



Student Government Association
Senate
Minutes

- I. Call to Order- 5:11pm**
- II. Roll Call-** please see attached
- III. Approval of Agenda**

Kwame asked to have his report heard before Elie's report; Elie asked to remove topic #2 from his report; Brianna asked to move topic #1 of her report to old business. Brianna motioned to approve the amended agenda; 1st by Dena, 2nd by Mildaury. Amended agendas approval unanimous.
- IV. Approval of Minutes**

Attendance was amended to mark McKinley Tull as present at the 11/14/17 meeting. Brianna motioned to approve the amended minutes; 1st by Isabel, 2nd by Adrianna. Amended minute's approval unanimous.
- V. Brianna Egers, President of SGA**
 - 1. It's On Us Recap**

Brianna thanked all supporters and the Ad-Hoc committee which consisted of 13 senators for helping with the event. She stated that it was a great turn out.
- VI. Maylene Angeles, VP of Public Relations**
 - 1. PR Update**
 - Maylene mentioned that there will be an SGA Game Night on 11/30. Games will include board games, cards and trivia to see how well SGA is known. Food and drinks will be provided.
 - SGA Holiday Party with CASL for Oasis will be held 12/4/17. During the party refreshments will be served while gift wrapping is taking place. She asked members to please donate gently used or new toys to the toy drive that was recently started. She stated that wrapped gifts will be delivered to Oasis on Friday, 12/8/17.
 - Maylene mentioned that SGA t-shirts should arrive tomorrow. She stated that if committees want promo items to please let her know ahead of time.
 - 2. Spring '18 Initiative**

Maylene mentioned that next semester she will be giving her senators more responsibility. She will split them into 4 sub-committees to work on events. A senator

asked what type of events will be held. Maylene responded that the types of events that will be held are events like community outreach, elections and distress fest.

VII. Nahshon Bolton, VP of Student Life

1. Student Life Open Forum

Nahshon mentioned that Student Life's Battle of the Halls Open Forum will be held on 11/30/17 during common hour in UC 168 A/B. A flyer was attached that gave information pertaining to the forum.

VIII. Kwame Mavour, Senator of JRB

Kwame presented a letter to senate that was written by JRB. The letter was to address why senate voted against the chartering of the ACLS Club. Kwame read the letter to senate after which Kwame motioned to move into discussion, 2nd by Danielle. Approval unanimous.

Senators and advisors voiced their opinions and views on how voting went during the last senate meeting. Discussion regarding the way senators voted was lengthy. Some senators stated that they denied the chartering due to her presentation, others denied it based on their thoughts of the club causing separation on campus. Senators stated that if it were brought back to senate and presented properly they may change their vote. *Sahir motioned to set a timer for 2 minutes discussion time per senator, 2nd by Adrianna. After senators stated that the timeframe would not be sufficient Sahir amended his motion to 5 minutes for total discussion time, 2nd by Matt. Motion failed 15-21-0.*

Discussion pertaining to why charter was not passed as well as questions being asked of Kwame on why senators are being questioned about the way some senators voted continued. Francisco was in attendance and mentioned that he did not have a problem with the way members voted because they have the right to vote anyway they want to. However, he advised members to be mindful of how they vote. He also made members aware that clubs that are denied may seek legal action. He emphasized that he isn't saying that this is what's taking place but for members to be prepared just in case a situation like that arises.

Mikinley motioned to end the discussion in 5 minutes, 2nd by Ariel. Motioned approved to end discussion at 6:15pm 31-5-2.

Discussion continued with senators reiterating the responses they gave earlier. Matt brought up the issues with ACLS constitution. It was asked that they just discuss what was at hand being that no one denied the charter due to constitutional issues. Brianna asked if there were any solutions since the discussion has now ended. *Matt motioned to refer back to JRB due to constitution clarity and typos, 2nd by Ahmir. Approved for referral back to JRB 22-4-12.* Danielle gave the reasons of the President not being prepared and choice of words when describing the clubs purpose. Kwame stated that he will forward those concerns to the ACLS President so an appeal process can begin.

IX. Elie Jean Pierre, VP of JRB

1. Why ACLS was not chartered

Elie presented the updated ACLS constitution and stated that he doesn't have much to say because Kwame's report covered everything pertaining to ACLS.

X. Advisor's Comments

Jaime wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and he'll see everyone on Monday.

Donna wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving, enjoy their break.

XI. New Business

Maylene emphasized the importance of members following Robert's Rules during the meeting. She stated that in future meetings if she notices senators having side conversations or on their phone she will call them out.

XII. Old Business

Brianna mentioned that last week executive reflections was tabled and she would like to know if the VP's want to discuss the reflections or table. Brianna motioned to table executive reflections; 1st by Danielle, 2nd by David. Approval unanimous.

XIII. Announcements

Danielle- CARISBA Craft for Kids event for St. Jude 12/5; 11/21 Goodie Bag Making 7pm-9pm in UC 118.

Marvin- Veterans Clothing Drive. Please donate gently used or new clothing. Items can be brought to the Veterans Office located by the bus stop. Donations are being received from 8:30am- 4:30pm.

Matt- Happy Thanksgiving to everyone; thanks to any senator that spoke up during today's meeting. He's proud of them especially those who don't usually speak up.

Chaderra-I'm That Girl Interest Meeting.

Dena- Thankful for all, have a Happy Thanksgiving; Love you all.

Ahmir- Alpha Kappa Psi Pimp My Planner event in Hillside from 7:00pm-9:00pm.

Nejesea- asked for everyone to show respect to the entire SGA. Stop throwing shit on SGA. We are a family and she's tired of hearing about people throwing shit on SGA. (She reiterated what she said and how she felt for about 3 minutes).

XIV. Adjournment

Brianna motioned to adjourn the meeting; 1st by Ahmir, 2nd by Maylene. Approval unanimous. Senate meeting adjourned at 6:44pm.