

**Student Government**  
University of Michigan-Flint  
Friday, November 14, 2008  
*Minutes*

**Attendance**

Executive Board

President- Owen Agho (absent)

Vice President- Nic Josey

Treasurer- Bob Routhier

Secretary- Tamera Dandachi

Director of Student Relations- Krystal Long (absent)

Director of Student Organization Partnership Board- Saad Qureshi

Director of University Affairs- Marcus Batson

Director of Government and Legal Affairs- Steve Mintline

Representatives

Felipe Andrez

Kurtis Banks

Andrea Beaulieu

Shawntae Harris

Adrian Matthews

Ex-Officio Members

Sarah Al-Shabani—GEC

Jermaine Brown—CAB

Guests

Albert Chang

Ahmad Dandachi

Jennifer Profitt—Mtimes

Dana Schlosser

**Minutes**

Meeting called to order at 12:00 pm

Presided over by Vice-President Nic Josey

**Agenda Acceptance**

- Felipe moves to accept the agenda as presented
- Adrian seconds
- Discussion
  - Tamera moves to add CAB Movie Night to Old Business
  - Mintline seconds
  - Vote: all in favor

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### **Minutes Acceptance**

- Andrea moves to accept the minutes from last meeting
- Felipe seconds
- Vote: all in favor

### **Public Comment on Agenda**

#### **Guests**

### **Constitutions**

#### **Criminal Justice Club**

- They have been active for a while now and they have 28 listed members.
- They have the membership and supremacy clauses.
- Marcus seconds the constitution as presented
- Discussion:
  - Felipe- how many members are there?
    - 28
  - Bob- does it have all the clauses needed?
    - Yes
- Vote: all in favor

### **Officers' Reports**

#### **Director of Student Organization Partnership Board**

- I had a meeting and we talked about having the Dead Club thing again in December
  - We talked about just having a table with forms
- December 4 is going to be the next SOPB meeting
- I'm working on the printer and lighting for the Org. Center
- We made a flier for the clubs to get a hold of us and we're going to go around to all of the clubs next semester.

#### **Director of Student Relations**

- "Student Relations committee met this past Tuesday. Tamera has been updating the website; allocation forms should now be up and working. Also, meeting minutes have been converted to pdf files and will be up soon! Yay Tamera! Thanks for everyone who took pictures or will be taking pictures for the website. I expect to see all your pretty pictures on Monday! Also, I have been working extensively to finalize all plans for the upcoming Student Association of Michigan meeting this weekend. Catering, room reservations have been taken care of and everything should run smoothly this weekend. To my knowledge, Felipe will be joining us this weekend, so a special thanks to Felipe for participating! Once again, I'm sorry for missing meeting, but I'm in Ann Arbor for the day and start meeting SAM delegates in the evening. So thank you for hearing my report and I'll see you all later!"

#### **Director of University Affairs**

- This Monday at 2pm in the Kiva is going to be the text book forum
- There was a meeting with Dr. Kay this morning

- Yield to Adrian
  - We met with Dr. Kay and went over what we have for the forum and talked about the Publisher who wanted to sit on the panel and thought it would be best that she didn't sit on the panel.

#### Director of Government and Legal Affairs

- Our committee is going to be created soon
  - He spoke only about creating closer ties with UM-Flint on the radio interview that I heard
- The buses for the inauguration
  - There are only 240,000 tickets available and they're going fast
- I met with Jessie about the constitution
  - Students said that we were changing it for the sake of change and I think the lack of representation could be remedied with an amendment

#### Treasurer

- Allocations
  - Beta Alpha Psi
    - \$34.80 for bowling social event
    - Failed
  - Golden Key Honor Society
    - \$153.86 for induction ceremony
    - Failed
- New Business
  - Student Funding Board Charter
    - After having several allocations that seemed against what Funding Board has been striving for with allocations, that it "benefits the campus as a whole," we discussed adding other restrictions to the charter. These will be discussed under New Business.
- Old Business
  - Audits
    - Going well
    - Most clubs have had nothing wrong so far and have passed
    - Anthropological Sciences Club had to figure out where some money from allocations had to go
    - Video Gamers' Club had some money that needed to be transferred back into our account, and is being transferred now
- Funding Board Account Balance
  - \$22,825.55
- SG Account Balance
  - \$48,489.14

#### Secretary

- Go Blue Live Green
  - We decided to do a "voice wall" instead of a game show
  - We made a flag for students to sign as a pledge
  - I have to go pick up the shirts
  - The event will be on Thursday from 12pm-3pm and there will be the voice wall, shirts, display, snacks, prizes and information

- The minutes are online

#### Vice President

- I would like to remind you that the SAM meeting is this weekend and if you can, please attend.
- The executive board has picked a retreat option for winter
- We picked a design for the yard and we just need a real blueprint

#### President

- The bus for DC is coming along well
- He met with Hall Council to talk about various issues
- He is down in Ann Arbor to represent us
- He wants to know who is planning on coming to the SAM conference

#### Advisor Brian Proffer

#### Advisor Jessie Hurse

- Please do everything that you can to represent the council and university at this conference
- Before I left last week there was an issue with the Golden Key audit
- Since you talked about two allocations that were denied, and they were both honor societies, so are we just denying honor societies?

#### University Committees

- Academic Assessment Committee—Nic Josey

#### Ad-hoc Committees

#### Ex-Officio Members

- Jermaine Brown—CAB
  - We have 250 tickets available for the inauguration
  - There are going to be 2 showings of The Dark Knight
  - There will be an event at Roll Haven

### **Old Business**

#### Becky Wood's Credit Card Proposal

- Marcus moves to postpone until next week
- Felipe seconds
- Vote: all in favor

#### Yard

- Marcus moves to postpone until next week
- Bob seconds
- Vote: all in favor

#### CAB Movie Night

- We had 475 students come out so we were wondering if you guys could help us with the 175 tickets. We're asking for \$1,000
- Bob moves to help with a co-sponsorship of \$1,000
- Marcus seconds
- Vote: all in favor

### **New Business**

#### Student Funding Board Charter

- The student funding board charter has restrictions on what we can fund
  - we would like to add gift certificates and cards, trophies, and awards to the charter since it doesn't benefit anyone else
  - We also want to add inductions and ceremonies that are closed to the public because we did not see how this was beneficial to the campus
  - We also want to add supplies for fundraisers because then it's like we're just giving them money to make money
- Felipe moves to approve the amendments as presented
- Marcus seconds
- Discussion:
  - Jessie- So clubs can come to funding board to ask for trips and food only?
  - Bob- do you think prizes are a good idea?
  - Jessie- I think they're a great idea. It seems as though the list would be shorter if we said what funding board would do. I think that the long list discourages clubs from hosting events
  - Bob- well, we just think that the events should be open to more students
  - Josey- students already think that there are too many requirements, so I discourage you from placing more restrictions on them
  - Bob- for the most part we're trying to get clubs to stop trying to get money for only their own personal use. An example of this was Beta Alpha Psi last year when they had wanted a lot of money for an invitation only event.
  - Jessie- are you discouraging students from coming to funding board for fundraising?
  - Bob- well, it would just be like giving them money for whatever they want
  - Jessie- so then you're saying that they can come for more money for events that they are hosting?
  - Josey- so you would be encouraging student orgs to do less events on campus and get more money for events?
  - Jessie- so if a club wanted to bring in Jesus then they could get more money for it
  - Bob- actually that goes against the charter
  - Bob- if you guys want to do a fundraiser then you just have to go buy the stuff yourself. We want to make sure that clubs are
  - Saad- we're going around in circles, and we've already denied clubs for these things so it's just for paper.
  - Felipe- I think that we should vote separate for each amendment
  - Jessie- I was just saying that clubs can come to council and ask for additional money and that you need to be more vocal about it
  - Marcus- we don't allocate money just to put into their account, and essentially that is what it would be doing
- Vote: all in favor

### **Public Comment**

- Dana- the hard thing is that we are kind of stuck with doing things on campus because people don't necessarily want to come to a physics event. It would be easier if you said what you would fund rather than what you won't.

- Bob- we can fund equipment for the club, so we told him that we could reimburse the equipment that was purchased
- Dana- we don't know what to do. It would be easier if we just knew what you would pay for and it was written out.

**Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 12:56pm