The Residence Hall Association of Montana State University
Senate Meeting

October 12, 2017 – 7:00pm

I. Call to order at 7:00pm 10/12/17

II. Roll call

III. Residence hall and their current endeavor

- Freshman Apartments: 2 senators, traditional is 9 days away
- Hannon/Quads: 1 senator, large Halloween party, logo competition for t-shirts
- Hapner: 2 senators, October event, trick or treating and reverse trick
- Johnstone: 2 senators, planning hall event and traditional
- Langford: 2 senators, Friday the 13th dodgeball, hot cocoa and cider night, soon
- North Hedges: 2 senators, working on monthly event (Halloween themed being safe at parties)
- Roskie: 2 senators, dodgeball event coming up
- South Hedges: 1 senator, working on hot cocoa event with story time, and art event
- Yellowstone: 2 senators, October event, pumpkin carving, planning Royale

IV. Approval of Minutes (Langford) (Yellowstone)

V. Public Comment

VI. ResLife Update (James Tobin)

- University Accreditation: every 7 years, on campus next week (without this no one gets financial aid) Next Tuesday 12-1 in SUB 233 and 235, student forum open to any student—looking for feedback about the University. Wednesday at 11 in SUB Ballroom A they will deliver their findings

VII. Old Business

VIII. RHA Officer Reports

- J: Tech stuff, plan RHA website
- Bailey: Planning for Spooptacular
- Mykaela: Updating Social Media and larger projects coming up
Jacari: Several meetings, Miller Surveys

Tyler: Met with Rose for Spooptacular, bringing Chief Parish back in to talk to us

Bailey: IACURH stuff and ready to go

Mitchell: Re-affiliating our chapter, introduced Jill

IX. New Business

RHA Strategic Plan

North Hedges: Facilitate Social Gatherings—inviting people to convene, use the skills learned in a real life application (taking initiative, stick to it-ness)

Langford: Leadership skills, clearly, inclusive events (so that people all feel welcome, utilizing food as an incentive:

RLA: individual responsibilities that come together for a common goal (inviting group—not singling people to attend) maintain momentum from the beginning. Casual and unformal events like Tea Tuesday (consistent turn out) taking a key group of leaders and helping them build a community

Hapner Hall: Making connections outside of the hall, events with other halls—huge motivator to get to know different people, not just those inside their hall

Yellowstone: Fund Requests (public speaking and presentation skills) seem more homey (floor events “We hang Wednesdays” working with Reslife staff to build community

South Hedges: Reaching out to people who may not need some pushing, planning events that aren’t extroverted oriented only

Johnstone: Smaller scale events, floor events that aren’t as large. Spontaneous small events where there residents and staff are working together

Roskie: Leadership skills through dictating, work as a team, Roskie different dynamic (not as social??) encourage RAs and work with RAs to bring social. Having real and effective conversation that doesn’t place blame. Start creating communities from the bottom and hall council helps

HQ: Public speaking, decision making skills both on the executive and hall council levels

B.) Spooptacular: October 28th, 7 PM-11 PM

North Hedges: Pumpkin Bowling: plastic bowling pins and pumpkin balls

Langford: Speed pumpkin painting but no absolute decision

RLA: Candy Corn Hole

Hapner: Cookie Decorating

Yellowstone: still figuring it out
South Hedges: Puppy Chow, put it in a bag
Johnstone: Caramel Apple Decorating
Roskie: Spooky Pong (like beer pong with like dry ice)
Hannon: Slime making

X. Adjournment

Summary

Event planning RHA coordination, Res life undergoing a reaccreditation this year.