

**STUDENT ASSOCIATION  
General Assembly Meeting  
February 16th, 2017  
G26 McEwen Hall, 5:30 p.m.**

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**I.Call to Order**

**a. Roll Call**

**Monica White:** Present  
**Jennifer Hildebrand:** Present  
**William Hernandez:** Present  
**Samuel Anderson:** Excused  
**Amia Stephenson:** Absent  
**Derek Yeboah:** Present  
**Temere Burks:** Absent  
**Hannah Apthorpe:** Absent  
**Amber Mattice:** Present  
**Celina Kryk:** Present  
**Samantha Larson:** Present  
**Matthew Anderson:** Present  
**Jason Cheung:** Present  
**Nathaniel Clark:** Present  
**Kathryn Stroh:** Present  
**Kelsea Halloran:** Excused  
**Veronica Arce:** Present  
**Connor Aitcheson:** Present  
**Connor Hoffman:** Absent  
**Kevin Gleason:** Present  
**Meghan Flynn:** Present  
**Bridget Doyle:** Present  
**Gabrielle Carr:** Present  
**Rebecca D'Hilly:** Present  
**Maggie McHugh:** Present  
**Eduvije Sanchez:** Present  
**Shimire Fouts:** Present  
**Jasmine Bell:** Excused  
**Nicole Haynes:** Present  
**Art Forum:** Present  
**Fred ASSIST:** Present  
**Black Horse Rugby:** Present  
**Black Student Union:** Present  
**Brother to Brother:** Present  
**Club Hockey:** Present  
**Club Ultimate Frisbee:** Present  
**Ethos:** Present  
**FRS:** Present  
**Hillel:** Present  
**Jazz Workshop:** Absent  
**Lacrosse:** Present  
**Latinos Unidos:** Present  
**Leader:** Present  
**Music Industry Club:** Present  
**Orchesis:** Excused  
**PAC:** Present  
**Percussion Guild:** Present  
**Pride Alliance:** Present  
**Sound Services:** Absent

**Spectrum:** Present  
**SOTA:** Present  
**STEPS:** Present  
**WNYF:** Present  
**Fredonia Feminists:** Present

**b. Approval of the Minutes**

**i. February 2nd, 2017 General Assembly Meeting**

**Nathaniel:** Are there any changes you would like changed to the minutes? Jason?

**Jason:** For B&A “inaudible”

**Nathaniel:** Thank you Jason, Is that clear to everyone? I’ll make sure to tell the secretary. Are there any other corrections to the minutes?

**Rep:** You didn’t call “inaudible”

**Nathaniel:** You will be called later during our consent agenda.

*Motion was made by Connor to approve the minutes seconded by Veronica motion passes.*

**c. Concerns of the Audience**

**Nathaniel:** Are there any concerns of the audience? Nicole?

**Nicole:** Hello everyone! I just wanted to let you guys know that on February 20th LU, BSU “inaudible” and ASU will be hosting an event called Black and brown all around. Tickets are free, there will be food. It will be fun. The purpose of the event is promote black unity within the public groups on campus. Just to show that all though we do come from different ethnicities we are unified. If you would like to come through there will be a bunch of activities and music, dancing, performances, food, it will be a great time. Get your tickets!

**Nathaniel:** Are there any questions for Nicole? Veronica?

**Veronica:** What time is it at?

**Nicole:** 7pm in the MPR

**Nathaniel:** Ok, anymore questions for Nicole? Thank you Nicole! Anymore concerns of the audience before we move on? Will?

**William:** Hi my name is William Hernandez and I am apart of Res Life. Under Res Life connections committee we are actually holding two events that we would like to see some more student participation in. Our first is February 21st, at 6pm in Alumni Hall, we are having pizza with the president it is free and a great opportunity for you to speak with our head administration. And the next event after that is March 21st, where you get to eat pizza with Dr. Howard our VP. So the first one is in Alumni Hall and the one on March 21st is in Nixon Hall. They are both at 6pm. Thank you.

**Nathaniel:** Any questions for Billy? Ok thank you Billy. Seeing no more concerns of the audience we will move onto the consent agenda.

**II. Consent Agenda**

- a. Jason Cheung for Assistant Comptroller:** Present
- b. Michael Johnson for Chair of Sustainability:** Present
- c. Peter Van Genderen for Chair of Community Relations:** Present
- d. Alpha Lambda Delta for re-Acknowledged Recognition:** Present
- e. Council for Exceptional Children for re-Acknowledged Recognition:** Present
- f. Engineering and Physics Society for re-Acknowledged Recognition:** Present
- g. American Marketing Association for re-Chartered Recognition:** Present
- h. Criminal Justice Club for re-Chartered Recognition:** Present
- i. Release request from Fredonia Mock Trial for \$922.68 from Allocations:** Present
- j. Release request from Kappa Sigma Fraternity for \$1,000 from allocations:** Present
- k. Release request from Blackhorse Rugby for \$1500.00 from Con & Con:** Present
- l. Release request from FUSITT for \$1500.00 from Con & Con:** Present

**Nathaniel:** Would anyone like anything off the consent agenda? Celina?

**Celina:** Letter A

**Nathaniel:** Letter A will be under my report. Would anyone like anything else? Meghan?

**Meghan:** Letter J

**Nathaniel:** Ok, J will be under Rachel’s report. Anything else?

*Motion was made by B&A and Rules committee seconded by Nicole, motion passes.*

**Nathaniel:** So if you are those groups and you were not taken off the consent agenda you are free to go quickly and quietly. I apologize Jason Chung and Kappa Sigma you have to stay anyways but everyone else who is here from B&A and Rules you are free to go, and Delta Chi you are under my report. Question?

**Rep:** I am confused as to if I can leave or not?

**Nathaniel:** What club?

**Rep:** Black Horse.

**Nathaniel:** You have to stay you are a constituted group, at least one of you should stay. If you are a constituted group rep you have to stay, at least one person. Next up we have our reports

### **III. Reports**

#### **a. Judicial Branch**

##### **i. Chief Justice Jack Weaver**

**Jack:** Good afternoon everyone. I am still looking for another associate justice. If you or someone you know is interested please send me an email with a letter of intent and an academic resume. Any questions? Thank you very much.

#### **b. Legislative Branch**

##### **i. Speaker of the Assembly Nathaniel Clark**

###### **1. Delta Chi for Re-acknowledged Recognition**

**Nathaniel:** To save folks time, Delta chi you were here first. You are welcome to come on down, or stay in your seats whatever you are most comfortable with. For those of you who read the minutes. Delta Chi was not recommended for approval by the Rules committee at this stage, it is at the discretion of the general assembly what we do next. So if ya'll would like to speak you're free too.

**Nakib:** Good evening ladies and gentleman. We are here today to discuss the status of our re-recognition by SA and the general assembly of the Fredonia Delta Chi Chapter. Before I continue I want to introduce myself, my name is Nakib Kabir I am a political science major junior and I am the acting Vice President of Fredonia Delta Chi.

**Alex:** I am Alex Czechowski and I am our Alumni relations officer.

**Nakib:** Now as I understand at the meeting on Tuesday, we were obviously not re-recognized and there were a few reasons against us. One of the reasons being Miss Delta Chi being offensive. Miss Delta Chi more so than anything is a fundraiser. It is a fundraiser for the Jimmy V foundation and cancer research. In a single night we raise well over a \$1000.00. Last year at Fredonia Delta Chi we raised around \$1400.00 every single penny of it going right to Jimmy V. If you take the fundraising and all the money out what Miss Delta Chi is, is an opportunity for smart, intelligent students of this campus to have a platform to speak about current events or whatever they want. It gives the opportunity for those to get out of their shell. And for others it gives them an opportunity to show off their talent show off what they love. So that is an event that we hold near and dear to our hearts. It isn't meant in an offensive way, it is supposed to uphold our values and raise a bunch of money for our go to philanthropic foundation. One thing we take pride in is serving the community, where is Naman? Naman is our community service chair.. He works closely with Joy Smith. It that is another something that we hold near and dear to our hearts. For those of you who don't know Delta Chi holds the record for most community service hours done in a single semester on campus, and we have set this record on three separate occasions. Another thing I wanted to talk about is our suspension. Last semester we were suspended. On September 9th Lisa Nuel emailed our eboard and let us know that "*inaudible*" It was a tough time for us. But more so than anything what this suspension was was a "*inaudible*" Since that day on September 9th, we have been working close with Dr. Howard, Lisa Nuel the director of judicial affairs and Mike Lemieux who is the Greek Advisor to start moving in a progressive fashion and sort of restore our image on campus.

**Alex:** Since the suspension we've done away with some of our traditions. We have been around for 25 years so obviously there is a legacy to uphold with us but we are trying to progressively change the way we do things. We reworked our bylaws. Which up until now we had none besides our headquarters of Delta Chi Law. We have redone our judicial process as well. I feel we have put in a lot of work. We took that semester off. Opted out of an appeal through the recommendation of student affairs to try to rework the fraternity, our image, and everything we stand for and come back this semester with a clean slate.

**Nakib:** As far as our re-recognition on campus, just this semester we were able to pin 12 new associate members. Those are people who are hoping to join our brotherhood. That indicates that we are moving in a positive direction for 12 young men on this campus.

**Alex:** Thank you.

**Nathaniel:** Ok, thank you. Before we get this off to a proper start I ask the Delta Chi gentlemen, and the other folks to be respectful, we are allowed to have differing opinions, but we are not allowed to attack each other. And I don't want to see it. I will call it out and shut it down. Is that clear to everyone? Ok wonderful. I will leave it there.

*Motion was made by Connor to place a time limit on speakers to 90 seconds seconded by Matt, motion passes.*

**Nathaniel:** So now when I recognize you that starts the clock, and Connor will keep track of it. So please again, be respectful and onto Kat.

**Kat:** I was just going to ask what was the nature of the suspension?

**Nakib:** There were a few reasons. One was some altercations with an egg hunt that we had planned. With one of the other fraternal organizations. And we held a similar egg hunt which was held in Dunkirk. And there was a miscommunication with campus. And that is what led to some conflict. Another was involving greek week. I yield to Dr. Howard.

**Dr. Howard:** For those of you who don't know, I am Dr. Howard, Vice President of student affairs. I am not supporting, whatever decision you make, you can make. The question was why did my office suspend the organization. There was a practice here prior to me getting here August of this year, that an organizational person could be put on probation a number of times without having to account for what probation was for. When I got here Delta Chi was off of probation. However, Lisa Nuel informed me that something was done under their name when they were *"inaudible"* So an example of that was, the alumni associate of Delta Chi was going to have an event in Dunkirk. And they used the name of the undergraduate chapter. Which was technically a violation because the undergraduate chapter was on probation with *"inaudible"* My office saw it as a technical violation of their probation and went to them saying, listen, we can handle this a number of different ways. We can keep going on probation, and dealing with things in that respect, or you can simply say this is a violation, you can take care of the number of things you all need to take care of, and then you can apply to come back in the Spring. It wasn't something the undergraduate chapter had done. This was a graduate alumni that had done something not knowing the undergraduate chapter was on probation up under the name of the undergraduate chapter. So that is why I wanted to clarify whether it was right or wrong by office saw it as technically a violation. So we went to them saying we can deal with this a number of different ways. And it was determined at that point in time, in part because *"inaudible"* It wasn't because of hazing, it was simply because something was done under their name and the way that their probation was written, that if they did anything off campus it was a violation. So technically when a graduate brother did something in their name it was a violation. So I just wanted to clarify why my office put them on probation.

**Nathaniel:** Do you yield Kat?

**Kat:** Well I was also going to ask why they were put on probation before this semester

**Nakib:** The initial probation was an event during greek week, which is a week of events that greek week has an organizes. And that was another reason.

**Kat:** I yield.

**Nathaniel:** I do want to remind everyone because there are a lot of new faces here, that everyone is allowed to speak so just raise your hand and I will put you on the list. This is not strictly reserved to reps. Next up Bridget.

**Bridget:** Hi gentleman, my name is Bridget, I served as chair of community relations for the student association for the last year. Over the last year when I became a member of the president's cabinet the largest by far complaint that I have received from both community members and students of this campus was regarding the actions of the brothers of your fraternity. So it surprises me a little bit, being the community relations chair, being told that your fraternity is so big into community service that when I reached out to your group 5 times to ask for help with community service events to *"inaudible"* I received no response. What are the plans moving forward to to fix this kind of activity?

**Nakib:** Can I ask you a question? When did you reach out to us?

**Bridget:** In the last 9 months. Starting at the beginning of last semester, and all through the spring of the previous semester.

**Nakib:** Well including spring semester, and the fall semester, we were having problems with probation. *"Inaudible"* so when you reached out to our community service chair, we didn't know if we were allowed to do certain things. We were unaware.

**Bridget:** I yield

**Nathaniel:** Next up Maggie

**Maggie:** You said in the meeting on Monday that you're planning events like Miss Delta Chi, are there any other events that you can mention?

**Alex:** We do different sorts of fundraising a PR events, like tabling outside the library, we used to do the egg hunt. But mostly we do smaller things, like barbeques.

**Maggie:** I yield.

**Nathaniel:** Thank you Maggie, next up we have Celina.

**Celina:** What changes are you specifically going to make to try and better your reputation? Because I know, even freshman coming in, talk about joining your fraternity because of the reputation that you have, and that concerns me.

**Alex:** Part one would be with our current brothers. And that would be mostly relying on our new judicial system. It is laid out as any law would be. It is listed out as things that would be an offense and an appropriate punishment for that offense, and our judicial board would administer those punishments. So that is unique as far as what we have changed. And as far as new freshmen coming in freshman, we changed our recruitment process. It's called valued based recruitment. So there are a lot of qualities and prerequisites before you can join the brotherhood. One of which being a certain GPA requirement approved by campus. That is still running, and there are certain qualities that we actually need to have in our new members. And so if it is someone that is not showing they are looking to better their education and their professionalism, things like that, then we can't recruit them.

**Nakib:** And to talk about the Judicial Board, it was really non-existent when I came in, as a freshman. And I think it has gotten to a point where the bylaws "*inaudible*". It is something that we have all voted on and something Lisa Nuel recommended and this is a way that we can continue safely.

**Alex:** You have a second part?

**Celina:** I was going to ask "*inaudible*" you mentioned it at Rules. But how bad does an action have to be for you to discipline someone?

**Alex:** It could be as little as someone not showing up to a community service event. That would be a smaller offense. A bigger offense would be starting a large issue on campus and the punishment can be as severe as expulsion.

**Nakib:** One of the biggest things about the Judicial Board, from my understanding, is that the members of it, in our chapter are us. There is no talking "*inaudible*". The members of the judicial board are anonymous. That helps us keep each other accountable.

**Celina:** I do have a recommendation about Miss Delta Chi. You said the point of it is for a person to go up and be confident in themselves and their talents. I would recommend maybe a talent show? Are you afraid that would bring in less funds because it is not a beauty pageant?

**Nakib:** We call it Miss Delta Chi. There is no beauty pageant behind it. It is a talent show more than anything else. One thing I want to bring up is the grading scale that we have from our judges. Which is usually representatives from other greek organizations. It says nothing about looks. Here is the scoring rubric: Presentation, talent, formal wear, questions and answers and confidence. Nothing about how they look. It just gives people a platform so they can come up and show off their talents.

**Celina:** I yield.

**Nathaniel:** Thank you Celina, next up we have Nicole.

**Nicole:** Hi. I have two questions. With seniors graduating there will be a shift in leadership. So what measures are you taking to make sure the mistakes that you have made are not recurring?

**Alex:** I think the bylaws and judicial system will have a large part in that. But also the whole mentality of the group. We have seen that before. Particularly last year, we did lose a large number of seniors. Debatable for the better or the worse. But I feel like the group of guys that we do have, there are not many graduating this year. And it is more a "*inaudible*" community. And what needs to be done. And it is written out for them via our bylaws and judicial system.

**Nakib:** Generally a transition of power between two e-boards is set up in a way where if you are a senior you're not going to be able to run for a position because then you won't be there when the new e-board comes in to guide them.

**Alex:** You have to be present for a transition of power.

**Nakib:** Yeah it doesn't run between academic years it runs the full year.

**Nicole:** Ok. And you said your judicial board is anonymously appointed. So "*inaudible*"

**Nakib:** The appointments are made by our "*inaudible*". He is sort of our judicial manager officer for our chapter. "*Inaudible*" We try to identify if he has any ideals or morals to appoint proper people, who can be held to a higher standard.

**Alex:** And they also have to follow and learn our FIPG compliance which is a safety compliance. And a lot of Greek life organizations use that. So they have to be well educated with that as well to be on the board.

**Nicole:** I yield.

**Nathaniel:** Thank you Nicole next we have Mark.

**Mark:** Before I begin, am I aloud to speak about after Rules?

**Nathaniel:** Do you yield to Vince?

**Mark:** I yield to Vince.

**Vince:** I would just say it is *“inaudible”* to their re-recognition.

**Mark:** Ok. For me in Rules, obviously I apologize if Delta Chi felt that my vote was biased in any way. It wasn't. My job as being in the rules committee, for me, there are 6,000 students on campus and only 5 people in the committee. I represent like a thousand students. It was a great speech. But in terms of Monday, the incident was never addressed. I see a great speech. But, you say the good, but you leave out the bad out. So address that for me in terms of what happened on Monday. I yield.

**Nakib:** After the rules meeting, I personally knew Mark being a member of one of the newest fraternities here on campus. He was a friend, and we would constantly speak about Greek Life. And for those of you who are not in Greek Life, there is a pride in being apart of green life. I personally went to Mark to understand his thought process as to why he voted no. Not why the board voted no, but why a fellow greek member voted no for an organization trying to get back on good terms. Which is somewhat shocking to me. So he gave his reasons some of which I do not understand. I will say it did get a little heated, passionate, for the brotherhood that I love. These guys that I call family, we were under the impression that coming back on campus we would be able to work with Dr. Howard, Lisa Nuel, Mike Lemieux, and the rest of campus to work and rebuild our branded image. And it sort of came as a curveball us not being re-recognized. There was some emotion but that is what that conversation was, emotion and passion.

**Alex:** I would like to add to that that was not gone unseen, by our eboard, our judicial system, or any of those areas. We immediately contacted Dr. Howards office. We were there at 8:30am the next morning to speak about this incident, it is being handled by judicial affairs, and we are trying to be compliant in any way that we can. Whether it is a large issue or not, it is not something that we are going to overlook. I just wanted to say that

**Mark:** Obviously I can understand your passion. I often place myself in your shoes and think, how would I feel? I would be emotional about it. But the key element here is how do you handle that person. The first thing you don't do afterwards is act with aggressiveness. Me and Kevin.

**Kevin:** Point of clarification, nothing was said to me, I went out to see what was going on, I addressed two of the people and they asked me why and I answered back. I just wanted to say that.

**Mark:** And believe me, there is no bitterness here. I would understand people being emotional about this. Ever since that happened i have not been reached out, apologized too. I have not been contacted by anybody regarding this situation. But I am going to ask a question. Being in greek life. There is clearly a negative stigma. Students complain, when anyone in greek life walks into a room, I see silence. We obviously need to work together for something to be done. But what is Delta Chi going to do to help change the minds of the people who believe in the negative stigma. How are we going to change their minds? What are your ideas?

**Alex:** Responding to your first point, we realized that addressing you directly after that meeting was not the avenue to take, and that is why we went through Dr. Howard's office. And so we thought it would be best to not reach out to you immediately and go through the campus administration. I had lunch with your President the next day to talk about the incident, talked to him for about an hour, in hopes that he would relay that message to you. I do understand the stigma that is around greek life. But being apart of it, you should know what it is, it is holding yourself to a higher standard. We do accept that as a fraternity. We have our own standards. That is why we are fraternity gentleman. We hold ourselves to higher standards. You should expect that being apart of greek like. So what we can do in the future, to help our image, our president, as well as the rest, are joining together, any sort of outreach we can do. I did a whole presentation on Delta Chi in front of the Grissom dorms to try and let new freshman and sophomores learn more about greek life. I think a big staple in showing people what greek life is about, is creating more than a glass door between what we do and what people see. Because they only see a more social aspect. And personally I would love to see that barrier broken. People don't see the people we send to regional leadership conferences, and these different events that we put on to better ourselves, the process behind what we do, the love for our community. Although we like to boast about our hours, but there are a lot of community service events that we put on that we hold dearly to us. One of which is a lyme disease walk for one of our brothers who has lyme disease. So, it's a mix between boasting and trying to show people we do with what we preach.

**Nakib:** One thing i would like to add is no one in this room is perfect. I am not saying our fraternity is perfect and I am sure you're not saying the same about yours. In my opinion, the whole idea about joining greek life is that desire we want to build ourselves. I am not perfect yet and I never will be. But surrounding myself with these guys it has helped me to constantly move in the right direction. I am not saying we don't take step backs at time, because we do, be we have constantly been trying to improve ourselves as people and our fraternity.

**Nathaniel:** Thank you. Just to keep the discussion moving along I am not going to recognize people more than twice. So if you have spoken once, you will get a second, but not a third time. Billy?

**Billy:** From what I heard, one of your fundraising events, it didn't seem like it was taken seriously. What are you going to do as an organization to form relationships with everyone here so that way our concerns can be finalized.

**Nakib:** Well first and foremost that event, is not secluded to people in greek life. Everyone on this campus is more than welcome to come by our events, and we encourage everyone to come. So if you guys would like to come by and check out the event, and voice your concerns about anything you would like us to change, I encourage it. Anyone in this room is more than welcome too.

**Billy:** So you're saying that it is an inclusive event and to bring up concerns the day of. What intentions do you have to form other partnerships outside of greek life to build a more inclusive environment?

**Nakib:** Well as vice president, I have encouraged us to co-host events with other organizations on campus. Not just greek life. We want to open our arms and co-host some sort of fundraiser, or PR event or some event on campus with any other organizations.

**Alex:** There is a drug awareness week that is going on put on by the village of fredonia, I know greek life is trying to be apart of it, I know STEPS is as well. So I would like to see more things like that. We do a lot of drug awareness and things like that. But I think there is a lot of groups that I would like to see partner with that are also in that area that would bring something to the table and help us out.

**Billy:** I yield.

**Nathaniel:** Next we have Kevin

**Kevin:** Point of information, I know other greek life groups on campus have events that are like Miss Delta Chi. So for me, it is like why are we questioning them but other groups can do it too? I yield.

**Nathaniel:** Thank you Kevin, next up Bridget

**Bridget:** Hi. I keep hearing a lot of inspirational speeches about wanting to be better, frankly to be honest with you, I have heard it for two years now, I want to hear an actual plan of action what are you going to do to be better.

**Nakib:** We are actively looking for ways to better our image. In order for us to do that, it would help to be recognized by SA. We are putting forth our best effort. If there is anything you have in mind for us we are all ears and we would love to hear your recommendations.

**Alex:** A lot of times, ya know, we didn't have the judicial board or judicial system, but we still had processes that we had to follow. And a lot of the time there were certain offenses that would go overlooked. And they were considered minor offenses. And what we are trying to do is small PR things. Where its, You said this to somebody in the library. That is something that would be overlooked in the past because there is no physical thing that they did. Or it's just me and my friend that are getting in this argument, it's not a Delta Chi thing. What we are trying to do is make every brother accountable for everything because it is falling on Delta Chi when it comes to the administration and the fraternity. So even small things that would hurt our relations with public and the campus that would be considered an offense.

**Bridget:** Ok so let me be more specific. There are a lot of women on this campus who feel that your fraternity is notorious for a certain type of violence. What are you planning to do to reverse that image?

**Nakib:** Well our "*inaudible*" have already been working on workshops with STEPS. We have great relations with other sororities on this campus. But we have specifically contacted STEPS to set up workshops and other things of that nature to help our image and change how people look at us.

**Bridget:** I yield.

**Nathaniel:** Nicole?

**Nicole:** Going back to the whole conversation with "*inaudible*" Was there any physical altercation at all?

**Nakib:** No Mam

**Nicole:** Since that is the case, can I suggest a mediation with both parties because I don't see how an altercation with someone from a said group pertains to a group as a whole. Also, I would suggest scheduling meetings within SA and continue to schedule meetings with Dr. Howard to help build your image. I have a question for you, Than, if there are no more questions can I make a motion?

**Nathaniel:** Depends on the question because there are still questions.

**Nicole:** Ok I yield.

**Alex:** May I respond to her?

**Nathaniel:** Yes please.

**Alex:** I appreciate the suggestions. Typically we would, and in this case, we are allowing student affairs to deal with the issue and whatever they see fit. But thank you for the suggestion.

**Nicole:** I yield.

**Nathaniel:** Kat?

**Kat:** I just want to say that I have been in SA for over a year now, and every week I come and vote. Personally I represent over 300 students in my class, and I also serve on the B&A committee, and I make those decisions not



based on my personal feelings but based on what I believe those 300 students would want. I make those decisions not thinking that I would be questioned about them afterwards or threatened. I make those decisions knowing that I am not going to be threatened in any way. So I think that altercation was very inappropriate. I think that should have never happened in the first place, whether it was a Delta Chi issue or a personal issue. However it is being handled, you keep saying that you want to make things better and that you're getting better. But That was literally a couple days ago.

**Nakib:** There is a reason we didn't go to anyone else on that voting board. We did have a personal relationship with Mark who has personally said that he looks forward to having Delta Chi back on campus and he will help us. It is part of that greek organization mindset. It was shocking to us, that being a member of a greek organization, and understanding how hard it is to be under the magnifying glass that we are under, to vote no. And we did not ask him for an explanation of why the board voted no, we asked why he voted no.

**Kat:** And that is what I mean. I never feel like I am personally going to be asked my reasons for voting a certain way. And I also think that a way a person votes, it's not supposed to be a biased decision, it's an unbiased decision. His personal beliefs should not be questioned.

**Alex:** I completely agree with your opinion and I like that it is being handled and dealt with. Hopefully that will show people that that type of behavior is not acceptable. I do agree with your opinion. Maybe abstained for a vote would have been a better route but you should have the right to vote unbiasedly for whoever you like, I agree that that behavior is not acceptable.

**Kat:** I yield.

**Nathaniel:** Mark?

**Mark:** For the record it was not 1 person it was 7. Number 2 point of clarification, for me I did not vote biased at all. But I will say, whatever decision that is made, I will respect it, I am going to try, no matter what happens, I will work with Delta Chi after this. I yield.

**Nathaniel:** Nate?

**Nate:** Thank you guys for all your questions, and I do respect them all. But we seem to be magnifying over and over again the negatives of what we have done, over the course of the years, and all though we do have a bad rep, and that is greek life in general, to overlook the past community service, the amount of money we have raised and the actual events we have host, and create a good environment on campus is completely overlooked at times. I think that magnitude of "oh well how are you going to change" Although we are not perfect and we do have a lot to work on it shouldn't be focused on you're so horrible and you need to progress and change to this direction. When we are already raising \$1400.00 for cancer, we hold the record for community service hours in Fredonia. And I feel like we sometimes get held to a different standard when it should be across the board. Because there are not many other organizations on campus that do what we do.

**Alex:** I know that there are a lot of brothers in the room. If you could raise your hand if you hold a position on campus, or if you are in another club on campus. Showing that, I understand that Delta Chi is being held accountable for a group. The standards that we hold as a Greek organization, we willing want to deal with these issues because part of our values is to better ourselves and better our organization. So we do address these issues as a fraternity. But it's not like it falls directly on what we stand for. Because we all stand for many different things.

**Nathaniel:** Do you yield Nate?

**Nate:** I yield.

**Nathaniel:** Next we have Jason.

**Jason:** Can I make a motion

*Motion was made by Jason, to re-recognize Delta Chi for the acknowledged level seconded by Nicole, motion passes.*

**Nathaniel:** Any further discussion? You still have the floor Jason.

**Jason:** I yield.

**Nathaniel:** We still have a list of people so we are going to maintain this list. Meghan?

**Meghan:** The record already shows that several members in your fraternity approached one of our voting representatives. So I don't know why you can't understand that that is a problem within your fraternity. When you have 7-8 people approach another student on this campus it will be reflected on your group. Do you understand that? Because I feel like we are dancing around that. And I don't think it is fair that every voting representative have to fear our safety after leaving this room because of members of your fraternity. I yield.

**Alex:** I want to say that I do understand. I wasn't speaking on that incident. I was speaking generally. That incident yes it was Delta Chi. The particular incident, Matk was approached by Nakib and Nate, he was sitting at a table, and

they asked to speak with him aside in the library. The rest of the brothers saw them from across the library, they were standing there for a while and we approached him because we realized that the conversation was going on for a while. So it wasn't a threatening environment. Anything like that. I agree he should have not been approached. But there was in no way shape or form were we trying to create a threatening or harmful environment at all.

**Nathaniel:** Next we have Vince.

**Vince:** Nathaniel - Has Delta Chi been brought up on any charges within SA in the past year?

**Jack:** Last time was event violations from the prior spring. Their verdict was a meet and greet which was fulfilled.

**Vince:** Dr. Howard - With them volunteering for activities when they are on probation that wouldn't be a violation or probation. They would not be allowed to do that?

**Dr. Howard:** So the question that Vince asked was, if an organization is on probation, and they can not do something off campus. Even if it is volunteer work. It is viewed as a violation the way things were said up. And that is part of what I am trying to address. I want to respond in a couple ways. I am not supporting what decision you would make. But I will tell you I have been a member of greek life organization for over 25 years. Greeks just like athletes discipline each other. If someone stepped out of line I would go to him as his greek brother and put him in his place. So I know this may be a foreign concept. Right or wrong, that is why it would be addressed in conduct from that perspective. That is the way greeks operate. But I will also say that before I got here you didn't have a greek structure. There was no discipline for how greeks were structured because I just met with all the greek presidents last week and developed a structure for greek organization. That didn't happen. What happened in the fall was I met with all the presidents in the fall and said if you have any issues you come directly to me so we can address it. That is why they came to me. There are other groups in here that have not been discussed today that have also come to me and if we were to talk in that way they would be under the same situation. I want to be clear from things from my perspective. The reason they were suspended, was because the conduct and way things were done prior to August the 1st 2016, was that anyone that was put on probation could not participate in extracurricular things off campus.. I would say that is usually not what a campus would do. Whether we like them or not, that is the way it is. I just want to be clear about things from that perspective. So the accordance with this, so if they would have done something they would have been in violation of what the conduct process says, not SA, the conduct process.

**Vince:** My last question, Dr. Howard, is as far as the university is concerned then, Delta Chi is *"inaudible"*

**Dr. Howard:** I am going to be very brief. We have an enrollment issue and we have structural issues. And one of the structural issues that we have we have groups in place without the structure to govern it. So what I am trying to do, in my type of fraternity we are members for life. So coming in understanding that we don't have a structure, how do you expect to govern greeks without a structure? So that is part of the problem that we are trying to correct now. So what I did, without understanding the SA process, I went to them saying we can continue to play this game, or we can address it in this way. So I went to them because I understood their process of what it means to be Greek. They needed a judicial board. The reason sororities and fraternities don't have one is because Fredonia doesn't have a greek structure process to recommend those things to them. The reason I am a little emotional today discussing this is because I realized something as a Vice President today. Some of the things we are trying to apply we have never asked what the structure was in the beginning. And that is why we are having some of these issues. And trust me I am trying to address them in that way. This is one of those situations, that had I known this I would not have suspended them. Because I didn't know it came to that situation. Because where I come from, Greeks had a separate structure and they governed themselves. Because they have national obligations and their charter is with their institution. If something happens with the greek life organization trust me, no one other than my name is going to be on the lawsuit. Because I am the Vice President. I want to be clear, I am not in support of Delta Chi or Mark or anyone else. Currently they are in good standing now with the institution.

**Vince:** My last point, since they are not in violation with SA at this point, or the university, I think it would be premature not to re recognize them. And that is my opinion. I yield.

**Nathaniel:** I'm sorry I don't know your name.

**Shaniqa:** I am the SA rep for STEPS and you mentioned earlier that you contacted STEPS for workshop and I contacted my president for STEPS and he said that never happened.

**Nathaniel:** What Alex was referring to is an informal conversation that I had with a different member of STEPS, so that is 100% on me if they are not aware.

**Shaniqa:** Ok thank you, I yield.

**Nathaniel:** Sam?

**Sam:** Hi. I want to make a statement that i firmly believe. That money that you raise doesn't reflect your behavior, but the behavior that you make reflects the fraternity. And when you join anything, no matter what it is. You

constantly represent that group no matter where you are or what you are doing. Do you have a plan of action for your behavior?

**Nakib:** Accountability amongst ourselves. That is something I lacked for quite a while. Last semester we were put on probation. The first thing we did was have a retreat at the college lodge and it was literally to rip ourselves apart and that is what we did. Unfortunately we were suspended. That also added to us looking at ourselves in the mirror and understanding that this is an organization I love. I don't want to leave Fredonia with this image that people have of Delta. We are constantly trying to change that image. I promise you, you will see a change.

**Sam:** You asked for recommendations on how to better your image. I support Celina's idea that instead of a beauty pageant which has a negative view from many people. That maybe changing it to a talent show.

**Alex:** As Kevin said, there is another sorority on campus that has a beauty pageant, I do understand that if there are concerns I encourage people to bring up suggestions such as that, but I will pass that along.

**Sam:** Well since you're in Greek life you can pass that along. I yield.

**Nathaniel:** Next up we have Billy.

**Billy:** I just want to point out that these gentlemen are seeking to be held accountable by us by seeking recognition. I just want to emphasize that there is a lot of transparency in Greek life in general. And they want to be held accountable on campus. So I just want to emphasize recognition means another level of accountability. I yield.

**Nathaniel:** Kevin?

**Kevin:** I move to end the speakers list.

*Motion was made by Kevin to end the speakers list seconded by Nicole, motion passes.*

**Bridget:** Can we enter into executive session and discuss t**Kevin:** I yield.

**Nathaniel:** Next up Shamire

**Shamire:** I actually have a question for Dr. Howard. That whole speech seemed biased towards Greek life because you said you were in it. So it just makes sense. You mentioned a lot of things that seemed irrelevant, like admissions being low. And if they are not recognized then I guess they won't be held accountable to us. But we want them to be.

**Dr. Howard:** First of all, I am not a member of their Fraternity.

**Shamire:** Ya that's obvious

**Dr. Howard:** Well not too obvious because there are multi racial fraternities here. So when you talk about Greek culture, as a vice president who has that background I can also talk about that. What I am trying to say about this is that like how they don't have a structure there are other organizations on this campus that I am trying to address. And to be honest with you, I don't have anything to do with this decision. No matter what decision will be made I still have to support all 4612 students. Period. But I want you to understand that what happened when I got here August 1st, was that Greeks were just operating. There was no structure in place. So that is all I am trying to explain that what is happening prior to now, and what will happen in the fall is the reason for some of the things that I am trying to put in place. The reality that we have as a campus is that we don't have a lot of embedded systems to support student engagement in a way that other campuses have. I apologize if what I am saying is a little direct. I am apologizing if it may seem a little bias. But the reality is, is whatever decision a student makes, I will support.

**Nathaniel:** That was a little out of line, work on your wording next time. Do you yield?

**Shamire:** I yield.

**Nathaniel:** Next we have Jason.

**Jason:** I would like to rescind my motion and make a new motion to enter executive session

**Connor:** Point of procedure, the motion has already been seconded you can't rescind the motion it is no longer yours.

**Nathaniel:** We would need to vote on the motion?

**Nathaniel:** The terms of entering executive session are very specific and unless we say why we can't.

**Jason:** Can I motion for a 5 minute recess?

**Nathaniel:** No we need to address the motion on the floor.

**Connor:** You can move to table, call a question.

**Vince:** "inaudible"

**Connor:** According to Roberts "inaudible"

**Jason:** What are my options?

**Nathaniel:** You can amend your motion, move to call a question, which has already been done, you can move to make it a roll call vote.

**Jason:** I move to forward the motion to Rules

**Bridget:** Can I move to call a question?

**Nathaniel:** Jason has the floor.

**Jason:** I move to call the question

*Motion has been made to call the question by Jason seconded by Kat*

**Kat:** I yield to Vince

**Vince:** Monica proxied her vote to me.

**Nathaniel:** You were not seconding his motion?

**Kat:** I could, I do

**Nathaniel:** All in favor of calling the question, which means we immediately have to vote on it. You don't get to vote Delta Chi.

*Motion was made to call the question, motion passes.*

**Nathaniel:** Division has been called we will be doing a formal roll call vote. So, we will go through our reps, I is in favor, na is against it.

**Monica White:** I

**Jennifer Hildebrand:** No

**William Hernandez:** I

**Amia Stephenson:** No

**Derek Yeboah:** I

**Celina Kryk:** No

**Samantha Larson:** Abstained

**Matthew Anderson:** I

**Jason Cheung:** I

**Nathaniel Clark:** I can't vote

**Kathryn Stroh:** Pass - No

**Veronica Arce:** I

**Connor Aitcheson:** I

**Connor Hoffman:** Absent

**Kevin Gleason:** I

**Meghan Flynn:** No

**Bridget Doyle:** No

**Gabrielle Carr:** Pass - No

**Maggie McHugh:** No

**Eduvije Sanchez:** I

**Shimire Fouts:** No

**Jasmine Bell:** Excused

**Nicole Haynes:** I

**Nathaniel:** Ok, the final vote, of 10 in favor and 9 opposed Delta Chi is approved for re-acknowledged recognition. Sorry they are not, it requires a 2/3 majority to overturn the rules committee vote. I am so sorry guys. So they can not be re-recognized. Vince?

**Vince:** *"Inaudible"*

**Nathaniel:** There is currently nothing in the statute that says a group can't be re-recognized after being de-recognized. Okay. Next up on my report is Jason Cheung for assistant comptroller. I forget who took this off I apologize.

**Celina:** I just had a question for Jason. So one for your questions that the rules committee gave you was obviously you are involved in a lot of other things, and whether you could balance this with it. My question is when you become comptroller are you planning on stepping down from any of your other positions to be able to make room?

**Jason:** Yes absolutely. So right now I will be stepping down from "inaudible" already. This is also a huge concern because "inaudible" I guarantee right now, "inaudible" I am going from president to vice president. A lot of these clubs "inaudible" work independently. So I will be losing a lot of e board positions. And I guarantee if I become comptroller so I will be stepping down from all previous financial positions.

**Celina:** I yield.

**Nathaniel:** Anymore questions for Jason? Connor?

*Motion made by Connor to approve Jason for assistant comptroller seconded by Celina, motion passes.*

**Nathaniel:** That was quite a meeting. I think we will be doing our debrief next meeting, and give this one a little time to sink in. I will probably talk about it in my next report. Anyone have any questions for me?

**ii. Assistant Speaker Connor Aitchison**

**Connor:** No report.

**iii. Chair of Elections Jake Foley**

**Jake:** No report

**Rachel:** I have a quick question. Just because they were derecognized by us, does that mean they are derecognized by the university?

**Nathaniel:** They no longer have standing within our organization. That is the only thing we have control over.

**Rachel:** Thanks, I yield.

**c. Executive Branch**

**i. President Josh Ranney**

**Josh:** Hello everyone, I'm not going to talk about the situation that was talked about for the past hour, so onto business as usual. So the rest of my cabinet positions have been filled. Due to someone's work conflict the last position will be going through rules and GA next week. They were approved already. The library advisory committee is looking for a student representative. The library advisory committee works on everything in relation with the library. Anything the library does goes through them. If you are interested in that position please reach out to me through email or talk to me after this meeting. Finally, Provost Brown reached out to me asking me to speak on the democracy 101 that was sent out through academic affairs. I am just going to read the brief blur at the top of this. "Democracy 101 will provide a place for informal talks by fredonia faculty who will provide contacts and explanations about context within the news and open discussion to follow. We will meet weekly in the library all are welcome to attend, these discussions are free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be provided" If you have any questions about that you can contact me as well. Are there any other questions? Thank you.

**ii. Vice President Katie Grabowski**

**Katie:** Hi everyone, super quick, summit is coming up this Saturday. The President and treasurer absolutely need to attend unless you have emailed me. If there is an issue please email me. Signature cards are due next Friday. Any questions? Yes?

**Kevin:** What time is summit?

**Katie:** Summit is 12-2pm!

**Kevin:** And where is it?

**Katie:** It is upstairs, McEwen 209 and we are going to have pizza before, so show up earlier for that!

**Kevin:** I yield.

**Nathaniel:** Anymore questions for Katie? Next up Rachel Ando

**iii. Student Comptroller Rachel Ando**

**Nathaniel:** Meghan, you took them off what questions do you have?

**Meghan:** I was confused, and then I couldn't go back. I for some reason thought they were Phi Mu Alpha and during B&A we took that right out of their account. So I was confused as to why they were requesting \$1000.00 but it wasn't them, and. I am sorry. So I move to approve Kappa Sigma for \$1000.00 from allocations.

*Motion was made by Meghan to approve Kappa Sigma for \$1000.00 from allocations, seconded by Connor, motion passes*

**Rachel:** B&A week is coming up. Constituted groups. I don't have availability from some of you still. If I don't have it by tomorrow at 5pm, I am just going to put you somewhere on the schedule. So I don't have availability from BSU, Fred Assist, Art Form, Jazz workshop, SOTA, Pride alliance, Club Hockey, Hillel, Brother to Brother, Music Industry club, so put that in my mailbox by tomorrow. I really need that availability sheet. If you lost it, come and get a new one from me. I also have less preliminary budgets from everyone as well. And again if you don't give it to me before tomorrow by 5pm you will not be able to make a budget for the next fiscal year. So that is also BSU, Fred Assist, Art Form, Ethos, Club Lacrosse, the Leader, Orchesis, SOTA, Spectrum, FRS, WNYF, LU, Pride Alliance, Ultimate Frisbee, Club hockey, Brother to Brother and Music industry club. So I need all that together by 5pm.

**BSU Rep:** What do you need exactly?

**Rachel:** I need an availability sheet that I put in your mailbox and I need your preliminary budgets, like your first round of budget making.

**BSU Rep:** Thank you.

**Rachel:** Yup! And if there are no problems when I get it, or if you don't hear from me then everything's good and you don't need to do anything from there besides show up when I make the schedule. Which will be made when I get everyone's availability. Any questions? Thanks.

#### iv. Executive Departments

##### 1. Chair of Community Relations

**Peter:** Since I am new, I don't have much to say. But I am looking for new members for our committee to help me with new ideas for the community. I am looking for a really diverse group. If you can reach out to members of your individual clubs and get them in contact with me if they are interested I would really appreciate it. Thank you.

**Jake:** What is your name and email address if we are interested in contacting you?

**Peter:** I will write it here on the board for everyone!

**Nathaniel:** Any more questions? Thank you Peter

##### 2. Chair of Diversity Relations

##### 3. Chair of Public Relations Celina Kryk

**Celina:** Hi everyone, I basically have enough people for us to start meeting. If anyone is interested in coming they are on Monday's at 7:30pm. All of the people that replied to my Doodle I sent you individual emails about what we will be discussing and the location. It is G103A in the Williams Center if you would like to join in. Someone just came up to me about joining the committee and they have a great idea about a survey so we can get a good idea about what students think of SA, what we are about and I am going to be going to summit this weekend because I feel like that is our biggest interaction with the clubs on campus. And get a vibe on what the clubs think about us, what we are doing, if we are informative enough. So I will be attending that and then hopefully that is something we can incorporate into the survey. Any questions?

**Nathaniel:** Any questions for Celina?

**Celina:** Thanks guys

##### 4. Chair of Student Relations Mark Monsegur

**Mark:** Since last GA I have gotten 2 people to officially join the committee, Peter and Todd, so now I have two people. If you still want to join, please email me at [Mons0045@fredonia.edu](mailto:Mons0045@fredonia.edu) I am planning to meet soon with Mike Lemieux, to hopefully initiate a 24 hour library or 24 hour William Center during midterm and finals week. Also, I am going to be working with Pete trying to figure out the whole parking situation around campus. Any questions? Thanks!

##### 5. Chair of Sustainability Relations

**Michael:** I am Michael the new chair of sustainability. I will throw my email up here because I am also looking for a committee. This semester I look to educate the student body on sustainable issues. And maybe doing newsletters or flyers. Also I hope to host events such as vegetarian diet weeks. So if anyone wants to do that. I also will be working on the campus garden, so if you like gardening or sustainable issues email me!

**Nathaniel:** I think you'll fit right in here!

#### IV. New Business

**Meghan:** I just worry that the amount of tension in this meeting today people might feel as though they are not safe leaving this room. And if that is an issue and if you for some reason feel the need to speak to someone that is why Vince, Monica, Dr. Hildebrandt and Dr. Howard are here. But you can also come see anyone of the representatives. We are all here to support each other and I know that today was hard on a lot of us. But please know that you have a community surrounding you who will support you. I yield.

**Nathaniel:** Thank you Meghan. Sorry I don't know your name

**Greg:** Greg. I just wanted to say that even though things didn't go our way today, thank you guys for your time and giving us a chance to present our case, that is all you can really ask for. And I wish nothing but the best for you all, and I hope in the future we can get to the image that you guys need and want.

**Nathaniel:** I appreciate that a lot Greg thank you! I know all things are no sunshine and rainbows on either end but I appreciate that you respect the process.

**Rep:** Piggybacking off of him, seriously no hard feelings. We understand that everyone is doing their job. Thank you all!

#### V. Special Orders

#### VI. Adjournment

*Motion was made to adjourn by Connor seconded by Monica motion passes.*

**a. Roll Call**

**Monica White:** Present  
**Jennifer Hildebrand:** Present  
**William Hernandez:** Present  
**Samuel Anderson:** Excused  
**Amia Stephenson:** Absent  
**Derek Yeboah:** Present  
**Temere Burks:** Absent  
**Hannah Apthorpe:** Absent  
**Amber Mattice:** Present  
**Celina Kryk:** Present  
**Samantha Larson:** Present  
**Matthew Anderson:** Present  
**Jason Cheung:** Present  
**Nathaniel Clark:** Present  
**Kathryn Stroh:** Present  
**Kelsea Halloran:** Excused  
**Veronica Arce:** Present  
**Connor Aitcheson:** Present  
**Connor Hoffman:** Absent  
**Kevin Gleason:** Present  
**Meghan Flynn:** Present  
**Bridget Doyle:** Present  
**Gabrielle Carr:** Present  
**Rebecca D'Hilly:** Present  
**Maggie McHugh:** Present  
**Eduvije Sanchez:** Present  
**Shimire Fouts:** Present  
**Jasmine Bell:** Excused  
**Nicole Haynes:** Present  
**Art Forum:** Present  
**Fred ASSIST:** Present  
**Black Horse Rugby:** Present  
**Black Student Union:** Present  
**Brother to Brother:** Present  
**Club Hockey:** Present  
**Club Ultimate Frisbee:** Present  
**Ethos:** Present  
**FRS:** Present  
**Hillel:** Present  
**Jazz Workshop:** Present  
**Lacrosse:** Present  
**Latinos Unidos:** Present  
**Leader:** Present  
**Music Industry Club:** Present  
**Orchesis:** Excused  
**PAC:** Present  
**Percussion Guild:** Present  
**Pride Alliance:** Present  
**Sound Services:** Absent  
**Spectrum:** Present  
**SOTA:** Excused  
**STEPS:** Present  
**WNYF:** Present  
**Fredonia Feminists:** Present

**Rules Committee  
13 February 2017  
G-103C of the Williams Center  
6:00PM**

**I. Call to Order** - at 6:00pm

**A. Committee Roll Call**

Meghan Bartok - present  
Bridget Doyle - present  
Kevin Gleason - present  
Nathaniel Clark - present  
Mark Monseigneur - present

**B. Agenda Roll Call**

Jelissa Samuel - present  
Japanese Club - absent  
Fredonia State Pep Band - present  
Fredonia Woodwind Association - present  
Interactive Theatre Society - present  
Kappa Delta Pi - present  
National Student Speech Language Hearing Association (NSSLHA) - present  
Fredonia St. Jude - present  
French Club - absent  
Improv Collective - absent  
Organized Chaos - absent  
Delta Phi Epsilon - absent  
Harry Potter Club - present  
History Club - present

*Motion made by Bridget to table letter a under provisional and letters b,c,d under charters seconded by Mark.*

*Motion made by Bridget to amend the motion to include letters a and c under unfinished business seconded by Nathaniel. None opposed, no abstentions, with that the motion carries.*

*For the original motion with amendment: None opposed, no abstentions, with that the motion carries.*

**C. Officer Report**

**i. Assistant Speaker of the Assembly Connor Aitcheson**

**D. General Concerns**

**II. Appointments**

**A. Jelissa Samuel for Diversity Relations #**

**Jelissa** - First off, good evening. My name is Jelissa Samuel, I'm a history and political science major, I'm a junior. I am originally from Long Island. I want to be the chair of diversity relations because I feel I understand the importance of diversity. I feel like it is something that makes Fredonia a very unique campus because we have laid the foundation that we want a diverse campus. I think for me, the three things things that are most important are intersectionality, no one person is just one thing like for me I am a black, heterosexual woman, I walk a very different life from someone who is maybe a hispanic trans man or woman, etc. I also feel it is really important to understand that diversity is more than race or gender, it's so much more. It's immigration status, it's religion, it's social-economic status, it's important to realize that they all intersect but also that these things should be celebrated are things that people need to be more aware of because they are very, I guess the word is sensitive to people.

**Josh** - I had a statement. Jelissa kind of said everything. Jelissa was recommended for this position by the CMA director, Christian King, based on her leadership and passion for diversity on this campus which I think you can tell by what she just said. After speaking with Jelissa about this position and her hopes and concerns for diversity, I determined that she would be a wonderful asset not only to the association but to Fredonia as a whole and I'm very excited to work with her.

**Mark** - Hey Jelissa. How many credits are you taking this semester?



**Jelissa** - 15.

**Mark** - And are you on any e-boards or chair positions on campus?

**Jelissa** - This is my 4th semester on the BSU e-board, I served on the CMA search committee for our new director, I', also on the student help advisory committee representing the CMA. I'm a work study student in Res Life. That's about it.

**Mark** - Do you believe you could fulfill the duties and responsibilities of diversity relations chair along with the other positions you have?

**Jelissa** - 110%, yes.

**Mark** - What are some plans that you have for once you're approved? What are some ideas that you have?

**Jelissa** - I was actually talking to Josh about the ideas I have. I want to have a panel on what intersectional feminism is. Which we have pretty much 7 or 8 people to represent different things whether it's race, gender, sexual orientation, etc. I really want to have that because I feel like there are a lot of questions that people have. I feel like it's really important to understand that feminism is equality and it's not women over men or any gender over another. I was also thinking, after BSU went to a social justice conference at Niagara University it was really important for me because when I saw social justice I thought oh, this is about to be strictly black lives matter but it was great. We had foundational courses which is dealing with microaggression and stuff and also the LGBTQ community, black lives, latino lives, women, it was really empowering to me so I really wanted to something like that here where we have a conference and have everyone come in and talk about diversity and why it's important and why we should celebrate it. Our differences are what makes society great in my opinion. Whether you chose your diverse nature or whatever, it should be celebrated and it should be acknowledged. I feel like people fear what they don't understand so I feel like that's something that I'm passionate about, is showing people that just because we're different, we're still human, we still have blood flowing through our veins but our diversity should be celebrated

**Mark** - I gladly appreciate that comment. It's a great, fantastic answer. I can speak as a student who is also a minority, there are so many people who are just so misinformed and there are people who sometimes don't understand what diversity entitles to. My last question, obviously I personally believe, with respect to all the other chairs, I feel like this chair is the most important especially in the times we're in. Most of the time, everything I hear is the relationship between SA and CMA. Describe the relationship right now and what would you do to better the relationship?

**Jelissa** - I think communication is key to any relationship especially with 2 big organizations like this. I feel like when I'm in the CMA, I've been on the BSU committee, however I'm also a Fred leads mentor in which I have mentee through the CMA and I think for me communication is key with SA. We both understand foundationally what we do but we do need to work together because we have similar ideas and goals. At least I can speak for BSU there is kind of, we're trying to rebrand BSU and CMA because there are a lot of negative stereotypes from which we had no control, I'm only a junior so a lot of the stereotypes about what BSU or the CMA is predate me or a lot of students and I feel like that is the same case with SA when it comes to the CMA. My roommate Mary Kay Taylor was the Vice President last year and she really gave me insight on what the CMA was and I got to sit in with her sometimes and just see. I was like maybe this is something that is a lot of miscommunication. I feel like we need to realize that we have similar goals and work together. We're all students, we're all here paying tuition, I know I am so I feel like we have similar goals in trying to make Fredonia a better place. I feel like communication and support.

**Mark** - Thank you and expect an email from me to join this committee. I yield.

**Kevin** - That was amazing, I yield.

**Nathaniel** - On your resume, it says you were an intern for the crown rubies through the CMA. Can you just tell me a little bit about that experience?

**Jelissa** - So when I came here as a freshman, actually I think it was the year before, the retention rate for women of color was significantly low. It's still not where it should be but Monica White created this group in which having a support group for women of color on campus through the CMA. That's how I stayed at Fredonia, I will not lie to you I wanted to leave after my first semester. I'm from NYC this is a hella culture shock for me. But Monica and Julia really kept me here because of crown rubies. So I went to a retreat at the college lodge and we worked on stems of working on mental health, we do a lot of yoga, we talk about academics and how to be a better woman, how to make Fredonia better as well as the world. So it's kind of like a support group. There's a mentorship program through it, I know that's how I met a lot of upperclassmen women of color so it's really interesting. Currently I'm an intern. It's something I'm very passionate about, probably on my resume the most passionate thing that I have even though each of them get 110% of my love but it is something that kept me here at Fredonia and made me the student I am.

**Nathaniel** - Wonderful. I'm sure there are a lot of skills that you can transfer over to the position should you be approved. I yield.

*Motion made by Nathaniel to approve Jelissa Samuel for Chair of Diversity Relations, seconded by Kevin. None opposed, no abstentions, with that the motion carries.*

**Connor** - For everyone else, after you are finished you are free to leave and we will need to see a representative from your club on Thursday. There are slips up here that say where and when.

*Motion made by Bridget to limit questions to 2 per committee member seconded by Nathaniel. None opposed, no abstentions, with that the motion carries.*

### **III. Endorsements**

#### **IV. Provisional Recognitions**

##### **A. Japanese Club for re-Provisional Recognition**

#### **V. Acknowledgements**

##### **A. Fredonia State Pep Band for re-Acknowledged Recognition#**

**Lauren** - I'm Lauren, I'm the VP.

**Nile** - I'm Nile, I'm the President. I feel like this club is really important to a lot of people who are not necessarily music majors in this school, this is another outlet that they can continue to play. We provide music for the hockey games and we try to do basketball games. We've always gotten compliments and asked to perform at the hockey games. So I'd like to see that continue as I graduate and pass on the torch.

**Lauren** - This is my 3rd year in pep band and even in the 3 years of me doing it just how much it's grown. I am a music major and I can tell you this is the best opportunity for non music majors who still want to play their instruments. A large majority of the pep band is non music majors which I think is wonderful and like Nile said, we have great feedback from when we play at hockey, basketball and sometimes soccer games and we more and more have people asking us for performances.

**Mark** - Hey guys. In terms of active membership it says it varies. What is the exact number? In terms of people who regularly attend GB meetings?

**Lauren** - We have weekly rehearsals that receive 15-30 and then at the home hockey games that can receive 20-40.

**Nile** - Yeah, our big events are homecoming pep rally and Pink the Rink. Those usually get a lot of people.

**Lauren** - Yeah Pink the Rink had 38 I think.

**Nile** - 32. A lot of people.

**Mark** - And how many e-board members are seniors?

**Lauren** - Because the hockey season is over we're pretty much done for the semester so we just had elections for next year. I will be the President and I will be a senior in the fall.

**Mark** - Thank you, I yield.

**Bridget** - My only question is under doctrine information. the question was, when was the last time the doctrine was modified and you said unsure.

**Nile** - This is what I put because I do not know. It is something that was passed onto me but I can find out. From reading the doctrine nothing has really changed.

**Bridget** - Thank you, I yield.

*Motion made by Bridget to approve Fredonia State Pep Band for re-acknowledged recognition seconded by Kevin. None opposed, no abstentions, with that the motion carries.*

##### **B. Fredonia Woodwind Association for re-Acknowledged Recognition#**

**Lauren** - I'm Lauren and I'm the Treasurer.

**Caitlyn** - I'm Caitlyn and I'm the Secretary.

**Lauren** - We should be re-acknowledged because we do a lot in the music realm.. Every year we provide trips to go see major orchestras in our area; the buffalo phil, the rochester phil, cleveland orchestra. That is open to everyone. Each year we have several faculty spotlights where we have an evening where our esteemed music faculty come and talk to us about their college experience and how they came to be where they are today.

**Caitlyn** - I think we should also be re-acknowledged because we provide a really nice forum for the woodwinds in our school so we can all get together and talk about issues or just hang out and meet new people.

**Lauren** - We are having a repair workshop soon about repairs of the woodwind instruments so we can be better prepared for the future.

**Bridget** - You have on here a summit violation, can you talk to me about that? What has your group done since then?

**Lauren** - As far as I know, that is a misunderstanding from last year that has been completely resolved. We were not on the e-board when this happened.

**Bridget** - Ok, but you've been good about going to summit since then?

**Lauren** - Yes.

**Bridget** - OK. And I just want to make sure this is the updated version of the doctrine that we have here?

**Lauren** - I would assume so. Our President has not said anything about that.

**Bridget** - I yield to Than.

**Nathaniel** - You can look in there and it should have a copy of your doctrine if you want to glance through for us. Is that the up to date one?

**Lauren** - Yes.

**Nathaniel** - Ok, just want to make sure, I yield.

**Bridget** - I yield. Thank you.

**Meghan** - In your doctrine it says you have 6 e-board positions but in the re-rec form you said you have 4 and they are all filled.

**Lauren** - That is probably just a typo.

**Meghan** - So there are 6?

**Lauren** - Only 4.

**Meghan** - Ok because in the doctrine it says you have the President VP, Treasurer, Secretary, Social Chair and SA Rep.

**Lauren** - I think what happened is that the social chair and SA rep have combined into other positions.

**Meghan** - I yield to Than.

**Nathaniel** - OK so you do need to change that because you'd technically be in violation of your doctrine because you don't have those positions filled but when we approve you we can say pending doctrine changes as long as you change those two lines and send it back to me by thursday you're golden.

**Lauren** - I yield.

**Meghan** - I yield.

**Kevin** - I yield.

**Mark** - Can you please describe to me some of the events and how they are tied to the purpose of the group?

**Lauren** - As I mentioned before we provide trips to see major orchestras to help enrich our musical experiences, hearing professionals play great works. We have faculty spotlights where they talk about their experience in college and how they became esteemed woodwind faculty.

**Caitlyn** - And the woodwind repair workshop that way if we can't get jobs performing we could repair. That ties into our doctrine purpose because it's educating the group about different instruments and stuff.

**Mark** - Do you do an event that teaches people?

**Lauren** - We are looking into starting something. Being a music education major you have to take several of the woodwinds so we are looking into starting a tutoring or mentoring program for vocalists and brass who have no experience with woodwinds to help them better with that.

**Mark** - Thank you, I yield.

*Motion made by Meghan to approve Fredonia Woodwind Association for re-acknowledged recognition pending doctrine changes seconded by Mark. None opposed, no abstentions, with that the motion carries.*

**Nathaniel** - Before we move on, you came in here a little later, what group are you here for?

**Rep** - History Club.

**Nathaniel** - Ya'll were already tabled so you will be on the agenda for our next meeting. I just don't want you to have to sit here til the end to find that out. You're free to go, just have someone here next week. And if that doesn't work out just shoot me an email. Have a nice night.

### **C. Interactive Theatre Society for re-Acknowledged Recognition#**

**Tamika** - I'm Tamika, I'm the secretary. I believe we should be re-recognized because our club really pushes for being a theatre group on campus that isn't just for theatre majors specifically. We really like to include a variety of

different people. So we do different events where we reach out to people of different majors and interests to come and be involved in theatre just like they were in high school while not necessarily taking classes in the dept.

**Bridget** - Who is your advisor?

**Tamika** - Lisa Noody? No, no that's not right. Anne...

**Bridget** - Fearman?

**Tamika** - Yeah, she has blue hair.

**Bridget** - From the English dept?

**Tamika** - Yes.

**Bridget** - Ok. I yield.

**Meghan** - In your doctrine you have so many positions. The event specific personnel, these are just for events?

**Tamika** - Yeah, those are specific. We have one broad e-board title which is properties master which is the overarching role for those.

**Meghan** - So the event specific personnel aren't technically considered e-board positions?

**Tamika** - They are event specific if necessary.

**Meghan** - Ok. I yield.

**Mark** - In terms of your active membership, what is the specific number of people that attend GB meetings?

**Tamika** - It kind of fluctuates depending on events so we can get anywhere from 15-25. So we have our murder mystery which is coming up and quarantine so when we talk about those events we have more members and on other days where it's more relaxed club bending moments we have a little less.

**Mark** - Do you have any ideas for this semester and next semester to maintain the number of people who are coming to GB meetings?

**Tamika** - That is something we have definitely been working on because one of the problems with previous e-boards is they pushed too much on certain issues and there was a stigma that we're working on changing so we're having more events open to everyone on campus which is why we brought back quarantine. When we have our events, we're creating different committees so people feel more comfortable coming to our meetings and talking about this and being a part of the decision making process.

**Mark** - Am I allowed to ask another question?

**Connor** - No.

*Motion made by Bridget to approve Interactive Theatre Society for re-acknowledged recognition seconded by Kevin. None opposed, no abstention, with that the motion carries.*

#### **D. Kappa Delta Pi for re-Acknowledged Recognition#**

**Erica** - I'm Erica, I'm the Historian. We should be considered for re-recognition because we are at a national level and it's important to have that connection all the way through and especially for juniors and seniors that we accept for membership it's important to have that on the resume for future employment. We do have a speech path e-board member and it has definitely let us open up a wider range of members for the speech path community and including the education community.

**Nathaniel** - So you have the mini-makers fair as one of the events listed. Can you tell me what you did for that and who participated and how?

**Erica** - We had about 3 eboard members; I think the President, VP, and secretary and we had a booth of our own to help with the kids we were with Dr. (Jabbot's?) group and helped with the airplanes. **Nathaniel** - I yield.

**Mark** - On your doctrine I see 6 positions but on your re-rec form I see 7. By any chance did you add the advisor as an e-board position?

**Erica** - We do have the advisor under the officers.

**Mark** - Is the advisor a student?

**Erica** - No, there are 2 advisors.

**Mark** - I yield.

*Motion made by Meghan to approve Kappa Delta Pi for re-acknowledged recognition seconded by Mark. None opposed, on abstentions, with that the motion carries*

#### **E. National Student Speech Language Hearing Association(NSSLHA) for re-Acknowledged Recognition#**

**Hannah** - I'm Hannah, I'm the Vice President. I believe we should be re-recognized because it gives students opportunities outside the classroom to get involved in the field. We host speakers and different volunteer opportunities to get people involved in the community and it's nice to get to know people in your major.

**Bridget** - You have under number of active members 102. Is that accurate?

**Hannah** - Yeah.

**Bridget** - Really?

**Hannah** - Yeah. Anyone can join, you don't have to be a CDS major so yeah that's accurate.

**Bridget** - So you have like 100 people come to GB meetings?

**Hannah** - Not GB meetings, we had a different number for that.

**Bridget** - Can you give me a ballpark for GB meetings?

**Hannah** - Like 70.

**Bridget** - I yield.

**Mark** - Who is your advisor?

**Hannah** - Christine Gerber.

**Mark** - I guess my question would be, this group seems very stable, it has a very great message and does great things on campus. I only wonder why it's not constituted. Personally speaking. I yield.

**Nathaniel** - Ok so my question is, your doctrine was last updated in 2014. Obviously if it hasn't changed, it hasn't changed. Just make sure you're going over that and paying attention to that because that is a fairly long period of time and I want to make sure everything's up to date. I yield.

**Connor** - I'd like to point out that on the re-rec form it does say chartered.

*Motion made by Bridget to approve NSSLHA for re=chartered recognition seconded by Kevin.*

**Nathaniel** - Did you check the re-rec form?

**Connor** - I did not, no.

**Nathaniel** - We might need to check and make sure you are at the chartered level just to make sure. We'll do pending. That's not to say you did anything wrong we just want to check our records and make sure that's right because if we do approve you at that level, you're at that level so we just want to make sure that's right. And if it's not or there is any mixup we will address it in GA. It most likely will not be an issue for you though.

**Bridget** - I'm not going to amend my motion because I'd like to approve them to be chartered, They do a lot of events, they have huge membership. If they're not, they should be.

*None opposed, no abstentions, with that the motion carries.*

**Nathaniel** - Just to clarify what just happened there, now because the committee thinks your chartered if you want to be and you're currently acknowledged, then that's up to you to move up to that level. We would have to check to make sure you meet the requirements but most likely you do. If your doctrine is 3 years old you have most likely met that requirement. If everything is good on our end and you wish to be chartered, we have made the recommendation to GA. If you have any more questions you can email me.

**Hannah** - Ok, thank you.

## **VI. Charters**

### **A. Fredonia for St. Jude for re-Chartered Recognition#**

**Brittany** - I'm Brittany and I'm co-President.

**Caitlyn** - I'm Caitlyn, also co-President.

**Brittany** - We think we should be re-recognized because our club does a lot for this campus and it keeps growing each year and the events that we do; we do 2 big ones in the spring and the fall. Our biggest one is up til dawn and we are going to try to increase the number of teams next semester and also we do a lot of fundraising and all the money goes to the hospital and last year and the year before that we raised over \$10,000 so we were able to send an e-board member to the hospital and I went there I loved going to it.

**Caitlyn** - Also we raise money for children with cancer around campus. We raised money last spring semester for a professor's child and we did it 2 years ago for someone in town. So it benefits not only the hospital but the people in town.

**Mark** - In terms of e-board members, how many are seniors?

**Caitlyn** - Next semester there will be 5.

**Mark** - This is a great group, it does a lot of things. I love the up til dawn event. Do you have any ideas to possible recruit more members?

**Caitlyn** - We try to get the 2 e-board members that are freshman to get their friends involved. We're hoping with events that we have this semester like the benefit game and rock out for cancer will maybe get more people.

**Brittany** - Yeah we'll target the freshmen mostly and tell them all about our club so they want to become an e-board member.

**Mark** - I didn't ask that to make you feel discouraged, I think this group should be chartered. I was just asking just out of curiosity because you'll have 5 seniors on the e-board. I yield.

**Kevin** - I just have a question about your doctrine. It says Fredonia for St. Jude shall have executives in office from January 1 - May 31. That doesn't cover September through December.

**Nathaniel** - What's the question?

**Kevin** - They have executives in office in the spring but not that fall.

**Nathaniel** - Yeah maybe make it less specific. That's all I would say, or just say 2 semesters. I yield back to Kevin.

**Kevin** - Can you tell us about the benefit game?

**Caitlyn** - We collaborate with the baseball team and we raise money for a local child or like last semester the professor, and we have raffles and hot dogs and stuff like that and it's like a grilling out at the field with the baseball team and families get involved.

**Brittany** - And students get involved. Last year it was during fred fest and it was a double header so a lot of family came and it's usually a senior game and they donate.

**Kevin** - I yield.

**Meghan** - In your doctrine and your re-rec form says for your election process, the current President and advisor will discuss and decide who holds a position for the following semester. That's not really an election so can you just go into that a little bit?

**Caitlyn** - We send in an application to our advisor. We weren't President last year so we didn't have a say in what was going on but she'll take into account who should be the next e-board but she talks to us about who she thinks will fit in the positions. The she takes into account the application.

**Meghan** - It just sounds more like an appointment than an election and I'm going to yield to Than.

**Nathaniel** - Yeah so you can't do that. You need to hold elections for the positions and it needs to be advertised to the GB. A lot of people send out emails with a brief description of the positions but there has to be voting. You're a student organization, you have to be student run and operated because you're receiving student activity fee money. So please change that. I don't think in most cases an advisor would have an issue with that but if they do feel free to talk to us and we can have that conversation with you. I yield back to Meghan.

**Caitlyn** - You're obviously a great club and you do lots of great things so I don't want something like that to stop you from doing what you do. I yield.

*Motion made by Bridget to approve Fredonia for St. Jude for re-chartered recognition pending doctrine changes seconded by Mark. None opposed, no abstentions, with that the motion carries.*

**Nathaniel** - So just send me a copy of the doctrine with those changes by Thursday.

**Caitlyn** - Ok we will do that.

**B. French Club for re-Chartered Recognition**

**C. Improv Collective for re-Chartered Recognition**

**D. Organized Chaos for re-Chartered Recognition**

**VII. Constitutions**

**VIII. General Orders**

**IX. Unfinished Business**

**A. Delta Phi Epsilon (2nd Meeting)**

**B. Harry Potter Club for re-Acknowledged Recognition (2nd Meeting)**

**Nathaniel** - So you are next on the agenda however we did not get re-rec info from you?

**Samantha** - I turned it in last week but was unable to attend the meeting for personal reasons that I spoke to you about and you said I didn't have to re-submit it.

**Nathaniel** - Right. It's been a long week.

**Mark** - Don't make them wait, just forward them to GA and ask the questions there.

**Nathaniel** - You can make that motion.

**Connor** - Can we just ask them general questions so it's in the minutes?

**Nathaniel** - Yes, you can come on up, that was our mistake.

**Mark** - Can we break the 2 question limit then?

**Connor** - You can make a motion.

*Nathaniel has stepped down from the committee.*

**Nathaniel** - I'm going to get last week's agenda if I still have it. So we will pass this around.

*Nathaniel has stepped back onto the committee.*

**Samantha** - Ok well I'm Samantha and I'm the President. The Harry Potter Club is all about meeting new people and bonding over the franchise and we'd really like to be re-acknowledged just because we want to continue to have our GB meetings and discussions and events like wand making night and the upcoming triwizard ball.

**Meghan** - The only thing in here that I noticed is that it says the Harry Potter Club should be financially dependent of the Student Association. That should say independent. So that's a quick change. I yield.

**Bridget** - You're having a triwizard ball?

**Samantha** - We do every spring, this is the 4th.

**Bridget** - Do people dress up?

**Samantha** - yes. I have a huge pink prom dress.

**Bridget** - Oh my god! That's so cool, I yield.

**Nathaniel** - So for the independent thing, same as you heard before, just put the "in" in there send me another copy and you'll be golden. If you want me to run through why you have to do that I can but mostly It's just logistical. I yield.

*Motion made by Mark to approve Harry Potter Club for re-acknowledged recognition pending doctrine changes seconded by Bridget. None opposed, no abstentions, with that the motion carries.*

**Nathaniel** - I didn't mean that to sound condescending. I was just saying.

**Samantha** - Can you just show me where that is in here?

**Nathaniel** - Yes.

### **C. History Club for re-Acknowledged Recognition (2nd Meeting)#**

**X. New Business**

**XI. Adjournment**

*Motion made by Mark to adjourn seconded by Nathaniel. 1 opposed, no abstentions, with that the motion carries.*

*The # symbol denotes the reception by the Office of the Speaker of the necessary documents prior to 4pm on the Monday of this Committee meeting.*

*The Student Associations*  
**Budget and Appropriations**  
Monday February 13th, 2017  
4:00pm

*Meeting begins at 4:03pm*

*Meeting ends at 4:19pm*

**I. Call to Order:**

**Jason:** *I call this meeting to order at 4:03pm and hi everyone and I'm Jason and welcome to B&A, so I'll take roll call first:*

**Rachel:** excused

**Vince:** here

**Connor:** here

**Kat:** here

**Maggie:** here

**Sam:** here

**Jasmine:** here

**Meghan:** here

**Sam:** here

**Jason:** here

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**Fredonia Divine Sound:** here

**Fredonia Conductors Guild:** here

**II. Reports:**

**Jason:** Moving down to reports.

**Vince:** None.

**Jason:** No report. Rachel, she's not here but her report will be...in Allocations there is currently \$16,385.24 and Con & Con is \$3,368.06 which is both [indistinct]. Moving down to general orders...

**III. General Orders:**

**Jason:** Number 1, release request from Fredonia's Divine Sound for \$1,000 from Allocations. Can you please introduce yourself and also what this money is for?

**Fredonia Divine Sound Rep:** My name is Jeffrey Thompson. I am the president of Fredonia Divine Sound we are requesting the \$1,000 for the concert coming up on April 15th. It is our second required event for the year and for the most part, the money is going towards our musicians which is \$700. It includes a drummer, a bassist and a keyboardist and they bring their own equipment. \$212 is going toward sound services, roughly \$60 is going toward the MPR rental and the rest will be going toward purchasing the drum set along with the \$311 that is currently in our account.

**Jason:** When is your event located?

**Fredonia Divine Sound Rep:** The MPR.

**Jason:** No, what day?

**Fredonia Divine Sound Rep:** Oh, April 15th.

**Jason:** Meghan?

**Meghan:** So you said you do have a plan for the \$300ish in your account?

**Fredonia Divine Sound Rep:** Yes, towards a drum set to purchase and to pass down for the future of the group, rather than constantly renting out one for every concert we have.

**Meghan:** Do you have a place to store that?



**Fredonia Divine Sound Rep:** Yes.

**Meghan:** Nice! I yield.

**Jason:** Connor?

**Connor:** *I move to approve the release request for \$1,000 from allocations to Fredonia Divine Sound.*

**Jason:** *Motion made by Connor Hoffman to release \$1,000 from allocations to Fredonia Divine Sound. Seconded by Meghan. Any further discussion? Are the musicians from outside or students?*

**Fredonia Divine Sound Rep:** They are contracted.

**Jason:** All in favor please say "I"

**All:** I

**Jason:** *All opposed please say "nay". In the opinions of the chair, the "Is" have it. So, your final approval will be on Thursday at 5:30pm in G-26, at GA and you must attend it in order to get approved.*

**Fredonia Divine Sound Rep:** Okay, thank you.

**Jason:** Moving onto number 2, release request from Fredonia Conductors Guild for \$700 from Allocations. Can you please introduce yourself and also what this money is for?

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** My name is Ester Barnen and I'm president of conductor's guild.

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #2:** I'm Riley and I'm the treasurer.

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** And we are requesting the \$700 to bring in a guest artist, her name is Jillian McKay. She is from the University of Toronto and a professor at the music conservatory there. She teaches the trumpet lessons, conducts the wind ensemble and teaches conducting. I believe she has two master's degree as well as a bachelor's. We are paying for her master expertise to teach a workshop and work with the classes for the school of music and rehearsals with the school of music. So, the amount to pay her will come from the \$700. Some money that is already in our account and we plan to collaborate with Fredonia Brass Association to pay for some of the payment as well. She is also taking time from her duties at the conservatory to come down for a couple days. It is from April 3rd to the 5th, she is also driving down from Toronto, so the money will also pay for her driving as well.

**Jason:** Connor?

**Connor:** Where will she be staying?

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** Um, I imagine she will be staying through the college, although perhaps hotel. A hotel would be best. You know? I haven't even thought about that. Yea, this isn't the first time that the school of music has brought in a guest artist. Dr. Holcomb is our supervisor, she conducts the wind ensemble at the school of music and is really good about accommodating guests. And they know each other, they have collaborated before, so staying with Dr. Holcomb is a possibility. I was thinking the college, but if there is no room then probably Dr. Holcomb's house.

**Connor:** So then that shouldn't be a problem?

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** No that shouldn't be a problem. I can talk with Dr. Holcomb.

**Connor:** I yield.

**Jason:** Vince?

**Vince:** What is the fee for this person to come in? Just for their fee?

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** \$1,200.

**Vince:** \$1,200? Okay. You said there is some travel, is she driving you said?

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** Mhm, she is driving from Toronto.

**Vince:** Is that \$1,200 include her travel?

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** Yes, yes.

**Vince:** Okay, I yield.

**Jason:** Kat?

**Kat:** Are there any classes that are required to attend? Like you said that this person is going to be like assisting...

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** Oh specifics. Okay. I think she will be arriving that Monday, in April. Dr. Holcomb teaches an advanced conducting class Thursday mornings, so Jillian will probably attend that as well as the wind ensemble rehearsal from 12:30 to 2:30 and then all college band rehearsal from 4:30 to 6:30 and then I imagine that Tuesday night she will do a master class or lecture, the specifics of what she will be doing are still a little hazy but I do have confirmation that she will be here and um Dr. Holcomb is of course on board with this and we are all really excited. What happens on Wednesday is wind symphony rehearsal from 1pm to 3pm and Dr. Holcomb teaches her history and literature of the wind band. It is a graduate class but I am sure that undergraduates

are allowed to attend as well and that is from 5:00 to 7:30 and I'm sure Jillian will be presenting in that class as well and she will probably leave Thursday morning.

**Kat:** Okay, I yield.

**Jason:** Meghan?

**Meghan:** So you said she's doing a master class?

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** Yes.

**Meghan:** And that is definitely going to happen?

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** Yes.

**Meghan:** How many people do you expect to be in that class?

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** I anticipate at least 40 students. It varies, it's busy, but she is such a massive figure in music these days, in performance and in conducting as well, in professionalism. So I anticipate at least 40 students, if not more. It is scheduled in advance, so we will advertise as best we can to get as many students as we can.

**Meghan:** I yield.

**Jason:** Connor?

**Connor:** Um, it seems like obviously she will be giving a master class or a lecture of some sort, but from what you guys are saying it seems majority of her time will be spent in these classrooms, correct?

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** Yes.

**Connor:** Are these classrooms open to the public?

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #2:** If we asked Dr. Holcomb to, she'd be more than happy to open them to the public, she has in the past and I'm sure this wouldn't be an exception.

**Connor:** Okay, it is just one of our concerns because we want to make sure everyone can utilize these events.

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #2:** I've hosted 3 campus students and every time Dr. Holcomb not only encourages the students in the class but encourage them to play in rehearsals or something like that. If someone is visiting she will make sure they have their instrument and play with some of the top ensembles.

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** Dr. Holcomb is really good about accepting everybody, music major or not music major. We get guests in rehearsals all the time, so we are used that kind of thing.

**Connor:** I yield.

**Jason:** Jasmine?

**Jasmine:** General thing, usually how master classes work in Mason is Friday at 4, usually for each area, whether it is voice, wind, brass or whatever, um it generally has a turnout of at least 50 to 80 students. Just because of how many kids are enrolled in the program, in Mason. That is just a general thing. At least 50 will show up if they get credit for that event. But it is also open to anyone on campus.

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** [Indistinct].

**Vince:** It isn't required though?

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** No, nothing is required.

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #2:** Except for those students enrolled in the class, they have to show up for attendance policy.

**Jasmine:** I yield.

**Jason:** Meghan?

**Meghan:** Um, you said you were collaborating with Fredonia Brass association, correct? So do they have the \$500 in their budget to help you out with the costs?

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #2:** Apparently yes.

**Meghan:** Do we know that for sure?

**Vince:** I think they requested money earlier.

**Meghan:** Was that for this?

**Vince:** I don't recall...if that was for this...I can double check that when I go back to the office.

**Meghan:** Okay. I just want to make sure they can help you out with the funds so you aren't stuck with...

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** I've spoken with Ariel [blank] who is the president of FBA. We did the math and we said that \$300 on their end would cover it.

**Meghan:** So that leaves a \$200 deficit?

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** Right, which we have money in our account [blank].

**Meghan:** Gotcha.

**Jason:** Okay, and have you signed a contract or anything?

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** Not yet. We will.

**Meghan:** Yes, I yield.

**Jason:** Any questions?

**Meghan:** I have one more. So then you have \$478 in your account, so what would you do with the remaining \$278?

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** Well we do have other events planned for the semester, but those don't cost anything. Does that other money carry over to the next year?

**Vince:** It does.

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** Well I'm graduated and May, and Riley will be student teaching. But whoever is on the e-board will use it, probably toward another guest or another event if we decide to have food or drink at the next event.

**Meghan:** We usually encourage students to use the money in their account.

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** Oh, okay. Then in that case, we may or may not need to request the full \$700, I didn't know that. So if we have \$478...

**Meghan:** That is assuming that you would pay \$200 more that is currently in your account to help the Brass Association, cause you said they only pay \$300, so that would leave \$278 in your account.

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** Do we maybe want to request less?

**Meghan:** I yield.

**Jason:** Connor?

**Connor:** Um, I think if my math is correct, it might be the Monday's, um, if they do go down, let's see. Oh never mind, it is Monday. My math is off. Yep. I yield.

**Jason:** [Indistinct]

**Meghan:** So we can check and make sure brass association, I'm pretty sure it was what they requested.

**Jason:** Other questions?

**Meghan:** *I move to approve the release request for \$700 from allocations to Fredonia Conductors Guild. Pending?*

**Kat:** You don't have to pend it,

**Jason:** We don't really...yea we don't... [Indistinct].

**Meghan:** Oh okay, so then *I move to approve the release request for \$700 from allocations to Fredonia Conductors Guild.*

**Jason:** *Motion moved by Meghan to release \$700 from allocations to Fredonia Conductors Guild. Seconded by Kat. All in favor please say "I".*

**All:** *I*

**Jason:** *All opposed please say "nay". Any abstentions? In the opinions of the eyes of the chair have it.* So right now you are approved and but if you can check if you actually need \$700, you can talk to the comptroller, which is Rachel. And if you don't need it...no matter what just give her a reply so we can make sure. If not, we will be pulling you down from the General Assembly...

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** Yes, that makes sense. So we don't have too much money left over for the fall. Absolutely, I imagine we will request less.

**Jason:** Yea, because every academic year you have \$1,000 to request, so don't forget to have someone attend Thursday's General Assembly at G-26, at 5:30.

**Fredonia Conductors Guild Rep #1:** McEwen.

**Connor:** Have a good night.

**Jason:** Moving down to unfinished business, there is no unfinished business.

#### **IV. Unfinished Business:**

None.

#### **V. New Business:**

**Jason:** B&A week, Rachel put this here again because B&A week is coming soon, so if you haven't submitted your availability sheet, just do it as soon as possible. Any other new business? No? Connor?

#### **VI. Adjournment:**

**Connor:** *I move to adjourn.*

**Jason:** *Motion made by Connor to adjourn seconded by Jasmine. Meeting adjourned at 4:19pm.*

Supreme Court  
Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 13th, 2017  
8:00pm

*Location:* SUNY Fredonia  
Williams Center G103B

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Chief Justice Weaver at 8:02pm on Monday, February 13, 2017 in the Williams Center room G103B at SUNY Fredonia.

**a. Roll Call**

Chief Justice Weaver: Present  
Justice Bradley: Present  
Justice Freda: Present  
Justice Norton: Present  
Justice Linares: Present  
Justice Jacobs: Present

**b. Justice Concerns**  
None

**2. First Hearings (Pleas and Sentencing)**

**a. Envied Expression (A)- Rules Violation – Absent**

**3. Second Hearings (Pleas & Sentencing)**

**a. Chess Club (A) – Rules Violation – Present**

**Chief Justice Weaver:** Chess Club has been brought to the court today for a Rules violation. Would you like to plea guilty or not guilty?

**Rep:** If there is some background information that would be useful.

**Chief Justice Weaver:** The Rules violation was because you missed the meeting to be re-recognized. The group will probably still have to go through Rules. You'll probably have to set up a meeting with Than. Could you state your name for the record?

**Rep:** Holden Berstein – I'm the President. We might have new election soon but for now I am President.

**Chess Club enters plea of guilty**

**Chief Justice Weaver:** Can you tell me the current status of your e-board? Is it mostly returning members?

**Holden:** Right now the club is kind of smaller. We have about 10 members that come in and out. We have a Provisional President who takes over when the President is not available and while there has been interest expressed by members to hold that position we haven't held elections yet.

**Chief Justice Weaver:** So right now it is just you and your treasurer.

**Holden:** Yes.

**Chief Justice Weaver:** Ok and you said the election will most likely take place later in the semester.

**Holden:** Probably within the next two weeks.

**Justice Norton:** You said you have a Provisional President. Does that person attend e-board meetings?

**Holden:** Yes, they attend e-board meetings and are very involved in the decision making processes of the group. The Provisional President knows just as much as the President in terms of how the group runs.

**Justice Linares:** Does anybody on your e-board have the responsibility of checking the mailbox?

**Holden:** Yes, I check the mailbox. We plan on holding a few events soon. We'd like to bring in a Chess master which would increase the club's numbers.

**Chief Justice Weaver:** Are there any more questions? Do you have anything else to say? With that chair seeks a motion.

**Motion to enter Executive Session by Justice Bradley seconded by Justice Linares at 8:07pm**  
**Executive Session**

**Motion to exit Executive Session by Justice Norton seconded by Justice Jacobs at 8:09pm**

Verdicts:

*Chess Club:*

**Chief Justice Weaver:** Chess Club seeing as you did plea guilty to the Rules violation charge and we found you as such we have ordered a probation for the group. Basically, requires nothing further from you – there is nothing you have to fill out – but it’s just your first violation with the Supreme Court for this academic year so try to keep everything in order. I would recommend, highly, that when you do your new election that they schedule to meet with Vice President Grabowski just to familiarize themselves with the Student Association. But that is unofficial. Unless you have any more questions you are free to go.

**Motion to table number 2 letter a to its 2<sup>nd</sup> hearing by Justice Bradley seconded by Justice Freda.**

**Motion passes**  
**6-0-0**

**4. Third Hearings (Pleas & Sentencing)**

**5. Concerns of the Audience**

**6. New Business**

**Chief Justice Weaver:** We still have room for one more Associate Justice. That’s all for today.

**7. Adjournment :**

**Motion to Adjourn by Justice Bradley seconded by Justice Jacobs at 8:13pm.**

**Motion passes**  
**Meeting adjourned**