

SGA Meeting Minutes
4/15/2020

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. Shannon Dycus, Student Life Rep. Rachel Roth Sawatzky, Faculty Rep. Matt Siderhurst, Rodrigo Barahona, Ariel Barbosa, Chelsea Brubaker, Elizabeth Dagliano, Philip Krabill, Adam Peachey, Ruth-Reimer-Berg, Fibi Souleymane, Avery Trinh, Katie Zuercher

Absent: Isaac Andreas, Alyssa Breidigan, Donaldo Lleshi, Rhonda Obaugh

1. Call to Order at 8:01
2. Roll Call and Check-In
3. Approval of minutes from 4/8/2020: Minutes approved.
4. New Business
 - a. Time With Susan
 - i. Students submitted questions for administration through the on campus survey.
 1. How is administration doing? Susan said she is doing well for the most part. She is settling into a routine.
 2. What are you doing to stay connected with students? Susan said she has been reading the weathervane, looking at social media posts, and trying to attend as many zoom sessions as possible.
 - ii. Senate reflections: The Senate was invited to share how they thought SGA has done this year or semester, and to reflect on the year in general.
 1. Good things: Increased conversation/mutual support/critical thinking, asking tough questions, service oriented focus, good preparations for next year, letter to BSA affirming them after their town hall of race, acknowledgment of how the student body isn't reflected in this group, mutual respect and intentional listening, appreciation for hands on experiences (helping clubs set up for events), willingness to be on forums, appreciation for the speakers, leaning into conversation on race, vulnerability of leadership, being present and office hours, inviting students to come talk, feeling like we're a part of something bigger.
 2. To improve: how to be attentive to groups that aren't clubs, being in more, efficiency of meeting.
 - iii. Susan shared that she was encouraged by increased diversity, in all areas of campus, including on the Board of Trustees. Susan hopes that there will be an increase in student representatives to various inner institutional committees..
 - b. 2020-2021 budget
 - i. Young Democrats submitted a request for \$500.
 - ii. Phoenix is using the extra money to mail hard copies to students who submitted to the Phoenix, as well as creating an online template.
 - iii. Common Grounds and Weathervane have not yet gotten back.

- iv. Anisa asked about LSA noting they haven't submitted a request. Ariel recommended reaching out to the advisors of the club and Rachel affirmed this.

Motion (Ariel): To table vote on the budget until next week.

Phillip seconds

Approve: 7

Against: 0

Abstaining: 5

Motion passes.

c. Shannon QEP

- i. One idea that evolved from the QEP was the creation of first year advisors for students. These advisors would meet with first years and transfer students. In addition to advising, they would also help connect students to resources.
- ii. The advisors would recognize cultural competency and hold the diversity of the student body.
- iii. Shannon has sent a survey for students to give feedback on this.

5. Open Floor

- a. Leah expressed appreciation for everyone who voted in the executive election, and congratulated those who were elected.

Meeting ended at 9:14pm

Recorded by Anisa Leonard