General Meeting of Wentworth Student Government

Date: Thursday, December 8, 2011
Time: 6:00 PM
Location: 610 Huntington Avenue, 4th Floor Conference Room (610HA 440)

Our Mission: The purpose of WSG is to act as a conduit between the students, faculty, and staff of Wentworth Institute of Technology; to encourage responsibility through democratic self-governance; to work with the administration to influence educational programs, student life, and administrative management of the Institute; and to further the interests of the student body.

I. Opening
II. Attendance

III. Approval of Last Week’s Minutes
   a. Approved.

IV. Special Guests

V. Co-Sponsorship Requests

VI. E-Board Updates
   a. President (Anette Balestrand)
      i. End of Semester
         1. This is that last meeting of the semester, and Anette appreciates everyone’s efforts this semester. This semester we held the first charity event in WSGs history, as well as make huge progress in the Chartwells initiative.
         2. Brian Conway won the WSG T-shirt competition: we will order them soon and receive them next semester.
   b. Vice President (Nicholas Cole)
      i. Member of the Month: Joe Kobrianos, for all his work with the Chartwells initiative.
   c. Secretary (Corrinne O’Neil)
      i. No updates at this time.
   d. Treasurer (Samuel Kim)
      i. Budget Update
         1. Co-sponsorship: $2650.00
         2. Personal: $3,396.49 + Open House $\$
   e. Public Relations (Nick Torres)
      i. Nick has a co-op next semester, he doesn’t have a job yet, but depending on where he gets one we may need a Public Relations Officer replacement.
      ii. The WSG brochure will be coming soon.
   f. Student Affairs (Brendan Cioto)
      i. Brendan will look into the following issues:
         1. Tour of Beatty construction
         2. Temperature control in buildings
            a. Residence buildings – too hot at one time, then too cold the next
         3. Why did the parking pass price raise?
   g. Academic Affairs (TJ Livingston)
      i. No updates at this time.

VII. Representatives of the Colleges
   a. The College of Arts and Sciences (Vacant)

Your Voice, Our Mission...
b. The College of Architecture, Design, and Construction Management (Vacant)
c. The College of Engineering and Technology (Jon Lindblad)
   i. No updates at the time.
d. The College of Professional and Continuing Education (Brandon Fernald)
   i. No updates at the time.

VIII. Representative Updates
a. Information Systems Advisory Committee (Vacant)
b. Academic Technology Advisory Committee (Vacant)
c. Laptop Committee (Nicholas Cole)
   i. No updates at the time.
d. Commuters (Susan Needleman)
   i. No updates at the time.
e. Colleges of the Fenway (C.T. Hannon)
   i. No updates at the time.
f. Division of Technology Services (Brian Conway)
   i. Meeting with Annamaria and Les soon.
g. Center for Community & Learning Partnerships (Corrinne O’Neil)
   i. There are no updates at this time.
h. Chartwells (Joe Kobrianos)
   i. The 12/5 Chartwells Open Forum went really well, the minutes from the forum will be
      available soon.
   ii. Chartwells is very thankful that WSG put on the Open forum, and that so many issues
      were brought to their attention.
   iii. There have already been some changes happening, but this is just a start and there will
      hopefully be more improvements to come.
   iv. Chartwells seems very serious about improving our experience with them. They are
      interested in starting a task force, so when issues arise they can be brought to
      Chartwells attention right away, instead of waiting until the issues stack up again.

IX. Old Business
a. Meeting Times
   i. For next semester we will keep the general member meeting on Thursdays at 6 pm. We
      may look into a different time slot for next year.
b. Smoking Policy
   i. Kevin talked to housing and there seems to be an enforcing problem behind Wentworth’s
      smoking policy.
   ii. An option could be to start a task force in charge of finding a way to enforce the policy.
   iii. If a faculty member is found smoking on campus there are repercussions, what could be
      the repercussions for students?
c. Constitution
   i. More discussions on the constitution will be coming next semester.
   ii. A good way to go about this is to set up a strong back bone constitution, then add bylaws
      when need be.
d. New Club Emails
   i. Most members feel that giving a personal message for all new clubs would end up
      sending out way too many emails, which SLP is trying to avoid.
   ii. After a discussion a motion was put on the table to continue exploring different options
      for new club campus updates, and the motion was passed.
   iii. An idea could be to restructure the campus update, also email isn’t always the best way
      to reach students.

X. Time with Carissa
a. In January the SLP will be putting out Student Satisfaction Inventories; they measure student
   satisfaction with the different departments around campus. The new plan is to do a satisfaction
inventory two times a year. The last inventory resulted in the creation of the Student Service Center. Carissa would like to thank Brendan Cioto for all his help with this matter.

XI. New Business
   a. Course Catalog With Registration
      i. Sam K. brought up the idea to have an update course catalog available for consulting while students register for classes
      ii. More discussion on this topic will take place next semester.

XII. Adjournment