Minutes 1/15/13

Called to order 7:05

Approval of the minutes,

Public forum: None

Emergency Business

Motion to suspend the rules, Chair Dougherty, second Sen Lott

Swearing in of Chair Wooley (7:07) by Speaker Ducharme

Motion to reinstate the rules, Chair Dougherty, second Chair Conlon

Motion to open Constitution, Edelman, seconded Lott

New Business: none

Executive Reports:

Ducharme: Changes to the Constitution will be undertaken by Constitution committee, highlighting a change in the amendment process. Constitution Committee will be meeting after senate to consider additional meeting times in the coming week. The Constitution Committee will decide on the number of representatives from each standing committee.

Questions from Sen. Lott, Chair Conlon. Sen. Edelman

Holland: Spring Retreat is on 1/26, Saturday beginning at 1:30, Cornell Woodson from student life will be doing a workshop, speaker rules, and goal creation for the semester. Reminder: Midterm elections are now, please inform your friends if they wish to apply, with questions please see Chair Conlon, head of the election committee.

Daley: Over break President Daley had meetings with University Colleagues. Discussions have begun on Women in sciences and research, and what support can be created to increase enrollment and retention. Invited to Higher Ed Dean's advisory group re: student representatives on campus. Talking with UVMTv about expansion of the student research conference viewing on campus, making the Davis Center a research center. Richard Cate will be coming in to the SGA Space on 2/29 to talk about his text book program in which the Institution will buy books and students will pay less, money from sales will go to student aid.

Juaire: Club budget workshops have begun tonight, and feedback so far has been positive. The second session is tomorrow 1/16 and Senators are encouraged to attend. Preparations are under way for the budgeting process; there will be training for Finance Committee in the near future.

Dougherty: Allocated \$280 to W. Volleyball for tournaments.

Question: Sen. Lott, answer: allocation was for tournaments.

Senator Foley for Chair Kaufman: Welcome to Senator Cantell, getting the word out about what SGA does, tabling on Friday for elections. UVM Voice is up and running and going well so far. Yesterday the video was completed about MLK day as well as elections.

Chair Keyes: Club fair will be coming up next week, concurrent with the PBS documentary of the Davis Center, anyone want to staff an SGA Table? Sign up sheets will go out tomorrow morning in the SGA Space. Everyone should come by.

Chair Redell: Community Coalition is Jan 25th at 2:30. Spoke w/ Gail about a party smart pilot program, however they have not talked to Burlington PD. Carpooling website, Jim Barr was consulted and the program may be started for less money. Trash is a problem in the community and bags for collection have been handed out after the snow has melted.

Questions: Senator Cantell, answer: door-to-door method will be used to get word out about party smart program.

Chair Wooley: Excited to be the new chair of AA, met with Pat about things to work on for the semester, looking forward to a great semester when they have a full committee.

Chair Conlon: Smaller group but looking into what they will do for the semester, looking to collaborate with PR about UVM Voice. Working on the Mural, still have water bottles to hand out.

Chair Al-Namee: Met on Monday, working on getting a time that works for more people, working on mental health awareness day. Working to reach out/have a focus group with international students to identify issues on campus, and inviting them to come to SGA.

Senatorial Forum:

Chair Conlon: Packets for midterm elections are available in the SGA Space and are due next Tuesday, 1/22. Elections Committee please see Chair Conlon after the meeting.

Speaker Ducharme: Please send a Facebook message to the SGA facebook page so that SGA can promote it.

VP Holland: We need a note taker, because Chris sucks!

Senatorial Comments & Announcements:

Senator Sinkula: Entrepreneurship club is planning a Business Pitch competition, please let him know if you are interestes.

Senator Lott: Misspelled the seventeenth and the table cloth is dirty.

Final Roll Call (7:34)