Present: Johnathan Weiss (President), Jennifer Farah (Vice President of Finance), Oscar Chang (Treasurer), Benita Benjamin (Corresponding Secretary), Amanda Redden (Senior Class President), Alpha Jalloh (Junior Class President), Jake Campbell (Sophomore Class President), Angel Plaza (Freshmen Class President), Ayaz Uddin (College of Computing Sciences), Thomas Anderson (College of Science and Liberal Arts), Arthur Migianga (School of Management), Scott Lieberman (Applied Physics), Anthony Samaha (Architecture), Kevin Chen (Biology), John Vito d’Antonio-Bertagnoli (Biomedical Engineering), James Barr (Business Management), Jennifer Ligo (Chemical Engineering), Sarika Munir (Chemistry), Rajeet Das (Civil Engineering), Gabriella Rejouis (History), Kareem Fayek (Human Computer Interaction), Rafal Kierznowski (Information Technology), Vivian Hawn (Resident), Darshan Patel (Freshmen Resident), Lenerson Pyrrhus (Freshmen Resident), Magid Youssef (Commuter), Michael Bebawy (Freshmen Commuter).

Late:

Absent: Sarah Rizk (Law, Technology and Culture).


Point of Privilege:

The meeting was called to order at 2:40 pm.

MINUTES

MOTION (Ayaz Uddin, Jake Campbell): To approve the minutes of December 11th, 2013. MOTION PASSES.

REPORTS

Guest Report: Joseph Marswillo, Chief of Police

Gives a brief talk, thanking senate for their participation and input. He mentions Cops and Crosswalks was a success and is grateful for a good semester.
Q&A

Joseph Marswillo addressed the gridlock issue on 1.14.14 and admits more could have been done to explain the issue properly.

A possible solution was brought up to open up the exit on the lower level on the parking deck; Chief Marswillo said that the additional traffic flow on that street might have created an even more severe gridlock.

A possible solution was brought up to allow traffic to flow through the Essex County College lot. Chief Marswillo responded that the idea has never been brought up; however that’s changing the natural flow and is quite difficult to do, but he will look into it. He also states how he has been working with engineers and playing around with the timing of the traffic lights to make movement as smooth as possible.

The issue of the water overflow was brought up and if the police force was in communication with resident life. Chief Marswillo responded that the most important thing for the police force to do was to be able to direct the correct people to where they need to go, as quickly as possible. He continues to say that there was a residual build up of 500 gallons of water and that although water damage is serious, the potential fire damage could be worse so their first priority was to turn out the electricity.

The lighting on Warren Street continually flickers or turns off. Chief Marswillo said he has been looking into it and he believes that the additional brightness is tripping the photo cells out. The change from 200 watts to 400 watts is resulting in the neighboring lights to turn out.

President Reports:

Johnathan Weiss, President

The retreat is this Saturday in campus center. Its purpose is to help everyone understand their jobs, tasks and what is required of them.

Senate dinner will be tomorrow (1/30/14) at 10:15.

We will be taking a photo today after the meeting with all the food we have gathered for Noble November. The food will be delivered Thursday or Friday an email will be sent if anyone would like to help with it.

Executive Reports:

College Reports:
Senator Reports:

James Barr, Business Management

Trying to set up practice exams for professional certificates to people understand what is expected of them when they take the tests, exams will run 2-2.5 hours. We are now leaning towards Saturday exams; we hope to provide CPA, CFA, CMA and possibly CFP exams. Exams would be offered one or two times a semester depending on how they are received. Early discussions show enthusiasm among students. We hope to open these options to engineers and math students.

Magid Youssef, Commuter Representative

On February 4th from 8-10am there will be a coffee and hot chocolate giveaway in the parking deck on the first floor. If anyone can help get in contact with me.

I spoke with the chief and he agrees that Cops and Crosswalks was a big success and we agreed that we will be having another one either in April or March, when the weather is more compliant.

Gabriella Rejouis, History

Met with Community of Information Technology library and academic resources, they need a student representative for their meeting on Thursdays from 2:30-4:00pm. If anyone is able to represent the student senate at that time please get in contact with Gabriella.

OLD BUSINESS

Week of Winter overview

Week of Winter was really successful overall. Tuesday’s Hot Chocolate giveaway went well. The snow games were also a big success we were able to finally do the sled race and everything worked out nicely. Thursday’s gingerbread competition also went without a hitch. So once again thank you for everyone that participated and came out to help in the events.

The week of March 10th will be Week of Fitness

NEW BUSINESS
Senator Resignations:

Pedro Claudio has stepped down from the position of Vice President of Administration.
Charlie Bautz has stepped down from the position of Vice President of Student Affairs.
Jocelyn Donald has stepped down from the position of Recording secretary.
Murat Duru has stepped down from the position of Newark College of Engineering.

New Senators:

Cady Kagume is running for Industrial Engineer.
Monica Ghabour is running for Freshman Commuter Representative.
Axel Geoggroy Kouassi is running for Vice President of Administration.
Evan Tyerman is running for Vice President of Administration.

MOTION (Jake Campbell, Magid Youssef): To elect Cady Kagume for Industrial Engineer. MOTION PASSES.

MOTION (Darshan Patel, Lenerson Pyrrhus): To elect Monica Ghabour for Freshman Commuter Representative. MOTION PASSES.

MOTION (Rajeet Das, Sarika Munir): To elect Axel Geoggroy Kouassi for Vice President of Administration. MOTION PASSES.

MOTION (Kareem Fayek, Aplha Jalloh): To elect Evan Tyerman for Vice President of Administration. MOTION FAILED.

Congratulations Cady Kagume.

Congratulations Monica Ghabour.

Congratulations Axel Geoggroy Kouassi.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Next Meeting 2.5.14 in room 240
Spring Retreat 2.1.13
Senate Dinner tomorrow night
2.14.14 Valentine’s Day event for senior class
**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION (Darshan Patel, Magid Youssef): To adjourn the meeting of Wednesday December 29th, 2014. MOTION PASSES**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:42 pm.

As submitted by:
Michael Bebawy (Freshman Commuter Representative)