

Association of Residence Hall Students

Council Meeting for Monday October 9th, 2017



Call to Order

Laura Daly, President
Kayla Olowin, Vice President
Tucker Antico, Director of Finance
Brendan Maguire, Director of Records
Matt Beyen, ARHS Cinemas
Akhil Dharmavaram, Web-design
Jessica Mingle, UPUA Liaison
Paige Fox, Panhellenic Liaison
Amanda Klovekorn, Recruitment & PR Chair
Laekin O'Hara, NCC
Rayna Klingsmith, NHAS VP
Spage Fong, NHAS Representative
Nathaniel Waxman, NHAS Representative
Anila Anthony, PHRA President
Brian Kile, PHRA Executive Vice President
Emma Kertis, PHRA Representative
Cheyenne Hensen, PHRA Treasurer
David Carcamo, IPC Chair
Jessica Shuey, SHRA VP
Joelle Smith, SHRA Representative
Nick Mahon, Co-Campus Safety & Security Chair and Sustainability Chair
Cameron Francis, WHRA Representative
Julia Bollinger, WHRA VP & Co-Campus Safety & Security Chair
Brian Shumaker, WHRA Representative
Stephen Day, ENHAS President
Angie Zheng, ENHAS Representative
David Lee, SRCC
Dan H., East Halls Coordinator
John Hurst, Advisor

Roll Call: Favorite memory from this weekend?

Guest of the Week

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Open Student Forum

- **David Lee, Bio-Medical Director: Student Red Cross Club**
 - Requesting \$500 towards food for the PSU vs MSU Blood Drive Challenge
 - Brian Kile: What kind of food?
 - David Lee: Mainly, we order pizzas. They're the cheapest. We also do subway and jimmy johns.
 - Anila Anthony: How much UPAC funding do you have?
 - David Lee: I'm not sure. I'm not even sure we got funding from UPAC for this challenge.
- **Laekin O'Hara, NCC**
 - Proposing an ARHS Logo change (will be attached in minutes)

- Amanda Klovekorn: Would there be a way to take the specific area logos and make them suitable for clothing?
 - Laekin O'Hara: Yeah. The nice thing is I have the word document, jpeg version, pdf version, and it's all really editable. In the future, I hate to say this, if we get rid of ENRA, I can remove it and fix the font and size on the bottom with the area acronyms. It's really adjustable.
 - Brian Shumaker: During the retreat we talked about being a unified front, I just feel like having two different logos.. One for clothing and one for everything else doesn't really present that unified front anymore. It could lead to some confusion.
 - Laekin O'Hara: I see what you're saying. It's the same logo, but based on what a lot of people said, they'd rather the circular one on clothing and the non-circular one on business documents.
 - Laura Daly: What we discussed as an executive board was to have a vote on this during new business. But we can talk about this more during forum break.
- Cameron Francis, WHRA President
 - Proposing an ARHS Advertisement Flier for Stall Stories
 - Matt Beyen: Totally a stylistic choice, would it be good to have a period after help? Or keep it an open sentence..and what about the font?
 - Laura Daly: What about an exclamation point?
 - (General disagreement on the exclamation point)
 - Rayna K: I think it should be a period because there's a question mark for the first one.
 - Tucker Antico: I would only have the period on the title.
 - Nick Mahon: Did you work with amanda on this?
 - Cameron Francis: No, that's why I'm bringing it forward now. Then, Amanda can go forward with it.
 - Laura Daly: If you want to go with different fonts you can always come back later.
 - Laekin O'Hara: I really like the idea of it, you showed a lot of initiative. Maybe work with Amanda and come back again with another proposal?
 - Laura: Majority voted (informal vote) on the second flier. (Will be attached in minutes)

Liaison Reports

- **Movin' On - Mitch Rosen** (mdr5000@psu.edu)
 - Nothing to report
- **National Residence Hall Honorary (NRHH) - OPEN**
 - Matt Beyen: We had our Paint n Sip! A lot of people showed up.
 - Matt Beyen: We had an exec meeting yesterday, went over a lot of stuff we want to do.. We got our current budget (\$24,000) and an additional \$4,500 in expenses not yet billed.
 - Brian Kile: We'd like to partner with ARHS on some events.. Hoping to set up a donation box outside of every commons for the Lion's Pantry.
 - Brian Kile: Possible Mafia Event in East and nomination link for NRHH out soon!
 - Cameron Francis: I talked with the director of Food Services for Lion's Pantry and they said they are currently overflowing with food right now.
 - Brian Kile: In that case, we'll adjust our mission to increase awareness of the pantry.
- **Panhellenic Council - Paige Fox** (pef5050@psu.edu)
 - October 18th - Doughnut Stress Event
 - I will be sending out a signup sheet for the Doughnut stress event tonight
- **University Park Undergraduate Association (UPUA) - Jessica Mingle** (jfm5509@psu.edu)
 - Passed a resolution to back the university's efforts towards a smoke free campus
 - Kayla Olowin: What did they vote on exactly?
 - Jessica Mingle: They voted on supporting the task force.

- Laura Daly: Were they supporting the existence of the task force, or what the task force was pushing for?
- Nick Mahon: It was my impression the task force was the thing voted on last year and that was to do research on whether we could feasibly have a smoke free campus and bring other organizations to the table.

Adviser Report

- **Mark Rameker** (mjr22@psu.edu), **John Hurst** (jeH9@psu.edu)
 - John Hurst: Raise of hands, how many people have parents coming in next weekend? How many people are going home or not going to be on campus? I'm thinking on Friday evening, maybe 5:30pm, we get together and eat dinner - maybe spaghetti. I just thought it would be fun. Anyone who wants to come and we'd like to know how many. We could have spaghetti, garlic bread and maybe a salad? If you're interested in something like that - talk amongst yourselves during forum break and maybe bring it back up, Madame President, during open discussion? It would be an hour and a half tops. A part of it is so I can meet a lot of you because I wasn't present for the ARHS Retreat. I totally understand if people can't come because they have parents in town, but it'd be a lot of fun.

Area Reports

- **East (EHRA) - Stephen Day** (scd5284@psu.edu)
 - Halloween Events Finalized: 3 events, first of which is on October 24th!
 - Costume Contest: winner receives \$25 gift card of their choosing.
 - Hiding Pumpkin Hunt: October 25th
 - Halloween Party w/ free food: October 26th
 - Still looking into total cost, may have to request ARHS funding
 - Saturday's Race Result
 - Brian Kile: NRHH is possibly considering doing an event on the 27th, would you be open to... collaborating?
 - Discussion moved to forum break
- **Eastview/Nittany (ENRA) - OPEN**
 - Nothing to report
- **North (NHAS) - Megan Mercurio** (mem6323@psu.edu)
 - Partnering with the RAs for a Ohio State Tailgate (October 28th)
 - Nathaniel W: I am going to a meeting on Thursday to meet with Housing Staff about furniture.
 - Nothing new to report
- **Pollock (PHRA) - Anila Anthony** (axa99@psu.edu)
 - Last PHRAday attendance
 - New speakers every month
 - HFS Hall Council
 - Next PHRAday plan
 - NYC Bus Trip: \$60 per ticket
- **South (SHRA) - Hannah Yost** (hby5050@psu.edu)
 - SHRAalloween will be October 26th at 6pm
 - Housing and Food Services Chair handing out surveys
- **West (WHRA) - Cameron Francis** (cyf5173@psu.edu)
 - Working on October events
 - Handing out 20 tickets to West Hall members for a Thespians Show
 - HalloWEST Event is on October 26th

Internal Committee Reports

- **Historian - OPEN**
 - Nothing to report
- **Homecoming - OPEN**

- Nothing to report
- **Internal Policy (IPC) - David Carcamo** (djc5782@psu.edu)
 - Questions about the constitution?
 - Structure of the constitution: opinion, changes, etc?
- **Public Relations - Amanda Klovekorn** (alk5617@psu.edu)
 - PR Committee to work on the ideas we had at the retreat: cohesive marketing between areas, better promotion of events and cinemas, etc)
 - Laekin: Amanda and I are working on something everyone can get involved with, some silly fun things for the Conference coming up. So we're going to ask you guys to participate in that and it should be something super fun and easy for us to get spirit points. (Spirit points will be brought up later)
- **Social - OPEN**
 - Nothing to report
- **THON - OPEN**
 - Nothing to report
- **Web Design - Akhil Dharmavaram** (afd5151@psu.edu)
 - Area Presidents: Please send me all of your exec's names, emails and positions.
 - What do I do about updating ENRA?
 - Laekin O'Hara: Why don't you put Laura's information and say if they have any questions to contact her?
 - Akhil Dharmavaram: Where can I get a hold of ENRA's logo?
 - Laura Daly: I can talk to you about this later.

External Committee Reports

- **Activities - OPEN**
 - Nothing to report
- **Recruitment - Amanda Klovekorn** (alk5617@psu.edu)
 - Looking into some ideas we had at the retreat (monthly newsletter of some sort, some more recruitment events now that everyone has their schedules set)
- **ARHS Cinemas - Matt Beyen** (mdb5548@psu.edu)
 - Next 3 weeks: double features!
 - Week 1: (this week) Despicable Me 3 and Cars 3.
 - Week 2: Stephen King's The Dark Tower & Atomic Blonde
 - Week 3: Annabelle & Planet of the Apes
 - Hired two new projectionists and neither of them are ARHS members.
 - I got approval for a new sign!
 - This week I will be talking to Swank about our November movies. Looking for some ideas about what people want to see for that month. Newer movies generally do better, so think about movies released in the summer and beginning of the year.
 - Laura Daly: We'll talk more about movies during Open Discussion.
- **Campus Safety & Security - Nick Mahon** (nam5557@psu.edu) & **Julia Bollinger** (jfb5368@psu.edu)
 - Nick Mahon: We've been working on additional security cameras in residence hall stairwells and we finally got a price quote. It's going to be at least \$1,500,000. I didn't expect that cost, and my UPUA partner wants to continue working on it despite the cost.
- **Diversity - OPEN**
 - Nothing to report
- **Housing and Food Services - OPEN**
 - Nothing to report
- **National Communications Coordinator (NCC) - Laekin O'Hara** (ljo5051@psu.edu)
 - Had our 1st CAACURH Delegation meeting: assigned spirit projects, went over expectations, and planned out the rest of the month
 - Working on a bid
 - Submitted Affiliation with NACURH

- NRHH is paying our affiliation dues
 - Presentation #1 on CAACURH Budget Request
 - Requesting a ceiling of \$2,004.00 for CAACURH delegates & advisors attendance, meals, transportation
 - Presentation #2 on CAACURH Spirit Budget Request
 - Requesting a ceiling of \$300.00
 - 3x3x3 Physical Object to represent the theme of conference and our delegation (themes of conference: Spies “fun,” Social Justice & Change “business”)
 - Banner: Digital banner with no cost affiliated with it
 - Roll Call Video: May require props and costumes. Used to introduce the conference to our university.
- **Philanthropy - Stephen Dougherty** (sjd5597@psu.edu)
 - Nothing to report
- **Student Health & Wellness - Hannah Yost** (hby5050@psu.edu)
 - Ordered bracelets for next week
 - Need to make posters with information
 - Laekin O’Hara: Can we figure out how to reserve one the areas for the Breast Cancer Awareness event? I’m going to contact Hannah after this. I started a pinterest board with all sorts of different carnival ideas we can do for the event. I can bring a Budget Request next week to get started.
- **Sustainability - Nick Mahon** (nam5557@psu.edu)
 - Nothing to report

Executive Officer Reports

- **President - Laura Daly** (lvd5265@psu.edu)
 - Retreat: Thank you to everyone who came! It was a great time.
 - Donut Event: Make sure to sign up in the groupme!
 - Events
 - Author Response
- **Vice President - Kayla Olowin** (kms7123@psu.edu)
 - Scheduled a meeting with Food Services
 - Homecoming Parade Updates
 - Informal raise of hands on participation in Homecoming: half/half split
 - Brian Kile: You historically ask for help from the areas right? I remember my freshman year we were asked to help in PHRA. I’d be willing to bring it up on Thursday’s meeting.
 - Laekin O’Hara: Brian, could we do an ARHS NRHH float? Do you think they’d be interested?
 - Brian Kile: My members don’t really do anything aside from exec board. But I can bring it up during my next meeting.
 - Kayla Olowin: We’ll think about it and get back to you guys.
 - Cultural Dinner with Penn State Leaders (November 15th: Pollock Dining Commons, 5:30-7:00)
 - John Hurst: How does this help our organization?
 - Kayla Olowin: It gives us a voice and gives us a chance to talk to President Barron. Last year, President Barron denied us the opportunity to join the smoke-free council. Getting our name out there, showing our ideas to these people will be really beneficial to our organization.
 - John Hurst: What do I have to know in order to talk to President Baron?
 - Kayla Olowin: You can talk about your chair position, your area, any idea you have.

- Nick Mahon: A lot of ideas people have, this is probably the best forum to bring it up. A lot of things we want changed, you should talk to people here first before throwing it in the meeting. These are really important people we're talking to so definitely talk it through with Kayla before doing so. We don't want to look foolish.
- More bonding activities?
 - Anila Anthony: I think doing an Escape Room would be a really good team-building bonding experience.
 - Cameron Francis: I think we should rent a cabin and make s'mores.
 - Laekin O'Hara: I would really like to do sweet lights this year. Every year, Hershey Park puts on a lights display at night and you can pay to go in and go on roller coasters during the day. At night, there is music and lights everywhere when you drive thru the fields. I know a lot of us have cars and we all kind of pile up and go. I know in the past we've discussed renting a van or a bus. So I guess it depends on how many people are here and it's relatively cheap because it's discounted. But this would be a full day or half day kind of trip. It's been a really fun thing to do because we all hang out all day and we can talk to people and eat and all that.
 - Laura Daly: Right now we're looking at December 2nd. Which is a Saturday. But we will talk more about it later depending on the football schedule.
- **Director of Advocacy - OPEN**
 - Nothing to report
- **Director of Programming - OPEN**
 - Nothing to report
- **Director of Outreach - Kay Rinkers (kgr5093@psu.edu)**
 - Nothing to report
- **Director of Records - Brendan Maguire (bfm5125@psu.edu)**
 - Agenda submissions
 - Open positions
- **Director of Finance - Tucker Antico (tja5251@psu.edu)**
 - Account Balance: \$22,667.65
 - Brian Kile: Are there any transactions being processed?
 - Tucker Antico: No. And we are expecting the OCM check to come in within a couple of weeks.

Forum Break 7:40 - 7:50

Open Discussion

- **Matt Beyen: November Movie Discussion**
 - Matt Beyen: Movie list.. All Saints, Victoria & Abdul, Dunkirks, It, Logan Lucky, American Assasin, Ninjago, Nut Jobz, American Made, Wind River, Home Again, Stronger, Tulip Fever, Mother
 - Kayla Olowin: I want to see "It".
 - Laura Daly: I also want to see "It."
 - Stephen Day: We should see Dunkirk, but I heard "It" was funny.
- **John Hurst: Pasta Dinner**
 - Laura Daly: Thoughts on the Pasta Dinner?
 - Nathaniel W: I think it's a good idea, especially for people who's parents aren't coming up this weekend.
 - Anila Anthony: We have PHRA day starting at 7:00, so I'd have to be there at 6:30
 - Laura Daly: We can do 5:30-6:30.

- John Hurst: We're going to have spaghetti with meatless sauce, garlic bread and salad. When it's gone - it's gone. We'll see if we can get the kitchen in Robensen in North.
 - Informal raise of hands: 11ish people
- **Laekin O'Hara: CAACURH Spirit & Delegate Budget Request**
 - Nick Mahon: I think we should give her a couple hundred dollars more than she asked for so she doesn't have to ask for more money in the future. (For both requests)
 - Brian Kile: How about a ceiling of \$2,600.00 instead of \$2,304.00?
- **David Lee, SRCC: PSU vs MSU Blood Drive Funding**
 - Brian Kile: I think it's a good thing to support the Red Cross. Food is very much necessary as someone who's donated before. It's very much worth the \$500.
 - Nick Mahon: I've seen in previous blood drives, people pass out. So food is really needed.
- **Laekin O'Hara: ARHS Logo Proposal**
 - Nathaniel: How do we go about this?
 - Kayla Olowin: It's not in the constitution, it's not in the rules of order, it's just we change it if we want to.
 - Stephen Day: We vote on this in new business, right?
 - Laura Daly: Yes
 - Cameron: I just wanted to get some suggestions on the poster before I send it to Amanda.
 - Nick Mahon: I kind of like the old logo better, that's just me. It just doesn't feel fulfilling of goals in making it a better logo.
 - Anila Anthony: Can everyone vote on it, not just regular members? I feel like it affects everybody.
 - Brian Kile: I agree with Nick, I really do like the old logo. I think in my eyes, Laekin's suggestion looks a little cartoony. I think we should change the word student government to student advocacy group.. That would be a better solution. I also think we should make it a rectangle.
 - Laekin O'Hara: Do we have access to the logo in any way other than what we have now?
 - Laura Daly: No. If we want to alter it, we have to screenshot it and take it apart piece by piece. I only have a png and a jpeg of it.
 - Laekin O'Hara: The problem is, making it square, I'd cut out the center and put text below it, but the problem is having this random tall bit.. And put text above it.. I don't know
 - Brian Kile: Can't you just turn the circle into a rectagle?
 - Brian Shumaker: I like the fact that the current logo represents a current logo rather than a house. Because we are Penn State.
 - Laekin O'Hara: I have no problem looking into the old logo. I don't know if it'll be easy. I personally hate our current logo. I don't know.
 - Matt Beyen: I think we should look into UPUA's old logo as an example for our new one. It has Penn State represented in it as well as their organization. It's less boring than our logo.
 - Cameron Francis: On the rectangle discussion, I think we should alter the colors on that.
 - Laura Daly: That was just what it would look like on a jacket. (referring to NRHH Jacket)
 - Nick Mahon: What is associated with ARHS? I think us talking about the logo is a little trivial. There are better things we can do with our time.
 - Akhil D: Why is the Old Main thing associated with UPUA and can't be associated with us?
 - Laekin: I disagree, I think it's important to talk about logos. It's the first thing people see when they talk about us. We're putting this on hundreds of water bottles we give away, it's the first thing they see on the website, the first thing they see when they come to an event, it's the first thing they see on a flier. It's us. It should change a couple every years. It should be representative of us. A lot of companies update their logos all the time.

- Nick Mahon: I get all that. I just think that, you know, the split on this vote demonstrates that we're not there. The fact that people think there are both sides.. We should just roll with whatever.
 - Nick moves to abolish the speakers list.
- Cameron Francis' ARHS Advertisement Flier (will be attached in minutes)
 - Brian Shumaker: Something we're taught about when it comes to being professional is not using contractions. So we should say "We have the power to help, not We've got the power to help."
 - Brian Kile: Let's just say if we do use this, we might not vote on that to be our logo. So it would be silly to use it if it isn't our logo.
 - Cameron: I'd change it to our current logo if needed.
 - Laura Daly: We should also say "Have an issue on campus?" Not "got."
 - Brian Kile: Why is the I in Issue capitalized?
 - Cameron Francis: I put this together before the meeting, sorry.
 - Brian Shumaker: Having the period at the end of help, since the first one is a question.. We need a sentence replying to it.
 - Cameron: I'm fine putting a period at the end.
 - Akhil D: Just consistency with font and the capitalizations, and things like that would help.
 - Rayna: Whatever font we end up using for the logo, we should use it for the ad as well.
 - Laura: I think whatever color the logo is, we should try and match the font of the logo with the font of the advertisement.
 - Nick Mahon: I just want to make sure if the logo doesn't pass then we should look at the order of the advertisement.

Old Business

New Business

- Nathaniel W moves to pass \$500 towards the Student Red Cross Club's PSU vs MSU Blood Drive Challenge
 - Stephen Day seconds
 - No objections
 - Vote passes 15-0-0
- Nathaniel W moves to pass a \$2,600.00 cap towards Laekin's CAACURH Spirit & Delegate Budget Request
 - Anila Anthony seconds
 - No objections
 - Vote passes 14-0-1

Informal Discussion

- Nick Mahon motions to close the meeting
 - Cameron Francis seconds
 - No objections
 - Meeting adjourned 8:25pm

Budget Requests:

Organization: Student Red Cross Club (SRCC)

Contact: David Lee (mpl5288@psu.edu)

- ASA Account Number

- o 367
- What Kind of Support are you looking for?
 - o Monetary
- Name of Event, Event Date/Time/Location
 - o PSU vs MSU Challenge
 - o October 31st - November 16th
- Describe The Event
 - o It is an annual blood drive challenge against Michigan State to see who can raise more units of blood. The blood units collected during this challenge will be counted towards the challenge.
- History of Event
 - o This event has been going on for over a decade. This challenge has allowed us to collect surplus of blood for the region. During the last year's challenge, we were able to collect over 1,000 units of blood, saving over 3,000 lives. We currently hold a much better record over Michigan State, and we hope the winning streak continues.
- How will this event benefit on campus students?
 - o Everyone needs blood to survive. You never know when you or your loved ones will be needing blood. This event not only helps save lives of the students, but also allows the students to give back to the community.
- Have you applied for UPAC Funding?
 - o Yes
- How much financial assistance are you requesting from ARHS?
 - o \$500
- How will this funding be used?
 - o The funding will be used to provide food for the donors at the blood drives.
- Would you be willing to advertise ARHS as a sponsor?
 - o Yes

Organization: Association of Residence Hall Students (ARHS)

Contact: Laekin O'Hara

- ASA Account Number
 - o n/a
- What Kind of Support are you looking for?
 - o Monetary
- Name of Event, Event Date/Time/Location
 - o CAACURH - Spirit
- Describe The Event
 - o n/a
- History of Event
 - o n/a
- How will this event benefit on campus students?
 - o n/a
- Have you applied for UPAC Funding?

- No
- How much financial assistance are you requesting from ARHS?
 - Ceiling of \$300
- How will this funding be used?
 - n/a
- Would you be willing to advertise ARHS as a sponsor?
 - Yes