

## SGA Meeting Minutes 10-18-17

**Attending:** Grant Amoateng, Leah Wenger, Joshua Curtis, Mario Hernandez, Paul Kayembe, Austin Tomlin, 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, Staff Rep. Amy Springer, Faculty Rep. Vi Dutcher, Administration Rep. Jim Smucker

**Absent:** Emmanuel Kampanga, Jeremy Brenneman

1. Call to Order at 8:03pm
2. Prayer
3. Roll Call
4. Approval of minutes from 10/11/17
  - a. No objections. Minutes approved.
5. Announcements
  - a. Drink sales during centennial were below the expectations but still generated a net profit somewhere between \$400-\$500.
  - b. Vi Dutcher shared about her upcoming event titled “**Vampires with Vi.**” The event will be held on **10/27/17 at 7:30pm** at **1825 N College** in the backyard. The event is sponsored by Writing Studies Faculty. Sofia Samatar will read from her vampire stories. Gather around the fire pit, and be sure to dress warmly and bring a chair or blanket.
6. New Business
  - a. Nathaniel Nissley requests **\$175.00** on behalf of Campus Ministries to fund his Random Hall Party events this semester (7 in total). These events are essentially social get-togethers which primarily take place on weekends at a random hall on campus. The goal is to engage the on-campus community and offer an alternative activity. The first two events had around 45 and 25 attendees, respectively. There will be 5 more Random Hall Parties this semester.
    - i. Motion (Leah): Give **\$175.00** to Campus Ministries for Random Hall Parties.  
Rachel seconds.  
  
Approval: 14  
Opposed: 0  
Abstaining: 1  
**Motion Passes.**
  - b. Pegdwende Quedraogo requests **\$150.00** on behalf of the Rotaract Club to fund a pumpkin carving event. There will be about 20-25 pumpkins (\$125 worth) to be carved and free pizza and drinks.
    - i. Motion (Nicole): Give \$150.00 to the Rotaract Club so that they can give 20 free pumpkins to the first 20 people, any subsequent people must pay \$5 for their pumpkin and left over funds must be given back SGA.

Leah seconds.

- ii. Amended Motion (Nathaniel): Give **\$125.00** to the Rotaract Club to give free pumpkins to students with the condition that the club finds 3 media with which to advertise to students.

Abigail seconds.

Approval: 14

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 1

**Motion Passes.**

- c. Aaron Dunmore requests a minimum of **\$300.00** on behalf of the Cycling Club for a Thanksgiving-themed “Alleycat” bike race on 11/17/17 from 6:30pm-8:00pm.

**The Cycling Club will match any funds contributed by SGA.** The money will be used for prizes and to provide free bike-lights for the participants. \$300 will purchase 15 lights and \$400 will purchase 20 lights. Aaron argues that bike lights are a great safety measure for all bikers. Aaron says that the lights are rechargeable and of high quality for the price.

- i. **Caleb tables this request for our meeting on 11/1/17.**

- d. Lara Weaver requests **\$60.00** on behalf of the Psychology Club for an event where various psychology graduates are speaking about their experience in the field. The money would be going to supply Peace Love and Little Donuts’ donuts for the event. Last year, 20-30 people showed up to this event.

- i. Motion (Ella): Give Psychology Club **\$60.00** for the event.

Nicole seconds.

Approval: 13

Opposed: 0

Abstaining: 3

**Motion Passes.**

- e. Anna Messer requests **\$500.00** from USO funding on behalf of Peace Fellowship, SWIP, EMSWA, Safe Space and BSU (in collaboration with Linda Burkholder, Jayne Docherty, the CJP department, and the Community Mennonite Church) for a non-violent direct action training workshop on 11/4/17-11/5/17. The funding will allow 40 EMU students to attend the event while only paying \$10. There are four main goals for the event: train participants in nonviolent direct action skills, allow participants to explore nonviolent direct action, learn de-escalation strategies/bystander training, and build a network in the EMU community for nonviolent direct action.

- i. Motion (Nathaniel): Give **\$500.00** from USO funding to Peace Fellowship for their direct action training workshop.

Leah seconds.

Approval: 12

Opposed: 3  
Abstaining: 0  
**Motion passes.**

- f. Jonatan Moser requests **\$600.00** on behalf of Social Work is People for Take Back the Night events. The funding will be used for banners, advertising, and to pay for event speakers. The banners would be reusable. This year, there will be less TBTN events but they will be of greater quality and will be better advertised.

- i. Motion (Nicole): Give Social Work is People **\$350.00** so that they can get started on their events with the stipulation that they come back with more specifics if they need more money.

Ella Seconds.

Approval: 15  
Opposed: 0  
Abstaining: 0  
**Motion Passes.**

Meeting ended at 9:33pm  
Recorded by Luke Mullet