

West Halls Residence Association  
Thursday, September 2, 2021

**Call to order at: 6:35**

**Attendance:** Elliot Rost, Natalie Royal, Danny Pierro, Nabeel Rangoonwala, Vivek Batel, Wyatt Fegley, Ash, RA Aneesh Nair, RA Archer Christman, Advisor Laura Perry

**Ice Breaker:** What is your favorite class you're taking this semester?

**Chair reports:**

- ARHS Representative– OPEN
- Blood Drive Chair – OPEN
- Webmaster Chair – OPEN
- Social Chair – OPEN
- Fundraising Chair - OPEN
- Publicity Chair – OPEN
- Community Service Chair – OPEN
- Diversity Chair – OPEN
- Events Chair – OPEN

**Executive Agenda:**

- Treasurer – OPEN
- Secretary – OPEN
- Vice President – Elliot Rost
  - Nothing to Report
- President – Natalie Royal
  - Welcome back to campus everyone

**Old Business:**

- West Fest has been postponed to September 8 due to weather
  - Laura: If you can't have an actual event, maybe get some information from each LLC so you can advertise

**New Business:**

- Programming Ideas!
  - Pajama Rama – Everyone gets in the study lounge to watch some movies and build some community
    - Shrek Series
    - Snacks?
    - Can use the classroom in Waring
  - LLC Night – Trivia night where the different LLCs gather to play trivia against each other
    - Could be trivia, talent show, kahoot night, etc.
  - West Wars – various events where the different halls could compete to find out who is best in west
  - John: Nerd Night – People give 5-10 minute ted talks about something they are passionate about
- WIFI and Ethernet

- Communicate to Professors that on campus students don't have access to ethernet
- The WIFI cant handle the influx of students on campus
- More of a reliability of signal problem rather than the speed of the signal itself
- It's fast but it barely works
- Can have up to 20% loss
- Maybe need to revisit this issue and revisit data from Spencer Finch

#### Building Check:

- Mckee Hall – OPEN (Wyatt/Nabeel/Natalie/Elliot)
  - The water pressure was bad on B floor but it has improved
  - Maybe reflet the pool table
- Thompson Hall – OPEN (Archer)
  - RAs have brought back TJ Tuesdays
- Hamilton Hall - OPEN (Vivek)
  - Water smelled like fish, now it doesn't
- Watts Hall – Danny
  - WIFI is bad
- Irvin Hall – OPEN (ASH)
  - Lots of events
  - Could make a billiards tournament for the area
- Jordan Hall – OPEN (Archer)
  - Nothing to report
- Nittany Lion Inn – OPEN (Aneesh)
  - Tide laundry services are being problematic
    - People not getting their clothes taken / picked up
    - Long turn around time (supposed to take 48 hours but it is now taking a week)
    - Their customer service department is lacking/hard to contact
  - Many critters – hoping to see this go down after the first week

#### LLC Check:

- IST – OPEN
  - Had first meeting, went well, lots of returners, going to try to recruit more of the first years
- EMS – OPEN
  - Billiards event already, lots of events planned, good stuff
- E House – OPEN
  - Events coming up, committee assignments should be coming out soon
- Ally House – OPEN
  - Start a canvas course for meetings

#### **Advisor Report:**

Laura Perry: RAs should be communicating via teams in your residence halls, check your messages more, try using the group chat option. Keep wearing your masks in

residence halls. Be on the lookout for more information about consent (in relation to the many timely warnings that have occurred in the first two weeks).

**Final Remarks/Elections:**

John Hurst – the RA selection process is changing, info sessions will begin in October

**Meeting Adjourned: 7:42**