



## Minutes for the General Meeting of October 6, 2009

**Call to order:** 12:14 pm

**Roll Call:**

Elana Miles – President – **Present**  
Jim Washer – Vice President - **Present**  
Karen Isenhour – Membership Officer – **Present**  
Kimberly Reavis – Secretary/Treasurer – **Present**  
Jonathan Furnas – Parliamentarian/N4CSGA President – **Present**  
Lyndsey McGonagle - Public Information Officer - South Campus – **Present**  
Tiffany Cogan – Tobacco Free Coalition – **Present**  
Katy Baines - Art Club Senator– **Not Present**  
Tina Williams – Early Childhood Senator - **Present**  
Alonzo Shropshire - M.I.S.T.E.R. Senator– **Present**  
Betty Eckel - Office Pro/IAAP Senator– **Present**  
Erin Derr - Phi Beta Lambda Senator– **Present**  
Virginia Yost - Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) Senator– **Present**  
Kristin Thacker - Practical Nursing Senator - **Present**  
Matt Swertfager - Psi Beta Senator– **Not Present**  
Kimberly Raines – Radiography Senator– **Present**  
Robyn Vaughn - Raised Voices Senator– **Present**  
Mitch Boston - RC<sup>3</sup>Electronics Senator– **Present**  
Patrick Baldwin - Rotaract Senator – **Present**  
Lucas Smith - SkillsUSA: Automotive Senator - **Present**  
Jordan Furr - SkillsUSA: Cosmetology Senator - **Present**  
Krystal Allen - Student Nursing Association (SNA) Senator– **Present**  
Stephen Jones - Warrior Racing Senator – **Not Present**  
Michael McDonald – Welding Senator - **Present**

**Approval of Minutes: Approved as written.**

**Officer Reports**

**Elana Miles - President –**

**Board of Trustees Meeting-** On Sept 28, She attended the Board of Trustees meeting. She was introduced to the board members as the 2009-2010 SGA President. 18 students were recognized as RCCC Academic Scholarship winners. Associate VP Tim

Foley announced the winners of the RCCC Annual Literary Awards and the recipients of the 2009 Excellence in Teaching Awards. VP Robert Keeney presented the 2009-2010 Proposed Budget. Members voted and approved the budget. Dr. Spalding presented an update on the admission of undocumented immigrants and the approval of the admission policy for such students to be allowed to attend NC community colleges.

**N4CSGA Fall Conference** was held Oct1-Oct4 in Asheville and 7 students from RCCC attended. Overall, 275 community college students attended the conference. RCCC has been chosen to host the N4CSGA Spring Central Division Meeting. It will be held on Feb. 13, 2010. They will hold a short business meeting that morning and perform a community service project that afternoon.

**SGA Emails** that are sent will be addressed and discussed at each monthly meeting. While not all can be read, the SGA President will pick out ones and read.

**North Campus Sidewalk/Patio Proposal-** The SGA President has contacted Mr. Tim Foley regarding the proposed sidewalk project and asked for an estimate of the project to allow SGA to decide if they will be able to participate. We hoped to have this information by this meeting. Mr. Foley but he has not responded with the needed information as of this meeting. Mr. Foley was not in attendance. The SGA cannot address this issue without project estimations.

Members were encouraged to keep reminding the students about Fall Fest and the upcoming Bobcats game.

**Jim Washer – Vice President** – He worked in conjunction with Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) President Olivia Ackerman and faculty advisor Karen Lynden as the project chair for Cell Phones for Soldiers which ran from September 14-18<sup>th</sup>. This project sought to collect cell phones and accessories to be turned into to ReCelluar Company. This company pays up to \$50 for each donated phone and the proceeds are used to purchase calling cards for U.S. military personnel serving overseas. He is happy to report that 55 cell phones and 26 accessories were collected. He would like to thank everyone who participated in the project.

He attended the Fall Conference that was held in Asheville on October 1-4. He reports that he learned a great deal about the SGA and issues that students currently face. He participated on the finance committee and attended workshops on the 'Face of College Education' and the 'Grinding Stone'. 'The Face of College Education' dealt with the growing diversity in our higher level educational system and was given by Rory Jones from UNC Asheville. 'The Grinding Stone' was a motivational workshop given by Johnny Smith from Isothermal CC. These workshops were both interesting and enlightening and the information received will be helpful to him in the future.

**Kimberly Reavis – Secretary/Treasurer** - Nothing to report at this time.

**Jonathan Furnas - Parliamentarian/N4CSGA President** – Nothing to report at this time.

**Lyndsey McGonagle - Public Information Officer (South)** – Nothing to report at this time.

**Tiffany Cogan - Tobacco Free Coalition** – The Tobacco Coalition met on September 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am. A Tobacco Education Presentation was given for new members. We discussed our parking lots and possible beautification projects to do, going along with our healthy campus initiative. We talked about the Health & Wellness Grant and how it is currently being used. The tobacco survey from last year will be sent out again via email. Two representatives from the Coalition will be sitting on the Vision 2020 Committee Sherylle Smith and Elana Miles. Our next meeting will be on October 16<sup>th</sup> 2009. Upcoming Tobacco Education events include: Art Contest that ends on October 20<sup>th</sup>, the winner will be put on a T-Shirt for the Great American Smoke Out. There will be auditions for the Great American Smoke Out comedy show on October 26<sup>th</sup> (North Campus from 12-1:30 pm in the SGA Office) and October 28<sup>th</sup> (South Campus from 11:30 -1 pm in the Student Center) On October 16<sup>th</sup> there will be a presentation for the sophomore early college students. October 19<sup>th</sup> there will be Bingo on North Campus from 12-2pm in the Student Center. November 2<sup>nd</sup> there will be Bingo at CBTC from 12-2pm in the commons area. November 19<sup>th</sup> will be the Great American Smoke Out on both North and South from 10am – 2pm.

**Club Reports** – Clubs are asked to submit a written report to the secretary at this time. Also your club may be asked to give a verbal report in addition to submitting one.

**Tina Williams – Early Childhood Senator** – They had their last meeting on September 8<sup>th</sup> 2009 and have October 20<sup>th</sup> 2009 scheduled for their next meeting. They plan on working the Walk-A-Mile event on North Campus on October 7<sup>th</sup> 2009 from 9am – 12pm. Also they will be working the Walk-A-Mile Discussion Luncheon from 1:30-3:30 pm on October 9<sup>th</sup> 2009 at South Campus.

**Betty Eckel - Office Pro/IAAP Senator**– Their next meeting will be October 7<sup>th</sup> 2009 in the SGA Office on North Campus. They will have their Impact meeting November 7<sup>th</sup> 2009 from 8am – 12pm where their sponsor chapter Cabarrus IAAP will provide guest speakers. They will be serving breakfast, purpose to invite prospective new members. Any OST, MOA & BUS majors are welcome to join them and they will have drawings and door prizes.

**Virginia Yost - Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) Senator**– Their last meeting was held on September 2<sup>nd</sup> 2009. Eight members and the advisor were present. On September 8<sup>th</sup> they stuffed their invitation letters to eligible students to be inducted into the club. From September 14<sup>th</sup> to the 18<sup>th</sup> they held a campaign “Cell Phones for Soldiers”. There were quite successful! 55 Cell Phones and 35 Accessories were collected from both North and South Campuses. This helps them with their 5 Star initiative and was a great recycling project. The Boys and Girls Club event was on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. The lesson for each of the 3 groups of K-2 was recycling. The children got to make faces on cardboard egg cantainers and then planted grass inside so they would have a ‘Chia pet’ type craft. There was also a lesson on things that could be recycled at home. Their next meeting will be on Wednesday October 7<sup>th</sup> 2009 at 12:30pm.

**Kimberly Raines – Radiography Senator**– The Radiography club completed the Swine Flu Education project on North Campus.

**Patrick Baldwin - Rotaract Senator** –

**Krystal Allen - Student Nursing Association (SNA) Senator**– The last meeting was held on September 28<sup>th</sup> 2009. They discussed their bake sale for the Friday night out on October 9<sup>th</sup> 2009. They will be set up in front of 'Hot Junk' from 4-10pm. They voted in two new officers. Theresa Pittman, a senior, became the Secretary and Melinda Muney, a freshman, became the Vice President. Their next meeting will be held on October 26<sup>th</sup> 2009 from 12:15 -12:45 pm in the Nursing Lab (room 614) on North Campus.

**Web Advisor and Early Registration**, Joan Creeger – There was a presentation given to demonstrate the Web Advisor feature on the RCCC website. Web Advisor gives students greater access

### **Unfinished Business**

2009-2010 Budget Proposal – **Budget Approved.**

### **New Business**

- Nomination for Officer and Senators Position.
  - Public Information Officer (North Campus) – Jammie Wale
    - 40 For, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Vote passed.
  - Liberal Arts Senator – Katrina Fesperman
    - 37 For, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Vote passed.
  - Math/Science Senator – Tiffany Cogan
    - 37 For, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Vote passed.
  - Industrial/Engineering Senator – Lisa Cooper
    - 37 For, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Vote passed.
- Results from the textbook survey
  - The Student Government Association became involved with this issue at the request of students. Textbook Survey results have been forwarded to the business office, the Bookstore Manager, and the Dean of Arts and General Education. The Academic Programs office has made a decision that each section of a given course will be required to use the same textbook.
- Recycling
  - Student requesting this agenda item was not present. The item will be taken to the SGA Executive Council. Will be unfinished business at the November 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

### **Announcements**

#### Fall Fest

Saturday October 24<sup>th</sup> 2009 from 9 am – 4 pm on North Campus

There will be an updated set of flyers put up as The ticket concept may not be used for the event.

#### Bobcats Game

RCCC will have tickets for sale to students at the reduced price of \$15 dollars per ticket and have a limited number of seats on a charter bus to the game. One charter bus will depart North and South campus.

Walk-A-Mile Event

North: Wednesday, October 7, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

South: Thursday, October 8, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Luncheon for participants: Friday, October 9<sup>th</sup> 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm on South.

Branches of Hope Nominations begin November 2<sup>nd</sup>

Gas Card Drawing

North: Katrina Fesperman

South: William Johnson

**Adjournment:** 1:10 pm