**Minutes for November 26th 2012**

Attendance: Chris, Emma, Dan, Arno, Nicole, Britni, Olivia, Shannan, Leo

Regrets:

1. Welcome
   1. Olivia
      1. Fourth year rep
   2. The first meeting of every month will invite year reps
2. Budget/Audit
   1. Did not pass Audit
   2. Arno has talked to Sean to fix it
   3. Arno has made the budget
      1. Income
         1. Finance: $ 2758.80
         2. Communication-Apparel: $200
         3. $2, 958.80
      2. Expenses
         1. Finance: $200
         2. Communication: $300
         3. Social: $400
         4. Miscellaneous: $400
         5. $2, 300.00
      3. Difference: $658.80
   4. Arno motions to pass the budget
      1. All in favor
   5. Received $350 for Shinership!!
   6. Chris proposes to use the miscellaneous budget to spend on a new computer
   7. Use the scholarship for socials to spend on events
3. Social events
   1. Bar night
      1. Chris got guest list at Pub 101
      2. We can potentially change the location if we want to, we have the option of all York bars
      3. Questions?
         1. Not spending any money on this event
         2. Promo
            1. Facebook group
            2. Nicole can make a poster on Wednesday to put on Facebook group
            3. Class presentations
            4. Chris will send an email reminder

Nicole will include SAFA events as well

* + - 1. Meet at Chris’s before, pub night at 10pm
  1. 12 Days of Holidays
     1. December 11th (1-3pm)
        1. Bake sale already
        2. Dan- eggnog stand
        3. Nicole- photo stand
           1. Use a map with lights as the background
        4. We can rent a spot in the UCU
        5. Chris motions to combine bake sale and photo booth
           1. Passed
        6. Generate revenue to Toy Mountain
        7. Add to newsletter
        8. SAFA is doing main promo, Nicole will make posters
        9. Leo will write up small write up, translated and send to Jenna
        10. Dan and Emma will pick up decorations ($20)
  2. Next Semester – Dan and Shannan
     1. Wine and Cheese
        1. Ask department about timing, potentially early March
        2. Bring it up in the next department meeting in December
           1. Ask what day of the week is better and what time
     2. Geography and Environmental Olympics
        1. Gift certificates and prizes
        2. Trivia night at 1848 or Royal Oak
        3. January or February event
     3. Hike/Excursion
        1. Talk to outdoors club
        2. Sugar bush trip
        3. Snowshoe trip (everyone pays for their own rentals, we pay for the bus)
        4. Gatineau Park
           1. Cross-country skiing

GGSA has rented a cabin at Gatineau Park, going away for a weekend to go cross-country skiing

* + - 1. Retreat
         1. Where the second year field camp is held or Olivia suggested Camp Fortune

Ski trip in the end of January

* + - * 1. Big item in terms of expenses (busses, facility rentals etc.)
      1. Skating trip on the canal
      2. Tubing/Snow Shoeing
    1. Shannan and Dan pick January 26th
    2. Welcome back bar night in the first week of January
       1. Next Monday come prepared with potential dates (see how this pub night goes first)
    3. Forward any more ideas to Shannan and Dan

1. Apparel Update
   1. Nicole re-emailed about apparel details
   2. Scott is really busy, will get back to Nicole later this week
   3. French translation? Check pricing first
2. BOD Update –Brit
   1. Toy Mountain
      1. SAFAs charity for December
      2. Collecting gifts to donate to underprivileged families
      3. Each MA brings a gift to the next BOD
   2. December BOD will be an appreciation meeting
   3. Chris got Volunteer of the Month!!
   4. Volunteer Database
      1. Volunteer database can use for translation, service is not running right now
   5. ACSSA
      1. Did not get their levy, have not been attending meetings
   6. Events
      1. Red and Green Cup Party
      2. Blanket Fort
      3. Thespis Holiday Smash Up at 1848
3. Office/Couch
   1. Can move into History’s office beside our office
   2. SAFA is currently using the room for storage
      1. We would need to move everything
   3. Or we can move the couch into our office
   4. Consensus to move to HAS office
   5. Chris will send Jenna a formal meeting to move
   6. Vote to move offices
      1. Britni, Nicole, Dan, Shannan, Arno, Emma are FOR
      2. Leo and Chris did not vote
4. Computer
   1. Chris and Arno will go ahead and purchase a computer before Christmas
5. Xmas Cards
   1. Chris made a list of people to give our Christmas card to
      1. One to every full-time profs in the department
      2. One to each admin in the department
      3. One to the Grad Students Association
      4. One to the SAFA
      5. Print 30
6. Schedules
   1. Send Chris your schedules for next semester to pick a meeting date and office hour dates
7. Xmas Bonding
   1. Potluck on Friday!
8. Varia
   1. Election issues
      1. Discuss ways to encourage increased voting turnout
      2. Leo suggests a General Assembly
      3. Chris suggests Leo bring his suggestions about changing the constitution to next meeting