

## Minutes

Wednesday, April 22, 2015

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

1<sup>st</sup> Joe 2<sup>nd</sup> Dalton

III. Approval of Minutes April 15, 2015

CCSG Proxy

Motion to vote on a slate 1<sup>st</sup> Dalton 2<sup>nd</sup> Mike

y- 25 n-0 a-4

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IV. Officer Report

a. President- SFF meeting today and it's our last one of the semester. Eric has talked a lot of updating the TC kitchen. Another proposal a sand volleyball court and finishing the deck on the student commons.

Vote on Kitchen y-20 n-0 a-3

Vote on sand volleyball y-15 n-0 a-3

Vote on student commons y-21 n-0 a-0

CCSG this weekend, but it will be a pretty laid back weekend. There are a few proposals that we will be going over. Also new website is up and working!

b. Vice President –Thanks to everyone who came out to Casino Night. If you haven't handed in your club member of the year Jackie needs them ASAP!

c. Treasurer- No treasury report. Other news Zach and I have iPads so if you can complete the survey during the meeting that would be great!

d. Secretary – No Report

e. Upper PR- No Report

f. Freshmen PR- No Report

g. Senators- No Report

h. Advisor Reports- Jackie: Bonfire is tonight! SGA banquet is next week please reserve your seat by this Friday in the gym.

Kathie: Thanks Jeff for helping with the website. We will be sending SAF request forms for next school year. The pothole issue is patched up. It wasn't that they weren't addressing it there was problems with some of the equipment. Happy Birthday, its earth day! I asked the men from the basketball team to talk during open forum.

1<sup>st</sup>Ed 2<sup>nd</sup> Mike

#### V. Committee Reports

- a. THON – This Friday is our second to last meeting of the year. Our pasta THON is next week. Tickets will be collected on Friday. If you want tickets please see me. After a very long process we decided Bethany Dennis will be THON Chair for next year!
- b. CRC –Meeting this Friday at 11. We're going to talk about what Nick and Drew have brought up.
- c. Cafe – Meeting next Wednesday at 11 please RSVP. Anyone is welcome!
- d. Academic Affairs- This weekend at CCSG we will be talking about different systems this coming weekend.
- e. Just do it- Excused
- f. Student Athletic Advisory Board – 30 day campaign is going well over \$1600 has been raised! We're hoping to hit our goal of \$5000.
- g. International Relations – No Report
- h. Housing – No Report  
1<sup>st</sup> Joe 2<sup>nd</sup> Nick

#### VI. Club Reports

- a. Blue & White Society – We will be looking into a new exec board.
- b. Business Club –Past Tuesday held our exec board voting. There is a new exec board taking place. Two positions available if anyone is interested.
- c. The Revolt– Finalizing our final issue. If you want an article in the paper email it to us!
- d. Engineering Club –Absent

- e. 4 Season's Club –Rafting trip was a great success! Bonfire is tonight. Elections for next year's exec board were last week.
- f. Lambda Sigma –Election were this past week.
- g. Lazy Artist – No Report
- h. Surveying Society –No Report
- i. The Students for Justice – Meeting tomorrow AC 108. Hoping to take a vote for next year's exec board.
- j. Nit-Li Arts – Electing new exec board members.
- k. Fitness Club- Next meeting voting on new exec board.
- l. Global Citizens Society- Absent
- m. ISTSA – No Report
- n. PSU Nerd Herd – Elections are next week.  
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VII. New Business

Megg: Talked to some of the smokers and said the smoking bins are full. So if those can be cleaned out that would be great. Some employees I've seen walking across campus smoking so I'm hoping so they can be talked to.

Jackie: Those bins are filled and I send a request for them to be cleaned.

1<sup>st</sup> Dalton 2<sup>nd</sup> Megg

VIII. Old Business

None

1<sup>st</sup> Ed 2<sup>nd</sup> Nick

IX. Open Forum

Zach: Thank you to the two people who completed the survey during this meeting!

Drew: As SGA club representatives and senators it's part of our job to voice our opinion.

Megg: Bring a friend day is when? This month is also sexual assault month. Since January there have been 21 reported assaults at University Park.

Dr. Lozano: As this semester is coming to an end it is a great time to nominate a faculty member for an award. I will be sending an email with information on how to nominate someone.

Kathie: Tomorrow at 12 AC103 our police officer will be doing a presentation on raising awareness about sexual assault.

Ryan: Anyone who hasn't done a survey and wants to?

Kathie: I wanted to give an opportunity to students of color to talk about what they are feeling.

AJ: We feel like we are outsiders of PSWB. We walk into the commons and people walk away or stare at us. We'll hold the door and say good morning, but they won't return it. I'm a senior so it wouldn't change anything for me. I want to make it better for the next group of students. We've been having these meetings since last semester. I don't know if we scare you or if it's something else.

Denzel: I feel like it's because this area isn't every diverse. I'm not saying that it's you trying to be racist, but that you aren't use to it. I think if you open up to us it would enhance your college experience.

Ed: I know most of you guys. I have no problem with any of you. What can we do to help and make you feel more comfortable?

AJ: I don't want to come off that we're complaining but we are. Maybe you guys don't know what you're doing. I have science with a few other people. Zach made a comment about how it shouldn't take that long to receive a gun permit and I was offended by it.

Zach: It had nothing to do with the color of your skin. Most people get theirs in a short amount of time, but it wasn't meant in that way.

Megg: There are some courses that do offer information on African Americans. There are plenty of different course, but you might have to really look for them.

Denzel: It's important for whites to look at what they're saying and how it can be interrupted. We don't always think before we speak.

Joe: I came from a high school with a very small black population. I believe it's a lack of culture in this area many of us didn't have that in high school or weren't exposed to it. It's a huge cultural impact and it's a heavy white campus. It's going to take work from both sides to change this and make a difference. I think that you guys coming today is great and hope you come to SGA more often and voice your opinions.

Denzel: We're coming from a different place where it's a more diverse population. We're trying to learn how you guys live. I hope you guys could try to get to know us and having a little conversation with us goes a long way.

Mike: What is the most common thing that has happened?

AJ: The commons and when we walk in if someone is playing a game they leave. I would love to play with you guys I'm tired of playing the same people. I know Kathie has emailed people about how you guys feel.

Ryan: Sorry I didn't make it to the meeting yesterday. As far as the ping pong I don't spend a lot of time in there. For example, half the women volleyball team was in the weight room and I was intimidated to go in there. If you guys come in as a group it could be a little intimidating.

Jackson: I'm a transfer student. I have a lot of white friends so when I transfer this wasn't a huge shock to me. I don't have a lot of white friends here minus a few of you. I would like to be closer with you guys. I think we do need to come more together and get to know each other more.

Drew: Can we continue this talk next week?

Dr. Derby: I'm glad this is going on and I hope it does help. It's a way for students to talk openly and to hear both sides. They're not the only ones benefiting from this all of you are. There are different way to say the same thing and in a way that isn't offensive or taken the wrong way. We want to promote inclusiveness. I'm glad that these students have come here to talk about this and hope this continues next semester. There are very productive member in the black community. They have the same hopes and ambitions as you do.

Ryan: We invite you guys back next week there will be food. Next week everyone bring a friend! There is a bonfire and pig roast and we want you guys to come!

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X. Adjournment