**Student Government Association**

Date: October 23, 2017

Present: Aaron, Kaitlin, Annika, Bikalpa, Paula, Aya, Kanwal, Levy, Emilee, Mason, Cassie, Rohith, Megan, Skyler, Ashley, Maggie, Paige, Stephanie, Shelby, Ayotunde, Alex, Ameilia, Jay, Haokun, Queenie

Absent: Michael (Un), Jordan (E), Gideon (Un), Cambree (Un), Haley (Un),

The meeting was called to order at 7:01pm.

Emilee moved to adopt agenda, seconded. Motion passed.

Minutes corrections: None.

Shelby moved to approve with said corrections, seconded. Motion carried.

**OFFICER REPORTS**

* Vice President of Student Outreach Paula

-New weekly social media. Humans of Minot State will start in November. Beaver trick or treat on Monday 30th—offices giving candy to students wearing beaver gear. Info booth in front of SGA office with comment/suggestion box on a monthly basis.

* Vice President of State Affairs Bikalpa

-NDSA committee working on a couple of resolutions, these will be posted in facebook page for any recommendations or feedback. Attended SLAC committee.

* Vice President of Internal Affairs Annika

-Asks everyone to look at office hour tracking sheet.

* Vice President of Finance Kaitlin reported

-account is at 47,828.61

-Clothing order will be placed this week

* President Aaron

-Thanks to those who made it to the photo shoot and dinner.

-If you are the last person in the office, close doors and lock it. Talk to Leon/Aaron or call campus security to lock the office.

**ADVISOR REPORTS**

* Leon Perzinski

-Food Service meeting at 1 pm tomorrow in Westlie room

* Aaron Hughes

- Nothing to report.

* Faculty Senate Rep

- Nothing to report.

* Staff Senate Reports

-Nothing to report.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

* President Shirley

-Thanks everyone for service to Minot State.

-Monday/Tuesday next week Minot State will host a site visit team for Peer Reviews for Higher Learning Commission (HLC) for 10 year accreditation.

-Budget Recommendations Committee (BRC) Last year 8.6 million dollars was the drop for this fiscal year on July 1, 2017. More financial challenges this year due to decrease in enrollment (~6%), so the committee has been reinstated. Overall freshman class has increased, but student count in other areas is down.

-New strategic plan: Empowering Generations committee to implement the plan into action. Looks at longer plan/bigger picture of the University.

-Maguire Associates presentation 10/24 which helped market MSU will present their findings.

-Dr. Shirley has an open door policy for all ideas/issues/questions.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

* Paula—Gen Ed, reviewed change of constitution, talked about the mentality of general classes
* Jay—NDSA, attended new member meeting
* Aya—NDSA student affairs, talked about student art vlog project, gender pronouns in university system
* Levy—NDSA, vlog project in December video team will be here, NDSU’s SGA made a resolution for gender pronouns
* Haokun—Evaluation of Teaching, trying to increase response of evaluations at the end of each semester. Meets Thursday at 8am in 220 Swain Hall if interested.
* Alex—RHA, currently preparing for regional conference in Iowa
* Paige—Academic Policy committee, started to look at committee makeup and adjusting wording from recent changes
* Skyler- Student Welfare, passed new club constitution

**NEW BUSINESS**

* Senator Review: Remove Michael Rangel as senator because of number of unexcused absences. Emily moved to remove Michael Rangel, seconded. Motion passed.
* Club and Student Organization Funding: Alex moved to approve the budget, seconded. Motion Carried.
* Senate Recommendations Committee: discussed ideas found on board, graduation stoles (to be reused, not owned by members). Kaitlin moves to create a new internal affairs committee to be chaired by Annika and Kaitlin charged with the task of reviewing the graduation stoles and the internal surveying of SGA, seconded. Passed.

To create a mission statement for SGA. Bikalpa made a motion to send motion to the constitutional committee. Seconded. Passed.

Implementation of open discussion/senator reports. Alex moved to table the implementation of open discussion, seconded. Passed. Discussion will be tabled to next meeting.

* Senator of the Month: Congrats Haokun!
* NDSA Information: The voice of the students, discussion of how NDSA functions and getting involved.

**UPCOMING EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

* Please encourage students to take part in the recent dining survey
* Don’t forget to check the office hour tracking sheet this week
* Next Meeting November 6th, 2017 @7pm
* Escape Room tomorrow 8-10 in Student Union.
* Theatre Performance: November 2-5th.

Alex moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Annika Kraft

SGA Vice President of Internal Affairs