Committee on Student Communication – Meeting minutes (Annual Meeting)
Friday, October 14, 2016, 10:30 a.m., Cinefest

Members Present
Joey Redman (GSTV General Manager), Troi Charity (The Signal Editor-in-Chief), Jody Brooks (faculty at-large), Boyd Beckwith (Director, Student Center), Lauren Booker (General Manager, Digital Media Group), Wakesha Henley (Business Affairs for Student Media), Stephanie Devine (New South Editor-in-Chief), David Armstrong (faculty, Communication)

Members Absent
Bryce McNeil, Stephanie Bivins (Album 88 General Manager), David Revzin (Underground Editor-in-Chief)

Guests
Dre Swinton (sitting in for Stephanie Bivins), Lindsey Baker (sitting in for David Revzin)

Call to order
Meeting was called to order by Boyd Beckwith at 10:04 a.m.

CMAATL16/National Student Media Convention
Bryce sent information via an email that the CMA is expecting 500-700 participants. He ask that the media leaders forward any names of students that are interested in attending. David suggested that if there was a way to have faculty alert their students in their departments concerning the conference in Atlanta, this would be a good idea.

Media Heads Updates
Album 88- Dre reported the next 88 Sessions was scheduled for Tuesday (October 25) with Nai Br.xx performing. The group was looking at a November session with Shepherds but they had not confirmed at the time. The staff attended the A3C convention in Atlanta in light of there not being a CMJ convention in New York City in 2016.

The Signal- Troi reported special upcoming issues included the Halloween, Basketball and Food issues. The paper will be recruiting for another month, including recruitment on Perimeter campuses. Efforts to fill various bureau chief positions were still in progress.
Troi also noted that the OrgSync application process was had been successful and had expedited the process of Bryce reviewing applications and Troi being able to select appropriate candidates. The Perimeter faculty was scheduled to bring students on October 19th to the Atlanta campus to learn more about Student Media and The Signal specifically. The goal was for the submission of a feature piece for The Signal.

GSTV- Joey reported that there were some issues with the remodeling but it was coming along well. He was soliciting feedback from his staff on how to improve the station with new equipment and design to capitalize on the new studio space. The staff was hoping to update GSTV had seen the success that The Signal had with OrgSync and he intended that they would soon be following in The Signal’s footsteps in this area.

New South- Stephanie Devine reported that the new issue (9.2) has been printed. They would be co-hosting a plaza event for the National Day on Writing on October 20 with the Library, English department, The Signal, Five Points and Underground. She met with Wakesha to finalize travel plans for New South students for the Association of Writers and Writing Programs convention in February 2017 in DC. New South had three new volunteers on staff (including Lindsey Baker).

Underground- Lindsey reported that the staff was currently participating in the National Day on Writing on October 20, with New South. Four staff members were scheduled to attend the South Atlantic Modern Language Association conference and had solidified travel plans with Wakesha.

Digital Media Group- Lauren reported that they are were still in the process of making the app live on Apple devices, but that the certificates had been approved. Once it app was live she would link the media groups information via the app and create an “anchor” podcast about the events going on within all of the Student Media groups. She and Nicole Motahari intended to produce podcasts for the CMA conference.

Additional Business
Boyd mentioned reporting opportunities concerning the Courtland Street Bridge. An open forum meeting was scheduled for October 20th with an opportunity for journalists to ask questions to the city and state officials about how this would impact Georgia State staff and students. Boyd mentioned the next speaker series would be Ben Cohen and Jerry Greenfield. Dre asked Boyd if there would be more Career fairs that focused on Media Jobs. Boyd and David suggested that the media groups should work with Career Services to bring more media focused companies to campus for Student Media. Boyd mentioned going forward there would be no additional A/V fees for students renting rooms that already have A/V. He added that the Digital Aquarium was renamed CATLAB and was located in the basement of Aderhold.

The meeting was adjourned with no questions from the audience. The next meeting was scheduled for November 11, 2016 at 10 a.m. in Room 1127 in 25 Park Place.