Minutes - Social Concerns Committee for Tuesday, October 31
In attendance: Voting: Alton Frabetti, Ramona Walls, Leone Brown, Scott Zotto, Sarah Knapp
Non-voting: Miranda Moore, Andrei Antonenko

1) Brief greetings and introductions
Meeting for Social Concerns
I. Approval of Minutes
II. Old business
a) smoking ban counter resolution
   - committee for this development. Ramona said three expressed interest but did not get
   back to her yet when they learned it was a daytime meeting.
b) J building to $100. 17 were graduate students; the committee agreed to give an extra
   $100 to the students with spouses to total the 2200 budgeted
c) James OConnor - meeting to be set up
d) traffic and safety - Little/Forum
Nov. 29 12:30-2 Union Ballroom is available by way of NYPIRG
e) Lindy's taxi - resolved

3) New Business
a) Transportation
   bus issues
   - Schomburg discussed - the huge noise problem. Miranda noted that West Apartments
   residents use the bus so it cannot be eliminated
   - Ramona suggested parking fees (for P lot etc.) to fund new buses. To be discussed as a
   possibility with OConnor.
   - Ramona asked if funding is waived for parking for TAs then does it get replaced?
   - Ramona suggested electric buses as an eventual substitute
   - idling buses should be discouraged
   - Alton suggested to not have music played on buses, or at best to play National Public
   Radio
   - Alton suggested ads on buses as a source of funding
   - Scott noted that the "stand behind white line" as a safety element does not exist.
   - Scott asked about electronic billboards - are they still on the buses and how may they be
   used?
   - Chapin bus to P lot
   Used principally by hospital personnel. Seems to be used hence only during morning
   rush and may not be necessary
b) campus climate report
client-server culture under assessment and transformation by the University
- Alton will review and come up with comments

- c) Quality of Life survey (annual)
  - Ramona & Miranda offered to review it and email questions list
  - create by December GSO mtg.

- d) GSO excessive use of paper at meetings - Ramona suggested ways of eliminating it.

The meeting was then adjourned.