GSSC Meeting
9.30.2003

Attendance:
Arash, Josh, Pavan, Isabelle, Justin, Rob, Claudia, Abigail, Marguerite, Matan, Chris, Stephen, Abby, Won, Richie, Scott, Tinishia, the Dom.

Updates:
Justin – Barnard’s new initiative – FACT – Females Active (in) Computer Technology, a group that is trying to organize, will be open to all.
Dominic – First Friday Forums are back! in the GS Lounge. Rah!
Richie – Columbia College still working on swipe access with local vendors.
CU250 – Volunteers needed! Contact Rebecca Boston if interested.
Won -- GSSC given due mention at ESC, ESC looking into access to the Mt. Sinai program, possibly a new program.
Scott – Met with other Student Services reps, all the reps are trying to unite.
Chris – Met with other senior class presidents, will work on making inroads; also working actively with Alumni Affairs, and looking into senior class email.
Josh – Email me if you want to be on the Constitution Committee.
Tinishia – SGB meeting update will be… next week.
Arash – Yesterday, Lisa Hogarty, VP of Student Services, showed us the blueprints for the new website – more efficient, less buttons, and fewer links to go through for what we need.
Matan:– Anyone interested in being on the committee on women, or the Judicial Board, talk to me.
Discussed housing policy… more on that later.
Diplomas will likely be discussed by the Senate, but changes, if any, will likely be far in the future.

Diplomas
Justin: Can’t the extra costs cost be taken on by students?
Chris: Any idea of the costs?
Matan: Kent hall won’t give us quotes or additional information without knowing that there is serious interest in the diploma – every year there is a minimal inquiry.
Scott: How does SEAS’s look?
Matan: Just like ours.
Stephen: Can we get a bigger seal on the diploma? Can we build a new slate?
Chris: How do they make the plates?
Isabelle: How did the Law school get their plate changed?
Matan: Quoth the Bollinger: “The law school is special. They can do… pretty much whatever they want.”
Abigail: What’s the importance of having the diploma in Latin?
Arash: Comparisons with CCSC.
Won: What about SEAS?
Arash: SEAS is in English.
Won: Schrodinger said, that which you can’t explain, you haven’t learned… I studied Latin for four years in high school, and the only words that I understood from that diploma were “Columbia” at the top, and “2003” at the bottom.
Ariel: Latin is better because people don’t understand it! It seems more authoritative-
licious!
Scott: My own 2 cents – all this diploma needs is a better layout.
Justin: This comes out every year! The people who haven’t graduated worry about the fact that ours is in English, the people who actually have diplomas are really bothered by the terrible layout. It looks like ----.
Matan: I'm asking for an opinion vote.

14 people think it should be in English
3 people for Latin
14 people for better layout
3 abstentions.
14 liked the med school look
1 liked the law one better.

Allocations:
Senior Class Allocation
14 in favor
2 abstentions

Alumni Affairs & Career Center Representative Budget
12 in favor
1 opposed
2 abstentions

Junior Class
15 in favor

Academic Affairs
15 in favor