Robert’s Rules- FAQ

Structure – Minutes should follow the agenda and the flow of the meeting. It is preferred that all meetings and minutes follow Robert’s Rules. Minutes should start with taking attendance or passing an attendance sheet and continue through the motion to close the meeting (opening and closing of the meeting should have times attached.) Each topic that is discussed should have a brief paragraph summarizing what was discussed. Motions should be found in the minutes as they occurred in the meeting.

Motions – Each motion should be numbered. Numbering of motions starts at one at the beginning of each school year and continue from there until the next year.

EXAMPLE – your first meeting you start with motion #1 and go through motion #4. At your next meeting you will start with motion #5. If you read the sample below you will see that it started with motion #9 (the minutes from the week before left off at motion #8) and they end with motion #14 (next week they will start with motion #15. There is more to a motion than the number. As you see in the sample below you also need to list the last name of the person who made the motion and the last name of the person that gave the motion a 2nd. Then comes the body of the motion.

The body of the motion is what you want to do and should contain the 5 W’s and a how.

- Who – who are you paying or who is involved. What – the amt. you are paying or what you are doing.
- Where – where is the money coming from (budget or fundraising account or where is your event/trip.
- When – is your event/trip.
- Why – why are paying them. How – do you need a PO, a Cash Advance, a Reimbursement, a check Finally there is space to note how the vote happened – you list those in favor (that agree,) those opposed (that disagree,) and any abstentions (those that did not vote.) Abstentions do not include absences. If you add all the votes together it should be one less than the number of members in attendance as the President does not vote (unless it is a revote.) If the majority of members present are in favor the motion carries, if not the motion fails.

If you have any questions regarding your minutes please feel free to contact Student Life for help!

Skateboarding Club
3.21.07
Shafer Hall Room 221
Budget Account #BAMJ08, Fundraising Account #BAMK08
Attendance:
President: KayTe Bettencourt, VicePresident:
Dennis Mayes, Secretary:
Sarah Tynan, Treasurer: Carrie Spaulding, Advisor: Valerie Nettleton, John 
Bazin, Members: Jeromy Marchand, Chris Casie, Josh Brown, Kim Cardinal, 
Joanna Kennedy, Matt Spaulding 
A Quorum was established.
The meeting was called to order at 6:02pm by President Bettencourt. 
Motion #9: (Casie/Kennedy) Motion to accept the minutes from the meeting on 
September 12, 2006. 
7 in favor/0 opposed/1 abstention. Motion Carries

President Report
Constitution is finalized and was passed to all members of the committee and a 
copy will be submitted to Valerie Nettleton. On April 12, 2006 at 5pm, the 
committee will first distribute the first aid kits to the boarders that ordered them in 
Winthrop Hall and then to the other Residence halls. Kim offered to drive the van.

Vice President Report
Dennis spoke with DJ Sk8 and he was free for the date of May 18, 2007 for our 
SkateaPalooza 
from 8pm – 12am. He will provide his largest sound system, 
lights, mardi gras beads, glow sticks, and a full array of albums and artists. His 
price will be the same as last year which is $600. 
Motion #10: (Marchand/Brown) To pay Bryan Caplette for dj services of $600 for 
the SkateaPalooza 
held on May 18, 2007 at Mystic Marriot from 8pm – 12am. 
6 in favor/1 opposed/1 abstention. Motion Carries

Treasurer Report
The balances in our accounts are as follows:
BAMJ08 (Budget): $2,564.33 
BAMK08 (Fundraising): $1,547.89 
We are still waiting for the invoice from Boards ‘R Us. Our order came in under 
budget so some of that money will be going back into our budget account. 

Secretary’s Report
No report at this time.

Old Business
Our event registration for the Skate Board workshop was approved. We need to 
submit the Room Reservation Form to Mark Massinda to book Webb Lawn for 
the 20 th of April. C. Spaulding volunteered to take care of this. We will vote on 
the funding for this event next week. 
We need to discuss our Trip to NY on April 28 th . The hotel faxed us an invoice 
for $1,010.00. We were able to get University Vans to drive down there but they 
will cost $20 to park them for the weekend. We also need to decide if we are 
going to pay for meals for those going. 
Motion #11: (M. Spaulding/Brown) To allocate $1,010.00 in a Purchase Order to 
the Best Western to pay for our hotel for April 28 th out of our budget account.
Motion Carries

Motion #12: (Caplette/Tynan) To allocate $20.00 in a cash advance to KayTe Bettencourt to pay for parking in NY for the night of April 18th from our budget account.

Motion Carries

The most that we could give each person for their meals for the two days is $96.00. We are bringing 20 people. If we gave each person the max that would be $1,920.00 This money is coming out of our fundraising account. We want to pay for as much as we can as those going are paying for the skate expo on their own but we don’t want to wipe out our fundraising account.

Motion #13: (Brown/Casie) To allocate $1,000.00 ($50 per person) for meals in a cash advance to Valerie Nettleton for our trip to NY on the 18th from our fundraising account.

Motion Carries

New Business

Nominations for all Executive Board positions for next year will be held in two weeks. The following week we will have elections. If you are interested in running for a position please talk to the person currently in the position about the responsibilities of the job.

Announcements

West Indian Society is having a Patty Sale on Monday.
The President’s Inauguration is on the 13th of April. Everyone should go – look in your email for information.

Motion #14: (Kennedy/M. Spaulding) To adjourn meeting at 6:45 pm.

Motion Carries

Respectfully submitted by:

Sarah Tynan