Minutes

Wednesday, February 25, 2015

Call to Order

II. Roll Call

1st Ed 2nd Joe

III. Approval of Minutes February 18, 2015

Alex: What would you like to see improved on campus?

Tyler: Tech center parking

Megg: What made you join SGA now?

Tyler: Resume builder

Motion to vote 1st Ed 2nd Kyle

Megg: I think he's a good guy and will bring some good view to SGA

Voting y-27 n-0 a-0

CONSITUTIONAL CHANGES

<u>Chelsea</u>: I got bad news that Damon's grandfather has passed away. I have his address on the board if anyone wants to send him a card.

Ryan: We will have discussion before voting today. We will push the vote until next week if we need to.

Grace Period:

Mike: What happens if it's during spring semester?

Ryan: The grace period would be that spring semester. If there was no grace period they would have to wait until the fall of next school year.

Move to vote - Ethan

Objection – Ed

<u>Jackie</u>: It disheartens me that there is no discussion on this. I believe that there is a lot that needs to be said about this issue.

<u>Alex</u>: Last meeting we talked about the different problems with the constitution. Now that we have solutions there is no time to talk about them.

Motion to Table - Conner

Megg: The vote for this should be campus wide not just SGA. As a SGA member or club our personal views may get in the way of when we are voting.

Ryan: So you think people who have no knowledge on this issue voting is better.

Megg: Not giving the whole campus a chance to vote is like we're trying to blanket this issue because a lot of students don't know what is going on at our SGA meetings.

Kyle: The government is elected officials who make the laws and we trust them too.

<u>Tyler</u>: As a club representative I bring these issues back to my club and talk with my club on how to vote.

<u>Mike</u>: I think it should be campus wide, but people have plenty of chances to join SGA or sit in and voice their opinions.

Conner: People can easily come and voice their opinions and give us their input.

Zach: Why doesn't freshman PR have a GPA?

Ryan: They don't have a GPA as a freshman until spring semester.

Zach: Isn't it basis to have a lower GPA for one member of the executive board then the rest.

<u>Conner</u>: My job is walking people out of the room and emailing people when they have missed too many meetings.

Ryan: Sergeant of Arms is also appointed not elected.

<u>Ed</u>: As an athletic we have to keep out GPA above a 2.0. If we fall below that there is no grace period or changing the constitution.

<u>Joe</u>: We need to make a discussion because spring break is in two weeks. If we don't this issue won't be resolved and what we want to change won't happen this semester.

<u>Kathie</u>: I think the grace period needs ranges of 0.05.

<u>Alex</u>: If your grace period is in the spring then there really is no consequences because to be on executive board for the fall you'd have to go through reelection.

<u>Ethan</u>: This isn't a sport, we aren't being paid here, and we volunteer to be here every week. We are a buffer between the students and administration.

Eric: When is bring a friend?

Ryan: We might push it back a week.

<u>Eric</u>: We are all adults in this room, yet we are acting like kids. By pushing this back a week we are delaying other activities. We need to vote on this soon because if we don't it'll be the end of the semester before we know it.

<u>Ben</u>: I've been here for maybe 3 or 4 meetings and this is all we've done. I don't want to spend an hour of my time on this if this is all we're going to be doing.

1st Kyle 2nd Joe

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IV. Officer Report

- a. President- No Report
- b. Vice President No Report
- c. Treasurer- No Report
- d. Secretary No Report
- e. Upper PR- No Report
- f. Freshmen PR- No Report

- g. Sergeant of Arms Thanks for coming!
- h. Senators- Megg: There is bird poop on all of the buttons. If you see that please contact maintenance so they can clean it up.
- i. Advisor Reports- <u>Kathie</u>: Our athletics don't get paid to play sports. I hope students don't feel like this is a waste of time to talk about these issues. I would like to introduce our new police officer. We are going to invite Lisa back to talk to us when there is more time. Movie night is tonight and there is a CAB meeting at 8 o'clock tonight. 1st Kyle 2nd Carmen

V. Committee Reports

- a. THON –This Friday we have a meeting. Congrats to Katie and Ryan!! Thanks to everyone who came and drove this weekend. Our total is for Penn State Wilkes-Barre is \$18933.50!!!
- b. CRC Do you want to have a CRC meeting to talk more about this issue? Motion to vote on CRC 1st Joe 2nd Ed
 Voting y -7 n -5 a-0
 We will have a meeting before the next SGA.
- c. Cafe No Report
- d. Academic Affairs- No Report
- e. Just do it- Excused
- f. Student Athletic Advisory Board –This is Brian's last week. Tell him good luck if you see him.
- g. International Relations We had a panel last week and it went great.
- h. Housing No Report 1st Ed 2nd Joe
- VI. Club Reports

Motion to blanket 1st Megg 2nd Joe

- a. Blue &White Society Absent
- b. Business Club No Report
- c. The Revolt- No Report

- d. Engineering Club Excused
- e. 4 Season's Club No Report
- f. Lambda Sigma No Report
- g. Lazy Artist No Report
- h. Surveying Society No Report
- i. The Students for Justice No Report
- j. Nit-Li Arts No Report
- k. Fitness Club- No Report
- I. Global Citizens Society- No Report
- m. ISTSA No Report
- n. PSU Nerd Herd We have decided that March 6, will be our first event. April 9, will be super hero day. April 16, is piñata bash. Can we put tokens in the piñatas for the casino night?

Voting y- 15 n-0 a-1

Ryan: Any other club can talk to us if they want to do the same thing.

1st Joe 2nd Ed

VII. New Business

None

1st Ed 2nd Tyler

VIII. Old Business

None

1st Kyle 2nd Ed

IX. Open Forum

<u>Alex</u>: How many of you are in the Science and go through the bottom door? Can you fit? No one can fit. If there's a fire what should we do?

Kathie: Gary said there is nothing we can do right now.

Megg: It's going to cost a lot of money to redo that. It is a cement building not a wood building therefore fire would stay in that one room.

<u>Kathie</u>: I will bring that up to Gary. I have a tradition to give a bear to the dancers and this year to Carmen also.

Conner: This weekend is THAW be safe.

Megg:

- 1) Why should we require a minimum G.P.A. at all to participate in SGA leadership higher than the senators' required G.P.A.?
- 2) Why would we change (lower) the G.P.A. minimum requirement so that less academically successful, minimally acceptable for graduation students can lead S.G.A.
- 3) If we change the minimum required G.P.A. for SGA leadership for one person this year, will it go into effect for upcoming years, leaving it possible to have SGA leadership consisting of below average, probation students? What will that make our campus look like?
- 4) What are our ideals for SGA leaders?

1st Ed 2nd Joe

X. Adjournment