STHSA Meeting March 5, 2012

Attendance: Micah C., Molly N., Calissa K., Anne H., Andrew T., Ashley A., Allison B., Sara Beth G., Joseph K., Soren H.

Petition for Coffee Funding for Community Life

* 5lb bag of coffee is $41.50 x 2 = $83
* Ashley needs to talk to Valentina about the amount needed.
* Motion to approve up to $83 for Community Life to buy coffee. Vote: 6-0-1

Library Staff Search Committee

* The head librarian asked Joseph Kyser to serve on search committee for a new library staff member.
* STHSA has no problem with Joseph serving as a student representative on this committee, especially after he was sought out by the head librarian.
* Motion to allow Joseph to serve on Library Staff Search Committee. Vote: 7-0-1

Student Participation in Faculty Searches

* Faculty search committees were concerned about the lack of student participation in search committee processes. Student participation in meet-and-greet and open lecture was low.
* Ideas for improving student participation:
  + Schedule times that fit well with student schedules
  + Notify students well in advance
  + Reach out to individual students and reach out to a diverse group of students
  + Structure meet-and-greets

Vision Statement

* We are a representative body of theological students, who uphold the School of Theology Community Principles of love, justice, respect, safety, rights, and responsibility.
* Through communal leadership, we empower students and foster vibrant community through activities such as advocating for student concerns with administration, funding student groups, and organizing events for the student community.
* Motion to table the conversation on the vision statement. Vote: 8-0-0

Motion to adjourn. Vote: 8-0-0