

SGA Meeting Minutes
11-07-18

Attending: Treasurer Ben Zook, Co-President Nicole Litwiller, Co-President Mario Hernandez, Secretary Luke Mullet, VP of Marketing Abigail Shelly, Student Life Rep. Rachel Roth Sawatzky, Faculty Rep. Vi Dutcher, Administration Rep. Amy Springer, Anisa Leonard, Ruth Reimer-Berg, Allison Shelly, Austin Tomlin, Ariel Barbosa, Leah Wenger, Emmanuel Kampanga, Emma Hoover, Xavier McCants, Seth Weaver, Hannah Nichols, Donald Lleshi, Jim Smucker

Absent: Vice-President Paul Kayembe

1. Call to Order at 8:03pm
2. Roll Call and Check-In
3. Approval of minutes from 10/31/18: No objections. Minutes are approved.
4. Old Business and Announcements
5. New Business
 - a. Young Conservative Voices
 - i. Ella Spitler presented this club.
 1. Young Conservatives is a non-partisan group also advised by Ji Eun (same as the Young Democrats). Ella thinks that this will attract more people. Their goal is to promote political engagement rather than division. They have already done trivia night with Young Democrats.
 2. Events planned: they are still in the planning stage. They still want to get Ben Kline to come. They also want to have some more simple meetings to establish officers and other details before they start planning larger events.
 3. Ella has fiscal conservative viewpoints; she feels like she can't adequately share those in classes. She also wants to create a space for others who are more conservative who also share that stifling experience.
 4. Rachel R.S.: Would there be space for a third group centered around Republicans?
 - a. Ella thinks so. She hopes that her club would also welcome Republicans.
 5. Other officers: Ethan Herman.

Motion (Justice): Approve the Young Conservative Voices club with the stipulation that they fix the grammatical errors in their constitution.

Emma seconds.

Approve: 15

Against: 0

Abstaining: 0

Motion passes.

- b. Elections for new spring senators
 - i. If you think of any people who would be good candidates, let Nicole or Mario know. You do not have to re-run to be a senator in the spring.
 - c. Subcommittee break-out groups
 - i. Financial (Luke, Ben, Justice, Donaldo, Ariel)
 - 1. Things are going well. The budget is looking solid.
 - ii. TV (Abigail, Paul, Hannah, Justice, Leah, Xav, Austin)
 - 1. The TV is up and running.
 - 2. Tasks
 - a. Team up with CAC (1-2 slides/week)
 - b. Promote SGA events (elections at EMU and US government)
 - c. Feature of 1-2 people (staff, faculty, especially those that are unsung) – interesting facts
 - d. Athlete of the week
 - e. On the side walk “SGA style”
 - f. Reach out to clubs to have their events featured
 - i. Feature club members
 - g. SGA info (meeting time, what we do, etc.)
 - i. Trivia question
 - h. Reach out to Admissions
 - i. Rotation of 7-12 slides
 - j. We are still in the initial stages, so the committee is open to feedback
 - iii. Forums (Mario, Nicole, Anisa, Ruth, Emmanuel, Emma, Seth, Allison)
 - 1. 11/27/18 (inclusion/diversity)
 - a. Melody will be talking about anti-racism etc
 - 2. 12/03/18 (MLK day forum)
 - 3. Spring Semester Ideas
 - a. Harrisonburg Police Chief
 - b. Res. Life Changes
6. Open Floor
 - a. Mario and Nicole met with Scott Eyre.
 - i. Bookstore change idea
 - 1. Scott’s idea is to make the bookstore a student co-op space. He would be willing to support students who are wanting to change the bookstore space.
 - 2. If you are interested, send Scott an email.
 - 3. EMU must provide a way to buy books, but they are not legally bound to have a physical book store.
 - b. Measure for Measure is cool! You should go.
7. Adjournment

Meeting ended at 9:00pm

Recorded by Luke Mullet