

Bowdoin College

Meeting of the Bowdoin College Student Government

January 31, 2006

I. Call to Order at 8:12 p.m.

II. Roll Call absent: Rob Reider

III. Approval of Minutes: In Old Business (a), the second “they” is the recording committee, and the first is DeRay and Burgess. Also, Kristen does not think that she was there for the long discussion that she was quoted in. It was probably Emily K. Approval Passes Unanimously.

IV. Reports

- a. President: DeRay explains the two additions to the agenda. In between 3 & 4 is the public comment. It depends on when he comes. The new (a) for New Business is that J-Board Conversation, which should be 10 minutes. DeRay says that a grouping of the officer team talked with Barry about the Response Committee. Also, the McDreamy petition was sent off, and a staff member who knows him is trying to get in contact with him. The President at Bates was re-elected for the next semester. The President from Colby and the one from Bates should be visiting soon. March 4 is when we are visiting Colby (the officer team). They work on a very different system, with dorm presidents.
- b. Treasurer: Becca says that SAFC had BQSA come in for a faculty/student brunch. ASA came in for a bonding activity as well as a Chinese New Year celebration. There was also an allocation for The Vagina Monologues. Students Embracing Disabilities, Dem Left, and Safe Space came in. LASO also came for a date auction for V-Day, pending approval. She has met with the Outing Club and Comm. Service Council, which are both on for their budgets. She explains that the Black History Month funding was taken care of last month. Emily asks about LASO—the question is if the event is in line with *their* mission.
- c. IHC President: Alex says that we talked about House selection last week and approved what we’ve seen with the application. We’re working on Winter Carnival and supporting WBOR, who needs funding, which the houses could help with. Becca says that they got their final number in. The good news is that they got their permit. Alex says that they have a big debt. Becca says that the official number hasn’t been released. Alex says that they are also planning house info week.
 - i. DeRay heard that for blocks in the college houses, he heard that they build by blocks of four. Alex says that as blocks of eight, the problem is that is you let in two blocks of eight, it’s practically the whole house. Also, this could lead to having some strong members and some weaker ones. The block size is decreasing to four this year, because strong members will continue to get in, and it should help in the total picture. There is the possibility of expanding with the new houses later. The new blocking should not affect the popularity of applying for college houses. DeRay asks about blocking six. Alex says that they talked about this when they broke into groups at the retreat. They gave the options, and most groups picked four as the optimal number. There

is appeal of applying with a large group of eight, but in reality, it would work better in fours.

V. Old Business

a. Community Response Committee: DeRay says that the Community Response Committee meeting with Barry was yesterday. Barry said that there should not be an institutionally supported group that is endorsed by him, one that faculty would have to serve on. He says that the plan is to convene a committee and work on a process to get members. Barry would encourage faculty and staff to join. He would also be available to respond for issues brought forward.

- Alex asks (1) How did Barry draw the line between financially supporting, encouraging faculty, etc. and officially supporting it? (DeRay says that if it were official, it would be part of faculty duty. He didn't support the idea of enforcing this among the faculty. Steph says that we were already criticized for the number of committees on campus, and said that he wouldn't want to distract people from other commitments, etc.)
- Becca says that another big point was that he didn't agree that if one person came, the committee would be forced to act. He is more interested in groups of people and their collective interests. Burgess says that he supports the idea of the committee itself, a group of people doing their own research and finding things that the student body on a whole didn't see. Dustin says that he does not want this to be like the Bias Incident Group, but something that meets more regularly. Becca says that he also wants this to be sustainable, and wonders about interest, etc.
- DeRay repeats that he was adamant about his statements about this affecting student activism. Steph says that he doesn't want the committee to define the activism on campus, but for it to be a free-range thing. Will adds that he was also afraid of hot topics and having to take sides on the issue. Becca reiterates that he was supportive, though.
- Alex also asks how this would be created. Would it be a club, a function of the BSG? Where would the power behind it come from? (Dustin says that this is new, like the leadership council. He thinks that the true authority will come from that it is bringing together groups of people. We will technically empower it. DeRay says that this is defining for the BSG. It is a trial to see if the school is active enough. He [Barry] said he would commit to meeting with the group when necessary.)
- Ben asks if he brought up the issue of these groups on other campuses. (He pretty much said that they do exist in other places, but from his knowledge, they haven't done much. (Coca-Cola and Tobacco) These are primarily financially-directed groups. This was not addressed.)
- Alex asks how BSG would begin to put people on the committee. (Dustin says that the last piece of paper has a very bare-bones draft about what BSG Affairs talked about today. Nothing today would be in stone, but this is a draft to look over and think about. There will be a meeting to put together a final idea. A bill will come up next Wednesday. DeRay says that we see what is written here, and he would love to here thoughts now.)
- Sam asks how the two-chair system works. (Dustin explains that it would be a more effective body if from the student side. Also, it would be ideal for a person to chair for a year. To make sure that there is always a co-chair with experience, the faculty could stagger chairing.)
- Steph asks if there was thought of it being a volunteer committee. Dustin says that it was not really discussed.

- Sophia asks if there is already a system in place for committees. There could be a place to check a box for being on the committee. DeRay thinks that this is a very different type of committee. There will be no mandate. We could use a similar mechanism.
- Alex suggests that there be another staff member, because this is a lot of the population on campus. It would be interesting to have people from a lot of different areas.

VI. Public Comment

- a. Nate stands. He is here to voice his opinion on last week's vote to allow students who were abroad not to run in the election. He realizes that the decision was made in an attempt to be constitutional. Basically, he knows that the student body has misinterpreted the intentions of these changes. Two years ago, there was speculation about candidates running for positions who would be going away. There is a lot of debate about which year the amendment was passed. Dustin does not think that there was a change to that clause. DeRay says that we talked about this every year and discussed changing it. This decision was made because it was deemed inefficient. They would have to learn how the body works, etc. This was done to increase efficiency. It had nothing to do with being abroad. In the interest of the class of 2008, he suggests that we re-look at this. Section 2, subsection E. He proposes that in the election regulations should mimic the part of the constitution that he subsequently reads. "Students currently enrolled at Bowdoin who, for the best of their knowledge..." He makes a crack about people at the meeting not having constitutions. He read another point about students being absent and the role of assisting for a replacement. He thinks that it is implicit that there is leeway. If the students are planning to leave, they should inform so in the situation. He motions to adjust the current understanding to be taken into action as soon as possible.
 - i. Will wonders how this would have to be changed. He wonders how we dodge the problem of this being student-specific as to who could be running now. Nate says that this is limiting the applicant pool too greatly.
 - ii. Sam asks what he would say to the people who have been here all year and who are planning to run, and who now see a change. Nate asks what Sam thinks is better for the class, and how we explain limiting the pool. He thinks that if people don't get the positions because of more people running, then it's the best for democracy.
 - iii. Ben wonders if he wants us to vote for resignation in the whole year or part of the year. Nate says that it doesn't matter. Ben clarifies that it would be only in the case of resignation. Nate says that it doesn't need to be that specific, but that it would probably be in this case. Ben asks if he thinks there are enough people who want this to be changed now, or if this is something that should wait because we are in the storm now, and it is sloppy.
 - iv. Nate says that the class officers who came are here on their own accord because they want a pool of the best candidates. Why limit the pool arbitrarily? His closing comment is that sometimes we are serious about being constitutional (he says he'll rant) but that the student gov. should represent the body in the best way. This will simply clarify a murky

clause and be better for the future. Student Body first, then Student Government.

VII. New Business

- a. Representative elections: Dustin says that he met with the 2008 class officers. This schedule was designed on what it best for them, etc. It fits the general election schedules. He goes through the schedule, describing Superbowl time conflicts, etc. There will be at least one officer and one BSG member at the info. sessions. He says that the officer team also came to speak about this situation. He introduces the team.
- Jake thanks the group for letting them delay the process. They have a dance and community service event right now, so it wouldn't make sense for people to join the team at this point. Steph asks where the dance is, because it conflicts with Winter Carnival. The second thing is a matter of who to bring in. He says that they want to be there as a unified group so that they get a say in who comes in. He says that as a more personal group, they want a person who will be motivated. Expanding the applicant pool would be better for their group. He doesn't need to go into articles and all that. They had little enthusiasm in the beginning of the year, so they are not worried about people getting their toes stepped on. He thanks the officers of Student Gov. for meeting with them and going over this.
 - Alex asks about efficiency. She wonders how bringing in more people now makes it more efficient. Also, why wasn't this addressed in the fall if they thought it was better to have everyone there? (Nate L. says that this is a special circumstance. Alyssa says that they aren't asking for the amendment to be changed for all situation, but for special circumstances. She doesn't know if these are meant to apply for special cases like this. Nate says that what he said about efficiency doesn't apply now. Alyssa says that they have to let someone in now unless she doesn't want them to have an officer. Alex quickly says that that's not what she's saying.)
 - Torri asks what this means about how the Class of 2008 officers got voted in last semester. Does this mean that there is not someone capable who ran last semester and didn't win? (Jake doesn't think that that was the spear of the comment. He says that three of them ran unopposed. Any time competition is brought in, there will be better candidates. He says that if people have to compete, then the people with the better ideas will and should win. He thinks that this is more about the best ideas being brought to program, regardless.) Torri asks how many events were put on by the Class of 2008 officer team last semester. (Jake says that he doesn't feel they need to talk about his now. She presses, and he says maybe 4 or 5 events. He was wearing a class of '08 sweatshirt before.)
 - Jackie thinks it works fine for people running who came back from being abroad. She clarifies that this for this specific event, when these things arise. Jake agrees that there are more issues in the conversation that are different topics.
 - Dooley asks Nate T. about the leeway in the constitution and where that is. DeRay makes sure that he stands, and Nate reads from the documents about general things and references Roe v. Wade. He thinks that it is imprudent to ignore the intentions of what is written for the sake of one word. Why be extremely constitutional for something that isn't in the constitution. He'll leave it at that.
 - Carolyn says that there is no one on BSG who disagrees that people who were gone should be able to run. She asks what we can do now. Last week we voted on the interpretation of the rule. She wonders how we would change the process now. Can we send it to BSG affairs to change the definition of term? DeRay says that if we send it back, we will be pushing the elections back

in some capacity. We could redefine things, make special clauses, etc. Carolyn says that we should change “term,” but this is not the problem.

- Charlie says that he thinks that everyone should be able to run. He might hate himself to say it, but he was under the assumption last week that the vote was about the sentence. It said nothing about resignation or this specific situation. He was not voting that someone abroad should not be able to run, just on the meaning of that word.
- Ben says that Alyssa’s idea changed his mind. We tried to extend an idea to resignation, which was imprudent. It seems to him that we just need to make a resignation clause. He thinks that it’s Student Government, and that everyone who wants to do it should be able to. If he were to write it, he would say “whoever’s on campus should be able to run”
- Lynzie says that, if we did the resignation clause, it would still mean that people couldn’t run in the fall that would be away in the spring. She thinks that it is a possibility that someone could run, resign, and go abroad, screwing the system. Ben says that this doesn’t happen, because the clause is just for resignation. In order to be in the election, you have to intend to be here for the year. You could lie on your transcripts and to the whole college, which would be a pretty elaborate lie...Torri says that there is always the possibility of being dishonest, but that we are on the honor code. She totally agrees with Ben and thinks that we should add a resignation clause. She thinks that we all agree that we feel secure letting everyone run.
- Kata asks a yes or no question: Is it a good precedent to change the election rules? (Jake says that this is not changing anything, but adding. It is an important decision. This has never happened, and the constitution does not account for this.)
- Nate asks if he can ask a question. DeRay says no.
- Becca proposes a clause: In the case of resignation, candidates must be enrolled in the college for the remainder of the term for which they are running. The problem right now is that it says academic year. The point is that we just care that they are enrolled for the rest of the year.
- Emily H says that we voted on this last week and she feels that everyone has changed their opinions. She feels uncomfortable with making new rules right before an election and thinks that this must be about a certain group of people. She thinks that this is a fair thing to see, even though people are shaking their heads. She thinks that the best interest of the class is to stick by what is written.
- Kristen sympathizes with the situation and thinks that it is bad to change election rules right before the vote. She thinks that fairness should be shown for the student body as well. She thinks that this is unfair for people who are here in the fall because you can’t always decide when to go away.
- Alex says that she thinks that it works to let people who are abroad run, but that it works because it is for the whole year. It’s too complicated to make a distinction.
- Sam says that he agrees with what Emily said. This applies to BSG elections—we decided that it was this way.
- Dustin says that (1) He is on the train of thought that says we talked about the elections and are now trying to change the rules. (2) He thinks that the beginning of the year is an appropriate time for things to take place. (3) He doesn’t think that the election rules are the place for these changes to go. This should go next to the removal clause in the constitution. The election rules are for things on a cycle. Finally, he thinks that a core issue is half year representatives. The student body voted the proposal down. It was formatted terribly.
- Steph sees Kristen’s point, but thinks that we need to recognize the situation at hand and that the ‘08 team has lost an officer. She thinks that they were probably acting without a full team

before, and that they need the best team possible. She reads the words to mean the whole year, but she thinks that this is something that has never happened and that we can add a resignation clause. DeRay agrees with Steph, for what it's worth.

- Bryce says that although it is difficult that we are changing this in light of a problem, it would be worse to not change it and go ahead with something that we feel is wrong.
- Jackie says that with the concerns about it being unethical, the class of '08 didn't get to voice their concerns before we voted last time. A clause would be a good idea, because we are not making special exceptions, rather dealing with a situation that came up.
- Alicia thinks that we are making many assumptions about the original applicant pool and that the best applicant would be the most informed one. She says that one spot out of 200 people would not be challenging. If we want to debate this, it shouldn't be now.

Dustin just has to extend debate.

- Dooley says that it is inappropriate to change rules right before an election. Discussing this after the election would be fine for future cases. He agrees that this doesn't belong in the election rules. Dustin says that this is a wrong course in the way we govern ourselves. He thinks that if we put it in the election rules we would later change it to the constitution. He brings up the word "sloppy". He's not comfortable changing the rules based on something written on Becca's paper.
- Ben agrees that the voting sheet isn't the place. He voted last week to keep up the words, but this is another thing. He thinks that what we are doing is fine. This hasn't happened before. It almost validates the upcoming process of we accommodate for this now. He asks what the class reps. think about the clause.
- Jake appreciates the efforts of people to be more inclusive, because that is what Bowdoin is about. He wants to limit unnecessary bureaucracy. They just want a sixth person. They would appreciate the best person as quickly as possible. Alyssa sees the point about this being sloppy. As a student, she doesn't think that they care about some weird government thing. If they are in the situation, what do they think is right then. That's what people care about.
- Torri says that she was abroad all last year. When she voted on this, she knew she was canceling herself out. Last week she thought this was bad business. She thinks that this needs to be in the constitution, which would require the whole student body. If they want a member, she motions that they move forward.
- Emily K doesn't see this as sloppy, but as responding to the needs at hand and being flexible. Sophia completely agrees. They always talk about changes needing to happen. Why not apply this to the election at hand, if that is what it is for.
- Burgess says that because we are in this mess, we could commit to working through the mess that would result. We will make changes, which will take time and energy, but it is something we have to deal with.
- Clark asks to hear more from John and Nate. John agrees with the other officers and thinks that it makes sense that this is a special case, not a fall election. This was not for a resignation or the following election. We should have as many people running as possible, and should go with Becca's motion. Nate agrees with Jake. He feels that the more applicants they have, the better it is for them. It isn't shady to change the rules because this is a different situation. He's sure there are good applicants.
- Becca re-reads her motion. Those in favor: Jackie, Becca, Clark, Sophia, Emily K., Alex W., Charlie, Ben, Bryce, Burgess (10) Opposed: Dooley, Kristen, Alex L., Lynzie, Alicia, Will, Torri, Emily H., Sam, Carolyn, Steph, Dustin (13); ***Motion Fails***

3 Minute Recess

- b. Credit/D/Fail: Burgess says that the officer team discussed when the conversation about Credit/D/Fail should be. The date is Feb. 28 at 4:00 p.m., because that is when the decision will be being made. Sam asks if that could be moved, because it is the exact time of the next recording committee meeting. Burgess agrees to try.
- c. Academic Advising: Burgess continues about Academic Advising. Last night's conversation with Dean Judd was about Academic Advising. They need to hear about problems, but want to think about advising on a grand scale. How does this work when people are signing up for classes? What is the philosophy behind how they are assigned, what their role is, etc. We need to re-evaluate the thinking. She is eager to hear about experiences.
 - Bryce says that he came from a high school with a strong advising system. A strong relationship would be a good thing—someone to go to with trouble, to go to lunch with or something.
 - Steph talks about Academic Advising in tours and feels that she is lying because we don't have much of a system at all. She has friends without any advisor at all. There needs to be something concrete. We need to have an awareness of how this works on campus.
 - Jackie says that the system does need an overhaul, but that it is students' responsibility to strengthen the relationships. They should play an active role.
 - Clark says that his advisor calls him Scott. He's intimidated by people who could be his advisor. He's in favor of doing something.
 - Torri says that having an advisor who actually talks to you would be nice. She goes with questions, but they send her to a secretary. Also, going between departments is completely different. She has two advisors—one is great, one is not.
 - Sophia has an advisor who didn't know her name, her cases, and didn't seem like they wanted to be an advisor. It seemed very obligatory, which made it impossible to reach out to him. She has friends who seem to have legitimate relationships with their advisors.
 - Dustin thinks that this means something about the professor's workload. People should want to be advisors, but this gives people more tasks. He thinks that it would be good to have an advisor to have something to push a student.
 - Sam asks what the process is for switching. You just ask, but Clark thinks that it is intimidating. Sam says to encourage people to switch if they want.
 - Carolyn says that we want to encourage people to organically grow advisors as they are juniors, etc. Advising is worst for freshman, which is obviously bad. She mentions the idea about having student apply to advise first-years. You would have students of all different interests that could help guide first-years.
 - Kristen says that she agrees that it is important to think about advisors pushing their students. She doesn't think that anyone has ever sat them down and told students how to declare majors.
 - Alex says that she has a great advisor, and that the key is that he wants to be an advisor. She wonders how the faculty feels. Burgess says that she talked to Dean Judd, who advised at Penn. She says that there is a theoretical idea of there being those who advise and those who don't. It's complicated, but a worthy idea. Alex imagines that it is part of the job description when professors are hired.
 - Alicia says that her advisor has introduced her to new ideas and classes and that this is important, especially at a liberal arts college. This is helpful going over syllabi and explaining distribution requirements.

- Ben thinks that part of the problem is that the faculty aren't here that often. He thinks that they need to align it more appropriately. His first advisor was a computer science professor. More or less, your advisor will be gone at some point in your career.
- Jackie asks if there is training or something in place so that professors know what is expected of them. She thinks that there should be standards. Burgess says yes, but it is not extensive.
- DeRay says that there are two offices that share the burden of this system. One office pairs students, and then another office deals with it.
- Dustin has seen the letters that professors get about requirements. There is a voluntary meeting as well.
- Dooley says that his advisor is fine, but that some of the best advice he has gotten has been from upperclassmen. This has been more valuable than that from professors, because the students know him better. We should look into this as an option.
- Torri has an idea. She thinks that first-years should have a departmental social, because they don't get to know the departments well. Also, she thinks that the college houses are supposed to work as advisors to first-years.
- Alex says that during initiation—no, no—orientation, the college houses do go over and help pick classes. If first-years don't engage, then it won't work.
- d. Winter Carnival: Carolyn says that Winter Carnival things are Food Fest on Thursday and...(Steph explains that they will invite restaurants to do taste-tests in the union. At the end they would do a student rating for the best _____. There could also be a program for advertising. There is also the campus-wide dance on the 16th. This is in Morrell Lounge and basically free. The pub will be open for the bar. We would just have to pay for removal of tables. Friday evening 9-1.
- e. J-Board: DeRay talks about the J-Board. They are meeting on Friday to talk about their relationship.
 - i. Dustin refers to Article 9. It talks about the selection process. He reads. It calls for the President to be involved in the process. Last year DeRay sat in on the interviewing but did not vote. We approved the people after a presentation. The basic concern was that we are voting on people without information. We addressed the concerns and argued that the J-Board has their own rules, etc. He would like this to be clarified for BSG in the constitution.
 - ii. DeRay asks for ideas about the approval process. Interviewing starts Feb. 5.
- Alex has spoken with the chair of the J-Board. The process of appointing people is extensive. The idea is that it is not an arbitrary process that needs to be approved. It is not taken lightly. We can take out our approval of it.
- Burgess says that she understands that the process is extensive, but thinks that there should be a check from the student body. DeRay says that there is a step that asks the candidate if anyone in the community would be able to challenge their position.
- Clark says that the J-Board is a cult with no oversight and that it scares him to death. They are approved by themselves and it is, basically, a horrendous situation.
- Emily H wouldn't call it a cult, but it is an interesting situation. She saw a very homogeneous group of friends in her experience with the J-Board. This is something questionable when it is assessing student actions.
- Torri agrees. She thinks that if we discuss it in our meetings, it would be more public. She thinks that if they aren't willing to let us agree on the members, they should let our president vote to have that outside voice.

- Ben understands what Clark is saying. He thinks that maybe we should require recommendations. He says that it is nice that this isn't coming from above, though.
- Steph wonders if any of the students on J-Board have been on the other side of the situation. This can't be answered. There is a letter about what they do during the semester. It is part of the process to talk about people's experience with judicial proceedings.
- Dustin says that the point was not a structural one, but that he thinks about this in the worst case real scenario. DeRay is the only non-J-Board person in the process, and he doesn't even vote. His concern is that we will know things about applicants that that small group of people may not know. There is no opening for disapproval. His concern is the lack of a public time.
- Kristen says that they deal with other things, like the sexual assault policy. The biggest things that happen to students are through the J-Board, and there is no public space. We need to talk about introducing them to the student body legitimately.

VIII. Announcements, Comments, Discussion

- a. The Alcohol Issue: DeRay talks about hard alcohol, which there was a lot of this weekend. He spoke with Tim Foster about this yesterday morning. (1) How do we address the question of the drinking games, etc. (2) Is there a connection between drinkers and non-? How do we try to make sure that there is a social scene for everybody?
 - Lynzie says that they agreed that there is little casual social drinking, just hard-core getting drunk. It's hard for students who come and drink a little to find those people who do. How do we help people who may be "slight" drinkers?
 - Jackie wonders how you change a culture in place without cracking down on people, which isn't the way to handle it either. Her other point is that a common sentiment is that people think we're in the middle of nowhere and that there's nothing else to do.
 - Clark thinks that there is a big divide, and that it's hard for non-drinkers to find spaces. Alicia says that there was something called FRG in her high school (she doesn't know what it stands for) that was a group of faculty. If a friend had a problem, alcohol or otherwise (Will suggests that it stands for faculty response group) they could go there. She says that it was highly utilized at her boarding school where people tended to experiment. She thinks that a specific group could be good for helping this. This information should be adequately communicated as well.
 - Torri is concerned about dangerous drinking games. She thinks that Dr. Jeff's word in the Orient was a good thing. She talks about the game "Stump," which she thinks is the most dangerous game when drunk because you're throwing a hammer in the air. Reading the Orient is a Bowdoin thing, and people can speak about drinking issues.
 - Alex thinks that this conversation is exhausting, because she's had it many times. It is an uphill battle to program non-drinking things. There is little enthusiasm. She thinks that if there were more opportunities for 21-year-olds to drink socially it could amend the culture. It has to start there and trickle down.
 - Sophia says that her fear is that security works wonderfully with the students as it is. She and Randy Nichols are really tight. Kids here know that there are resources. She visited friends at other schools with strict rules, and 6 people went to the hospital in 2 days for alcohol. More security made things more dangerous.

- Ben says that this isn't an issue that can be easily solved, but that Bowdoin is doing a good job. Because there is support and things are done well, we think that anything remotely less great is awful. We are on the right path, but it takes huge change.
- Steph says that 21-year-old controlled drinking is important. The divide often stems from athletics. Programming non-alcoholic events should target the right groups. If you picked a sports team and talked about programming, she thinks a team could work with them.
- Kristen says that a lot of the problems often occur the first year. Things get crazy. She knows now that she can call security, but she doesn't think that everyone does know. One of the incidents this weekend, sophomores actually called because the freshmen were afraid they would get into trouble. She thinks that they should focus on safety.
- Alex White wonders if the problem is drinking too much or a cultural divide. These are two different problems.
- Alex says that it is clear what resources are available. People just don't understand. In terms of teams, this is an interesting thing. There is a group drinking mentality that got really bad. They should engage with the teams and what it means on campus.
- Burgess says that you choose to live in chem-free housing, and that this shapes the freshman year. They need to look at how this works. Is it a problem?
DeRay says that they will push this to the student affairs committee.

IX. Reports (continued)

- a. Steph says that SOOC is putting into place a probation period for inactive new clubs. It will be a six-week period.
- b. Classes: Emily H talks about pub night last Monday. They are working on senior week and will discuss the senior class gift.
 - Clark says that they went to the BSG meeting tonight. They are working on a community service event with Aspiration in Maine. High School kids are looking at the college. There is a dance scheduled for Feb. 16 in Daggett. They'll be talking about that.
 - Ben says that they have sweatpants in this week. There are flowers for Valentines Day. Proceeds probably go to a community charity.
 - Alicia says that the community service event is probably with Safe Passage. The forum is this Saturday for questions about alcohol, etc. Also work on the formal.
- c. Houses: Jackie is representing Mac and Quinby. They are working on SuperBowl and Open House stuff, as well as Winter Carnival. The same things apply for Kristen's houses.
- d. Community Service Representative: Emily K talks about "A Community For All Ages" with Bowdoin students.
- e. Residential Life: Lynzie says ResLife apps are due tomorrow. Dean McMahon talked about the Sexual Assault Misconduct Policy and the issues were fixed. The houses and dorms got together and are trying to come up with campus events.
- f. Activities Board: Steph says that the State Radio Concert is Saturday, and Kevin Little for Ivies. Burgess also talks about finding singer/songwriters for a later date. Top choice is Matt Wertz. She also talks about library stuff and that voices could be heard. Steph says that the Student Activities Fair was a success.

- g. Facilities: Will contacted the Taxi people and left a message. He is trying to extend the hours, but it is the rush time from the bars. He's working on the advisory committee.
- h. BSG Affairs: Dustin says that the Affairs committee will be discussing election reform. The Budget was less than \$400, somewhere around the written number. Constitution stuff is in the future.
- i. Carolyn talks about a forum on the CPC. Next week there is tabling about 50 things to do before you graduate. They are looking for programming that doesn't involve money as well as faculty appreciation day. Barry would like to have a forum for just students about the CPC.

X. Adjournment at 10:46