**RHA MEETING (11/19/14)**

**Start: 7:04pm**

**End: 8:00pm**

**(7:04) Call to Order**

**(7:05-7:08) Roll Call/Hall Announcements**

* **No Hall Announcements**

**(7:08-7:09) Approval of the minutes from 11/12/14**

* **Lysianne moved to approve the minutes. Seconded by Allison. Consent called by Peter.**

**(7:09) Old Business**

* **Nearly Naked 5K.** 
  + **Not really old business.**
  + **Posters will be hanging up in the halls soon.**

**(7:10-7:20) Guest Speakers:**

* **Terry Tumbarello- Gender Neutral Housing**
  + **Inclusive Housing Program/Gender Neutral Housing**
  + **Small demand for Gender Neutral Housing but large enough to do something about it**
  + **2 years ago this was presented to RHA took back to LITs to talk vote Yay or Nay.**
  + **Voted Yay.**
  + **Happened for the first time in Starin.**
  + **Looking to do this in all halls with a Gender Neutral Bathroom.**
    - **Fricker when it reopens**
    - **Fischer**
    - **Knilans**
    - **Wellers**
    - **Tutt**
    - **Starin**
  + **For first year students it is difficult to get into Starin.**
  + **UW policy prevents students who are not like gender to live together if there are not independent bathrooms.**
  + **Students have came and said they needed Gender Neutral Housing**
  + **Wants everyone to feel comfortable where the live**
  + **Wants a response from RHA before the end of the semester**
  + **If it is approve Reslife will move forward with it in the Spring**
    - **Questions:**
      * **Danny: Examples of why people wanted this?**
        + **Transgender students, not only reason.**
      * **Noah: How do they apply for this?**
        + **On the room application process, it will be a bit longer of an application but no more than 15 minutes.**
      * **WSG: Has this been presented to any other groups on campus?**
        + **Bridge is aware of this and for it.**
      * **Nikki N.: How would you match roommates?**
        + **Mutual roommate request**
        + **Same need.**
        + **Reach out to students who are not paired and explore further options.**
      * **Danny: Would you advertise this or is it just an option?**
        + **Market it enough so people know.**
        + **Short term probably not.**
      * **Caryn: Would they have to pay for a single room?**
        + **No, would work with students based on their individual needs.**
      * **Noah: Is there an option to specify gender on the room application?**
        + **Yes, it appears once you click on a Gender neutral room.**
      * **Stacy: If a female wanted to room with her boyfriend?**
        + **Based on supply and the circumstances of other people requesting a Gender Neutral Rooms.**

**(7:10-7:25) New Business:**

* **RA Funds Request- Rachel Probst**
* **RA Funds Request-Amanda Minter**
* **Not able to vote since quorum was not met. RA funds request will be on the next meeting’s agenda.**

**(7:25-7:48) Executive Reports**

* **Sara: Fun helping Alexis**
* **Caryn: Spent most of the week finding somewhere to have this meeting. If there is an email sent, please respond it is not a waste of time. Seeking a rep for the retention committee. The retention committee is a committee that focuses on getting students to stay at Whitewater and graduate from here. Meets at 2:00pm on Wednesdays once a month. You do not have to join LIT in order to be on the retention committee. Let the E-board know if you or someone in your LIT would be able to be a part of this committee.**
  + **November 17: Whitewater’s Got Talent Auditions- Jitters 5:00**
  + **November 18: Whitewater’s Got Talent Auditions- Jitters 5:30**
  + **November 26: Day before Thanksgiving- No meeting**
  + **December 1: Whitewater’s Got Talent- Hamilton Room 7:00**
* **Heather: Sorted through care packages. One more to find a home for. Bedloft check is here! Working on giving funds to LITs. Had fun at conference in Denver.**
  + **Vince: Deadline for RAs to get funds request in?**
    - **Get funds request in within two weeks of program.**
* **Alexis: Planning the food drive. Still looking for volunteers to help with the food drive this weekend from 12-4 Friday through Sunday. Meet at Goodhue in the front lobby at 11:30 if you are interested in volunteering. Email** [**rhaassist@uww.edu**](mailto:rhaassist@uww.edu) **if you have any questions. Next week’s theme is 80s theme.**
* **Sara: WURHA apps are now available. WURHA will be in UW-Platteville, February 20-22nd. Email** [**ncc@uww.edu**](mailto:ncc@uww.edu) **if you have any conference questions application questions. Turn in your application to someone in NRHH or on the RHA E-board.** 
  + **Lysianne: What do you do at conference?**
    - **Go to programs, meet people from different schools, and gain leadership experiences you may not get otherwise.**
  + **Nikki N.: Can you submit your own program? Does it cost?**
    - **Yes, applications are due November 24th at 1:00pm. Cost is $25.00, LITs may potentially sponsor you.**
  + **Tim: How many people can go?**
    - **Nine people**
* **Nikki N.: Whitewater Got Talent auditions next week, Monday 5:00 and Tuesday 5:30. Email** [**rhaprograms@uww.edu**](mailto:rhaprograms@uww.edu) **if you would like to audition. The show will take place in December 1st in the Hamilton room; volunteers are also needed for the Whitewater Got Talent show. Family Feud event postponed until next semester.**
* **Nicole M.: Clem Bigelow LIT this week, very proud of you. Whitewater’s Got Talent doors open at 6:30 show starts at 7:00.**
* **Joe: Working on poster’s for the E-board getting those out next week.**

**(7:48-7:49) Advisor Reports**

* **Jack: No report.**
* **Christina: Three more meetings after this. Like seeing your faces so keep coming.**

**(7:49-7:51) NRHH**

* **Applications due.**
* **Worked on committees**

**(7:51-7:53) WSG**

* **Positive feedback from professor picks**
* **Tobacco Free Coalition came to WSG**
  + **No new legislation presented**
  + **Have to present new legislation before it can be discussed and senators vote**
    - **Jessica: What is professor picks?**
      * **Have orgs & clubs that relate to the class be a part of the syllabus, available for every major.**

**(7:53) Committee Reports**

* **None.**

**(7:53) Issue/Food Comments**

* **None.**

**(7:53-7:58) Final Thoughts**

* **Alexis: Incentive points for joining committees and helping the E-board with programs. Winning LIT with the most incentive points earn a pizza party.**
* **Caryn: Thanks pro staff in Starin for hosting our meeting.**

**(7:58) Adjournment**

**Peter moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Lysianne. Consent called by Cole.**