

## SGA Meeting Minutes 9-27-17

**Attending:** Grant Amoateng, Jeremy Brenneman, Joshua Curtis, Mario Hernandez, Emmanuel Kampanga, Paul Kayembe, Donaldo Lleshi, Nathaniel Nissley, Abigail Shelly, Ella Spitler, Ben Zook, Vice-President Nicole Litwiller, VP of Marketing Rachel Holderman, Treasurer Erik Peachy, Co-President Caleb Schrock-Hurst, Co-President Adam Harnish, Secretary Luke Mullet, Faculty Rep. Vi Dutcher, Staff Rep. Amy Springer

**Absent:** Austin Tomlin (volleyball game), Leah Wenger (soccer game), Jim Smucker

1. Call to Order at 8:04pm
2. Prayer
3. Roll Call:
4. New Business
  - a. Faculty and Staff Representative Introductions: Amy Springer (staff rep.) and ViDutcher (faculty rep.)
  - b. Signups for snacks and sub-committee: Talk to Adam or Caleb if you have any questions.
  - c. SGA Budget Introduction: Erik Peachy provided a brief overview of the SGA budget.
  - d. Robert's Rules Introduction by Vi Dutcher: The most important component of Robert's Rules is the motion. A motion is an opinionated command-style statement about the topic at hand (prefaced by "I motion to"). Motions must be seconded to be voted upon. Once a motion is seconded, there is space for discussion before the vote. There are three ways to vote: approve, oppose, abstain.
  - e. USO Funding Request
    - i. Earthkeepers and SFI request **\$170.00** from USO funds for the annual transfer meal which occurred on 9/21/17. This meal is hosted by all (five) of the sustainability clubs at EMU, but only two clubs (Earthkeepers and SFI) needed extra funding for the event. The goal of the transfer meal is to create a welcoming space for transfer students at EMU and connect them with returning students. Therewere about 80 people in attendance of the event.

Motion (Jeremy): Give \$170.00 from USO funding to cover the clubs' expenses.  
Ella seconds the motion.

Approval:15  
Opposed: 0  
Abstaining: 0  
Motion passes.
- f. Gear Up: Gear Up is a program which taps on college students to mentor high school students in local Harrisonburg schools.

- g. DACA Response--Roundtable: Several professors expressed an interest in a student led effort to help inform students about DACA and the repercussions of possible policy shifts. Mario mentioned that there already are some activities being planned around this issue. The next step is to contact the Multicultural Office.
- h. Local Politician Debate: JMU is hosting a debate between two local politicians. Should EMU host these politicians in some way? Nicole said that a Questions After Dark event with these politicians could be interesting. The next step is to contact the History Department.

Jeremy motions to end the meeting.  
Nicole seconds.

Meeting ended at 9:00pm  
Recorded by Luke Mullet