

Student Government Association:

# House of Representatives Minutes

February 2018

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# House of Representatives | MINUTES

DATE: February 5, 2018 | TIME: 3:30 PM | LOCATION: CCM 424

Meeting called by:	Bianca Roa	Attendance:
Type of Meeting:	House of Reps	Michelle Miller, Abi Sesay, Denzel Nadim, Kes Speelman,
Facilitator:	Bianca Roa	Gail Lewis, Doug Kapinos, Cecilia Pohlar, Jacqueline
Note Taker:	Alan Barlow	Noborikawa, Tyler Brabant, Kathryn Young, Jeremy
Timekeeper:	Alan Barlow	Partyka, Kendra Gagnon, Zhomart Dairov, Alan Barlow, and Bianca Roa, Christa Bennett.

Proxy: Jackie for Montse Guerra-Solano, Kathryn for Absa Samba, Cecilia for Brett Schwartz, Doug for Michael-Paul Ho-Kang-You,

Guests: Lily Mason, Zynab Makki, Jade Yee

## I. Call to order at 3:01 PM

- II. **Approval of Minutes** from January 29, 2018 House of Representatives meeting  
no addition, deletions or changes to last meeting's minutes.  
Minutes approved.

## III. Guests

- A. **Bringing Save OhNo to Champlain!** (Lily Mason)
1. Online platform that attacks social issues through a social lense
  2. Gamification- use real life approach
  3. Students actually take action
  4. To take action, petitions, start campaign, need \$500 to update software
  5. UVM was able to become partner
  6. Local organization could be connected to platform
  7. Only covers first 100 students, would not need to pay more after that
  8. Uses Gamification to spread awareness
  9. Work outreach for Center for Service and sustainability
  10. Uses points to edge action
  11. Ongoing game
  12. Marketing technique
- B. **Abysm Student Film** (Kes Speelman)
1. Senior film grant
  2. Working to breakdown script and costs
  3. Some costs have already been covered through donations
  4. Would like it the best it can be
  5. So many students will be involved
  6. \$599.48 exact cost
  7. Producing credit
  8. Working to keep costs down
  9. Why reason scrap everything? Recasting
  10. Transportation breakdown of \$150, why not college van drivers? No certified drivers
  11. Why not carpool? Students do not have cars

12. Still negotiating with restaurant to use space
13. Really wants to use Penny Cluse, backup is Sodexo, make kitchen in Valcour more professional

C. **Vermont Women in Higher Education Conference** (Jade Ye)

1. 11 students going to conference, first course that is being offered like this
2. Engagement project to make an impact on the community
3. Conference is Vermont Women in Higher Education Conference
4. Chaired by Shayla, Laurie is speaker
5. Working with Shayla to get cheaper tickets
6. Kept costs down for hotel
7. Will provide own transportation
8. Hope to bring things back, diverse group of student leaders
9. Future class that will be repeated? Or budgeted in the future?
10. First call developed by Val during sabbatical
11. Ideally class will go on if successful
12. Working with nonprofits in the area

D. **GDC Attendance for eSports** (Zynab Makki)

1. Head of eSports club
2. GDC is huge industry conference with eSports day
3. Important for Rep from Champlain to go
4. Prices have gone up
5. Building Collegiate eSports programs
6. Does CCM sponsor students to go? Did you apply? They send a lot of students from Game Studio with Scholarship and group pricing, not in that major or division, so missed opportunity
7. Hired under student life as eSports coordinator to manage eSports activities on campus
8. Asked Student Life to pay for part of trip? Essentially said that we will work it out through the grant process first. If SGA can cover most of costs, another student to carry on in the future as only one year left at Champlain. Willing to cover partially.
9. GDC scholarships are very small, conference associate to cover cost of conference? Is on the waiting list, could say day of and will refund cost of ticket.
10. How many Champlain students will be there? Image 15+ representing games or game studio or Champlain, but not eSports

#### IV. **Legislative Acts**

A. **Bringing Save OhNo to Champlain!**

Cecilia makes a motion to approve grant in full, Gail seconds

1. Cecilia: Great! During orientation was similar, See Say Do made great impact on students
2. Price is not terrible, positive impact
3. Might miss the target in gamification because game students are not just about points, more about experience
4. Confused on if it goes through, if 100 students are not interested, what happens?
5. Unclear if a one time fee
6. Would like more information on funding after 100 students, Kiana would like to hear if students are actually interested, would like to see connection with UVM to see how it is working

Kathryn makes a motion to table the grant to find how it is working at UVM, students are actually interested, and more information on what happens if more than 100 students join or if students join (semester, one time, annual)?, some sort of way to verify that students don't just do it for the prize (actually involved and take action, not just online signatures, Kes Seconded

In Favor: 10

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 4

Bringing Save OhNo to Champlain! grant has been tabled pending a request more info.

### B. **Abysm Student Film**

Abi makes a motion to fund in full, Jeremy seconds

1. Transportation, uber is not only form of transportation and did not specify where they are going, retroactive as already used
2. More info on where going to shoot, better understanding of what local is
3. Not feasible
4. Brett: Talk about paying for costumes?
5. Feels that transportation is important part of going places, would like to grant money but stress alternatives
6. How many locations transportation to or already done outside chittenden county? One apartment already used and still using it again
7. Just future transportation, more of a safety net
8. Possible to reach out to community to find transportation, look into logistics for a bus
9. Can request car that is big enough
10. Not aware of anyone who has a car
11. Reliability of Uber? Very reliable, would make it easier
12. Jeremy: Purchasing or renting fog machine? Purchasing, essential
13. Cal has a fog machine, someone in film dept has one
14. If fog machines not available, could machine stay with the college
15. Abi: About costume, will be giving back to SGA after? Believe
16. Would be great to create space for costume storage
17. Jackie recommends not funding costumes
18. Would it be realistic to table or say no as is, looking for more information and hesitant on transportation, and \$200 craft service?
19. Christa: it would be realistic

Kathryn makes a motion to amend fund the grant partially, cutting costume, reducing transportation to \$100, and cutting craft service. \$262

In Favor: 9

Opposed: 1

Abstentions: 2

Abysm Student Film Grant approved for \$262.

### C. **Vermont Women in Higher Education Conference**

Kathryn makes a motion to approve in full, Cecilia seconds

1. Bianca is in the class
2. Gail: Possibility of only funding tickets? How viable?
3. Montse: Cut the hotel rooms
4. Covering gas and food on own, trusts Jade's quality of work
5. What about asking Division for money? Working to get discount
6. Kes: Fantastic opportunity, fund in full
7. Michelle: Are they all seniors?
8. Juniors and Seniors

9. Seniors more mature, directly benefit community right away, juniors have more time to apply what is learned

In Favor: 10

Opposed: 1

Abstentions: 3

Vermont Women in Higher Education conference approved in full for \$2211.13.

#### D. GDC Attendance for Esports

Doug makes a motion to approve in full, Michael-Paul Seconds

1. Department should fund, just fund tickets
2. Great opportunity but more for game majors?
3. \$1020 given to student last year
4. New York Times interviewed her for eSports
5. Fund ticket at minimum
6. Doug is involved in eSports
7. Amazing opportunity, Champlain one of few (or only) schools in VT with collegiate eSports team partnership, get more out there, working on Website, could write blog about it
8. A ton of student population interested, could advertise to potential students, way more interested in Champlain
9. Zynab is student leader and SA and good at communicating
10. Michelle: if fund just ticket, if she does get free pass, allow to

Kathryn makes amendment to cover \$929 for just tickets or other costs if ticket price is reduced, Jackie seconds

In Favor: 10

Opposed: 1

Abstentions: 3

Amendment approved to cover \$929 for conference tickets.

In Favor: 13

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 1

GDC Attendance for Esports approved as amended for \$929.

#### V. New Business

##### A. Approval of Club Handbook

1. Table for next week.

##### B. Petition to Abolish SGA

1. There is an online petition to abolish SGA, sent to Christa by the student
2. Unlikely to turn into anything
3. Quickly turn into a disaster
4. Violation of student conduct
5. Let's listen, more verified sources, have not reached out to student yet
6. What would student rather see
7. Does he understand that we fund clubs?
8. Not involved with Clubs
9. Have we held an open forum?

10. Students don't give feedback
11. Our next meeting, invite people, should not keep it quiet
12. Try to be more open, should be addressed publically
13. Kathryn: No one attended open forum three years ago
14. Abi: I think it is a joke, not truly mean this, but think it is necessary to address it
15. Michelle: Well on way toward more transparency, more this year than in past years, happy to verify with President on whether he did or did not sign position, will also verify there is no student with the same name
16. Great for Tara to reach out to strategic communication on how to best respond (Katie Holly)

**C. Tabling for Open House**

1. Training day is during Open House Tabling, first part will be review of rules and standards (attendance mandatory for those who did not attend the Fall), second part will be goal setting and event planning, and final will be group potluck, 11:45-2pm  
Tabling, talk to prospective students, let Tara know ASAP please if you are free and attended fall training.

**VI. Updates**

- A. Leadership Dinner Invites are out, it is required so everyone should RSVP**
- B. House Updates**
- C. Cabinet Updates**

**VII. Meeting Adjournment at 5:00 PM**

## Bringing Save OhNo to Champlain!

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**Student/Organization Name \*** Center for Service & Sustainability

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**Grant Title \*** Bringing Save OhNo to Champlain!

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**Date \*** Thursday, February 1, 2018

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### 1. For what reason are you applying for a grant? \*

We are looking for \$500 to start the save Ohno pilot program at Champlain College this semester. It is an online program that nudges action toward social and environmental issues by providing students with petitions, "take actions" and information about non profits seeking support. Our program has been trying to be more inclusive of the gamer population and we think this would be a perfect way to do that!

The founder, Dylan Husted, has been focusing on the concept of Gamification (application of game-design elements and game principles in non-game contexts) to influence students to take action to impact real world issues that are compromising future generations.

We hope SGA can help us with this cost so that the Eco-Rep program can be more accessible for introverted students who are less likely to engage with activism that requires showing up to an event or speaking publicly.

OhNo is a descendant of the user so it shows how all these actions can impact the future in positive ways.

<https://www.saveohno.org/#>

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### 2. What background information would help us to understand your proposed activity? \*

SaveOhno.org is a social venture started by a Babson College student who saw a gap between public opinion on climate change and public action on climate change. Millions of Americans understand the severity and urgency of the issue yet don't take action themselves. SaveOhno was founded to solve this. What if activism wasn't a clawing effort of the few, but a united, sweeping effort of the many? This can only be possible if activism fits into the everyday life of the many without compromising what they already have and do. SaveOhno.org was created to make this possible.

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In addition, what if taking action on the causes you care about was as easy and fun as playing a game, or going on Facebook? SaveOhno expanded beyond climate change to the environment as a whole, with plans to expand to all societal issues in the future for this very reason. We want to put you in the driver's seat of your own life, by providing you with the opportunities and communities necessary to create change without completely disrupting your lifestyle.

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**3. What is your objective and plan? \***

Get Champlain to become an official partner with Save Ohno.org

We would have Eco-reps tabling and talking to their residents so that the first 100 interested students can get involved!

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**4. How will your proposed activity benefit the Champlain student body, and why should the SGA offer their support to you? \***

We have been searching for ways to connect folks who are typically not engaged with sustainability to take actions that uplifts others.

After learning about this program at the Student Sustainability Leaders Symposium that we hosted last semester, we believe this program would be an amazing way to raise awareness about many different forms of oppression and pollution. We want to empower our student body because we have noticed, many students feel overwhelmed by environmental issues. This platform can help students see that individuals can make a difference!

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**5. DETAILED budget breakdown (with reasoning). \***

We just need \$500 to cover a 100 student program, which includes 10 embroidered Patagonia prizes (fleece pullovers or hats).

From Save Ohno founder, "We do not make anything off that price, it's just a way to cover the direct costs and get a pilot off the ground."

We truly hope we can partner with this program, as UVM was able to get the funds and is about to start working with SaveOhno this semester. This can lead to community actions that build stronger bonds amongst students from various majors.

<https://www.saveohno.org/beyond#>



# Abysm Student Film

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<b>Student/Organization Name *</b>	Kathryn Speelman
<b>Grant Title *</b>	Abysm Student Film
<b>Date *</b>	Friday, February 2, 2018

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**1. For what reason are you applying for a grant? \***

I am applying for this grant as the producer of the student film Abysm on behalf of the director senior Anna Charest. Abysm is Anna's senior film project and she is coming into trouble finding all of the necessary funds in order to finance this project and make it the best possible. We have already covered many costs that were unavoidable such as a commissioned painting and several other props, gear, etc., and have broken down the script to make sure that what we are asking for is necessary for the completion of the project.

**2. What background information would help us to understand your proposed activity? \***

Abysm tells the story of Dana Ingram, an ordinary college student. She is from a divorced family, has a job, has friends, loves making art, is pansexual. Well, maybe not completely ordinary. But, her life, for the most part, is a content one. Until life decides to give her a curve ball. Dana starts fighting all the time with her friends and family, she loses her job, she is harassed on the streets. Nothing Dana seems to do makes her life any easier. As her life spins more and more out of control, she delves deeper into a depression which eventually ends her life. Or does it? As Dana awakens, she meets Death itself and discovers that Death has more to say about life than she ever realized.

This project has been in the works for the better part of this academic year and stands to be a film which explores many important themes such as sexuality, family issues, depression, coping mechanisms, different perspectives, and much more. We will be using many students to help with acting and crew for the film and think this will be a great opportunity for students to gain experience working in a live shoot.

**3. What is your objective and plan? \***

We have already filmed several scenes last semester for the film, but due to new casting and other unforeseen circumstances, we have to reshoot a couple of the scenes. We have come up with a schedule to start shooting starting the weekend of Feb. 10th, and should be done shooting before spring break.

After this, Anna will be editing the film with a composer and will showcase the film at the senior screenings before sending it off to various film festivals. We want this film to be the best it possibly can to help Anna and those who are working with us on the project to have a stand out film on their portfolio list and make it easier to gain more work during and outside of school.

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**4. How will your proposed activity benefit the Champlain student body, and why should the SGA offer their support to you?\***

This project is creating a fantastic opportunity for many students (both upperclassman and underclassmen) to practice using film equipment and working on a live shoot. So far, we have 12 crew members (excluding myself and Anna) and will have about 24 cast members (though it will probably go down to about 19 with some crew also acting as cast).

We want to make this film the best we can possibly can to show off what Champlain students have learned and can do in the film world. Since we are planning on submitting this film to several festivals after its completion, we hope to extend the reputation and prestige of Champlain's Film program and make it easier for current and future students to network with other companies.

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**5. DETAILED budget breakdown (with reasoning). \***  
**We are asking for about \$600 (all the costs listed equal to about \$599.48)**

Makeup:

\$6.98- Covers fake blood and bandages for scene where Dana cuts herself from broken dishes.

Costumes:

\$87.50- This would include two green suits which are used in many scenes for special effects, chains for when Dana is in Abysm, and a white cloak for Life. All other costumes have been obtained and/or donated.

Gear:

\$55.00- This will include a fog machine and fog refill for Abysm scenes. Everything else is being rented for the rental house.

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Transportation:

\$150- Since much of the current cast and crew have no means of transportation to certain off campus location shoots, we are hoping to help compensate for Ubers for shoots that are inaccessible by bus.

Craft Service:

\$200- We are going to be shooting over the course of 8-10 days and would like to provide simple homemade lunches (sandwiches, fruit, veggies, water, and chips/crackers), to cast and crew as a thank you for volunteering their time into this project. Also, on the last day of shooting, we were hoping to treat them to a hot meal such as pizza or Chinese as a wrap party. If this is not completely or partially covered, we can use our own money to provide for the wrap party.

Location Fee:

\$100- There are a few locations that we are still negotiating with such as a restaurant for the restaurant scenes and a possible hospital-ish room for the hospital scenes so as of this moment, we are not paying any location fees. However, this may change so we are asking for \$100 just in case we do end up having to pay a fee for the locations.

# Vermont Women in Higher Education Conference

<b>Student/Organization Name *</b>	Women's Leadership Seminar
<b>Grant Title *</b>	Vermont Women in Higher Education Conference
<b>Date *</b>	Thursday, March 22, 2018
<b>1. For what reason are you applying for a grant? *</b>	As part of our coursework, the students in the Women's Leadership Seminar are required to participate in at least one event that allows us to engage with change around gender inequality. We are applying for the SGA Grant in order to attend the Vermont Women in Higher Education Conference and fulfill that requirement.
<b>2. What background information would help us to understand your proposed activity? *</b>	<p>The Women's Leadership Seminar is the first class of its kind at Champlain College. It's a course designed to engage with female-identifying students who are looking to build leadership skills; particularly communication, negotiation, and financial literacy. Dr. Valerie Esposito in partnership with Dr. Laurel Bongiorno and in collaboration with Linda Tarr-Whelan (Champlain's Visiting Fellow for Women's Leadership and former UN Ambassador on the status of women). The students in the course were hand-picked and nominated after being recognized as valuable student leaders on campus. The largest component of our course is engaging with communities that exist to support, empower, and educate female-identifying persons.</p>
<b>3. What is your objective and plan? *</b>	The conference is a two day event held in Killington, Vermont. It is a packed schedule of events from everything from Appreciative Inquiry in Higher Education and Cultural Revitalization and Decolonization. Our plan is to carpool to the event ourselves and stay for one night at the Resort that is hosting the conference. We would cover the costs of any food and gas that is bought.
<b>4. How will your proposed activity benefit the Champlain student body, and why should the SGA offer their support to you? *</b>	

This conference will help further develop the leadership skills for the students in the course. Champlain's student body would benefit from well-trained female leaders, particularly on a campus whose gender-ratio is the opposite of the national average. All of the students in this course identify as a student leader. It's a diverse cast, with student leadership positions represented from all corners of the campus. This training will benefit every aspect of Champlain. The Student Government Association is full of campus leaders and should support the development of female-identifying leaders on campus.

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**5. DETAILED budget breakdown (with reasoning). \***

Hotel Rates:

One Double Room (Sleeps 4) = \$227.56

One Suite (Sleeps 6) = 383.57

Ticket Costs:

Two Day Tickets for the Conference (\$160 per person)  
= \$1600

Currently seeking student discounts from the conference chair.

Total Cost= \$2211.13

## GDC Attendance for ESports

<b>Student/Organization Name *</b>	Zynab Makki
<b>Grant Title *</b>	GDC Attendance for Esports
<b>Date *</b>	Friday, February 2, 2018
<b>1. For what reason are you applying for a grant? *</b>	I would like to attend the Game Developers Conference in San Francisco during the week of March 19th-23rd. This will be an opportunity for networking and professional development for the benefit of Champlain College Esports (and through that Champlain and its students) as well as myself professionally.
<b>2. What background information would help us to understand your proposed activity? *</b>	<p>From their website (<a href="http://www.gdconf.com">www.gdconf.com</a>): "The Game Developers Conference (GDC) is the world's largest professional game industry event." There are several summits, sessions, presentations, and panels on different industry topics from the making of games to up and coming topics like esports, as well an Expo Hall for studios and organizations. It's a great opportunity both for learning and networking.</p> <p>The main sessions I'm looking to attend are part of the Esports Day on Monday March 19th where there are several panels/sessions about esports, one of which is about building collegiate esports programs and clubs in colleges. Not only is this all good information for me to absorb and bring back to Champlain, but it would give me opportunities to network with other college clubs and organizations that may attend. Additionally, this would give me the opportunity to connect with current people I know there. For example, we have a good relationship with Ubisoft San Francisco (a different studio than the Career Collaborative has a strong relationship with) and it would be great for continuing the connection with them as well as other organizations and groups.</p>

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**3. What is your objective and plan? \*** While attending the conference, I intend to learn as much about the esports industry and its applications to collegiate esports as possible, and ask questions and network to potentially gain new connections for Champlain. That information and those connections will inform how CCE changes and improves in the next year and beyond in structure, how we handle and work with our teams and students (including but not limited to wellness plans, practice space and strategy, marketing etc.)

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**4. How will your proposed activity benefit the Champlain student body, and why should the SGA offer their support to you? \*** I've mentioned these points in previous sections, but to reiterate: this is an awesome opportunity for networking. Champlain already has a presence at GDC, but not at all in the realm of esports. The fact that esports is the topic of a whole day's worth of sessions at GDC along with the rate of growth collegiate esports means that it's imperative that we see Champlain in that space in order for us to keep up with other larger schools.

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**5. DETAILED budget breakdown (with reasoning). \***

\$150 to subsidize travel: I have partial travel covered because I'll be going to California for spring break (GDC being the following week). I mainly need some amount to subsidize the cost of getting to San Francisco and the additional costs that it would add to trip travel compared to not going.

\$929 for the Summits GDC pass: This is the cost of the ticket to have access to the panels and sessions I want to attend.

\$450 for housing: I'm looking to stay 6 nights in San Francisco (Sun-Fri), I found prices ranging from around \$55/night to \$130/night on Airbnb. By the time I'd be able to book, I'm not sure what will be available, so I went with \$75/night to be safe. If I get unlucky and can't find housing at that price, I don't mind covering the additional costs.

Total: \$1529

I understand this is a large cost for one student, so the other part of this is that I do work under Student Life to grow our esports program, so I may be able to get partial funding there. If you do find it reasonable for my costs to be covered to attend this conference, I think the fairest option would be for both departments to each partially cover this trip.

## House Updates

- Cecilia - First Year Class
  - Diversity Ambassador's LGBT+ jeopardy: About 12 people attended the jeopardy event, and I think it was super beneficial to people who don't know a lot about LGBT+ terminology or history.
  - Drafting a letter to send to the dining hall about vegan/vegetarian labels
  - Scheduled some posts for the SGA facebook page
  
- Gail - First Year Class
  - LGBTQ+ Jeopardy hosted by Diversity Ambassadors - It was hosted by the Diversity Ambassadors who are my coworkers, but Cecilia and I both attended and learned a lot of different LGBT terms!
  - The first years and I have been working on our event, and still working on booking the gym.
  
- Doug - First Year Class
  - Sticker making event SAP
  - Discussed change first year students would like to see on campus and things they feel are missing from their experience.
  - Working with Cecilia and Gail on event still.
  - Working on research for new bill
  
- Michael-Paul- Sophomore Class
  - Will be attending the mac and cheese event this Saturday at the fireside lounge
  - I have checked with Kendra on the new clubs, and she said that she will be releasing all of the new budgets soon
  
- Kes - Senior Class
  - I attended the LGBTQ+ Jeopardy night hosted by the Diversity Ambassadors -
  - There were a little over a dozen students there (including the ambassadors running the event). There were four teams all together with Team Tired winning the game. Surprising, this was a very calm game of Jeopardy. Everyone was polite and learned quite a bit like what enby is.
  - I have emailed Rich about scheduling a meeting for the spring elections party.

- I have created a poster for my event It's in the Cards.
- I am working on scheduling rooms for spring elections party and my event.
- I am searching for possible activities and decorations for the elections party.
  
- Denzel - Community Engagement
  - Anime Club - It was interesting to see a mix of students appreciating the art, culture and comedy of anime.
  - I have recently collaborated with Absa Samba toward my event. I also sent an update e-mail to the ISS, ODI and WGC to look toward scheduling appointments.
  
- Abi - Academic Diversity
  - Sticker Making hosted by Champ - There were about five students and it was a nice intimate experience
  - Denzel's Holistic Diversity Event
  - Black History Banquet
  
- Jeremy - CCM
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- Monste - CCM
  - I attended the study abroad held by the OIE.
  - It was nice! I chatted with some students about what type of experience they try to get out of studying abroad, and met with Elin to talk about the proposal for the SGA Travel scholarship.
  - ITS & CCM Networking event - Getting estimates, list of guests, and finetuning our plans.
  - How should we contact companies? Any advice is welcomed!
  
- Absa - EHS
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- Kathryn - EHS
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- Jackie - ITS

- Yassin Sarr Guest Speaker, Sponsored by the Women's and Gender Center - We were able to listen to Ms. Yassin Sarr and how Starfish International came to be. She told us beautiful stories of each woman and how they came to grow and become a leader at Starfish International.
  - ITS and CCM had a meeting on the Networking Event
  - Reached out to contacts to get contact information
  - Created to do list
  - Met with Event Center to figure out logistics of Champlain Room
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- Tyler - ITS
    - Spoke with Knitting for Good Club head-
    - Talked about budget process and methods
    - Asked about process from Student side
    - Started planning for Networking event
    - Picked date and place along with other details
    - Reached out to find potential employers
    - Started Grant

## Cabinet Updates

- Christa - President
  - Finishing up details for the Student Leadership Dinner, Invitations are out so go RSVP
  - Working on Calendar for one-on-one appointments
  - Worked with Shayla to set up the President and SGA Cabinet meeting
  
- Bianca - VP
  - Transition plans
  - Grant work
  - Leadership Dinner coordination
  
- Zhomart - Finance
  - In talks with Shelley Navari about the possibility of allocating leftover money in SGA budget to the travel fund
  
- Kendra - Clubs
  - Updated the Club Handbook according to my notes from last meeting. Please still comment if things aren't exactly how you would like it to be!!
  - Sent out approved budget emails
  
- Alan - Operations
  - look at the pretty posters in hearthstone
  - -ELECTIONS! ELECTIONS! ELECTIONS!
  
- Kiana - Diversity
  - I have emailed Skip Harris about setting up a meeting, and I have been collecting student notes and stories about the counseling center all week.
  - The diversity committee has also spoken to Mike and Sandi about catering for the banquet event, and we are good to go on that front!
  
- Tara - Communications
  - Still need open house people to table

# House of Representatives | MINUTES

DATE: February 12, 2018 | TIME: 3:30 PM | LOCATION: CCM 424

Meeting called by:	Bianca Roa	Attendance:
Type of Meeting:	House of Reps	Michelle Miller, Abi Sesay, Denzel Nadim, Kes Speelman,
Facilitator:	Bianca Roa	Gail Lewis, Doug Kapinos, Cecilia Pohlar, Brett Schwartz,
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Proxy: Jeremy for Montse Guerra-Solano, Abi for  
Jacqueline Noborikawa, Cecilia for Michael-Paul  
Ho-Kang-You.

Guests: Carrie Pratt

## I. Call to order at 3:30 PM

- II. **Approval of Minutes** February 5, 2018 House of Representatives meeting  
no addition, deletions or changes to last meeting's minutes.  
Minutes approved.

## III. New Business

### A. Discussion with Carrie Pratt - Career Collaborative

1. Career fair in fall and spring
2. Low attendance, 498 in fall, 415 last spring
3. 70 employers pay to come recruit
4. Carrie- why do students go/not go? How can that be improved?
5. Doug- what would be a good number?
  - a) Want to see them continuously increasing
  - b) Half the student body- this would mean doubling attendance
6. Denzel- most employers looking for 3rd or 4th year students. Used other routes looking for on campus job.
7. Kes- few opportunities for CCM majors to actually use their skills. Need more for film, writing etc.
8. Cecilia for MP- students have mentality that they will get job after graduation anyways due to high job placement rate.
9. Brett- game majors go and find nothing that they feel their skills apply to. Thought of more as work study or Champlain partners. Companies and opportunities that will be there should be advertised more.
10. Advertising?
  - a) Partnering with Women's and Gender Center and ODI would work for advertising
  - b) More posters.
  - c) Pat Boera and others should send emails about the fair with info about opportunities at the fair.

- d) Too many emails from career coach make us not look at every email received.
- 11. Absa- Not geared towards international students. They don't qualify for work study, and commuting is not always reasonable.
- 12. Jeremy- Local perception about fair. Doesn't know exactly where he'll be and not from Vermont.
- 13. How can we break perceptions?
  - a) Bring in companies from bigger cities (Boston, NY, Portland ME) - especially for CCM
- 14. Kathryn- have afternoon classes and other commitments which don't allow students to go from 2-5. Extend to maybe 6.
  - a) Bianca- most students who would actually go have other commitments during the Monday free period and cant go to fair.
- 15. How can we partner with companies? Companies rely on student attendance and vice versa
  - a) Bianca- have teachers advertise or send students.
- 16. Reach out to companies that have come in the past. Alumni. Professor connections.
  - a) Kes- should utilize professor connections more
- 17. Tyler- applications for summer internships are typically due earlier. Connections done earlier would be more beneficial
- 18. Brett- get link of employers that will definitely be at fair to students
- 19. Bianca- company logos on a poster would draw attention much more than career collaborative logo

#### B. Film Capstone Grants

- 1. Kathryn- in full support of students using grant fund for student films. Are there other opportunities to introduce to students? Fundraising, networking event, cap on funds? Student success seems to rely on funding.
- 2. Jeremy- on advisory board with Paula (CCM Dean). Some students use Indy GoGo and other crowdfunding campaigns, but recently students seem to be coming to SGA more.
- 3. Christa- don't get much from crowdsourcing. Rely on connections, SGA is typically last place to go. Gear free from rental house, but paying for actors, food, transportation, costumes and props costs money. Build teams to help out classmates.
- 4. Kathryn- could we make a scholarship? Where would that money come from?
- 5. Bianca- event where alumni come and hear about specific films and can help fund them
  - a) Trustees, community members, businesses that don't have internships but want to help out

#### C. Green Revolving fund

- 1. Have money left and looking for things to do with it.
  - a. Shower timers being dropped, too much money and no one will use it.
  - b. Deadline for proposals is coming up
    - i. Have not gotten proposals in over a year
    - ii. Send students who come to us to them
    - iii. Proposal is intimidating- have students send in ideas and have people help that student work on that idea
      - 1. Advertise assistance to help evolve idea
      - 2. Bianca- Took a whole semester to do proposal with group of 5 and teacher help
  - c. Considering: dual flush toilets, specific biking days, getting rid of straws at eats, solar panel charging stations outside, pay for printing, educating professors on printing to reduce printing, printing limit based on major and pay after you reach the limit, campus bio degrader- would save money because we could compost ourselves vs paying for it
  - d. color printing vs black and white, color background vs white background

- i. Creating infographic that they will send us
- e. Swap shop is doing great
  - i. Bianca- needs better space
- f. Christa- we need better laundry machines

**D. Question Preparation for the Leadership Dinner**

1. Betsy- Leadership dinner speech. Nightmare of no one asking questions after his short speech. Have copied sheet for everyone to help prepare questions. Asking SGA to break the silence so others feel comfortable asking questions
2. Bianca- what does he plan on talking about?
  - a) He has youth initiatives and wants to reach out to young people.
  - b) Also his politics experience right out of college.
3. Other questions?
  - a) Brett- what is his stance on hydroelectric?

**IV. Legislative Acts**

**A. Approval of the Club Handbook**

Kes makes a motion to approve the Club Handbook, Absa seconds.

1. Kathryn- observation- insurance for athletics- can we use more inclusive language
  - a) Brett- insurance typically needs birth sex
  - b) Michelle- Our insurance company requires a birth sex

In Favor: 12

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 1

Club Hand Book with stipulation that wording around athletic club insurance be fixed is approved.

**B. Bill to Appoint a Communication Assistant**

Kes makes a motion to approve the Bill to Appoint a Communication Assistant, Abi seconds.

1. Cecilia- I have updated Facebook page in past and wants to revamp website.

In Favor: 11

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 1

Bill to Appoint a Communications Assistant approved.

**V. Updates (just notate anything important or anything not included in the agenda)**

**A. Open seats**

1. We have 1 application which isn't completed
2. 4 weeks until elections
3. Michelle Need 13 people to meet quorum- would not kill yourselves searching for people to fill positions unless there is another opening.
4. Alan has posted in different groups, Bianca has contacted past applicants, but no one is interested

- B. Respond to paperless post email invite for leadership dinner. It is a requirement of your position. Dress business casual and wear name tags.

C. Training- First part for new members. Second part for everyone (team building).

D. **House Updates**

1. First years- event for ultimate frisbee, date has changed because gym was booked

E. **Cabinet Updates**

VI. **Meeting Adjournment at 4.36 PM**

# Bill Resolution For Communications Assistant 2018

Date: February 11, 2018

Whereas, The assistant position of Communication Assistant has been created, and;

Whereas, Applications for qualified candidates for the 2018 Spring semester have been submitted to the SGA office and reviewed by the designated search committee, and;

Whereas, The attached resume and cover letter represents, in opinion of the search committee, the best qualified candidate to fulfill the duties of their respective office; therefore

Resolved, That Cecilia Pohlar be appointed as the Communication assistant for the 2018 Spring semester.

## House Updates

- Cecilia - First Year Class
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- Gail - First Year Class
  - Sneetches hosted by Champlain College Diversity Ambassadors - Had an engaging experience with the Sneetches activity, as it was my second time participating. I spoke about SGA in the beginning to a few of the first year students attending, explaining what SGA does and letting them know that if they had any requests/complaints/questions, they could forward them to me or other first year reps
  - Working with Kirby Basile and Event Center to reserve the gym for Ultimate Frisbee Event on Feb. 25, from 2-4 PM. Currently looking into snacks for the event.
  
- Doug - First Year Class
  - Booked location and posted flyer for freshman event. Working with Cecilia and Gail
  
- Michael-Paul- Sophomore Class
  - Snowball - it was fun
  - the champlain wave might want some updates from SGA, like what we do
  
- Kes - Senior Class
  - Screening and Poetry reading event held by Jim Ellefson and John Rasmussen - There were about a dozen students there in the beginning. Many of which were talking amongst themselves about their poems or films since the tech department gave John a TV instead of a projector for the event and he had to spend the first half-hour fixing it. Although a lot of students were there as a class requirement, they were all excited to show off their work.
  - Booked rooms for Spring Elections Party.
  - Booked Fireside for It's in the Cards.
  - Looked at potential decorations for party.
  - Started inquires for snacks for my event and created poster.
  
- Denzel - Community Engagement

- CCE/Res Life Event - This program was a collaboration between Champlain eSports and Residential Life, which was put up to provide information regarding transferable Professional Skills in Gaming as well as, an opportunity for participants to meet the Overwatch community.
- I have confirmed an appointment with ODI's Bianca Bellot to discuss how we will sketch out our plans for April's event.
  
- Abi - Academic Diversity
  - Bagel Wednesday at the Women's and Gender Center - I really enjoyed bagel Wednesday! Although there was only one student in attendance we had a really great discussion about not only student government and what they like and do not like about it but also ourselves. The discussion gave me a really great idea for an event that I will bring up to diversity committee after the Black History Banquet Planning.
  - Planning Black History Month Banquet
  - Event ideas for the upcoming diversity months
  
- Jeremy - CCM
  - Snowball - Student Life - Very nice event! The ballroom was beautiful and the theme was fun. I thought the music was so-so overall, but I enjoyed the event and am glad I went. Also the chocolate fountain was awesome!
  - This week, I spent my time on continued planning of our CCM event with Montse, Jacky, and Tyler. We met on Friday to brainstorm the idea and discuss our current plan of action. Following last weeks discussion about Club Storage space issues, I visited the space in Durick Hall to get an idea of what it was like. Christa informed me about ways I can help this initiative. I became connected with Karen Dusini from the Champlain College Space Committee and sent in a 'Space Request Form.'
  
- Monste - CCM
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- Absa - EHS
  - I attended a Diversity Student Conference at Dean College in Massachusetts - The conference was attended by 16 colleges and it was about bridging the diversity gap in college campus. The facilitator Dr. Maura Cullen, the author of the book '35 Dumb Things Well-Intended People Say' discussed different aspects of diversity and how we can be inclusive.

- During the event, I met with the President of Dean College' SGA and discussed issues of partnership and cooperation in the future. I exchanged my email and the SGA's email with him to which he promised to reach out in coming weeks.
  
- Kathryn - EHS
  - I had planned to attend EHS Wellness Group this past Wednesday, but unfortunately the meetings have been since rescheduled outside of my availability. Instead, I will be spending my engagement hour this week at the Women's and Gender Center on Sunday 2/11 for the showing of Hidden Figures.
  - Film Capstone Grants: I'd be very interested in working with one of the CCM representatives to discuss avenues which in we could help make funding for Film Capstones more accessible to seniors in the class. From what I've observed, the grade / success of each student film seems very dependent on the student's own financial resources. Based on the amount of Film Capstone Grants the SGA reviews, I'd be curious to see if we can build other opportunities for these students in addition to the grant fund, to "level-out" the playing field and create more avenues for them to access financial support.
  
- Jackie - ITS
  - Shades of Me Meeting - We spoke about the ODI and how some students believe they aren't diverse enough to come and hang out. There were approximately 9 students present.
  - Met with Kerry Shackett and are now collaborating with the Career Collaborative on a networking event.
  
- Tyler - ITS
  - Knitting Club meeting - Followed up with last week's discussion with the head. There were about 4 students total plus a few faculty who joined in. It was more of a relaxing come and go as you please environment which explained the amount of knitted items they already had finished and ready for donating
  - Trying to get contacts for our event
  - Talked more about the logistics of what we are doing and refining what we want to do

## Cabinet Updates

- Christa - President
  - Met with Lisa M to give SGA Update
  - Talked with Angela last week and Shooting Sports got approved
  - Finalizing Student leadership details
  
- Bianca - VP
  - Distributed all the applications
  - Coordinated gifts for the Leadership Dinner
  - Formally invited all of the nominated faculty and staff
  
- Zhomart - Finance
  - Have gotten some sort of answer from April in regards to the Travel scholarship Fund.  
It will be discussed in our meeting on Wednesday
  
- Kendra - Clubs
  - Addressing comments on club handbook
  - Working to move club storage
  
- Alan - Operations
  - Election timeline is moving up a week to comply with Bylaws
  - Working on development of recruitment campaign & posters
  - Building Application ONLINE!
  
- Kiana - Diversity
  - I talked with Skip Harris about the counseling center and we figured out that there is a lot of misconceptions that students have on the center, and I gave him some ideas on how to engage students. He also gave me a contact to a student who is working on a capstone project related to the center.
  
- Tara - Communications
  - No new updates

# House of Representatives | MINUTES

DATE: February 19, 2018 | TIME: 3:30 PM | LOCATION: CCM 424

Meeting called by:	Bianca Roa	Attendance:
Type of Meeting:	House of Reps	Michelle Miller, Ciaran Buckley, Betsy Allen-Pennebaker,
Facilitator:	Bianca Roa	Abi Sesay, Denzel Nadim, Kes Speelman, Michael-Paul
Note Taker:	Kendra Gagnon	Ho-Kang-You, Gail Lewis, Doug Kapinos, Cecilia Pohlar,
Timekeeper:	Kendra Gagnon	Brett Schwartz, Absa Samba, Jacqueline Noborikawa,
		Tyler Brabant, Montse Guerra-Solano, Jeremy Partyka,
		Zhomart Dairov, Kendra Gagnon, Kiana Best, Tara
		Alexander, and Bianca Roa.

Proxy:

Not here: Kathryn Young.

Guests: Caroline Noll, Kaylee Mumford, Veronica Minor, Morrow Agnellini, Emily Platz, Alex Sabatel

## I. Call to order at 3:31 PM

- II. **Approval of Minutes** February 12, 2018 House of Representatives meeting  
no addition, deletions or changes to last meeting's minutes.  
Minutes approved.

## III. Guests

- A. Intercollegiate Broadcast System Award Ceremony - Caroline Noll, Kaylee Mumford, Veronica Minor
1. Taking train instead of plane- more cost effective
  2. Hotel covered by CCM
  3. New price: \$459 total
  4. 3 students
  5. Good for school- finalists in national competition
  6. Montse- what is video about
    - a) VT symphony orchestra
    - b) Kids talk and have dinner with orchestra
- B. Italian Professor's Guest Lectures - Morrow Agnellini
1. Professor when studying abroad in Florence
  2. Going to SNHU to speak last week
  3. Focus on China's geopolitical & financial
  4. March 27th & 28th
  5. Various subject matter for guest lectures, seminars, presentations
  6. Searched out funding from Scott Baker, advised to come to SGA
  7. Possible business rep event

8. Jeremy: what do you think he would talk about?
    - a) China's role, geopolitical and geo financial
  9. Montse: would lectures be available to students outside of the class
    - a) Yes
  10. Gail: would you need more funding for possible more sections
    - a) Should be able to us campus space, so no
  11. MP: approximate attendance?
    - a) 10-20 who are really interested
    - b) Buckley: 100 students in classes
  12. Tap into global classes and OIE
- C. NECCDC Regional Competition - Emily Platz
1. Northeastern cyber security defence competition
  2. Team has done well in past
  3. 8-12 team members, competition rules only allow 12 to go, 8 participate
  4. Hands on & real world experience
  5. High stress competition
  6. Hold debrief session for club related after the competition to share what they learn and possibly recruit members for future
  7. Denzel: possible for fewer rooms?
    - a) Team members will share but staff need own room
  8. Absa: possible funding through club?
    - a) No. Aren't directly affiliated with a club
  9. Montse: how is team made?
    - a) Anyone who went to meetings is part of the club and team is decided based on skills by team leads and advisor
    - b) Keep students of all years in team
  10. If they win they move on to national competition
- D. Junior Representative Appointment - Alex Sabatel
1. Junior, Broadcast Media Production major. Internship in DC, saw what free speech is. Treasurer of Rugby team. Finding ways for team members to better themselves. Following Ski Team and taking pictures. Working to get better at logistics.
  2. How will you actively seek out student concerns and input?
    - a) Student involvement in clubs and activities
    - b) Make sure students are included
  3. Advocate for communities you don't identify with
    - a) Involved with media, expose or access to larger identity
    - b) Did video for W&G center even though it's not a community he identifies with
  4. more transparent and accessible
    - a) IB club- budget for what you can and cannot do
    - b) Financial literacy to inform clubs what they can do with their money
      - (1) General people not just officers in club should know about budget and why things are happening and not happening
        - (a) Ex why rock climbing isn't happening sooner
          - (i) Paying everything before you can go
          - (ii) What are the itemized expenses
        - (2) Hearthstone isn't as open and inviting as he originally thought. It's scary to walk in but once you are in it is fun and welcoming
  5. Why do you hope to serve
    - a) Varied experiences, can plan and make impact on lives directly

- b) Volunteerism, community service, help clubs and groups, and fill a roll on campus

#### IV. Legislative Acts

##### A. Intercollegiate Broadcast System Award Ceremony

Jackie makes a motion to approve the Intercollegiate Broadcast System Award Ceremony Grant for \$459, Jeremy seconds.

- 1. Montse: seems like great opportunity to support hardworking students
- 2. Gail: agree with Montse, they got funding from other places and lowered the cost by taking train which shows commitment
- 3. Jackie: it would be great to see video after
- 4. Montse: maybe have them do a Snapchat takeover

In Favor: 13

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 0

Intercollegiate Broadcast System Award Ceremony Grant approved in full for \$459.

##### B. Italian Professor's Guest Lectures

Brett makes a motion to approve the Italian Professor's Guest Lectures Grant in Full, Montse seconds.

- 1. Brett: met with Morrow about advertising. Actually think there will be more attendance than 10-20.
- 2. Absa: OIE is interested in funding events like that
  - a) Bianca: advise him to go to OIE for any further costs

In Favor: 12

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 1

Italian Professor's Guest Lectures Grant approved in full for \$520.

##### C. NECCDC Regional Competition

Montse makes a motion to approve the NECCDC Regional Competition Grant in Full, Kes seconds.

- 1. Montse: great but pricey. Justifying it by benefiting 12 students. Maybe suggest a cheaper hotel.
- 2. Jackie: don't want to fund teacher's hotels, only students.
  - a) Zhomart: agree that we shouldn't pay for them. Advisors don't actually do much.
  - b) Doug: teachers aren't competing or advising, they're just there.
- 3. Abi: we should figure out what is up with the rooms and how many are actually necessary and fund students and 1 faculty room
  - a) Bianca: be careful about how comfortable students are and their Gender Identity.
- 4. Gail: grew up near UNH. There is a holiday inn right next to UNH that should be cheaper but it is a rural area
- 5. Jackie: called Emily: she is finding out which hotel they are staying at and how many rooms will be for students. Also finding out what advisors actually do.
  - a) Advisor drives the van and is a necessity and Scott Stevens is not necessary

Kes makes a motion to amend the grant for up to \$1500 for student rooms and 1 advisor but not Scott Stevens.

In Favor: 11  
Opposed: 0  
Abstentions: 2

NECCDC Regional Competition Grand is amended.

In Favor: 12  
Opposed: 0  
Abstentions: 1

NECCDC Regional Competition Grant approved as amended funded for \$1,500.

**D. Junior Representative Appointment**

Montse makes a motion to appoint Alex Sabatel to fill the open Junior Representative seat, Gail seconds.

1. Cecilia: knows a lot of students and what he wants to do
2. Montse: it's a shame he didn't apply sooner
3. Kiana: is the person to ask questions and dig deeper in class, great person
4. Jeremy: very hard working, on top of things in terms of scheduling
5. Absa: has a lot of assumptions about SGA, would be nice for him to have actual experience
6. Betsy: great student
7. Tyler: came in to hearthstone and talked to him, great talking to people, even introverted people
  - a) Cecilia: Also had a full conversation with him before met him

In Favor: 12  
Opposed: 0  
Abstentions: 1

Alex Sabatel is appointed to fill the open Junior Representative seat.

**V. Updates**

**A. House Updates**

1. CCM & ITS working with Career Collaborative for Resume and Business Card Smart Talk in Hearthstone. Please spread the word, it is open to everyone. This Wednesday is the Resume Smart Talk. Money is going toward main event. Carrer Colab is covering 2 small events and half of main event.
2. Denzel: Meet weekly about bringing students to Ghana. Can we hold events in April even though it is after elections?
  - a) Bianca: if it is already in plans, yes.
3. Cecilia:
  - a) First years will be holding Ultimate Frisbee.
  - b) Talked with Tom Myers about community and involving everyone not just students who want to be involved. Some student who live off campus come for class and leave, but how do we keep them here more. Tends to be

conservatives who are more likely to get shot down for their thoughts when on campus and in class. Need to make a more open and supportive environment.

(1) Talk to Ciaran and Dr. Batista.

4. Montse: Magic Hat is looking for volunteers for Mardi Gras event to benefit food bank

**B. Cabinet Updates**

1. Bianca: Transition plans need to be created. Last year they each contributed to 1 large transition plan. We will do that this year, but there will be specific points to address to help reps.
2. Bianca: Leadership dinner is this upcoming Sunday. Business Casual, wear name tags. Be there at 5:45 at the latest. No seating chart besides tables reserved. Bianca and Christa are running points, contact them if needed.
  - a) Montse: add to the Pinterest board to help pick decorations
3. Tara: working on schedule for blog posts for each division

**VI. Meeting Adjournment at 4:44 PM**

# Intercollegiate Broadcast System Award Ceremony

<b>Student/Organization Name *</b>	Veronica Minor, Kaylee Mumford, Caroline Noll
<b>Grant Title *</b>	Intercollegiate Broadcast System Award Ceremony
<b>Date *</b>	Monday, July 8, 1996
<b>1. For what reason are you applying for a grant? *</b>	We are finalists in the Intercollegiate Broadcasting System (IBS) award ceremony and conference for a video that we created. The ceremony is taking place from March 2nd to March 4th in New York City. We are looking for a grant to cover the cost of flights of the three of us and the hotel.
<b>2. What background information would help us to understand your proposed activity? *</b>	<p>Our program director, for Broadcast Media Production, Dr. Williams submitted a video project we created during the fall 2016 semester for the Vermont Symphony Orchestra to The Intercollegiate Broadcast System 2018 awards. We produced the piece as a part of our Broadcast Field Production class. We have now been named finalists for The Best News Feature created by college students. We competed against students from all over the United States and now are one of 6 groups to possibly receive the award. We made it further in the competition than we expected. Our video was the only student video submitted from Champlain College to make it into the finals. We would now like to be able to attend the award ceremony and conference in New York City.</p>
<b>3. What is your objective and plan? *</b>	<p>The three of us who are finalists, Veronica Minor, Kaylee Mumford, and Caroline Noll would be attending the event. We would arrive Friday, March 2nd and leave Sunday, March 4th. We would be there a total of three days. Our plan is to fly in and out of the city and stay at Hotel Pennsylvania which is the location of the awards ceremony and different conference events.</p> <p>Our flight would leave from the Burlington airport at 5:30am and arrive at JFK airport in New York at 7:01am. We would then take an uber to Hotel Pennsylvania, where the event takes place and we would be staying. We hope to attend workshops during the conference Friday and Saturday as well as the awards ceremony Saturday evening. We would leave New York City from JFK airport at 7:35am and return to the Burlington airport at 8:47am.</p> <p>We are looking for a grant to cover the cost of the flight for each of us and the cost of the hotel room. We will cover the cost of food for the weekend and transportation to and from the airport.</p>

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**4. How will your proposed activity benefit the Champlain student body, and why should the SGA offer their support to you?**

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Attending the Intercollegiate Broadcast System award ceremony and conference would bring recognition for our hard work that will transfer back into the Broadcast Media Production program. It will benefit Champlain's ability to recruit potential students into the program as well as strengthen the reputation of the Broadcast Media Production program by providing more visibility within the broadcast community.

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**5. DETAILED budget breakdown (with reasoning). \***

Our flights would cost approximately of 858 dollars. Between the three of us, that is 286 dollars each. When researching flights, we found this was the cheapest flight for that weekend. We also found that it is cheaper to go Friday to Sunday rather than Saturday to Sunday. The savings would be a total of 75 dollars. The flight would be through American Airlines. This is the quickest way to get into the city and most cost effective flight to take. This would allow us to attend multiple events at the conference and the awards ceremony.

The cost of the hotel is 491 dollars and 21 cents. The hotel we would be staying at is Hotel Pennsylvania and is the location of the conference and award ceremony. Dr. Williams has reserved one room for the three of us to share to ensure the cost will not change.

The costs we would cover ourselves are transportation to and from the airport and food for the weekend. We are asking for a grant of 1,349.21 dollars for our trip to New York City for the Intercollegiate Broadcast System award ceremony and conference. We appreciate your consideration and time taken to review our proposal.

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# Italian Professor's Guest Lectures

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<b>Student/Organization Name *</b>	Mauro Agnellini
<b>Grant Title *</b>	Italian Business Professor Guest Lecturing at Champlain College
<b>Date *</b>	Monday, February 12, 2018

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**1. For what reason are you applying for a grant? \***

I was contacted by my former Global Financial Markets professor, Fabio Massimo Parenti, from the Lorenzo de Medici Institute in Florence, Italy about a potential event at Champlain College. He is looking forward to do guest lectures, seminars, presentations and even bring along a Chinese colleague as China's role in global finance is Fabio's area of expertise.

The reason I am applying for a grant is to provide him transportation from New Hampshire (where he would be doing other guest lectures the last week in March at SNHU) and lodging here in Burlington on both March 26th and 27th along with some meal support.

**2. What background information would help us to understand your proposed activity? \***

I have sought for alternate funding from the SSB but their guest speaker budget has already been earmarked. Also attended the International Roundtable club but their club budget has already been assigned as well. I'm in the process of collaborating with Stiller Women in Business and the SGA business representative, Brett Schwartz, to potentially secure further funds.

As for Fabio's activities, I have already received interest from professor Buckley and Patel for him to guest lecture at their sections respectively on the aforementioned Tuesday and Thursday. Both him and I are open to organizing further events but I would like to collaborate with Brett on this point to see what we can organize.

**3. What is your objective and plan? \***

My objective is to have Fabio visit Champlain College, at least guest lecture at the two planned sections, and be covered for his rental car, hotel and food for two days. My plan is to collaborate with Bianca and Brett to schedule further events for him in order to bring more value to the student body. I am willing to be the point of contact for his visit.

**4. How will your proposed activity benefit the Champlain student body, and why should the SGA offer their support to you?\***

Fabio's academic focus is on China's role in global finance and politics, having been on Chinese state television to discuss these points. Considering international learning is embedded within the mission of the Stiller School of Business and our Freeman Grant Shanghai program keeps getting more and more relevant, his ability to provide insight into the ever important role of China will bring great learning opportunities to business students.

If I'm able to collaborate with Brett, we'd eventually be able to meet the requirements for his business representative event which I recall can be difficult to organize.

This event would not be possible without the SGA's support. Being a former SGA member, I have an understanding of how important these grant funds are and for the SGA representatives to get their division specific events in. I see myself as a deliberate and timely organizer for these types of events and I know what the SGA is expecting in terms of planning and execution. I will be able to advocate for the grant in person and am willing to answer any questions or concerns.

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<b>5. DETAILED budget breakdown (with reasoning). *</b>	\$320 - Special college corporate rate at the Hilton for March 26th and 27th nights. This is the best and most convenient rate we can get in Burlington.
	\$150 - Enterprise rental car from Hooksett, NH for March 26th, 27th and returned on 28th. A rental car can provide him the flexibility to both arrive and leave Champlain considering he will have a busy week guest lecturing here and at SNHU.
	\$50 - Meal support for March 26th, 27th and 28th to provide him some coverage.
	Total \$520

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# NECCDC Regional Competition

<b>Student/Organization Name *</b>	NECCDC
<b>Grant Title *</b>	Hotel Cost for Regional Competition
<b>Date *</b>	Wednesday, February 14, 2018
<b>1. For what reason are you applying for a grant? *</b>	We would like a grant to cover the hotel costs for the NECCDC team members for the duration of the regional competition.
<b>2. What background information would help us to understand your proposed activity? *</b>	Champlain's NECCDC (Northeast Collegiate Cyber Defense Challenge) team qualified this year for the regional competition being held at the University of New Hampshire in Durham. The competition is spread across three days in which our goal is to defend our network against an active red team and we earn points for keeping services up and completing tasks given to us. We compete against many other elite schools in the New England area. Champlain has competed in this competition for several years and we hope to continue competing in this fun and challenging event.
<b>3. What is your objective and plan? *</b>	Our plan is to leave Champlain College mid-day on Thursday March 15, 2018 arriving at UNH later in the day. We would need the hotel Thursday night, Friday night, and Saturday night during the competition. After the competition is over, we would return to Champlain between mid-afternoon and evening on Sunday March 18, 2018.
<b>4. How will your proposed activity benefit the Champlain student body, and why should the SGA offer their support to you? *</b>	<p>This competition offers real-world experience to students in the Cybersecurity and Digital Forensics majors. Prior to the competition our team studies and prepares for the competition from Oct-Nov of the fall semester all the way up to the competition in the spring, putting in many hours and late nights. We also understand that only 8-12 students can actually compete in the competition, so we always have a debrief meeting with other clubs (Cybersecurity club, Digital Forensics Association, and Women in Technology(ITS)) in order to share what we learn and get other students interested in the competition for the next year. This meeting usually provides a really good turnout. The competition also allows us to communicate with other schools in the New England area in order to strengthen our own ITS programs here at Champlain.</p>

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<b>5. DETAILED budget breakdown (with reasoning). *</b>	7 rooms for students totals 1,662.50 (237.50 per room for 3 nights) Thursday March 15th-1st night Friday March 16th-2nd night Saturday March 17th-3rd night
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## **Junior Representative Appointment**

Alex Sabatel, Broadcast & Streaming Media, '19

I believe I am qualified to properly represent the class of 2019 of Champlain College for several reasons. As a leader within your community you must remain critical of the organization you are a part of. I maintain a certain tenacity and persistence in all that I do that allows me to know when to scrutinize and when to relax. I am open to new experiences and ideas. As a broadcast media major, the International Business Club and the BYOBiz center provided me an opportunity to explore educational and professional interests outside of the classroom. My commitment to the Rugby team in the fall of my sophomore year grew from holding a ball for the first time to sitting on the executive board three semesters later. I believe Champlain College SGA is not fundamentally broken. Working as the treasurer of the Rugby team showed me how club budgets and organizations receive money for activities. I enjoy a challenging problems because it means that there is something of meaning behind what I am doing. I want to work in the SGA to explicitly draw attention to the issue of financial transparency that I hear echoed from all students, first-years to seniors.

# House of Representatives | MINUTES

DATE: February 26, 2018 | TIME: 3:30 PM | LOCATION: CCM 424

Meeting called by:	Bianca Roa	Attendance:
Type of Meeting:	House of Reps	Michelle Miller, Ciaran Buckley, Betsy Allen-Pennebaker,
Facilitator:	Bianca Roa	Abi Sesay, Denzel Nadim, Kes Speelman, Alex Sabatell,,
Note Taker:	Alan Barlow	Gail Lewis, Doug Kapinos, Cecilia Pohlar, Brett Schwartz,
Timekeeper:	Alan Barlow	Kathryn Young, Tyler Brabant, Jeremy Partyka, Zhomart
		Dairov, Kendra Gagnon, Kiana Best, and Bianca Roa.

Proxy: Tyler for Jacqueline Noborikawa, Brett for Michael-Paul Ho-Kang-You, Jeremy for Montse Guerra-Solano

Not Present: Absa Samba

Guests:

**I. Call to order at 3:31 PM**

- II. Approval of Minutes** February 19, 2018 House of Representatives meeting  
no addition, deletions or changes to last meeting's minutes.  
Minutes approved.

**III. New Business**

- A. Elections & Tabling
  1. Tabling on Thursday & Friday - please sign up
  2. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the Info Night Tuesday
  3. Please continue to recruit people, we only have 1 app. Please finish your applications if you are re-applying!!
  4. Alex inquires about helping Gabe who is abroad get signatures, Michelle will check with Kirby to see how she did it.
  
- B. Graduation Cords Update
  1. Graduation Cords approved
  2. Red & Blue double cords
  3. Laurie Quin is giving us \$400
  4. Christa needs to figure out if we need to order or if Provost office will do it
  
- C. March for Our Lives
  1. Looking into arranging transportation for the March in Montpellier
  2. March 24th Noon-2
  3. SGA Endorsement
  4. Gun Violence
  5. Will submit Grant for SGA next week to help with transportation costs
  6. SGA could sponsor bill, no established process, go to Ciaran

7. 24-48 students on a bus?
8. Should look into bus scheduling
9. Class is going to it, Elementary Ed Bus going to it
10. Should reach out to classes to spread the word

Jeremy makes a motion that SGA will organization a bus trip for the March for Our Lives for up to \$600, Brett Seconds.

In Favor: 11

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 3

Motion passes.

D. Women's History Month

1. Working on Storytelling event, tell and listen to stories of the women before them, create solidarity of progress, having SGA facebook page, stories of women of the week, female figure
2. March 8th International Women's Day
3. Year-long events replaced Women's Symposium

E. Passover Dinner

1. Would like SGA to show support for Jewish students at event in the Morgan Room
2. Asked to put SGA logo on poster
3. Comments on Student Leader survey about religious persecution, opportunity to show support
4. Not financial, just marketing and participation
5. Support Catholic Club, should support this
6. Get poster to Tara to spread on Social Media

F. Discussion about Racial Tensions and Email

1. At our last Cabinet meeting, discussed everything that happened over the past over a week
2. Drafted email to send to student body, show support for student of color at Champlain
3. SGA is here to support everyone
4. Entire SGA behind this, would like support of House of Representatives
5. Dr. Batista has been sending out updates
6. Abi wanted to mention that a Walk Out is being setup in response by students
7. Students are stepping out and stepping up
8. This email will show support of SGA
9. Walk Out: Organized by a first year, as many bodies as possible, go to Roslindale Courtyard, students will be speaking, about issues from professional development training, more clarity for incident reports, updates, change in IDEA surveys
10. Professors are aware and many are in support of it
11. Call to Action Meeting was talked about

Approval of Letter.

12. Approved: 12

13. Opposed:

14. Abstentions: 2

Letter approved as amended.

G. Reflection on for the Leadership Dinner

1. WOOO!! It happened!

2. Pros: Great, SGA students speaking with faculty members, really nice to listen to keynote speaker about complexity of politics, gave great advice, really liked gift, speakers incredible, glad that we did not assign all tables, food was good, attendance was great, celebrating student leaders
3. Cons: talked to those in attendance, some students felt it still just praised SGA, unnecessary to recognize SGA members at an SGA dinner, keynote speaker was too political, Sodexo was short staffed, food took a long time, water was very low, plastic cups, never really answered questions, focus on progressive and farmer background, just too long, told by student leaders that students were inappropriate with registration table
4. Suggestions: Recognize all student groups (just have them all stand up and see who is there in attendance), cups were completely compostable, leader-based speaker, SGA award, continue committee and awards, known leader in community but not necessarily as political, recent grads, leadership speakers (without political affiliation), someone from staff, application of leadership into careers and future, alumni would be beneficial, direct role in the community, not about experience but about leadership, more direct advice or strategies around leadership if we had requested, help speakers understand the audience, maybe in the future have a survey that goes out to invitees to hear what people would like to get out of the experience, have questions ahead of time to gauge what students want to hear
5. Overall successful, etiquette dinner, involvement of students, food was great

#### **IV. Updates**

##### **A. House Updates**

##### **B. Cabinet Updates**

1. Michelle: Kirby says that non-SGA friend had to get signatures
2. Michelle: First years & Seniors do the NSSE! Sending to Cecilia and Tara to put in class groups.
3. Bianca: Thank you for all the work and talking and all the help!

#### **V. Meeting Adjournment at 4:39 PM**

