

SGA Meeting Minutes

11/20/19

Attending: Co-President Leah Wenger, Co-President Seth Weaver, Vice-President Emma Yoder, Treasurer Hannah Nichols, Secretary Anisa Leonard, VP of Marketing Theodore Yoder, Administration Rep. Amy Springer, Student Life Rep. Rachel Roth Sawatzky, Faculty Rep. Matt Siderhurst, Justice Allen, Isaac Andreas, Ariel Barbosa, Alyssa Breidigan, Tahj'ae Coleman, Elizabeth Dagliano, Donaldo Lleshi, Rhonda Obaugh, Ruth-Reimer-Berg, Fibi Souleymane, Katie Zuercher

Absent: Student Life Rep. Shannon Dycus, Chelsea Brubaker, Emma Hoover

1. Call to Order at 8:01
2. Roll Call and Check-In
3. Approval of minutes from 11/13/19: Minutes approved.
4. Announcements
 - a. Update from D.C trip
 - i. Maya Dula and JD Richardson, co-presidents of BSA updated SGA about their recent trip to D.C. for which SGA funded the bus. SGA shared pictures and shared a little about what stood out to them from the trip.
 - b. Late Night Pancakes sign up will happen Tuesday December 10th. A sign up sheet will be sent out.
5. Old Business
 - a. Rotaract Club Constitutional Revision
 - i. Rotaract is a club on campus which provides opportunities for members of personal development and to engage in service in the community. They have done various events on campus such as food drives and pumpkin carving.
 - ii. This constitutional revision adds EMU's nondiscriminatory clause to their constitution.

Motion (Justice): To approve the Rotaract Club constitutional revision to include the EMU non-discriminatory clause.

Issac seconds.

Approve: 13

Against: 0

Abstaining: 2

Motion passes.

- b. Young Conservatives Voices Constitutional Revision
 - i. Young Conservative Voices is a club which encourages political involvement on campus. The club currently has approximately 15 active members. The club also works to change the perception campus currently has about conservatives. In the future, the club hopes to change its name and collaborate with other college republican clubs around the nation. Next semester they hope to invite various guest speakers and participate in D.C's March for Life.
 - ii. This constitutional revision adds the EMU's nondiscriminatory clause to their constitution.

Motion (Justice): To approve the Young Conservative Voices constitutional revision to include the EMU non-discriminatory clause.

Isaac seconds.
Approve: 15
Against: 0
Abstaining: 0
Motion passes.

- c. International Student Organization Constitutional Revision
 - i. The International Student Organization is a club which hosts various events on campus such as the International Food Festival and a gala fundraiser for a humanitarian cause.
 - ii. This constitutional revision adds EMU's nondiscriminatory clause to their constitution.

Motion (Justice): To approve the International Student Organization's constitutional revision to include EMU's nondiscriminatory clause with the stipulation that the club fixes their title number to thirteen.

Isaac seconds.
Approve: 14
Against:
Abstaining: 1
Motion passes.

6. New Business

- a. International Student Organization funding request
 - i. ISO is requesting \$1300 dollars for their upcoming Gala on April 11th. They are hoping to raise \$6000 to build two to three wells in Africa. Two years ago they requested 1000 dollars for the same event but SGA had only funded part of it. The club is planning on using most of the money to fund the gala. Funding the gala will cost about \$3000.
 - ii. SGA currently has \$470 in its account taking into consideration the amount which will be spent on late night pancakes.
 - iii. Discussion
 - 1. Isaac asked if the ISO budget was created to incorporate the gala. Hannah is not sure.
 - 2. If all three funding requests were approved SGA would be at -1700 dollars. This would cut into next semester.
 - 3. Ariel suggested that SGA could compare what ISO would be spending to the LSA banquet money.
 - 4. Hannah shared it would be fair to table the discussion until next semester.

Motion (Isaac): To table this ISO funding request until next semester

Alyssa seconds.

Further discussion

1. Justice said that we will have to deal with this next semester. He said it would help the club out a lot before hand.
2. Emma said she wants to get more details beforehand.
3. Justice asked if it would be a possibility to hear from ISO next week. Hannah replied saying SGA should request more information that they could accumulate over break.

Approve: 9

Against: 0

Abstaining: 6

Motion passes.

b. Super Mileage Car funding request

- i. Engineers for a Sustainable World is requesting money for the Super-Mileage car. Thus far they have received \$250 from SGA (which they used for the engine) and about \$1400 from crowdfunding. They are currently requesting \$800, this money will go towards materials and equipment. The clubs are hoping for the best and will be grateful for any amount they receive and are passionate about getting more students involved.
- ii. Discussion
 1. If the supermileage car is approved SGA would have about \$800 for second semester accounting for the pancake social.
 2. Donaldo clarified that money from The Shen went into rollover.
 3. Ariel asked why we do the pancake night. Pancake night is a good stress relief for finals week, and also serves to welcome back the semester long cross-cultural.
 4. Donaldo said he wants to help and willing to give whatever. He also mentioned that
 5. If SGA approved both the Super Mileage Car and the Young Conservative voices request SGA would have very little funds left.

Motion (Justice): To table the super-mileage car funding request until next meeting.

Alyssa seconds.

Approve: 14

Against: 0

Abstaining: 1

Motion passes.

- c. Young-Conservative voices is requesting \$160 for transportation to attend the March for Life in January of 2020. The D.C March for Life is the largest pro-life event in the world. They would take their own cars, and currently have 12 people signed up to go. Hannah rec

d. Discussion

- i. Rachel shared that there is a huge need to establish some guidelines about what SGA will sponsor in regards to the political clubs. Rachel wondered if Shannon could lead a process discussing how to handle requests from the two political clubs. Isaac mentioned that there is a Woman's march in D.C the week before. A few years ago SGA helped fund students who attended the pipeline protests.

Motion (Justice): To table the Young Conservative Voices funding request until next week.

Donaldo seconds.

Approve: 14

Against: 0

Abstaining: 1

Motion passes.

7. Open Floor

- a. Justice met with Bookstore Committee. They wanted to know why sales were so low. Justice shared that it was because of cost and the presence of so many competitors. There will be a survey going out from the bookstore that they would like to participate in.

Meeting ended at 9:06pm

Recorded by Anisa Leonard