

Student Government Council

University of Michigan-Flint

Friday, January 16, 2009

Minutes

Attendance

Executive Board

President- Owen Agho

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 (absent)

Andrea Beaulieu

Albert Chang

Tyeisha Cox

Taylor Flynn

Shawntae Harris

Adrian Matthews

Adam Stites

Ex-Officio Members

Guests

Tobias Lerke

Wade Merrill

Brian Proffer

Jennifer Profitt—Mtimes

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 12:18 pm

Presided over by President Owen Agho

Agenda Acceptance

- Josey moves to accept the agenda as presented
- Felipe seconds

- Vote: all in favor

Minutes Acceptance

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

Appointment of Members

- Tyeisha Cox has the recommendation of the UA committee, and she is also part of the Hall Council, so that could help with collaboration with the Hall Council. We also recommend Taylor Flynn. She is also a leader among her peers.
- Yield to Adrian
 - Adam Stites is involved on campus and we give our recommendation and believe that he can grow as a SG member
- Tobias Lerke was the OCC SG president, and our recommendation is “no” because his visions are not in unison with the council’s visions.
- Discussion
 - Josey- as far as having collaboration between our council and Hall Council, what did you have in mind?
 - Tyeisha- Last semester the grades in the hall were not very good for the most part. We need to get the negative imagery away from the university.
 - Tobias- I have a high vision for SG and SL, and some of my visions may have been misrepresented. I think that SG should serve the students and I think that they should push for clubs to work together. I want to bring community to SL, and I want to add community meetings to the university. There are many problems that students don’t know about. I want to make real changes for students.
- Vote:
 - Felipe moves to vote on a secret ballot
 - Tamera seconds
 - Discussion:
 - Josey-what is the purpose?
 - Felipe- to avoid personal conflict
 - Vote: 9 in favor, Mintline and Josey against
 - Albert Chang: all in favor: Yes
 - Tyeisha Cox: all in favor: Yes
 - Taylor Flynn: all in favor: Yes
 - Adam Stites: 9 in favor, 1 against: Yes
 - Tobias Lerke: 4 in favor, 6 against: No

Guests

- Wade Merrill
 - Thank you for nominating me
 - I think a lot of you saw what we did last year. I think that the process will be fairly similar and that there was a good turn-out. I hope that if I am approved that we can come back with the commission next week to go over the time table. I

think that if we began applications the first week of February and made the packets due by the first day of spring break, it would probably be easier.

- There are only a few changes to be made to the code, such as the word majority, where plurality should probably be used.
- Josey- last year was the first time that the election was run by the student body, and it was one of the smoothest run elections. The turn-out last year was one of the highest, and I think that he could make this year's election as well.

Officers' Reports

Director of Student Organization Partnership Board

- Welcome new faces. Our meetings were set at 10am on Wednesdays, and we don't like the time that much. So if some of you can't make the other times, let me know and we'll adjust our time
- There are some supplies that I had put away for this semester
- I need more big paper
- The center is being used a lot, but it's kind of messy

Director of Student Relations

Director of University Affairs

- We spent the meeting today interviewing

Director of Government and Legal Affairs

- I encourage anyone who is interested to join the GLA committee
- I want to make sure that we have our people chosen for the city council meetings
- I'll email Dave Lossing after the meeting
 - Owen, Steve, Shawntae, and Tyeisha will be the representatives on the city council

Treasurer

- Our SFB meetings are on Wednesdays from 2:30-4:00 for those of you who are interested in seeing how it works
- We had 26,000 last semester, and we should be getting 60,000 later in the month

Secretary

- I have a meeting with Kay next week about the website
- I ordered blue books

Vice President

- Welcome new members
- We need to work on tardiness for the meetings to come
- We are required to sit on university committees as well, so we can talk about that at the retreat
- Anyone who can't make a current committee time, let us know today.
- I need one or two members in our new goal to get turn-out to meetings up. My goal is to have those seats filled on a weekly basis

President

- We got a lot accomplished last semester, and I have great expectations for the rest of the year
- I am still working on the MFuse concert, and Nic and I will be going to a meeting at 2:30
- We're also looking at more renovations in the UCEN that will benefit the students

- We're also working on the TVs on campus so that students know what we are going to be doing around campus

Advisor Jessie Hurse

- I was contacted by John Larson at Dearborn, and he asked for a copy of the current constitution
- Saad, let's get together next week to replenish the supplies in the Org Center
- I am certain that you will hear plans and preparations for MFuse following the meeting
- We need to take the lead to be more fiscally responsible in the terms of clubs
- The signage should be up and running fairly soon. We were waiting for connector cables, and they are in now.
- Those of you who are not going to the inauguration, please attend the MLK volunteer events and the inauguration watch on campus Tuesday.

University Committees

Ad-hoc Committees

Ex-Officio Members

Old Business

Becky Wood's Credit Card Proposal

Election Commission Nomination

- Marcus moves to confirm Wade as the election commissioner
- Josey seconds
- Vote: all in favor

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 1:00pm