

Student Government Association Minutes

December 2nd, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:06.

Roll was taken.

Absent:

Excused: Leif Larson, Sam Benson, Anzley Harmon, Breanna Benson, Brooke Domonoske, Zachary Cummings and Casey Feldner

Minutes from the November 18th, 2013 meeting were reviewed. President Josh Sandy asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes. Minutes were corrected. With corrections the minutes were approved.

OFFICER REPORTS

Secretary Alex Buchholz reported that senators need to get their required office hour in every week. Also passed around extra committee report sheets.

Co-Directors of Intramurals Luke Lietner reported that 3-on-3 is going well and will be ending soon, 2 more weeks. Basketball will be up and running again next semester.

Director of State Affairs Emily Anderson reported that NDSA met last month with four guest speakers. One speaker being Chancellor Skogen who spoke on Pathways updates. More on NDSA will be in the committee reports. She also passed around the sign up sheet for the next NDSA.

Director of Marketing Ward Lamon reported that he will be focusing on promoting Karaoke, The Butler and Duck the Halls. Tell all your friends!

Director of Media Relations Anzley Harmon was excused

Co-Directors of Entertainment Nikki Egge and Marley Kotylak reported that Dec. 4th will be Karaoke from 11-2 with Bose speakers as the prize and The Butler at 9:19. The following week will be Duck the Halls in the Dam. There will also be cookie decorating and hot chocolate at Duck the Halls! New hashtag for Instagram and Facebook #MSUWonderLand, will be a prize for the best picture.

Vice President of Finance Kelsey MacNaughton reported that Student Government has \$8,917.53, Student Activities has \$8,662.66, and Intramurals has \$2,709.57.

President Josh Sandy reported on some food updates. Updates include quesadillas moving up to the Dam and timeline being placed on Dr. Fuller for renovations. Also touched on Sustainability handout regarding our questions for Mr. Foisey and Dr. Paul

Lepp. The Wellness Surveys were reviewed with results (80%) in favor of faculty using the Wellness Center for a fee. Lastly, the SGA Christmas card was passed around.

Advisor Leon Perzinski had nothing to report

Advisor Aaron Hughes had nothing to report

Advisor Dr. Jenkins was absent

Faculty Senate Representative Dr. Jean-Francois Mondon was absent

Staff Senate Representative Linda Benson was absent

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Tyler Flatland reported on Parking Appeals committee, which met and reviewed and decided upon appeals.

Kelsey MacNaughton reported on the Finance Commission, which approved two requests as presented and increased one request by two dollars. The approved requests will be presented to SGA on January 27th. Fees requested were for Athletics, Sustainability, and CETL. They will go into depth about it all when it is presented at the later meeting.

Haley Heiser reported on the General Education committee, which wrapped up the major discussion about the Gen Ed advising worksheet after deciding that a sample worksheet should be created, along with an explanation of how it works, for students to understand. The deadline for the courses to be in the new catalog is March 18th.

Brittany Diegel reported on Staff Senate where Dr. Fuller discussed the oil and gas impact fund and uses for Augustana. Also there is a new internship program in the works to get students into the community. They then discussed the staff and faculty wellness survey. Last, Beth Odahlen discussed the Minot Public Schools Bond issue. Voting is December 10th.

Chelsea Geis reported on Mental Health, which discussed crisis centers, psychiatric offices and Telemedicine which is a program where students can Skype a licensed nurse practitioner and have medicine prescribed to them.

Brooke Domonoske reported on IAC, which approved an edited version of the election packets document and election code document to be voted on in General Assembly.

Chelsea Geis reported on SAC, which discussed an App for blood alcohol level content. Also discussed was crisis centers and psychiatric help on campuses. Talks about using the bond fee to help elevate payments on campus connections. Statewide Service Day to be planned by individual campuses.

Zachary Niebuhr reported on SLAC, where they broke up into groups to research projects, discussed the Pathways document and elected a New Chair, Nikolas Kukert NDSCS.

Danielle Foster reported on Chamber Commerce where Dr. Fuller reported that MSU purchased Augustana church with oil funding and will house Student Health, Lutheran Campus Ministry, and a veterans center. Also 6 buildings are on campus are heated and cooled with geothermal. Furthermore, Minot is implementing a "Get Out and Play" campaign which will include a cross country trail and sledding hill at Souris Valley Golf course. The outdoor ice rinks will be flooded in December. She also reported that Pathways plans to change to paying per credit and that we had a presentation on bond issues. Lastly, remember to get out and vote December 10th.

Ward Lamon reported on Evaluation Committee, which further discussed evaluation forms that they will present to Faculty Senate. Also, the faculty that are on the committee will try and create two poles for their classes.

Callie Cook reported on the Alumni committee, which talked about either decreasing the number of scholarships and raising the amounts or giving out more scholarships with decreased amounts

Josh Sandy reported on ITAC, which discussed possibly revamping the library. Also, talk about classroom

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ADHOC AMC Research committee reported that its better to wait it out and see how and if other schools use this service. South Dakota State is also going about this matter in the same way,

NEW BUSINESS

Senator of the Month for November is Haley Heiser!

Laura Bakke nominated Zachary Niebuhr because he is very outspoken and always ready to start conversations.

Laura Bakke nominated Skylar because she is always excited for SGA events and meetings.

Luke Leitner nominated Haley because she is always in the office and always excited for her committees.

Zachary nominated Chelsea because she is a very active freshman senator both on our campus and at NDSA.

Luke nominated Tyler because he has not missed an office hour and has that smile that brightens your day! Also super involved.

Kelsey nominated Brittany because she took a lot of time to work on the pizza cards and is always ready to talk at meetings and be involved.

Pathways is made up of 5 parts, was formally called the 3 Tier Proposal. The first part being Access – allow students to be able to obtain there goals through post secondary education. More transparency with updated admissions standards. The other 4 will be discussed at later meetings.

Promotion help, need people to work a booth handing out SGA Ice Scrapers and Student Savings Club cards on Dec. 4th at Karaoke in the Dam from 11-2. Please sign up!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NDSA

January 25-26/BSC

MSU:Life

Karaoke + Free Food/Dec 4/12:00

Movie: The Butler/Dec 4/9:19

Preview before movie will be Krypton

Duck the Halls/Dec11/9:00

Finals Breakfast/Dec 16/9pm

Intramurals

3-on-3 Basketball/Wed/6:00

December 10th is the Bond Issue, get out and vote and inform people!

Next Meeting: January 27, 2014

ADJORNMENT

Without any further business President Josh Sandy adjourned the meeting at 8:02.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alex Buchholz, SGA Secretary