Vice President Jeff Abraham called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm. Secretary Lisa Knapp took attendance. There were 32 senators in attendance, 1 senator was late: WIC, and 9 senators were absent: BSU, AGC, NSNA, Multicultural Club, Step it Up, Cheerleading, Fine Arts, NYSVAT, NAHB. Today’s meeting is for informational purposes only due to a lack of quorum.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPB: On, January 29th, there will be Karaoke in MacDonald Hall at 9 pm. You will not need a meal plan to attend Midnight Café. On January 31st at 8 pm and 10 pm, comedian Mark Theobald will be performing. There will be a $1 admission and the proceeds will benefit the Haiti Relief Efforts. On February 3rd, storyteller and poet, Shindana Cooper, will be on campus.

Bronco’s Fynest: Dance Marathon will be held this year in the Clark Field House on Friday, March 19th starting at 7 pm. Dancers will pay $25 and supporters will pay $15. There needs to be at least 4 dancers and 11 supporters to help cover the cost and to reach the goal of $6,000. Proceeds will be donated to the heart of Catskills and Puppies Behind Bars. Teams are encouraged to have a goal of $500 in fundraisers. There will be a sign up table in Sanford Hall next week. If you have any questions, please contact Elizabeth Sova in the O’Connor Center for Community Service located on the second floor of Thurston Hall. Also, Bronco’s Fynest is co-sponsoring their 1st Annual Semi-Formal with SPB. Tickets will go on sale February 1st until the 12th in Sanford Hall from 11am to 3pm. The semi-formal is to be held on Saturday, February 13th.

College Players: The College Players will be holding an interest meeting next Tuesday, February 2nd, at 6:30 pm in 101 Thurston Hall for their spring production. The players will be performing a murder mystery dinner show, For Better or For Hearse. Auditions are scheduled for Tuesday, February 9th at 6:30 pm in 101 Thurston Hall.

GUEST SPEAKERS

Elizabeth Sova, Coordinator for the O’Connor Center of Community Service, spoke of the new logo and new community service forms on the internet. She also encouraged everyone to look out for all the community service events coming up including Dance Marathon, Habitat for Humanity, and Haiti Relief efforts.
OFFICER’S REPORTS

Secretary

A small group of senators volunteered to be a part of the Student Senate Banquet Committee.

Senators are reminded to clean out their mailbox in the student activities office.

During the Fall 2009 semester, the following groups were awarded CADI programming grants of $500; the Black Student Union for their campus wide party, and the Student Programming Board for the Fall Weekend. Though these grants were awarded, it was never officially announced due to an oversight.

Treasurer

The following clubs did not reconcile their budgets last semester; NAHB, VIP, WIC, and IFSEA. Your treasurer must reconcile your budget before next week’s Senate meeting or your club will be fined $100 weekly.

The tentative schedule for the 2010/2011 budget process is as follows; budget packets will go to all clubs on March 24th and will be returned on April 7th. The preliminary budget will be presented to the Senate on April 14th, and voted on April 21st.

Vice President

Information on the Student of the Year process will be presented to the Senate on February 10th.

The Student Programming Board and the Learning Center will be presenting a Black History Month Luncheon on Wednesday, February 10th. Look for sign-up information later this week.

Today’s blood drive was highly successful. Thank you to all of those who participated and helped make it a success.

President

There are two new religious groups that are forming on campus. The first is BASIC (Brothers and Sisters in Christ) which will be meeting shortly. Contact the Dubois Hall Resident Director, Elisabeth Baldanza, for more information. The next group is Eternal Israel, a Jewish discussion group that will begin meeting next Tuesday night at 7:30pm in Thurston Hall.
Approximately 70 students and staff members came together last Monday night to begin plans for a coordinated series of events to raise funds for victims of the recent earthquake in Haiti. Be on the look out for various fund raising events around campus over the next month to help support this important and worthy cause. All efforts will be coordinated through the O’Connor Center for Community Service.

Beginning in a few weeks, members of the Senate Executive Board will be visiting all club meetings in order to evaluate clubs prior to budget time. The E-Board is concerned that there are some funded clubs that are not fully functional at this time, and wants to assist those clubs in getting things more together before budget requests are turned in. If your club needs any help or assistance, please see myself or any other E-Board members.

Winterfest is scheduled for next weekend. Everyone should pray for some snow!

OLD BUSINESS
None

NEW BUSINESS
None

FUTURE AGENDA

Students who travel with clubs are inquiring about raising the prices that are allotted for hotel expenses. As of now, it is $40 per traveler.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Marty Greenfield welcomed everyone back and stressed the importance of involvement, especially with Haiti Relief efforts, to make this semester extremely successful.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 5:45 pm by the Computer Club and was seconded by SPB. All were in favor with no one opposing or abstaining.