Council of Commonwealth Student Governments
Minutes from January 31 – February 1, 2003 Meeting

Friday Night – Heritage Hall

I. Call to Order
II. Roll Call
    a. Abington – Ninad Pendharker, Corinne Shabe
    b. Altoona – Mike Pray, Bethany Lagergren
    c. Beaver – Ryan Glover, Emily Grant
    d. Behrend –
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    m. Mont Alto – Derek Dureka, Katie Sior
    n. New Kensington – Courtney Dunbar, Ray Mastre
    o. Schuylkill – Mahmoud Ablan, Mukur Hazari
    p. Shenango – Becky Ramp
    q. Wilkes Barre – Scott Finlon, Jonathan Sinclair
    r. Worthington Scranton – Renee Collins, Claudia Vitelli
    s. York – Cassandre Paley, Sara Wallen
III. Review Weekend's Agenda
IV. Welcome Address – Nikkie DeSimone
    a. Insert report
V. Student Activity Fee Report – Kyle Templin
    a. Hello everyone, its good to see you all again, Student Activity Fee board met today and had a rather lengthy meeting, we looked over the 2001-2002 Final report, looked at final subgroup, looked at the out of class experience and the equipment that is used for academic purposes, many faculty members are keeping equipment for safe keeping, block booking, $3500 is given by Student Activity Fee for block booking and must be matched by

$3000, student activity funds must not be used to replace student affairs funds, the next meeting is tentatively for March 21

VI. Undergraduate Student Government Report – Kris Ankarlo

a. I moved across the hallway and am Vice President of USG and Rubina is in Iowa doing what it is people do, think of some of the things that are used up here, Lot 83 we got lighting out there and it is much better, Recreational sports and surveying to see how many people use it – most used activity University wide, want to make sure we aren't wasting money, extend the eatery hours in the HUB, Sunday night they were only open until 6 and now they are open until 12 and Barney's is open until 12 as well, Union of Off Campus Students I will leave to the end, First Year Seminar for leadership, Rubina pushed for it, these students will learn about the student governments at Penn State, lobbying trips scheduled, going to meet with some Congressman, going to Harrisburg throughout the upcoming months, online Health Services in Ritenour, Altoona and Behrend will relate to the most, our health services gets jammed up and there are long lines, can make appointments on the web, will be up and running by the end of the spring semester, MLK day celebrations were awesome, the directors did a great job, all the campus locations participated at MLK day, we would love to hear about your locations MLK day celebrations, Union of Off Campus Students – trying to get new members, the applications are online, www.clubs.psu.edu/usg and you can get the application on line and you can get set up for next year, different vice president levels, it is pretty exciting, going to evaluate who delivers the quickest pizza, where you live, I think that is about it, there will be more to come about the Union of Off Campus Students, we want as many people as possible, do not feel deterred, any

questions, it was nice to speak in front of you all again

VII. Commonwealth College Faculty Senate Report
   a. Ellie sends her regrets she won't be here, we met yesterday and it was my birthday, after we have the final set of academic goals we will email them to the 12 commonwealth colleges, there will be a vote, please encourage faculty who care about students to vote,

VIII. Change of Assignment Committee Report – Elizabeth Eisenhart, Drew Lavenberg
   a. We want to explain what we've done this year and hopefully get your feedback, aimed at students from Commonwealth who leave there location, who are a little bit older, we want to find better ways to supply the right information to the students, researched events and information that we thought students would need, we can't decide what people want, so we decided to do different sets of surveys, casino night on January 11 and went in with USG and ARSH, now our next two things and want to have a pilot program at two locations (residential and commuter), need to host and can bring back information, gained a lot of Thanks to Mike cooper for speaking on behalf of COA to get funding, Dr. Jacobs, Mike and I will meeting with her shortly and; Joe and Drew – how can you deny us talking to your campus it would be a good time anyway, on the right side there is 5 surveys and they are really cool looking, we would like you to take the surveys and fill them out, we would like to have the surveys back by the end of lunch tomorrow, if you have any questions we are all beautiful and approachable, we are trying to help all you ladies and gentlemen out, more can be done, Joe – thank you
   b. Questions for Larry, Moe, and Curley up here - none

IX. Caucus Meetings

X. Committee Meetings

XI. Recess to caucus meetings for 30 minutes then committee meetings for 30 minutes
    a. Motion to move by Mike Pray, Altoona and seconded by Ben Jordi, Berks

Saturday February 1, 2003

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III. Revised Agenda
IV. Approval of November Council Minutes
    a. Lehigh Valley and McKeesport council members need to be added
    b. Following these corrections motion to approve the amended minutes, Ninad Pendharker, Abington and seconded by Matt Ross, McKeesport
V. President's Address – Mike Cooper
    a. Good morning ladies and gentleman, I hope you all had a good break, 2003 has already proved to be a productive year, at our September meeting I spoke

about the many difficulties, central staff has not missed one step in, Academic Affairs – have made the survey and overwhelming success, congratulations goes out to Brett, Josh, and the Academic Affairs committee, Change of Assignment workshop, due to the hard work of the joint committee of Central Staff, USG, and ARHS, with the hard work collected by the committee, congratulations goes out to Liz, Student Affairs – CCSG has begun to venture into two ventures, Brian Marko – Legal Affairs, will hopefully become a department with in Central Staff, Health Service – Crystal Saverioni and I have meet with Margaret Spears to talk about health services concerns, Governmental Affairs – start lobbying, now that we have a new Governor we can look for lobbying, must continue to make sure, Anthony Bizzaro, I have been meeting with Bernie Ryan, and our campaign will greatly approve, Diversity Affairs – we have a new director and think that he will continue the work Jayneel started, Diversity summit – make sure, our new website is up and running and much more effective and easier to use, THON – we are working harder than ever, things are looking great for , there is one platform goal we may not be able to meet, we want to have more input in the Leadership Conference, even though we have gotten overwhelmingly positive results, however on a whole they have been, later today we will be having a vital discussion about the future of our organization, CCSG is your voice throughout the University session, I was talking with someone who says that CCSG is too much talk, we meet with people, this conversation stunned me, I usually spend more than 40 hours a week, this individual told me that they weren't the only people that though that way, cable, lobbying – while our allies were few, three representatives that we met with did listen and we only have a 13% increase, CCSG has the potential

to be the most important organization, President Spanier and the Board of Trustees, CCSG will always exist but will it evolve, a few years ago CCSG was at its lowest point, the president and vice president were impeached, let's start the semester off on a positive note

Ben Jordi, 5 minute full recess so my colleague could sit down, Ray Master, New Kensington moves to have committee meetings ahead – can't do that because of the speaker coming in, Craig Jackson, seconded motion to have a 5 minute recess,

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VIII. Department Reports
    a. Councillor – Liz Eisenhart
        i. Good morning everyone, as far as Councillor, you should have received it last night, what I am hoping to do is put one out at the end of February, February 26 is the deadline, I look

forward to more responses from council, exe131@psu.edu

b. Information Technology – Steve Cuppett
    i. The web page has been updated, Cooper said the Digital Councillor is coming, I am going to change the OAG, old minutes will be posted on the website so you can look back at old stuff, stc120@psu.edu, if you need anything done with the listservs email me and I will take them off
c. Programming – Lauren Cycak
    i. Good morning, if you don't know already the After council event is at Greenburg Ice Pavillion, $5.25 with PSU ID, end of the year banquet – Nittany Lion Inn April 5, 2003, student organization discounts, as soon as I have invitations ready I will send them out
d. Public Relations – Vera
    i. Hi everyone, the main thing I have been working on was the Alumni Interest Group, if anyone knows past presidents please email me their addresses, I will be taking pictures today
e. Staff Assitant – John Dingfelder
    i. We are going to update the OAG, email me at dingy@psu.edu, want it to be more user friendly by the end of the semester, you can come challenge the tri state figure skating

IX. Guest Speaker – Dr. Terrell Jones
a. One of my problems is I have a problem saying no, this is my second presentation of the day, it is really nice to see everyone here today, I would like to talk to you about some concepts that are important to the University, we need to have an understanding of diversity, there is one thing I would like you to know, my wife and I like videos, my wife likes Denzel Washington, we were watching Denzel Washington movie, and I said to my wife I don't think this is a good Denzel Washington movie, there was one that we really like, Remember the Titans, it

is a very interesting movie because it is a story of a football, Herman Boone – he is a football coach of a recently desegregated public school, he needs to put the two teams together to be successful, they learn an awful lot about themselves, and win all their games and become state champions, it changes not only the football players but the coaches and the community, we have done something very important in the US since that time, in 2003 we have the same segregation of students of K-12 schools as in 1971, and then we bring them together in college and they aren't getting along, because they don't know how to get along, charter schools are in, people are living in more socioeconomic changes, people think the way to handle this is people should be colored blind, people are in denial, the best way to address diversity is to not see it, Disneyland Diversity – like a mecca for kids, my son asked if we are poor, I am very glad we Disneyland, there is a ride there and I've wanted to ride it since I was a kid, they send you through a tunnel, It's a Small World After All, first you go to China, then Russia, then South America, you aren't done yet, and go to a few countries in Africa, I have two friends of mine who broke down in it's a Small World for 45 minutes, it's a small world and you can see the light at the end of the tunnel, the message is all together sung by all the kids in English, you should be able to go anywhere in the world and act like yourself, I have had to explain to international students why its ok for Penn State students to paint themselves blue and stand in the cold and yell and scream, a really good book "When Hopes and Fears Collide – A Portrait of Today's College Students" every ten years the author takes a look at college students and looks at what they are thinking and seeing and doing, and compares them with other students of other generations, all students have things that affect who we are, when I was a student there were

two things – the Vietnam War, we had the draft, and my number was 333 if you had a number under 160 you are were going to war, we also knew where we were when Nixon resigned, you as a group of markers as well, first of all most of you were in elementary school and maybe junior high when the Challenger exploded, the infallibility of science, the breaking down of the Berlin Wall, the evil Russians, we had air raid drills, every month we had them so that when the Russians dropped a bomb on us we wouldn't get killed, now our Axis of Evil seems to float, you have the Gulf War, we used to have a joke in college an oxymoron, military intelligence, the idea of military is different for you, AIDS and sex ed. You have been bombarded with it in elementary school, the student government office told me that selling condoms is a very lucrative business, maybe you guys can help me with this, you don't date you hook up, I've tried to have people explain this to me, and do you have to see this person, again, soft and hard hookups, Walk of Shame after a hard hookup, its interesting, people seem to be afraid of intimacy, the Rodney King video tapes and what happened in LA and the OJ Simpson trial, were disgusted with things that happened, most of you were taught that racism is a thing of the past, many of you realize that, you have a preoccupation with differences, you subdivide yourself in ways we haven't seen before, I am one of very few people who come to Penn State who lived on my street, you believe the campus is more segregated, in fact it is more integrated, urban myth - Pennsylvania has more hate groups than any other state in the United States, it is historical, Ohio has the most in the Northeast, the second part of the myth is that they are five minutes from campus, if you want to burn crosses you don't want to do it in the woods by yourself, you want to do it around groups who would intimidate them, if you want to look them up www.tolerance.org, if you

want to go to state with no hate groups go to Maine and Vermont, just about every other state has some, they aren't historical in the Northeast, every body thinks that they are a victim, heterosexuals will come up to me and tell me they are victimized by the LGTBA, every body is a victim, no body is in the middle, people are living in the world, environment where diversity is not that important, diversity has to be part of a curricular focus, you came to the University because you knew a Penn State degree was marketable, people came to the University in the 60's and 70's to expand their minds, I understand that there are marketable skills at Penn State, part of the focus people don't have good knowledge acquisition, I asked a group of PhD. Level faculty for 10 famous women from faculty, Betsy Ross, Diana Ross, Statue of Liberty, most whites begin their recognitions of African Americans with slavery, what were they doing before slavery, I have trouble explaining that Egypt is in Africa, professors will argue with me, if you think about it and how we don't get information we need, there is a picture of Promontory Point in Utah, there is no one who is Asian or Chinese in the picture, 9 out of 10 people were Asian who helped build the transcontinental railroad, attitudes about diversity are better at other than University Park, many of you are better at discussing and talking about diversity, the percentage of faculty and students may be higher than at University Park

b. Derek Dureka – How would you define diversity and how to get people to come and not preach to the choir? There are several different definitions of diversity, if you want Penn State's definition go to the Penn State website, you will get each college's plan, if you don't know where you are going then any road will take you there, assume that everyone is supportive of diversity, we learn how to say that and sometimes we don't follow that, a great deal of

what we do has to be curriculum driven and not course driven, I read Beowulf and Canterbury Tales, not because there was diversity but because there were questions on the test

c. Ben Jordi – Do you believe that diversity is a two way street not only in the US but in the Penn State system? Are all sides and cultures represented equally? For some people when they are thinking about diversity they are thinking about affirmative action, I don't think it is sufficient, a lot of people approach this whole diversity thing as people of victims, problems is all you are thinking, then you have to define your victims, if you have a victim model then you have to have someone who is a persecutor, white males – if we just got rid of them, rainbows would come out, women in this room don't assume that because I am a black male I am any less sexist, don't make that assumption, prejudice is not so much as caught as taught, if I could teach one course at the University that I would get most people to take it would be how do Americans become white you have to remember that 50-100 years ago we had people who came from all over the world, Rollins vs. Alabama – miscegenation, against the law for a black man to marry a white woman

X. Moment of Silence

XI. Committee Meetings

XII. Northeast Caucus Information Session

a. Career Services – Kevin D. send power point presentation, faculty to students – internship meetings, IST student know and if they could send out letters to other students in other majors that would be a good idea, all of their doors are always open, internship nook – focus on 4 year students, certain place where everyone can go, University to student – job fairs, best possible way to learn about your field, pass on internship information – during FTCAP, will mention that and the best time to go to career services office is before your freshman year,

improving Career Services – have a resume writing workshop, can learn about internships and where to go and find out information, can have representatives speak at Orientation, that way freshman can get a good look at the staff, get professionals to speak, you can link to career services from the Penn State web page, if you have a newspaper on campus you can put advertising in every issue, it will be easier to find out about an internship, flyers in common areas, scrolling text message board in your cafeteria or TV's in the cafeteria,

b. Question – does every location have a career service office? Beaver and Mont Alto only have a limited number of hours and that does not satisfy their needs; research has shown the Career services is the department has been hit the hardest, Student Affairs committee is still lobbying because it is a vital part of a Penn State education

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XIV. Lunch
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XVII. The Past, Present, and Future of CCSG: Where Do We Go From Here
a. Introduction by Nikkie DeSimone, this is basically to give you a brief history of where CCSG started, we want your thoughts and concerns and will be complied for public view

XVIII. Strategy for Change – Ray Mastre, Ninad Pendharker, Mike Cooper
a. Last night I was approached by two of our president about ways we can improve the organization, to find ways to better help CCSG, Robert's Rules suspended by Ben Jordi, Berks and seconded by Derek Dureka, Mont Alto,
b. Had a really good discussion about CCSG and a lot of improvements, this was just a big coincidence that Ninad and I got together to form an Ad Hoc committee, examine the efficiency of CCSG and where we can improve the organization, this committee will take some time, we don't have much time, our intention is to form this committee and gain some information, 8 presidents from the Commonwealth locations, many presidents have already expressed enthusiasm, 2 administrators, 2 central staff members, and 2 past presidents if available, the general plan – two in person meetings, meeting will be in February, sit down and brainstorm about issues, subcommittees take an issue to form resolutions, meet again in March and come to last council meeting and present them to council, the point of this committee is to not take a shot at them, maybe it is just time to sit down and evaluate CCSG, I do believe this is going to be a time consuming committee, we will get results, as far as who will chair the committee, we are trying to get people together and then will elect people, we

want to open it up to discussion, I would like to see some action taken by council today

c. Questions – Altoona, Craig Jackson, I was wondering how you are going to decide the presidents on the committee? I figured the best way to do it would be to pass around a list, the actual meeting days would be Sundays at University Park, would be a random pick, would have too many people if all 19 campuses were suppose to be there, Brandon Oberweis, Hazelton – think that there should be one from each caucus, that will be added; David Mory, Lehigh Valley, what are we going to do about all the information today? Are you going to be running without that information? Mike – we are going to be gathering the data, passing out results is yet to be determined, Central staff does not know how they are going to be doing it, we will have tangible stuff way before next council meeting, I think our group came up with really good ideas, and the committee should also have the answers; Behrend – look at whether or not the structure that will be overseeing and evaluating would be taking away the power in the Council, will this take up too much of council's time; this is voluntary of the presidents time, would show dedication; will be putting doubt in Council, Ben Jordi, Berks, when the committee comes up with the results you are going to have 28 people sitting around the table looking at the results, will be a long discussion around the council table, the focus of the committee would be on the organization and look at the constitution, that's the way this organization is defined, Berks - are you doing a constitutional review? Ray Mastre - Not really but will look at it and find better ways to do things, Ninad Pendharker - the evaluation process, what was discussed in these groups, we will formulate evaluations, Nikkie – are you asking these presidents to ask for more funds from the campuses or are you asking them to

do it on their own wallets? Ninad – this is an extra thing that they would have to ask their campus to pay for it, we understand if you have other commitments; Kris Ankarlo, USG Vice President – Council would enact a committee such as this and Council would be acting upon a meeting, caucus's could elect their presidents, Central Staff members would be elected, Committees could also provide minority reports, this is a good thing that should be looked at; McKeesport, Matt Ross – I am in agreement with this, since this is voluntary, is there a way that Council could entrust the committee with making a decision, Ray – I wouldn't ask for that, I would ask Council to pass this in good faith, I do appreciate Mr. Ankarlo's comments, I think we should elect two presidents from each caucus, that would be 10 president, Harrisburg – you say you want 8 presidents, is there any way they can appoint people from their campus, Ray – we would like to have presidents because they are the representatives; Altoona, Craig Jackson – I think we should have this committee, we need a committee that needs to look at what we are doing; Chief of Staff, Chris Zegar – I really do like the idea of this, my opinion on it is very vague, to pledge support to look over the actions, we are looking at logistics, and it would take 14 documents, there is no way, it seems that they are looking at a pledge to look at this, time sensitive nature, we want to get this rolling quickly, Ray – do we want to form this? And who is going to be on it? Joe, Central Staff – I think this committee is a bad idea, you are sitting on chairs in council, you can change whatever you want, we are creating a committee to create a committee, I would recommend tabling this, and wait until Central Staff reports to you in March, Ninad - transitioning will occur

d. Mike - At this point we have to decide where we want to take this, can table the document, move on it now, not talk about it at all
e. Justin Curry, DuBois – I recommend to move on with the agenda
f. Matt Ross, McKeesport – I motion to ratify this document now, Craig Jackson, Altoona I seconded it
    i. Kyle Templin, DuBois – I think it is a bad idea, I think it is hard to have people inside the government to evaluate themselves, due to the vague nature of the document how will they collect the data, the broad focus of the document want to act on good faith of the Council, need time and can't rush it through in the matter of months, my final point this decision is important and could sway the way CCSG will be run from now on, should be talked about at your campus before voting on it,
g. Drew Lavenberg – the gentleman that were bringing up were changes, the way I understand that you are going to ratify the document without the changes
h. Ninad Pendharker, Abington – committee can make recommendations and Council then has to accept them and they must accept them,
i. Kyle Templin, DuBois – you stress time sensitive, structure as complex as CCSG you may have to have months maybe a year
j. Craig Jackson, Altoona – Central Staff will be evaluating the Council, we have to take hold of this, it is the Council not Central Staff,
k. Chris Zegar, Chief of Staff – clarify, if you vote to accept you accept the resolution, if you vote it down you can't bring it up later, if you put it down on the table you can bring it to the next meeting
l. Jason Clinger – if you
m. Ben Jordi – that's council, if you vote to have this
n. Ryan Melling, - I yield the floor to the gentle woman from Hazelton, I often wonder why we are here, we

are the gallery, what you have said is that our opinions do not count, DuBois wants to get the general censes from you student governments, we are here for a reason, basically in our meetings we discussed we were not heard, table it

o. York, Cassandre – would we be allowed to have other people sit on the committee, I don't want to be the final judge; according to the document no
p. Abington, I do understand that the gallery is upset, you do want to talk to your constituents, you are representing your campuses, you can still go back to your campuses
q. Kyle Templin – Call to question, seconded by Becky Ramp, Shenango a vote in favor will mean we will vote immediately,
r. In favor of approving document in typed form – 5 opposed motion fails
s. Despite the fact that this motion fails please continue to work on it

XIX. University Faculty Senate Report – Mac Stanley
a. Real quick, last meeting Tuesday, information report regarding campus visits, two major things, advising and FYS which will be forwarded to Vice Provost to Undergraduate education, curricular drift – programs are different at campuses, University Park construction projects, I do have the website for that, in March or April they will be releasing the construction reports throughout the commonwealth, changed membership 289, 22 are students, one from each of the 11 colleges at University Park, 1 from Abington, Altoona, Commonwealth College, Dickinson Student Law, Graduate, Great Valley, Berks-Lehigh Valley, Capitol, elections are going on for commonwealth college rep., mes287@psu.edu, if there are any questions

XX. Old Business
a. None

XXI. New Business

a. 2003 Elections Code
    i. Would that be alright with everyone if I read it out loud

This document shall be used as a code of rules and regulations for the CCSG election of President/Vice President, Student Activities Fee board Representatives, and the Campus Chair.

This document shall be adhered to by the Council of Commonwealth Student Governments, which encompasses the Student government Associations of the 19 Commonwealth locations and Central Staff, as well as all other Penn State students, faculty, staff, and administration.

A platform shall be defined as any material that is created for the promotion of a ticket's candidacy.

Campaigning includes but is not limited to the following: platform, phone calls, speaking personally in regards to a ticket's candidacy, emails, and other computer communication including listservs, chat forums, and Instant Messaging.

The following stipulations

- slander by way of computer messages, phone calls, verbal communication, printed materials, or any other mans deemed inappropriate as determined by the Elections Commissioner
- The use of CCSG, SGA, or any other Penn State University property and materials for the purposes of campaigning including but not limited to: letterhead, paper, pre-established list servs, telephones, computers, fax machines, scanners, and copy machines. The Elections Commissioners will determine any other incidences that fall outside of the above description.

Any violation of the above stipulations will be brought to Council in the following procedure:

Before the elections procedure commences, the Elections Commissioners will be recognized by the Campus Chair and will report to Council about the status of the election. If

evidence is brought forward that proves a violation of the elections code by a ticket, the Council will proceed to discuss the alleged infraction. Once discussion has ended, voting council members will vote on whether that ticket should be disqualified based on evidence or infraction presented. Only a 2/3 vote can disqualify a tickets and the vote cannot be overruled by a Presidential veto.

The CCSG President and Vice President of the 2002-2003 year shall serve as Elections Commissioners for all procedures and infraction. The Presidents of the locations also have the responsibility of reporting violations to the Elections Commissioners, including any violations from members of their own locations.

This document shall serve as the formal regulations of the CCSG elections and goes into effect immediately upon passage on Saturday February 1, 2003.

ii. Elections regulations have not been common, but I think that it gives a little bit more power, and Council will discuss whether or not they should be qualified; otherwise keep in mind this is effective for all three elections
iii. Questions – none
iv. Motion from council to approve Todd Dietrich, Lehigh Valley and seconded by Becky Ramp, Shenango
v. Derek Dureka, Mont Alto – the second to last paragraph could we change the President and Vice President to CCSG Advisor and campus DSA, Ben Jordi – berks, since we all come from campuses, and since we have that communication we have eyes and ears at each location, Mike – you have to understand that DSA's have a biased and many people would like to see people from their campus
vi. Richel Perritti – I would have no problem serving with Mike and Nikkie, the DSA's and myself would have the opportunity to keep their eyes and ears open, would you want all of the DSA's or just one, Ben Jordi, all of them

we usually do this every year, Mike – document does not roll over, in the event that next year's administration will run they will have to deal with it,

vii. Ninad Pendharker, Abington – I would like to accept the CCSG advisors proposal to be a part of the process and a good compromise, and the CCSG advisor would participate, I move to amend the motion before us by after the word vice president and CCSG advisor, Ben Jordi, Berks seconded

viii. Hazelton, Brandon Oberweis, You don't need to include an advisor and it is a student organization, the president and vice president are in charge

ix. Lehigh Valley, Todd Dietrich – by taking the authority away from the students, by working to say that we can do it all alone, takes away from our credibility,

x. Mike – you have taken back the power away from the president and vice president, keep that in mind

xi. Kyle Templin, call to question, Becky Ramp, Shenango, second

xii. Favor of amendment – president, vice president, and CCSG advisor 12-22 amendment fails

xiii. Call to question, Kyle Templin, Berks Ben Jordi seconded

1. Approved

b. Legislation Submission – Mike Cooper

i. Type legislation

ii. Background – many of you witnessed two pieces of emergency legislation, at that point it was difficult for us to figure out how to fit it into the agenda, we are giving you all the ability to recognize lunchtime legislation, we are giving CLRC more time to distribute the legislation, will not change the format, and will

immediately distribute them to your campuses, I would like to thank Mr. Ankarlo for assiting on this,

iii. Todd Dietrich move to approve the legislation, Marlene Lytle, Fayette and seconded it
iv. Ben Jordi, Berks – 2/3 votes, Mike – only voting to give the legislation the time in the agenda
v. Ryan Glover, Beaver – was it brought before CLRC? What was the we thought that this was not in the best interest of council to bring this forward, New Kensington – More explaination on why
vi. Anthony Bizzaro – while we have seen that this is important for lunchtime legislation we felt that this is redundant, to vote to see legislation, how would it go because today they had a discussion and then talked about it, Mike – remember at the Academic Affairs resolution, what this resolution does is gives Council the ability to bring things to a vote, gives you more ownership of what goes on in the agenda, that's what the heart of this agenda is about
vii. New Kensington – anyone has to submit legislation has to submit to rules and regulations, why do we have the CLRC committee, maybe it is more of a cancer than a cure
viii. Motion to adopt this piece of legislation – motion fails (14 for, 12 against, 9 abstentions)

c. 2003-2004 Council Dates – Nikkie DeSimone
   i. Whereas, the Constitution of the Council of Commonwealth Student Governments requires that Council shall be convened no less than four times a year; Be it resolved, The following dates shall serve as the meeting dates for the 2003-2004 academic year; September 12, 13;

October 17,18; November 7,8; January 30, 31; February 27, 28; and March 26, 27

ii. Background – Fall to schedule around football weekends, October 10-11 (10 is the study day instead of Fall Break); making sure of avoiding holidays in spring; scheduling around the THON issues at the beginning of the semester

iii. Motion to adopt the dates for next years council meeting, Kyle Templin DuBois move to adopt resolution, Becky Ramp seconded

iv. Mont Alto – as my elected duty as a student representative the October 17-18 date is 100th anniversary of Mont Alto and like the date of October 10-11,

v. New Kensington – want to eliminate the October 17-18 date, Derek Dureka Mont Alto, I second

1. Todd Dietrich, Lehigh Valley – effectiveness between meetings, a bigger lapse between meetings impedes our process in CCSG, amendment fails

vi. Resolution – motion passes 5-30

XXII. Open Forum

a. Ray Mastre – we spent an hour and 5 minutes on the ways we can improve CCSG and there are ways we can improve, I am still trying to help, rpm182@psu.edu if you would like to help,

b. Beaver, Ryan Glover – the last meeting I went to, why is CLRC there? What do they do? Nikkie – it is going back to the purpose of CCSG as the idea was not fully carried through next year, not the material of the format, to make sure the author is saying exactly what they want to say

c. Tara Minchin, THON – just wanted to let you know that THON is February 21,22, 23,

d. Ken McGraw, alumni – just regarding the committee to check out council, you can still do that and bring

the legislation at the next council meeting, you don't have to form a committee

e. Shawn Crosby, Hazelton – you stated to this date at the last CCSG meeting it may carry over to next year I don't think you guys should give up on it, try harder
f. Kris Ankarlo – talking about CLRC, I was the author, CLRC mission to make sure that it fits in the constitution, and pass legislation and make sure that it followed through, in terms on, gives you more opportunity for more research, encouragement for more legislation with research, I just want to say that everyone looks great, and I am proud of you guys, it is better than another organization I am a part of
g. Liz – Change of assignment surveys, please turn them in today, newspapers – please take them, they are up in the office, please get them, Newspaper readership report – it was taken off, my report will be included in the minutes, get in contact with me
h. John – sending OAG updates in, please email them to me
i. Derek Dureka – Mont Alto
    i. I was disappointed to read in the Collegian that CCSG was not mentioned anywhere, Mike – Collegian does not always tell the whole truth, CCSG had an extremely large part in, CCSG is not newsworthy, they operate upon their assumptions, write an editorial to the Collegian, there was an article about the Olsen twins was on the front page, and in the back was an article about a staff member who committed suicide, commonwealth students do read it and that they are offended, and Barcardi ranked us the number 1 party school and Harvard
j. Richel – from 95-97 I was on staff, we had a collegian writer who was assigned to us, I think it is a shame that they have completely ignore ½ of the

university, I encourage you to take some time send an email to the Collegian, I know Central Staff has gone out of their way to get the Collegian to cover more events, maybe if all of you took the time to do that they would realize

k. Nikkie – its been a great weekend, I know my room did, I think that this meeting has empowered all of you, you all need to take action, thank you all for your participation, I hope to see all of you at ice skating, it is great seeing all of you again, I hope to see you all at THON, Diversity Summit – March 1

l. Closing Comments – Mike Cooper
    i. Thanks to all the visitors that were there, we've sat here and talked about issues and come back in March to make, presidents please check your emails, have a safe ride home, see you guys at THON
    ii. Brad, McKeesport – motion to close open forum and seconded by Katie Sior Mont alto

XXIII. Adjourn
    a. WORTHINGTON AND WILKES BARRE

Respectfully Submitted by: Olney Pray ☺