



Student Government Association

Executive

10/5/17

Minutes

- I. Call to Order- 5:02pm**
- II. Roll Call**

Nejesea Brown, Brianna Egers, Maylene Angeles, Isabel Galindo, Jackeline Reyes, Nahshon Bolton, Elie Jean Pierre

Also In Attendance:
Jaime Oyola, Matthew Mullins
- III. Approval of Agenda**

Nejesea asked members to look over agenda to see if any changes needed to be made. Agenda was amended to remove “Communication” under Nejesea’s report; remove “Topics for retreat next meeting” under Brianna’s report; replace “Recruitment Event” with “African Heritage Month Issue” under Maylene’s report and move Maylene’s report to be heard first. Nejesea motioned to approve amended agenda; 1st by Jackeline, 2nd by Isabel. Approval unanimous.
- IV. Approval of Minutes**

Nejesea asked members to look over minutes to insure accuracy. Nejesea motioned to approve the minutes; 1st by Elie, 2nd by Nahshon. Approval unanimous.
- V. Maylene Angeles, Vice President of Public Relations**
 - 1. African Heritage Celebration Issue**

Maylene mentioned that a member from SABLE approached her with concerns of why AHC was less than 2 weeks when it used to be a month long celebration. Jaime explained that there is a memo of understanding in regards to theme celebrations. He stated that SGA gives CASL \$50,000.00 for clubs to use during theme celebration week. He mentioned that in the past clubs have requested funding like they normally would and that would cover other dates so that events are held during the month. He also stated that the University has not taken away or shorten the actual month just the amount of funding that is given to clubs. Jackeline stated that part of the issue may have stem from previous e-board members not explaining to the new e-board the actual process of how they did things when it came to theme celebration week.
- VI. Nejesea Brown, EVP of SGA**
 - 1. Retreat Itinerary**

Nejesea spoke about the retreat and what will be on the itinerary. She stated that there will be 4-6 sessions so that returning senators don’t have to repeat sessions that they have already done. Nahshon asked to present a workshop if there is a need. Nejesea

mentioned that Francisco and Donna will be presenting a workshop. Nejesea stated that next week she will definitely have the itinerary complete.

Brianna mentioned that she had asked senators if they knew what the purpose of a retreat was. Most replied that they weren't sure. Others replied that it's for bonding, learning about a different committee and what SGA is about and Pioneer Life.

VII. Brianna Egers, President of SGA

1. 1st Meeting Debriefs

Brianna mentioned that she attended Nahshon's first meeting. She stated that it went well and that she will continue to visit different committee meetings to see how everything is going. Nejesea mentioned that Elie's first meeting went well too.

Brianna asked both Nahshon and Elie how their first meeting went with a full committee/new members. Each gave positive feedback as well as things they feel they can have members work on and improve.

2. Committee Housekeeping

Brianna stated that an advisor needs to be appointed by committee's next meeting. She mentioned that in order to pass money an advisor is needed. Also vice chairs need to be appointed by next meeting. She asked VPs how many open spots (senators/at-large) did they have left. All committees except Academic Affairs, JRB and Public Relations were full.

3. It's On Us

Brianna mentioned that the It's On Us will be held on 11/21/17. She stated that she will be having a follow-up meeting with Theresa Bivaletz and they will speak with other organizations to see what types of ideas they have.

4. Administration Dinner

Brianna asked if everyone has rsvp'd to attend the dinner. All VPs stated that they have responded and will be attending.

VIII. Isabel Galindo, Vice President of Academic Affairs

1. Open Senator Spaces

Isabel mentioned that the only college that is full on her committee is Science and Health. She stated that all other colleges need an at-large member and 2 senators. She asked VPs to help her promote to get people to join.

2. Vice Chair

Isabel stated that Kerowyn is Vice Chair of Academic Affairs.

3. Science & Health Dean Meeting

Isabel mentioned that Kerowyn met with her Dean last week and invited him to attend a committee/senate meeting. She stated that the Dean would like to do a workshop with her college. However, she asked if it can be open to all. She's currently waiting for a response.

IX. Nahshon Bolton, Vice President of Student Life

1. Outlook for Student Life

Nahshon mentioned that one of the main things he is looking into is different incentives when doing SGA events. He stated that he will speak with Donna for her thoughts. He asked that if members have any ideas on incentives for open forums please let him know.

X. Elie Jean Pierre, Vice President of JRB

1. Fresh Start

Elie stated that his first JRB meeting went well. During the meeting they discussed the appointment of Zach as an at-large member. They also discussed when he as the newly elected VP gained power to appoint members. Elie apologized for the email that he sent to the e-board and stated that he realizes that he could have gone about the situation in a different manner.

XI. Old Business

Brianna mentioned that there will be an Open House on this upcoming Sunday. Maylene stated that it will be held in the MPR due to rain from 10:00am- 12:30pm. She mentioned that she needs 3-5 people to volunteer to help out. She also stated that those who volunteer she needs them to stay for more than an hour. Nahshon volunteered to help but stated that he would only be able to stay for an hour. Isabel volunteered to help out as well.

XII. New Business

- Matthew mentioned the issues that he has with the SGA closet in length. Tamara stated that she has already spoken to Jaime in regards to the closet and they already have a plan to alleviate the congestion in the closet. Matthew also mentioned ordering business cards for members of SGA. Maylene asked that he please forward her the design that he has in mind for the business cards.
- Brianna mentioned that each month she would like to present a Senator of the Month certificate to 2 senators that the e-board chooses. V.P.s stated reasons on why they feel their senator should be awarded a certificate. Members voted on Gabriela Lora, Kerowyn Smith and Kwame Mavour. **Gabriela-6 Kerowyn-3 Kwame-2**. Gabriela and Kerowyn will receive certificates at the next senate meeting.
- Brianna stated that more volunteers are needed for Pioneer Pride Week. She stated that she will put the flyer in the group chat.

XIII. Announcements

Brianna mentioned that today is Mu Sigma Upsilon Sorority Incorporated Founder's Day.

XIV. Adjournment- 6:24pm