1. Call to Order
   - Attendance
     - Present
     - Andrew Fischer
     - Silvia Radulescu
     - Caroline Reppert
     - Alex Hollister
     - Natalie Klingher
     - Conor Craven
     - Catherine Cooper
     - Abigail Armstrong
     - Sarah Nolan
     - Alex Reading
     - Marchel Holle
     - Jordan Zeng
     - Victor Oyadiji
     - Ben Schafer
     - Evelyn Torsher
     - Alexander Klosner
     - Alexandru Hirsu
     - Sharif Shrestha
     - Han Joon Byun
     - Lizzi Tran
     - Zach Oscar
     - Mariaelena Hiller Chacin
     - Zach Hardmeyer
     - Don Stayner
   - Excused
     - Erik Marks
     - Lauren Mulligan
     - Tim Hartel
     - Sharon Liu
     - Ellie Ducommun
   - Absent
     - Elizabeth Rodriguez
     - Brady Sprague
     - Cesar Renero
     - Maura Torres

2. Public Comment Period

3. New Business
   - Honor Court Nominee Confirmations:
     - Chair: Taylor Elicegui '17
     - Class of 2016 reps: Carolyn Mitchell and Hunter Green
Class of 2017 reps: Richard Wenner and Caroline Reppert
Class of 2018 reps: Conor O'Shea and Lauren Getman
All confirmed! Congratulations!

- Spectator Editorial Discussion
  - Silvia Radulescu- [Distributed copies of the Spectator to members for reference. Editorial is on pg. 4. Read editorial out-loud.]
    - Good points raised in the editorial
    - We were elected to represent the student body and we have a responsibility to know what’s going on. At the same time, we are supposed to discuss issues that are important to the student body, so we should have our own discussions.
  - Evelyn Torsher-
    - It’s a problem that a student who hasn't been to Student Assembly is complaining about how we run our meetings. If you have a problem with the meetings, then you should come and voice that concern!
  - Catie Cooper-
    - Why is the article not attributed to anyone? Who is the majority of the “Editorial Board” that agrees with the article? There should be a name behind it.
    - We don’t just discuss issues to further our personal agendas but rather to bring up concerns that other students raise to us.
    - The editorial only mentions two things that Student Assembly has done; however, it does not mention the majority of our debates (only the Housing Resolution) surrounding school policies.
    - We aren’t here just to send out announcements from other people (AIDS Hike for Life, Cram & Scram Changes) but also to discuss issues important to us as students and as student leaders.
  - Conor Craven-
    - Our job is to discuss issues that affect the student body.
    - Everybody reads the SA Minutes because we talk about important/controversial issues. If we didn’t discuss them, people would not read our minutes and find out about the AIDS Hike for Life, etc. The editorial suggest we do more promotion/announcements, but that can’t happen effectively if people don’t read the minutes.
  - Marchel Holle- (Agrees with Andrew) We don’t just talk about trivial issues. The issues we discuss matter to the student body.
    - Feels the unsigned editorial is appropriate. Expresses view “view of the paper.”
    - Student Assembly is the proper venue to discuss campus-wide concerns.
    - If students have concerns, they should come to meetings.
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- Editorial fails to mention that it is important to talk about questions related to the bomb threat… Shows that not all students had all the information regarding the emergency/event.
- Disagrees that people can come to the meeting. Room not set-up to have large numbers of people in attendance.
  - Zach Oscar-
    - Interesting that every specific example listed in the article came from only one meeting: last week’s.
    - Agrees that we may have spent too much time on certain issues. They were not unimportant issues, but we could have used our time more efficiently.
    - Just because the administration has already rendered decisions on certain issues, doesn’t mean we should avoid discussion. These issues still affect the student body.
    - Appropriate that Evelyn Torsher’s opinion piece is on the next page. Student Assembly lacks student input. If there are more important issues that students think we should talk about, then come to the meeting and tell us! It is very hard to tell what other issues we should be spending time on when students aren’t telling us.
    - Feels that the whole editorial is an overly aggressive accusation.
  - Andrew Fischer- Slightly ironic that the SA Elections are listed under “Who Cares?” a few pages later…
    - Run for Student Assembly!
    - Agrees that if students want us to focus on other issues, they should tell us.
  - Zach Hardmeyer-
    - Important that we talk about issues that are on the mind of the student population. If students don’t think the issues that we are discussing are important, they should tell us.
    - If certain issues are on the minds of students, then we have a responsibility, as elected representatives, to discuss them. That’s true even if we can’t directly change administration policies.
  - Don Stayner- This editorial is pretty civil compared to others.
    - Just giving us feedback on how we should do things, and we should always welcome feedback.
    - While some of the piece is not totally accurate, there are good points.
    - People would like to see us get ahead of issues, and address them while they are fresh. This is better than always responding to problems as they arise.
      - Ex: Instead of talking about issues in a reactionary way (Senior Formal), then we should focus on things that we can actually impact.
  - Andrew Fischer-
    - Yes, we should try to get ahead of things. If people have suggestions, let me know. Always ask Dean Thompson, President Stewart, etc. if there are any significant issues/changes coming-up. Nothing big yet.
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○ Caroline Reppert-
  ■ Please let me know if I misrepresent anyone’s statements in the minutes, so that I can correct them to the student body. I want to make sure that all of your statements are accurately reflected.

○ Victor Oyadiji-
  ■ We should think about how people would interact with us when they come to meetings.
  ■ We should include a survey at the end of the minutes. It would give the student body an opportunity to respond how they feel about certain issues. It would also allow them to raise any issues that they want discussed.

○ Catie Cooper-
  ■ People read the minutes and get information from them. They arguably reach a wider audience than any one meeting or publication, so we should rehash certain issues that are important to the student body.
  ■ Thankfully, there haven’t been that many issues/changes so far this year, such as FYE, housing changes, etc. that were proposed a few semesters ago. There is some truth to fact that we haven’t discussed really important issues, but we also haven’t had to this year.

○ Conor Craven-
  ■ It is ironic that on the next page that there is an opinion piece about how Hamilton should be better prepared for emergencies when we were criticised for discussing that very same issue.
  ■ Even though the editorial says that Student Assembly members don’t do their homework, the only examples given about how we spend our time were from last week’s meeting.
  ■ It is our job to discuss decisions made by the administration, otherwise there wouldn’t be a discussion with the administration at all.

○ Zach Oscar-
  ■ The Student Assembly minutes reach a different audience than the HERT meeting did.
  ■ In response to Don Stayner- Even though it was made in good fun, we shouldn’t have made the hot tub comment. That is an example of how we can stay more on task.
    ● Don Stayner - Not under the impression people took that comment seriously.
  ■ Just because we maybe could have used our time more efficiently, that does not mean that the discussions are invalid.

○ Marchel Holle-
  ■ In regards to the hot tub comment made last week- People liked it. There is nothing wrong with a lighthearted joke in the minutes once in a while.

4. Committees
  ● Constitution
  ● Cultural Affairs- No food truck this week.
  ● Facilities- Looking into liability on the swing suggestion
Mari Hiller Chacin- There should be better communication between the last regular Jitney and first Late-Night Jitney. People have been stranded at the Marquee Cinema on weekend nights.

Marchel Holle- Heard that people got stranded downtown this weekend. Is that a normal problem?

Andrew Fischer- The Late-Night Jitneys run reliably until at least 2:00 a.m.. Past 2:00 a.m., they check if people are still waiting by the VT to come back up. It’s really based on visible demand after that.

Abby Armstrong- The new “no guest policy” is problematic for over-21 guests.
  ● Could we try and figure out a guest sign-up system?
  ● Silvia Radulescu- Guests are no longer allowed to ride the Jitney. A significant number of under-21 year-old students tried to use fake-ID’s to get on the Jitney, posing as “guests.”

Andrew Fischer- Get the impression this policy is short-term. Student-administration committee will meet soon to discuss the Jitney “writ-large.”
  ● Conor Craven- The jitney guest policy is an example of an issue that we can get ahead on, but instead we are waiting until the administration makes a decision for us.
  ● Andrew Fischer- Silvia and I (as well as a number of other SA members) are on the “Jitney Committee.” No discussion yet, but we’ll see where it goes.

Food- Last meeting of the semester will be next Monday.
  ○ Working on the dirty plates issue in McEwen
  ○ Will ask about the cup situation in Commons
  ○ Victor Oyadiji- Maybe dishwasher needs to be cleaned?

Health and Safety- Class and Charter Concert Poster Campaign
  ○ Had discussions with Nancy Thompson about how to make Class and Charter Day safe while still being fun for the students.
  ○ Informational posters will go up starting next Monday
  ○ Starting next Thursday evening, a second round of “more concise” posters will go up.
  ○ There will be a budget proposal sent out via email during the week to cover the costs of the posters.

LITS Committee-
  ○ Hamilton Student app in development. Hoping to have it published by the end of the semester.
  ○ Mari Hiller- Could the Jitney be on the app?
    ■ Don Stayner- The app will have basics out first, but maybe in version 2.0
    ■ Lizzi Tran- The signal for T-Mobile users is very weak on campus.
      ● Don Stayner- LITS is working on a survey about wifi and cell service issues on campus.
        ○ Verizon is working on putting up a new cell tower, which should be online within the year.
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- Marchel Holle- Can we get wifi in the observatory?
  - Don Stayner- If there is a problem with wifi, call the IT Help Desk!
- Printer on first floor of Science Center- first left down the main hallway.
- Testing a dorm listserv in Carnegie (carnegie@hamilton.edu)
  - Carnegie residents will get an email soon.
  - Bridges gap between all-student emails and personal communication with friends.
- Philanthropy- Silent Auction on May 2nd at 6pm.
  - The auction will benefit Nepal Relief.
  - Senior week tickets will be part of the auction!
  - People should come!!! Make a difference!!
  - Evelyn Torsher- Heard that Philanthropy hasn’t donated the money that was raised in the past.
- Zach Hardmeyer- There was a problem with past leadership, but we have a new Treasurer. Letters are being sent out and funds distributed as we speak.
  - The time-sensitive funding has already gone out.
- Sharif Shrestha- Started a fundraiser with other Nepalese students attending US colleges.
  - This fundraiser is targeted at rural areas, which have not received as much help.
  - $1 can make such a difference! It can buy a day’s worth of food in Nepal.
  - There is a second fundraiser to help doctors provide aid to rural areas: https://life.indiegogo.com/fundraisers/nepal-earthquake-survivors-relief-fund
- Social Traditions- Working with CAB on Class and Charter Concert
  - Shirt sales on Wednesday and Thursday of this week and also Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of next week.
  - Holi will be Saturday, May 2nd.
- Student Interests- Tuesday Bluesday was a success!
- Senior Week- 420 Senior Week tickets sold so far
  - Last chance to get tickets is 11:00-1:00 on both Wednesday and Thursday of this week outside the Diner.

5. Funding
Rollbacks:
ACS: $200, HCDEMS: $357.50
Amount remaining prior to Student Assembly meeting 4/27/15: $12250.37

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| Student Activities | Plaques for Class and Charter Day Awards | $554 | $554 | N |

*italics = Discretionary*

Total Amount Requested: $554*
Total Amount Recommending: $554*
Amount Remaining in Discretionary if Budget passes: $3707.55
Amount Remaining in General Budget: $12807.87

- Passed in full

6. Announcements
- Elections for Class Representatives are coming up!
  - Platforms and completed signature sheets (25 signatures from classmates) due **May 3rd by 4:00 pm**
  - Election rules meeting held **May 3rd in Sadove Sun Porch 4:00 pm**
  - Official elections **May 10th-May 11th**