

Association of Residence Hall Students

Council Meeting for Monday October 16th, 2017



Call to Order 6:15pm

Roll Call: Do you want ESPN Gameday at Old Main or by Beaver Stadium?

Laura Daly, President
Kayla Olowin, Vice President
Kay Rinkers, Director of Outreach
Tucker Antico, Director of Finance
Brendan Maguire, Director of Records
Stephen Day, EHRA President
Andrew Keane, EHRA VP
Cameron Francis, WHRA President
Julia Bollinger, WHRA VP & Co-Campus Safety and Security Chair
Troy Adams, WHRA Secretary
Brian Shumaker, WHRA Rep
Logan O'Hara, WHRA Rep
Hannah Yost, SHRA President
Jessica Shuey, SHRA Administrative VP
Joelle Smith, SHRA Rep
Megan Mercurio, NHAS President
Rayna Klingensmith, NHAS VP
Nathaniel Waksman, NHAS Rep
Spage Fong, NHAS Rep
Brian Kile, PHRA Executive VP
Joe Cortez, PHRA Rep
Cheyenne Hensen, PHRA Treasurer
Emma Kurtis, PHRA Rep
Mitch Rosen, Movin' On Liaison
Jessica Mingle, UPUA Liaison
Paige Fox, Panhellenic Liaison
Amanda Klovekorn, Recruitment & PR Chair
Stephen Dougherty, Philanthropy Chair
David Carcamo, IPC Chair
Akhil D, Web-chair
Matt Beyen, ARHS Cinemas Chair
Laekin O'Hara, NCC
Amy, State of State
Cory, State of State
Panini, State of State
Rachael, State of State
Daniel, State of State
Emily, NHHAW
Dan, Advisor

Guest of the Week

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Open Student Forum

- **State of State: see slideshow attached with minutes**

- Nathaniel Waksman: Outside of financial partnerships, what would a non-financial partnership entail?
 - Cory: We're looking more into PR and marketing. State of State is a big event that we want everyone to really know about. One of the issues we've had specifically is that, we've had a lot of really involved Penn State students come to these events, we want people to come who aren't necessarily on executive boards or in leadership positions. Another big thing is making sure we have good content when it comes to speakers.
 - Panini: State of State is a forum where we can bring issues to the special relations committee if it can't be addressed.
- **National Hunger & Homeless Awareness Week (NHHAW) - Emily Bickle**
 - Emily Bickle: Looking for a partnership with ARHS for the NHHAW nationally-sponsored Event in November. Interested in ARHS sponsoring a poverty-related movie night.
 - Cameron Francis: For your thanksgiving basket drive, who do we reach out to to donate?
 - Emily: Students Engaging Students, SES. They organize that and each club kind of takes on their own initiative. They should be reaching out soon, they're interested in advertising for that.
 - Matt Beyen: So for the movie, we don't play movies during the NHHAW week, but you said maybe the week before?
 - Emily Bickle: Yeah we're open to whatever date can work for you guys. The Thursday or Friday that week can work. The point is really to get people involved.
 - Matt Beyen: Awesome. Thank you.
 - **ARHS Scare Away Breast Cancer Carnival - Nathaniel Waksman**
 - Looking for monetary & volunteer support for the ARHS event this October. Ceiling of \$1,600.
 - Logan O'Hara: For the lipstick, what's the sanitation for that?
 - Nathaniel: We can have people use their fingers.
 - Kayla: How many t-shirts are you going to do?
 - Nathaniel: 100 for general students, 15 for event staff.

Liaison Reports

- **Movin' On - Mitch Rosen (mdr5000@psu.edu)**
 - Current status: in the process of deciding on who we're going to offer for Movin' On'
 - Meeting with UPAC went well
 - ARHS and Movin' On Collaboration? ARHS giving away camelbacks during a mini-hub event?
- **National Residence Hall Honorary (NRHH) - OPEN**
 - Had their meeting on Sunday, expecting a check to come in but it isn't here yet. So BINGO is probably canceled.. Will do a lot of smaller events versus a few large events.
 - Looked into the constitution and possible amendments to be made
- **Panhellenic Council - Paige Fox (pef5050@psu.edu)**
 - Keep signing up for the Donut Stress event!
 - Laura Daly: Everyone please remember to sign up. This is something we passed. I know the times are somewhat inconvenient, but this is a partnership we want to continue and have a good reputation with.
- **University Park Undergraduate Association (UPUA) - Jessica Mingle (ifm5509@psu.edu)**
 - Nothing to report

Adviser Report

- **Mark Rameker (mjr22@psu.edu), John Hurst (jeH9@psu.edu)**
 - Nothing to report

Area Reports

- **East (EHRA) - Stephen Day** (scd5284@psu.edu)
 - EHRA updates
 - Costume contest on Tuesday, find-the-pumpkin-in-the-Quad on Wednesday
- **Eastview/Nittany (ENRA) - OPEN**
 - Nothing to report
- **North (NHAS) - Megan Mercurio** (mem6323@psu.edu)
 - Rayna: Working on last minute details for Ohio State Tailgate
 - Nathaniel: Met with housing staff, Warnock Cultural Lounge is going to be really nice.
 - Nathaniel: preliminary idea on starting a similar PHRA Night event in North on Saturdays
- **Pollock (PHRA) - Anila Anthony** (axa99@psu.edu)
 - PHRADay had about 40 people
 - Order placed for pumpkin palooza
 - Next PHRADay is Karaoke
 - Thinking of Crayon Meeting Canvas Art
 - NYC Bus Trip - \$60
 - Carepackage List
- **South (SHRA) - Hannah Yost** (hby5050@psu.edu)
 - SHRAalloween moved to October 30th, partnering with Food Services
 - Housing and Food services chair handed out surveys on Tuesday
- **West (WHRA) - Cameron Francis** (cyf5173@psu.edu)
 - Thespian ticket giveaway was a success
 - Hall-O-West October 26th

Internal Committee Reports

- **Historian - OPEN**
 - Nothing to report
- **Homecoming - OPEN**
 - Nothing to report
- **Internal Policy (IPC) - David Carcamo** (djc5782@psu.edu)
 - Reach out to me if you're interested in the structure of the constitution
- **Public Relations - Amanda Klovekorn** (alk5617@psu.edu)
 - Working on PR material for domestic violence and breast cancer events
 - Thanks for sharing the Facebook post! We reached over 1480 people!
 - Cameron: Do you mind sending out the domestic violence material to me? My PR chair wants to send it out.
 - Amanda: When I get it, sure!
- **Social - OPEN**
 - Nothing to report
- **THON - OPEN**
 - Nothing to report
- **Web Design - Akhil Dharmavaram** (afd5151@psu.edu)
 - Area presidents: please send me your exec board names + emails, and area pic

External Committee Reports

- **Activities - OPEN**
 - Nothing to report
- **Recruitment - Amanda Klovekorn** (alk5617@psu.edu)
 - Area members, come talk to me about a recruitment event with a table in the HUB
- **ARHS Cinemas - Sir Matt Beyen** (mdb5548@psu.edu)
 - We are playing The Dark Tower and Atomic Blonde this weekend!
 - I may be able to get ads going, I need to run some tests this weekend to see if it's viable.

- **Campus Safety & Security - Nick Mahon** (nam5557@psu.edu) & **Julia Bollinger** (jfb5368@psu.edu)
 - Nothing to report
- **Diversity - OPEN**
 - Nothing to report
- **Housing and Food Services - OPEN**
 - Nothing to report
- **National Communications Coordinator (NCC) - Laekin O'Hara** (ljo5051@psu.edu)
 - 17 Days to CAACURH!
 - We are beginning filming for our roll call video this week
 - I have a legislative chat tonight at 9
- **Philanthropy - Stephen Dougherty** (sjd5597@psu.edu)
 - Charities of interest?
 - Centre County PAWS
 - The Clearwater Conservancy of Central Pennsylvania
 - Centre County Women's Resource Center
 - Open discussion
 - Laura Daly: You're also going to be in charge of the Thanksgiving Baskets that were previously mentioned.
- **Student Health & Wellness - Hannah Yost** (hby5050@psu.edu)
 - Handing out bracelets for domestic violence in West, North, and South
 - Look out for a sign-up sheet for next Thursday in South
 - Laura: I thought we were planning on doing it on Thursday for every area?
 - Cameron: If it works better for her on a certain day, we should do it then. It can be spread out over an entire week.
- **Sustainability - Nick Mahon** (nam5557@psu.edu)
 - Nothing to report

Executive Officer Reports

- **President - Laura Daly** (lvd5265@psu.edu)
 - UPUA video
 - Looking for somebody to represent ARHS during an interview, talk to us if interested
 - Every other Tuesday (10am), meeting in the assignment office with Jennifer Garvin, exec has time conflicts and are looking for somebody who's interested in representing ARHS
 - Transportation Meeting 3-5pm, if anyone wants to go with Tucker, let him know!
- **Vice President - Kayla Olowin** (kms7123@psu.edu)
 - Food Services meeting
 - Pure in East is doing well, hitting their quotas.
 - Market in East is going to be open until 2am during Finals Week.
 - Food Services wants to give us a tour of Market East
 - Homecoming parade
 - No float this year due to registration closing in September.
 - We can still be involved - walk the Parade or decorate a car.
 - Informal interest, will be talked about in open discussion.
- **Director of Advocacy - OPEN**
 - Nothing to report
- **Director of Programming - OPEN**
 - Nothing to report
- **Director of Outreach - Kay Rinkers** (kgr5093@psu.edu)
 - NHHAW Update
 - Board pictures: November 13th, during the meeting.
 - People Speaking at ARHS
 - Matt Beyen: What time would you want to do the photo? The sun is setting early in November.

- Kay: We will have to look into a different photo place other than outside Old Main.
 - Laura: We'll figure out the details and come back to you guys.
- **Director of Records - Brendan Maguire** (bfm5125@psu.edu)
 - Open positions
 - Office hours
 - Area offices - cleanliness
 - Amanda: Can you send me the finalized copy of the Office Hours?
 - Brendan: Yes
- **Director of Finance - Tucker Antico** (tja5251@psu.edu)
 - Account Balance: \$20,590.00
 - Area stimulus? Interested in giving areas more than the annual \$200 per semester

Forum Break 7:21-7:36

Open Discussion

State of State

- Nathaniel Waksman: I'm not sold on monetary partnership. We don't get a lot for what we'd be paying. I'm not opposed to a non-monetary partnership.. But it seems like too much money to get a reward out of it. Especially if we're only reaching 300 already super-involved students.
- Brian Shumaker: What I didn't like is if we don't do a monetary sponsorship, it didn't seem like our name would go anywhere yet we'd be promoting their event on all of our social media and putting up fliers.
- Cameron Francis: I feel like the \$10,000 tier would be the only thing useful for our organization but it's not worth it to do a partnership.
- Laekin O'Hara: So we went to a leadership dinner in the spring and they were one of the organizations there and they really expressed interest with us for partnering in some type of way. So if we're not interested in partnering financially we should really look into exploring our options so we can back them in some manner. It is really important.
- Stephen Day: I have to side with Nathaniel and Cameron. The fact alone that we'd be advertising to already super-involved students is enough to turn us away.
- Paige Fox: Just a note, giving money isn't just to benefit our organization but helping on campus students as a whole.
- Hannah Yost: I think this is an incredibly important event to talk about things going on in the community. We've had ARHS members & area members speak to Stand for State, and I appreciate that they came to us and they more us for more than giving out money. They want to know what we want to talk about. Sometimes we have to look past that. Especially if there's a possible impact of an event like this. It's huge and it would be great to be support them.
- Laura Daly: I think he seriously, seriously downplayed the event. Stand for State is a huge event. They may only have 300 seats, but they also broadcast and live stream it. It impacts many people. Sure, some of the leaders of big organizations attend, but so do other students.
- Cameron Francis: I feel like if we gear our partnership towards us advertising us for them, and us promoting gender neutral housing, it would be good for ARHS initiatives. If we help them in a non-monetary way, I think it would be a good deal.
- Logan O'Hara: I was really impressed by their objectives, how they had goals they wanted to meet, and outreach to other students who may not be involved. I thought that was really important because that's what we also need to do. If we support them and support each other, we can bring students into both organizations so they can have their voice heard. We could volunteer or put in a submission to speak, and that allows people to have their voice heard. That's really important and I think a partnership would be really effective, but not in the style of buying into it.

National Hunger & Homelessness Awareness Week

- Cameron Francis: I really enjoyed her presentation, I think this is a really good thing for us to get involved in. It really speaks to our advocacy pillar and I totally support it.

- Brian Shumaker: Logistically, did we decide on anything formal for the movie? Would we have to change anything?
- Kayla Olowin: I can talk to Matt and get back to you.
- Kay Rinkers: It wouldn't be an issue if we changed the date, I've talked to Matt about it.

Breast Cancer Awareness Carnival

- Logan O'Hara: I like the event and the lipstick thing. It's really creative and inventive. I'd like to see that. Can we put together a spreadsheet for volunteering?
- Nathaniel Waksman: I can do that during my office hour tomorrow.
- Laekin O'Hara: As soon as this event is approved, I'm going to start buying everything and getting everything together.

National Domestic Violence Event

- Laura Daly: All the areas are having a table for this Thursday. West: 6:00pm, South: 6:30pm, North: not decided yet. Sign-up sheet later.

Philanthropy: Charity Donations - Thoughts & Opinions

- Stephen Day: Is this local stuff only?
- Stephen Dougherty: Yes, for now. If you have non-local charities, we can discuss that later.
- Cameron F: I think the Women's Resource Center would be a really good one when we're keeping our values in mind to represent students.
- Laekin: I think you should raise awareness for Lion's Pantry while they're overstocked. Also, I remember UHS used to have goodie-bags to help with students who can't afford those kind of things. So maybe we could collect donations and package that kind of stuff? So we're making sure to advocate for our student population.
- Brian Shumaker: Center County PAWS would be a neat thing to be apart of and donate to. You hear all around how shelters have problems getting things, it'd be neat to see the on-campus students get involved that way.
- Laura Daly: We can also talk about stockings for soldiers.

Cameron Francis: Advertisement Flier Changes (attached in minutes)

- General satisfaction with changes.

Old Business

New Business

- Cameron motions to pass \$1,400.10 for National Hunger & Homeless Awareness Event
 - Joe Cortez seconds
 - Motion passes 15-0-2
- Logan O'Hara motions to pass a ceiling of \$1,600 for the Breast Cancer Awareness Event
 - Stephen Day seconds
 - Motion passes 14-0-3
- Brian Shumaker motions to pass a non-monetary partnership with State of State
 - No seconds
 - Motion fails
 - Cameron Francis motions to table this issue until we have a discussion as a council with State of State
 - Joe Cortez seconds

- Hannah Yost objects: I think we talked about it enough, I don't think they're going to want to do a nonmonetary agreement. This is something we should talk about and decide on now.
- Stephen Dougherty seconds
- Hannah Yost's Objection fails 7-8-2
 - Cameron Francis' motion passes 9-6-2
 - Laura Daly: This is the second or third time we've tabled for a speaker to come back but we're not asking any questions when the speakers are here. They shouldn't have to be brought back in if we're not asking questions when they're here.
 - Brian Kile: How about we all email them during this week, and we discuss this next week without them coming in?
 - Kayla Olowin: We voted for them to come in next week.
 - Cameron Francis: I recommend that we have a period of open discussion, a short period of them stepping out, and then we can come in and resume discussion on their topic.
 - Laura Daly: We can look into that, but we can also discuss it with them there. That's why they're coming in.
 - Cameron Francis: We also want to be respectful.
 - Laura Daly: We can ask questions and discuss it respectfully.
 - Kayla: Either way the conversation is going to happen.
 - Nathaniel Waksman: The point of Cameron's point is we didn't have that discussion, I knew what I wanted, but I didn't know what council wanted. So If I knew what council wanted, I could've asked more questions pointed towards it.
 - Logan O'Hara: I agree with Nathaniel and Cameron.. I didn't get to see the values of the monetary donations until after they left. Without knowing all of this, I can't make a decision on what we're going to offer up if we don't fully understand what they want from us? So I think if we discuss our opinion on what we want to present before they leave, it would really help.
 - Laekin O'Hara: As an area representative, part of your job is to represent your area. You're included in that. So don't be afraid to ask questions. There is no harm bombarding them with 50 questions. As a council, we have the power to make a motion to say this is how we'd like to do things moving forward (5 minute discussion period where the speaker leaves and then comes back), but if you are to do that, there has to be questions. If you're asking them to leave and come back, we have to have questions. IF they come back next week and there aren't a lot of questions, it's a waste of time.
 - Hannah Yost: Going off that, we have amazing discussions about budget requests. Sometimes we get so caught up in the budget request we talk about it for 50 minutes. Bringing them back in causes this endless cycle. Sometimes we're unanimous about a budget request because it's going to be a great thing. This hasn't been an issue until now, we need to be more consistent on asking questions when they're here and making a decision as soon as possible. Having them come back look's bad on us. It's our own fault because we didn't ask them any questions. I think the solution is to just think of questions while they're talking.
 - Cameron Francis motions to exhaust the speakers list after Brian Kile & Brian Shumaker
 - Hannah Yost seconds

- No objections
 - Motion passes 17-0-0
- Brian Kile: How many people are willing to go out and be apart of this, if nobody is willing to, it's a waste of time. I want an informal raise of hands - who is interested in going out and representing ARHS in this event?
- Brian Shumaker: I wanted to say on the issue on keeping them and having them go outside, the current method of asking questions isn't working. So do we need to look at examining a different method for doing it? Cameron's method is one way of doing it.

Informal Discussion

- Spange Fong motions to close the meeting
 - Stephen Day seconds
 - No objections
 - Meeting adjourned 8:15pm

Budget Requests:

Organization: National Hunger & Homelessness Awareness Week

Contact: Emily Bickle (erb188@psu.edu)

- ASA Account Number
 - n/a
- What Kind of Support are you looking for?
 - Monetary, partnership w/ ARHS
- Name of Event, Event Date/Time/Location
 - Nov. 13-16
 - Nov. 13: "Poverty Open Mic Night" @ Webster's Cafe (7-8:30pm)
 - Nov. 14: Hunger Banquet @ 129C HUB (6-8pm)
 - Nov. 15: Poverty Panel and Fight Night Events @ 302 HUB (7-9pm)
 - date TBA: The Soloist ARHS Movie Night @ Freeman Auditorium (7pm)
 - all week: Thanksgiving Basket Drive
- Describe The Event
 - National Homelessness and Hunger Awareness week is a recurring event for Penn State to build awareness for hunger and homelessness at Penn State, the State College community, and internationally. There are multiple events planned for the week.
- History of Event
 - National Homelessness and Hunger Awareness Week is an event started by the National Coalition for the Homeless in 1981. It has been a part of Penn State for multiple years and has been sponsored by ARHS regularly in the past.
- How will this event benefit on campus students?
 - National Homelessness and Hunger Awareness Week is an advocacy event designed to educate participants about the importance of caring for those that struggle with hunger and homelessness. These issues are prevalent here at Penn State including in the on-campus community. That is why organizations like Lion's Pantry exist. This event will help elevate the level of awareness of the general student body at Penn State about the

issues of Hunger and Homelessness which will hopefully inspire increased action to combat the issue.

- Have you applied for UPAC Funding?
 - No
- How much financial assistance are you requesting from ARHS?
 - \$1,410
- How will this funding be used?
 - 100 tshirts: \$800
 - ARHS movie: \$404
 - food for Hunger Banquet: \$206
- Would you be willing to advertise ARHS as a sponsor?
 - Yes

Organization: ARHS

Contact: Nathaniel Waksman (nxw37@psu.edu)

- ASA Account Number
 - n/a
- What Kind of Support are you looking for?
 - Monetary, Volunteers
- Name of Event, Event Date/Time/Location
 - Scare Away Breast Cancer Carnival
- Describe The Event
 - October 27th @ Redifer Commons between 12-3 pm
 - A carnival style event to inform students about breast cancer and show support for ending it.
- History of Event
 - n/a
- How will this event benefit on campus students?
 - Breast cancer is bad, event will raise awareness and keep students healthy.
- Have you applied for UPAC Funding?
 - No
- How much financial assistance are you requesting from ARHS?
 - Ceiling of \$1,600
- How will this funding be used?
 - T-Shirts and buying the materials for the booths
- Would you be willing to advertise ARHS as a sponsor?
 - Yes

