Speak Meeting Minutes November 11, 2014

List of Attendees: Breanna Hayes (Treasurer), Alexander Dean, Alice Patricia Santiago, Luis Breyer (Vice-President), Victoria Scozzaro, Jared Kelly, Sara Barnowski, Bonnie Smith, Rikaela Greone, Shane Prate, Matthew J. Carlisle, Jessica Bullock (President), Elijah LaChance (Secretary)

President Bullock noted that the time has passed to listen to lectures – everyone will speak at every meeting!

President Bullock introduced Speak's mission and goals, and noted that all Speak members have full permission to begin reaching out

## Introductions

Past Events:

UVM Huber Debate Tournament

St. Anselm College Tournament – UVM team won and took all the speaker awards

## **Upcoming Events:**

Speak Radio Program – the Speak Radio team will meet weekly to determine the topic (first topic: midterm elections)

Shows will be pre-recorded and aired Tuesdays at 11:30.

Chittenden County Regional Correctional Facility Program will start in the spring. Background checks are ongoing

The committee for setting up format of Public Debate @ VLS is soliciting interest. The public debates will be held in the spring.

Ms. Santiago suggested Q+A session/debate for public officials

Treasurer Hayes suggested that Speak provide members to serve as the introducers for all guest lecturers – she will follow up

Pilot Program Session 2: Constructing Solid Argumentation & Practice Debate

The members debated the proposition: "This house believes democracy has failed America"

Upcoming Meetings: Tues, Nov. 18th @ 4:30 PM