

Student Government Association Minutes

February 10th, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 7:03pm.

Roll was taken.

Absent:

Excused: Casey Feldner and Codi Thomas

Minutes from the January 27th, 2014 meeting were reviewed. President Josh Sandy asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes. With new corrections by Alex Buchholz the minutes were approved.

OFFICER REPORTS

Secretary Alex Buchholz reported that we need to keep the office and our language clean this week and for following weeks as well.

Co-Directors of Intramurals Luke Leitner and Casey Feldner reported that bowling and basketball are going great! Tomorrow night is Battleship! Also the Hockey Tournament is Feb. 25th is open on IMLeagues.

Director of State Affairs Emily Anderson reported on the procedures of NDSA and that we are hosting next week. Friday night is business apparel and supper will be at 5:30 with Dr. Fuller as the speaker. Saturday morning wear your red SGA polos with breakfast at 8:00 and meetings starting at 8:30. Also NDSA follows Robert's Rule and Parli Pro very strictly.

Director of Marketing Ward Lamon reported that old posters are being taken down, so that's awesome to see! Also if you ask a question at the open forums you will receive a SGA Ice scraper.

Director of Media Relations Anzley Harmon had nothing to report.

Co-Directors of Entertainment Nikki Egge and Marley Kotylak reported that there is a Slam Poet at the Beaver Brew on Feb. 21. Also, the four presidential candidates will be on campus Tuesday through Friday. From 11:30 to 12:30 there will be free food and an open forum in the Beaver Dam. After they visit the committee will narrow down the search to three candidates, which then go interview in front of the Board of Higher Education.

Vice President of Finance Kelsey MacNaughton had no numbers to report and that she will be ordering clothes for the new senators shortly.

President Josh Sandy thanked everyone that helped out at the Penny Carnival. Also there will be a Blue Light demonstration in the Audubon Room Feb. 18th and the Academic Advising Task Force will now have student representation. Lastly, the office will be closed from 11:30 to 12:30, try and asked to be excused from class if possible.

Advisor Leon Perzinski reported on what the University Diversity Committee will be doing during Black History Month. Also, if interested in a Director position

Advisor Aaron Hughes had nothing to report

Advisor Dr. Jenkins was absent

Faculty Senate Representative Dr. John Girard reported that Faculty Senate is working on a survey for open textbooks. Currently 69.4% of teachers offer reduced-cost options, 40.6% use e-books, and 31.9% use open source textbooks. Also the bookstore lists various options when buying books for classes.

Staff Senate Representative Linda Benson reported there will be a “Be in the Know” session on employee perks tomorrow. Also they have logged 180 volunteer hours and there will be another silent auction in April.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Kelsey MacNaughton reported on Student Welfare committee, which reviewed club constitutions that were submitted for revisions and looked at new club constitutions as well.

Haley Heiser reported on the General Education committee, which has met twice in the past two weeks. They have approved 58 different courses to be included under the General Education classification. The committee will continue to consider applications until the 14th.

Zachary Niebuhr reported on the NDSA publicity committee will have a table outside of the SGA Office and a presentation in the Fisher Room to further explain NDSA to students from 1 to 4

Brittany Diegel reported on the Child Welfare committee, which talked about options for getting started on a center and reviewed the National Association for the Education of Young Children’s guidelines for child centers.

Ward Lamon reported on the ADHOC Evaluation committee, which reviewed the pilot evaluation instrument, made minor format changes to the form, and prepared their results for faculty senate

Nikki Egge reported on Food Service committee, which discussed concerns about the Dam closing before 9. Christine McIntosh reassured the committee that it will be open until 9. Also, the proposal to allow drink cups or bottles out of the café was turned down. Last, the variety of food being served was discussed along with moving the flatbreads upstairs.

Josh Sandy reported that the Special Event Committee met

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

CETL Transition Leaders/Peers work through the CETL office and lead incoming students. You will tell the new students about all the great services offered at MSU and bring them on a service day project to the Zoo. Applications are due by the end of April.

MSU Peer Mentoring Program needs Mentors for FYE courses to help transition freshman into College. Great experience for those majoring in Education.

Renee Escherich from the Roosevelt Park Zoo brought a Chinchilla and presented on the history, vision, and renovations of the Roosevelt Park Zoo. Also there are multiple internships and volunteering opportunities available for students at the Zoo.

Spring Budget is pretty much a mirror image of the Fall Budget, changes include NACA trip in place of DC trip. Kelsey MacNaughton moved to approve the Spring Budget with the changes discussed and the transfer of funds to both the Women's Hockey account and Intramural account. Motion passed.

Girls Basketball Playoff Home Game, would SGA be in favor of buying 250 tickets for a possible home playoff game? Zachary Niebuhr moved to allocate up to \$500 for tickets for a possible home playoff game. Motion passed.

Senator of the Month for January is Zachary Niebuhr!

Emily Anderson nominated Brooke – “She has been super helpful in the office and with coordinating NDSA.”

Luke Leitner nominated Joel – “He has been helping out a lot with Intramurals, always smiling and representing SGA all over campus.”

Laura Bakke nominated Zach Niebuhr – “He’s always in the office and very helpful with his actions and opinions.”

Hats – group project to solve various problems

Kylie Gammas moved to create a SGA Honor Stoll committee. Committee members include Josh Sandy, Laura Bakke, Kelsey MacNaughton, Chelsea Geis, Anzley Harmon, and Skyler Niebuhr. Motion passed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NDSA

February 21-22 / Minot!

MSU:Life

February 21 / Slam Poet / Beaver Brew

Intramurals

Mondays: Bowling @ 9:15

Wednesdays: Basketball @ 6

February 11 / Battleship / MSU Swimming Pool / 7:00

Next Meeting: February 24, 2014

ADJORNMENT

Without any further business President Josh Sandy adjourned the meeting at 8:55pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alex Buchholz

SGA Secretary