

Student Government Council

University of Michigan-Flint

Tuesday, September 22nd, 2009

Minutes

Attendance

Executive Board

President – Owen Agho

Vice President – Bob Routhier

Treasurer – Kurtis Banks

Secretary – Andrea Beaulieu

Director of Student Organization Partnership Board – Nic Josey (absent)

Director of Student Relations – Krystal Long

Director of University Affairs – Adrian Matthews

Director of Government and Legal Affairs – Jermaine Brown

Director of Web Development – Tamera Dandachi

Representatives

Felipe Andrez (tardy)

Albert Chang

Tyeisha Cox

Taylor Flynn

Joe Patterson

Ahmad Dandachi

Kevin Caldwell II (tardy)

Clyde Barnett III

Ex-Officio Members

Sarah Al-Shabani

Guests

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm
Presided over by President Owen Agho

Agenda Acceptance

- Bob moved to accept the agenda as presented
- Kurtis seconded
- Tyeisha moved to add Member Appointment under Minutes Acceptance
- Krystal Seconded
- Vote: all in favor
- Vote on agenda as amended: all in favor

Minutes Acceptance

- Taylor moved to accept the minutes from last meeting
- Jermaine seconded
- Vote: all in favor

Member Appointment

- Adrian gave approval of University Affairs to Nic Josey
- Adrian moved to appoint Nic Josey as Director of Student Organization of Partnership Board
- Taylor seconded
- Vote: all in favor
- Abstained – Joe, Ahmad, and Kurtis
- Owen administered the oath to Nic Josey

Constitutions

NTSO

- Krystal seconded
- Vote: all in favor

Officers' Reports

Director of Student Organization Partnership Board – *Nic Josey (given by Joe Patterson)*

- Everything went well with the opening of the Student Organization Center. There will be two meetings, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. There will also be a mixer for all organizations to get to know each other.

Director of Student Relations – *Krystal Long*

- She set up a meeting with Theresa Landis about dining dollars rolling over, and this is option not possible. She will be at the next meeting to discuss this further. Riverview dining is not being used enough. The rollover is going into dining services. They are trying to get Bluebucks on campus to use it in the pavilion and at the bookstore. She also addressed the issue of prices at Stacks going up. Items were underpriced before and are now higher.

Director of University Affairs – *Adrian Matthews*

- Melody Bartholomew emailed Adrian back and the only day that she is available is October 20th around 7:30. She emailed the University Affairs Director at Dearborn and she is still waiting for a response back from him. She is working on ISBN numbers on the website before winter semester. She has the password and username for the blog. She will be speaking with her committee on their goals. She will be contacting the Health and Wellness Center on who is allowed to receive services because of insurance.

Director of Government and Legal Affairs – *Jermaine Brown*

- Jermaine went to the SAM conference over the weekend and found out that none of the other universities have a set and stone attendance policy. It is only in place for first year students and the English Department. They will be working on attacking this.
- Jermaine yields time to Tyeisha Cox.
- She contacted ITS to find out where our funds go. Their response was that they disappeared.
- Jermaine yields time to Ahmad Dandachi
- He looked for information about catering at Ann Arbor and Michigan State. They do not have any outside catering. He will be doing more research.
- Jermaine yields time to Saad Qureshi
- Saad is working on the parking issue.

Director of Web Development – *Tamera Dandachi*

- She is waiting to hear back from University Relations. She updated the old website entirely. The allocation, minutes, officers, and feedback pages have been updated. She removed the logo that was on the website. She is waiting to hear back from University Relations before she puts any logos on the website. She linked Facebook and Twitter. She is working on getting a list of events to put up.

Secretary – *Andrea Beaulieu*

- Andrea did the mailboxes. The two representatives that don't have one is Kevin Caldwell II and Clyde Barnett III. She will put a mailbox out in the loft Owen, Bob and each of the committees. She has the minutes and agenda binder that she will be updating throughout the year. She is still waiting to get the scantron essay books in and still has not received a receipt from printing services for the bluebooks but will go there to get it from them. She will be working with Kurtis to record passed allocations. She will be working on getting microphones for our meetings. She also wants to request an extension cord for her laptop. EBS may be able to loan council one with our setup.

Treasurer – *Kurtis Banks*

- Three allocations – one from Martial Arts Club and two from the Woman's Flat Track Derby. Budget is updated to today. At-Large members will be able to apply tomorrow. Meetings with them will start next Thursday.

Vice President – *Bob Routhier*

- Outreach Advisory Committee now has a meeting time. Clyde and Taylor are both on that, but they only need one member. Scholarships Awards and Special Events will be meeting 3 times this semester. During the SAM meeting, two committees were established they are Legislative Research Committee and SAM Standards Committee. If council would like to be on the website for SAM contact Bob. The next SAM meeting is October 16th -18th at GVSU. The next meeting is November 13th – 15th at SVSU. SAM liked our Student Government Structure.

President – *Owen Agho*

- Owen thanks members of council who were able to make it to the opening of the Student Organization Center. Go Blue Beat OSU representatives will be here to discuss this next week. We will be bussing student to Ann Arbor the day before the game. This weekend is homecoming in Ann Arbor and the Student Government President invited us down. This will be a good place for council to show our faces. University Committee meetings are extremely important and if you miss them it will be reflected in your pay check. He is working on getting a U of M credit union branch here on campus.

Advisor – *Jessie Hurse*

- Jessie expects students to give a detailed report on actions that are taking place at the committee meetings. He wants all members to state their opinions. Enrollment is either at or above 8,000 students. The university accomplished this in four years. This is the most aggressive agenda that Jessie has seen a council attack in years. He will issue a challenge to council to fill the room with students in the audience. October 3rd is the Academic Showcase. This is also the Student Government reunion.
- Owen wants everyone to wear their nametag for the rest of the week!

University Committees

Academic Assessment – (Tamera) This Monday is their meeting from 10-12

Administrative Services Advisory – (Joe) Joe sent them an email but they have not answered

Library Committee – (Andrea and Tyeisha) Possible reconstruction of the library, meetings have not started yet.

Student Concerns Committee – (Krystal and Felipe) October 6th from 10-11

Office of Extended Learning – (Saad) The meeting was on Friday but Saad could not attend.

Academic Affairs – (Bob and Adrian) They discussed online registration and waitlists. If a certain class is your major then you will be moved to the top of the waitlist. They also discussed the academic calendar for 2011 and 2012. Labor Day is September 5th and they do not want us to begin before that. The catalog is coming out every year instead of every two years anything wanting to be put in there after February 15th cannot be added.

Ad-hoc Committees

Ex-Officio Members

Sarah Al-Shabani – They will be having mixer on the 25th and that will be taking place at three o'clock. They are looking at having a prom.

Old Business

New Business

Higher Education Budget Info

- Council needs to lobby that they cannot cut the scholarships. \$1,166 U of M Flint students are receiving the scholarships. Their meeting is September 23th at 9am to vote on this. Council needs to make phone calls and Owen will be emailing all of the students to contact these people. Write one email and send it to all of these people. A Student Government forum will be on Tuesday at 1:45 on September 29th. Make phone calls by Friday.

Public Comment

M-Times reporter would like an extensions cord for his laptop also.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm

Future Business

Next meeting will be September 29th at 5:30pm in the Happenings Room

Minutes submitted by Andrea Beaulieu