

## Minutes

Wednesday, October 22, 2014

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call 1<sup>st</sup> Taylor 2<sup>nd</sup> Mike
- III. Approval of Minutes October 15, 2014 y-23 n-0 a-7  
1<sup>st</sup> Steven 2<sup>nd</sup> Conner y- n- a-5
- IV. Officer Report
  - a. President- Meeting with Dr. Lazono we talked about first year seminar. It's an important class, but shouldn't take place at noon.  
Ethan: I heard the class is useless a lot of the time.  
Nate: I didn't think it was a waste of time. The class had different requirements such as attending a SGA meeting and it taught us how to use degree audits. It should be more specialized like have engineers learn what they need, AOJ, surveying, business, etc.  
Carmen: Maybe make it a possible web class so it lets them try a web class.  
Conner: This class is never going to go away. We're looking for ways to improve it. I know people say it's useless, but depends who the teachers is and how they run it.  
Mike: I got a lot out of mine and it helped with the degree audit.  
Megg: I wasn't in the class, but I feel like it is a need though.  
Recognize Nit Lit Arts 1<sup>st</sup> Joe 2<sup>nd</sup> Carmen  
Dr. Lazono: Thank you for bringing it up. I hear that it is important to students and is a good idea. This is our third time doing this and we're trying to make it better. We try to schedule students according to their majors and have instructors from their major teaching it. It is taught on a seven week period with class twice a week. Once during common hour when we bring in different speakers to talk to students. We are going to keep offering it and have it show it up on the degree audit. It puts our campus on the same level with other PSU campuses and we are the only campus that says we need it, but don't required it.  
Ethan: I've heard negative comments about it, but I'm glad to hear that it does have a positive effect. It seems students that don't like it are those with teachers that didn't do much with it. Also with it over common hour it hurts club meetings with lack of attendance.  
Ryan: If you are interested in this topic come to Academic Affairs!!! First SFF meeting was this past Friday. The major thing we focused on was the seating area when you first walk into the science. See Hannah if you want to have an opinion on it. We also talked about the students' commons project going a bit over budget. The sound system for the

radio club will still be done before the end of the year and we are focusing on the back deck off commons.

- b. Vice President – At the end of meeting I want to take a picture.
- c. Treasurer- No Report
- d. Secretary – No Report
- e. Upper PR- No Report
- f. Freshmen PR- No Report
- g. Webmaster- No Report
- h. *Sergeant of Arms* – No Report
- i. Senators- No Report

Taylor: On behalf of the secretary, if you want your dog on the back of the agenda send Katie a picture. Her email is on the back of the agenda

- j. Advisor Reports- Jackie: There are many events coming up. Thursday October 30, Robert Channing will be in the commons and that night is also that night Halloween party. Kathie: Midterms are a lot of pressure so please use the learning support center if you need it. Seniors are open to schedule see advisor for help! November 12, before bonfire we are having an individual come to talk about branding yourself for interviews. It will start at 5:30 and food will be provided. Also Sarah is there to talk to if your need to her door is always open.

1<sup>st</sup> Carmen 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed y- n- a-5

#### V. Committee Reports

- a. THON – This Saturday is our Zombie 5k. Registration is at 10 and the run starts at 11. There is a zombie sign up in commons if you want to be zombie. If you're going to be a zombie please come for 9 and if you want to help out be there by 9:30. Our next big event will be penny wars. Canning video. We tripled last year's canning total for the first weekend.
- b. CRC – Meeting sometime soon.
- c. Café – Meeting today in the café at 2:15 and there will be food. So come out and voice your opinion!

- d. Academic Affairs- Ryan stole our report. Join Academic Affairs!!
- e. Just do it- We will be putting up flags of the states that our students are from along with the country's flags of our international students up in the gym.
- f. Student Athletic Advisory Board – I met with Brian and we talked about what to do for the basketball games. We came up with selling drinks and snacks, different half time events, and see if Dunkin Donuts or Hillside would want to sponsor different events along with other companies.
- g. International Relations – We talked with Kathie about a luncheon on November 4, with the SGA executive board and international students so they can meet each other.
- h. Housing- We will be having a meeting in ARB102 next week. If you have an issue with housing come to the meeting! Also it's not just for people who live in the Nittany Commons, but for anyone if you are leasing or renting  
1<sup>st</sup> Steven 2<sup>nd</sup> Ethan y- n- a-5

#### VI. Club Reports

- a. Blue & White Society – We are selling sweatshirts they are \$20 if you want one see Ed.
- b. Business Club – Excused  
Chelsey: We are having our first annual car smash bash over in the ARB parking lot next week. We are also talking and planning a food drive.
- c. The Revolt– No Report
- d. Engineering Club – No Report
- e. 4 Season's Club – We are selling par cord bracelets for \$3 and \$5 for a larger version. They are called survival bracelets. The midnight fishing trip has been cancelled because no one wanted to go. Our next event is horseback riding.
- f. Lambda Sigma –No Report
- g. Lazy Artist – No Report
- h. Surveying Society – This week we are holding our geo caching event. There are excel spread sheets in the commons to sign up.

- i. The Students for Justice – Anyone going on pen trip we are leaving at 10am.
  - j. Nit-Li Arts – Our first trip to Philadelphia is November 8. If you are interested in coming please see me.
  - k. Fitness Club- We still have 8 to 10 spots open for paintball. It is \$10 and we will be carpooling.
  - l. Global Citizens Society – No Report
  - m. ISTSA – Absent  
1<sup>st</sup> Carmen 2<sup>nd</sup> Brittany y- n- a-4
- VII. New Business  
None  
1<sup>st</sup> Alex 2<sup>nd</sup> Ethan y- n- a-3
- VIII. Old Business  
Thermal Binding Machine Power Point  
Voting next week and the PowerPoint will be on the SGA website  
1<sup>st</sup> Mike 2<sup>nd</sup> Carmen
- IX. Open Forum  
Hannah: There is a body imagine session tonight at 4:30 in ARB102. The second session will be November 5 and boys and girls will be separate at this one.  
Kathie: October 30, at 6pm Brian will be in the Career Center talking about athletics. If you have any questions about working with sports teams come and talk to him!  
Megg: Susan Russle came to speak on Monday and I'm feeling better about people coming out to the educational things.  
Jackie: Make sure to register your fundraisers.  
Picture  
1<sup>st</sup> Nate 2<sup>nd</sup> Carmen
- X. Adjournment