara, Al-Muslimat:** I would almost question also what do you define as being a guest? Almost any one can enter Wellesley College. I was walking back from tower on Saturday and there was a group of guys, and none obviously go to Wellesley, and they came up to me asking for a certain building. So obviously they are not escorted around by students. So my question is, what is a guest? And our campus is open to anyone who wants to come – we let people into the doors without thinking about it without the one card, and some buildings are open to everyone, so to what extent is it really students that are held accountable?

**Dean Kim:** At least in residence halls, most people should be attached to someone with the horizontal/vertical rule. This is different than us being an open campus and people can roam. And remind your friends and colleagues not to just let anyone in because we don't want random folks in our res halls, because it's not safe for you. But we need to work on that.

**Tiffany Sirc:** Also if you are intoxicated or can't keep track of your guests, how responsible are you being?

**Nora Keller, Tower:** I just want to refer to the horizontal/vertical rule, you can assume that a guest didn't follow the rule by getting away, so in that case you should be held accountable because they didn't follow the rule.

**Yael Misrahi:** I think surveillance cameras are a good idea because you can't know who is there and what guests bring other guests and you don't know name and other things.

**Cortni Jones:** The rule is three people to one person and your boyfriend or girlfriend might have two of their friends you don't know. And if you have a triple, you could have nine additional people in your room.

**Mona Minkara, Al-Muslimat:** And parties go on and lots of people come. And a host has a party, but not everyone is guests of the host.

**Flo Doo, Pomeroy:** I wanted to ask, why did they get rid of the bell system? There are sign-in sheets for dining halls but not for just walking in.

**Kris Niendorf, Director of Residential and Campus Life:** Oh goodness. Part of it was that many years ago, the doors were not locked 24 hours a day like they are now, so when you came in, you walked by someone. But then we had mailboxes in the halls and packages there, so people were there to help people to get their packages signed in. It was a reception desk in the olden days and got telephone calls and callers were announced on the loudspeaker. We got rid of them because of modernization: centralized mail room, locked doors 24/7. Then there was a rash of people not showing up to shifts, so consistency was low, so there were lots of reasons not to do it. We piloted it for one year and got no negative feedback, so we left it that way.

**Tiffany Sirc, Chief Justice:** Although I feel it was terrible what happened, I still don't think a secure guest policy I don't think that would change it would have a negative effect on the culture here and students should step up and say you need to be more responsible for your guests. We can control this without lots of extra rules.

**Emily Oxford:** I think that lots of parties in the dorms perhaps says we don't have enough social events on campus so we should have more things at places like the pub or other things. Also, if you have any more comments, please email them to Dean Kim and let her know what you're thinking. This is a really important question.

**Malina Swaiatek, CPLA Chair:** I am here with today's Beyond the Bubble.

**Panel Faults U.S.-Trained Afghan Police**

**By JAMES GLANZ and DAVID ROHDE**

Five years after the fall of the Taliban, a joint report by the Pentagon and the State Department has found that the American-trained police force in Afghanistan is largely incapable of carrying out routine law enforcement work, and that managers of the \$1.1 billion training program cannot say how many officers are actually on duty or where thousands of trucks and other equipment issued to police units have gone.

In fact, most police units had less than 50 percent of their authorized equipment on hand as of June, says the report, which was issued two weeks ago but is only now circulating among members of relevant Congressional committees.

In its most significant finding, the report said that no effective field training program had been established in Afghanistan, at least in part because of a slow, ineffectual start and understaffing.

Police training experts who have studied or had first-hand experience with the American effort in Afghanistan said they agreed with the report's findings, and some said they had warned for years that field training was the backbone of a strong program. But they said additional problems needed to be investigated, including the quality of private contractors and the cost and effectiveness of relying on them to train the police officers. In particular, the experts questioned why the report focused on United States government managers and only glancingly analyzed the performance of the principal contractor in Afghanistan, DynCorp International of Virginia.

**Bolton to Leave Post as U.S. Envoy to U.N.**

**By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

WASHINGTON (AP) -- Unable to win Senate confirmation, U.N. Ambassador John Bolton will step down when his temporary appointment expires within weeks, the White House said Monday.

Bolton's nomination has languished in the Senate Foreign Relations Committee for more than a year, blocked by Democrats and several Republicans. Sen. Lincoln Chafee, a moderate Republican who lost in the midterm elections Nov. 7 that swept Democrats to power in both houses of Congress, was adamantly opposed to Bolton.

President Bush, in a statement, said he was "deeply disappointed that a handful of United States senators prevented Ambassador Bolton from receiving the up or down vote he deserved in the Senate."

Bush gave Bolton the job temporarily in August 2005, while Congress was in recess. Under that process, the appointment expires when Congress formally adjourns, no later than early January.

The White House resubmitted Bolton's nomination last month. But with Democrats capturing control of the next Congress, his chances of winning confirmation appeared slight. The incoming chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Democratic Sen. Joe Biden of Delaware, said he saw "no point in considering Mr. Bolton's nomination again."

While Bush could not give Bolton another recess appointment, the White House was believed to be exploring other ways of keeping him in the job, perhaps by giving him a title other than ambassador. But Bolton informed the White House he intended to leave when his current appointment expires, White House deputy press secretary Dana Perino said.

**Police arrest reputed mobster known as "The Big Cheese"**

**By Shelley Murhpy, Globe Staff**

Reputed New England Mafia underboss Carmen Salvatore DiNunzio has just been arrested by State Police in Boston's North End on illegal gambling and extortion charges, according to law enforcement officials.

The 49-year-old mobster, who has been dubbed "The Big Cheese" and operates a cheese shop on Endicott Street in the North End, has been indicted by an Essex County grand jury on charges of extortion, maintaining or organizing a gaming operation and conspiracy.

DiNunzio, of East Boston, allegedly rose through the ranks of the local mob to become underboss about five years ago, running Boston's rackets under the direction of reputed New England Boss Luigi "Louie" Monocchio of Rhode Island.

If convicted DiNunzio faces up to 15 years in state prison.

### **Committee will decide how to use \$825,000 bequest for town's seniors**

By Barbara Lehmann/ Townsman Staff  
Thursday, November 30, 2006

Long-time Wellesley resident Mary Esther "Billie" Tolles cared about her fellow senior citizens, and her commitment didn't end with her death.

Tolles served on the board of directors for the Wellesley Council on Aging and the Wellesley Community Center for many years. In 1994, she provided the funding for the establishment of the Tolles-Parsons Senior Drop-In Center at the Wellesley Community Center, in memory of her cousin, Dr. Evelyn Parsons. She was a founding member of the Wellesley Friends of Senior Neighbors, and also prepared income tax returns for other seniors through her participation in Tax Counseling for the Elderly.

After her death in 2005 at the age of 94, Tolles gave approximately \$825,000 to the town of Wellesley "for the primary purpose of founding, constructing and equipping a senior center in the town of Wellesley on land or in a building provided by the town of Wellesley." The facility would be primarily for the use of residents over the age of 60 and be named the "Tolles-Parsons Senior Center."

At a recent selectmen's meeting, the board created a study committee to decide how to maximize the use of the funds. "This will give us a great opportunity to take a step back and do some strategic planning for our senior citizens" to determine the kinds of services the town should be providing today and 10 years from now," said Selectman Harriet Warshaw, chairman of the new study group.

"That kind of strategic planning has never happened before," she added.

Warshaw would like to see representatives from the Council on Aging, the Wellesley Community Center and the Recreation Commission on the committee, as well as interested residents. She anticipates that the study committee will meet for the first time after the first of the year.

There is no specific timetable "as long as we show we are moving forward on this," she said. "We don't want to spend [the gift] unless we spend it judiciously."

**Yang Qiu, CGVP:** So, one more note. On the proposed change, I want to clarify that when you report back to your House Council, you are voting on the change on the front page only. The back page is for your reference so don't get confused. If you do, email a member of SOAC. Second thing, remember all the student reps in Senate this semester? You have a chance to meet them on Wednesday! SOAC is sponsoring the Meet Your Student Rep event in Room 413 in LCW from 12:30 to 2:00 on Wednesday Dec 6<sup>th</sup>. Reps will be there for lots of committees: transportation, Presidential Advisory Council,

Laundry, ACBT committees reps, so if you have questions or want to know how to be a rep, come to this event and find out! Our last SOAC meeting will be in the same old room, at same old time, with the same old business. Also, I worked with Bridget in creating a new committee – the PERA Advisory board. It is purely students so there is spam for student rep positions. So if you are interested, check out the spam and pass the word to your friends who are interested. We will be doing interviews before reading period. Email me or Rakeen at SOAC Appointments Coordinator. Finally, SCBT Student Life committee has an opening for Spring Semester. There are 2 additional SOAC reps with Emily and we are looking for one more person. The application is out and I will make sure that it is forwarded to Student Senate – so apply if you are interested. Interviews will be before reading period.

**Tiffany Sirc, Chief Justice:** Okay, so as you all know, lots of theft have been happening. A couple things on community made me sad and happy. People feel like they don't have to lock their door – this is false. I was also sad at how miserable people get when people don't follow the honor code. We do have an honor code and it's wonderful but be responsible. Watch out for your friends, and be responsible for you and your friends. What made me happy was that someone realized the honor code isn't meant to leave everything unlocked.

**Cortni Jones, Student Bursar:** Well, it has been a happening place at the Bursar's office. We ran out of checks, but we're back in business. It was quite a dilemma and Stewart Simmons helped us. This is important because nothing from this semester is accepted next semester. Every senator has to do something so if you bought stuff this semester, make sure your treasurer is doing a good job. SOFC had a fun time at Tufts and we did what we always do – went, spied, and came back. Also, there is a lot of fundraising going on campus. Please support fellow student orgs if you can. Also, remember that all your financial aid stuff is in line – you do have to return your financial aid letter if it is different than last semester. Check over your stuff before you head home for break because you want to make sure all your bills are paid. SOFC meeting LWC 413 at... now.

**Shayla Adams, MAC:** Hello. I will go to the front too. So, how many went to the Claude Steele lecture? If you didn't go, there were great discussions. This Friday, there is a final Meals with MAC and it will talk about the stereotype threat. So come out! I don't know what dining hall, they surprise me, but I will post to the conference. Also, CWDI is closing out the letter writing campaign and some progress has been made - we are trying to work with Yang to make a disability advisory board after meeting with. There is a need for people with disabilities to be represented at this level. Our last meeting of the semester is Wednesday at 4:15 in the Wang. Also, thanks for approving cultural orgs in our constitution!

**Malina:** Insane Capital Steps Fun Time on Wednesday! Who is Excited?!?! Capital Steps – Wednesday, 8:00, doors open at 7:30, come early, and it's all a good show. Are you excited!!!??

**Jeanne Amy, DOOCA:** So I don't have a sexual health tip this week. But I do have exciting news – congrats to everyone who weathered our first snow!! There will be probably be much more snow in February when we all return and this is when SBOG will be throwing the first ever Winter Carnival! We have been working hard on this and we have a lot of programming next semester and this is the first big thing. Please forward any spam that is coming your way. It will be cold but it will still be fun. There will be food, performances, it will be great, so look out.

**Elaine Skowronski, HPC Liaison:** Res staff is planning on bringing faculty closer to you guys by bringing them to the res halls themselves. They will be telling stories around bedtime and SEQs are out tomorrow so you can write about your professors. Also, during reading period, there will be treats in the res halls. Also, there are res staff if you want therapy in a corner. But good luck on your exams, fill out SEQs and look forward to the faculty coming to your res halls.

**Paola Reyes, SPEC Chair:** SPEC will have our last meeting at our usual spot. Good luck on finals and I hope to see you next week at the party.

**Emily:** About the party – SOFC will be taking their picture, Senate will be taking a picture. Come shiny and clean for the yearbook. We will be exchanging Secret Snowflakes if you so choose. If you want to participate, everyone who wants to will be able to participate, throw your name on the sheet and it will be randomized and I'll tell you who your snowflake is. You can buy a gift, \$10 or less, and if you want to, email me at CGPresident and I will email you to remind you. Take care of that. Also, CGPC has been working hard to host a Beat the Blues Event this Friday in the campus center. We might not be at our happiest right now, but we can beat those blues with chocolate fountains, free massages, cider, good times at the fireplace room. It is going to be great so I hope you come and get your knots worked out. I know it will be great. That is all – I am nostalgic that we completed our first semester in Senate together – and big cheers to first-years for making it this far. By general consent, I move we adjourn this meeting, if there are no objections, this meeting is adjourned.