Nicholas School Student Council

Meeting Minutes: April 21, 2008

Ben Landis and Mary Greene prepared PowerPoint presentation to outline budget.

Various items of the budget discussed were the following:

- Kitchen supplies- should these be included in the budget- rate of disappearance and issue
- Supply a water filter with cold and hot water for tea, etc.
- Speaker:
  - Bill Chameides and NSSC have proposed to use $1500 of this year’s NSSC budget to fund speaker
- Nick Donowitz:
  - Orientation Committee
    - Proposing to enhance and edit the structure of new student orientation for 2008
      - More team related activities
      - Camping, hiking
      - Site could be marine lab, or take a trip to marine lab
      - Calc + stats over summer vs. test the first day of orientation (not the best welcome for students)
      - Funding for orientation would inevitably have to come from student tuition unless other options are proposed
- Mallory Dimmit:
  - Volunteer Day
    - students debate whether it should be mandatory or optional
    - timing is another issue open for discussion
      - the current timing is during a time when school work has already begun and some people are not able to come
      - Moving volunteer day to the Saturday after orientation is one proposal
- Year in Review:
  - Leadership Speaker: Nichols
  - Pat Bean:
    - Proposed Nuclear Panel- next year as a speaker opportunity
  - Nicholas School Networking:
    - Going to work with Forem to co-sponsor multiple graduate school socials
      - i.e. Nic school & Law, Fuqua, Pratt, PubPol, etc.
  - Midterm review, course evaluations- didn’t happen
    - This should be readdressed and done at the beginning of this coming academic year
    - Rate your Professor.com
- NSSC-website
  - Needed and needs to be advertised and contain links to other clubs
  - Link should be offered with calendar of events
- NSSC- Sponsor Clinton-Obama environmental advisor debate