

Student Government Council

University of Michigan-Flint

Friday, October 24, 2008

Minutes

Attendance

Executive Board

President- Owen Agho

Vice President- Nic Josey

Treasurer- Bob Routhier (absent)

Secretary- Tamera Dandachi

Director of Student Relations- Krystal Long

Director of Student Organization Partnership Board- Saad Qureshi (absent)

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—Genesee Early College

Guests

Dave Barthelmes—VCA

Theresa Landis—Auxiliary Services

Jennifer Proffit—Mtimes

Dr. Mary Jo Sekelsky—SSEM

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 12:01 pm

Presided over by President Owen Agho

12:02pm

Agenda Acceptance

- Josey moves to accept the agenda as presented
- Felipe seconds
 - Josey moves to add member resignation
 - Felipe seconds
 - Vote all in favor

- Vote all in favor

Minutes Acceptance

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

Public Comment on Agenda

Guests

Dave Barthelmes—Vice Chancellor for Administration

- One of the issues with the UCEN is the sound system in the Kiva
 - We have taken a look at that and it would cost about 60,000 and we have decided to find that project.
- With the new dining services there is also catering
 - There is a separate set of offerings for the student catering
 - It was set up for student organizations and groups
- The hours of operation in the UCEN
 - We are trying to adjust our operating hours but we have to make sure we are staffed properly and that it is being used so we will continue to make adjustments
- The charge for a b+w copy is now 5 cents
- The TMP study is in the planning stage and then from there we will look at cost and finalizing
- Questions:
 - Marcus- is there a projected start date?
 - No but I think as soon as I authorize them to start, it will begin
 - Josey- will the work in the Kiva make the space less usable?
 - Hopefully not
 - Owen- how long is the project list?
 - Once it's added to the list it will be given a date
 - ITS also has a project timeline and it will have to fall into that

Theresa Landis

- We need to keep the PA system activated for safety
 - Because of that we can't play music through the PA
- We are going to start looking at having independent speaker systems in the most populated areas.
 - We're going to start looking at satellite radio
- Owen- who would pay for that?
 - Bill Webb addressed that and we're going to have a follow up meeting
- Owen- is there any progress on the second floor
 - I think we need to wait for TMP and wait to see how much that's going to cost before making any other changes

Constitutions

Student Veterans of America

- I move to approve the constitution

- Josey seconds
- Discussion
 - Shawntae- everything is fine with it. There are about 7 members
- Vote: all in favor

Association of Visual Arts

- Shawntae moves to approve the constitution
- Marcus seconds
- Discussion
 - Shawntae- they have a lot of good ideas even though the purpose is kind of vague
 - Owen- who is the faculty advisor
 - Janet Lorch
 - Mintline- isn't there a club like that on campus?
 - Proffer- they never submitted a constitution or anything
 - Vote: 8 in favor, Josey against, Kurtis abstains

Officers' Reports

Director of Student Organization Partnership Board

- I have a letter for the all student email and for mailboxes
- We have all of the decorations

Director of Student Relations

- I need all members to remember that next Thursday is the SSA and the open forum
 - I'll probably order food for that
- We went to the SAM meeting and we got a lot of good ideas
 - We are going to be hosting the next meeting on November 14-16
 - If you guys want to help with breakfast and lunch that would be good

Director of University Affairs

- November 17 is the text book forum
- I emailed Dr. Young about the student rights and policies forum in January
- We had a meeting about the painting
 - Yield to Adrian
 - Their main concern is getting more people involved
 - They thought that it would be better to have the mural painting class do it rather than a competition for one person but they could have it done by summer at the soonest
 - There will be another meeting that I'll try to attend
 - We can get the painting down whenever
- The consultations are the week of the 17-20
- The dinner meeting went really well
 - There was a lot talked about and the chancellor had a lot of questions too
 - I don't want everyone to forget what was discussed
 - Try to reply to the email before next meeting

Director of Government and Legal Affairs

- I still need to meet with Jessie about the constitution
- I haven't gotten a follow-up from Jim about city council
- We're going to try to have a watch party on campus for the election

Treasurer

- There were 8 allocations
 - Student Nurses Association
 - \$1042.98
 - Trip to Reno, NV for a conference
 - Passed
 - CASA
 - \$270.00
 - Catering for Middle Eastern Day
 - Passed
 - HOSA
 - \$300.00
 - Food for Rock U concert
 - Passed
 - SPIRIT
 - \$179.68
 - Advertisement and fees for Rock U concert
 - Passed
 - Beta Alpha Psi
 - \$17.77
 - Tabled-need to talk to a member
 - IVCF
 - \$730.00
 - Trip to Lansing for a conference
 - Tabled-need more info
 - SMUF
 - \$138.41
 - Tabled-need to talk to a member about how much was raised from this
 - College Libertarians
 - \$6,640.00
 - Books that students ordered at their table
 - Tabled-unsure about what the books contain politically and they could go against our charter
- Still need another at-large member
- Account Balance for SFB is \$25,498.98
- SG Account Balance is \$57,387.67

Secretary

- All of the minutes are in a binder in the office
- I have a meeting after this about Go Blue, Live Green

Vice President

- Thanks for coming to the MFuse table yesterday
 - There were a lot of students who voted and a lot of students who got excited about it when they found out
 - We want to do another round of voting next Wednesday in conjunction with the dead club thing
 - I will need more help next week so if you're free please come and help out

- Remember that member reviews are going to be done on Wednesday
 - Please give me an estimation of where you are academically
- I got to meet the President and Vice President from Dearborn and talk to them about MFuse yesterday
- The 2nd floor looks good
 - The cabinet in the cultural lounge is done
- We cleaned the office so try to keep it cleaner
- I want to try to get more students here

President

- I got to talk to the regents about some important issues on our campus such as housing, the football tickets, and relationships between our sister campuses
- I got to meet Sabrina from Ann Arbor and Ali from Dearborn
 - They're interested in bringing their students to MFuse
- Tonight is the Trillium movie night
 - We need to be there around 5:30pm to kick off Mobile Student Government
- I am working with Jermaine to get a bus to go to the inauguration

Advisor Brian Proffer

- Have funding board consider a representative from the non-traditional student organization

Advisor Jessie Hurse

- I met with representatives from the other campuses about the food drive
 - The reception is going to be held on KU's campus
 - Shawntae- we were trying to think of ways to get the most canned good possible, so we thought that it would be kind of funny to fill up the space in Jessie's office
 - Owen- What is the issue behind cash donations?
 - We need to see if the policies still exist that prevented us from doing this in the past
 - I have no idea what's going to happen, and I'm not too thrilled about it
- Tobias approached me last night about the meal plans to roll over for students
 - He will probably be coming to talk to you about it
- I was thinking that tonight would be a good time to try to get some more members on SG and try to get students to the meeting
- I think we need to advertise the SSA tonight also and let the executive officers' calendars
- Steve, let's work with Jermaine about the election watch party
- Shawntae is co-coordinating the I hate Ohio State Activities
- Last year around mid-terms I gave a self-assessment tool to council members to evaluate me so that will be ready as we do member evaluations

University Committees

- Krystal—Advisory Committee
 - We talked about implementing new signs on campus
 - More like airport signs and outside signage
- Felipe—Technology Committee meeting
 - Talking about increasing mailbox size from
 - I talked to them about getting an I:// drive for our office

Ad-hoc Committees

Ex-Officio Members

- Sarah Al-Shabani—GEC
 - We're working on a mixer for all of the grades
 - Also working on shirts
 - Next meeting is Friday

Old Business

New Business

Go Blue, Live Green

- Tamera moves to purchase 500 t-shirts
- Krystal seconds
- Discussion
 - Krystal- Someone gave me his information for a shirt place
 - Mintline- I talked to the chancellor yesterday about the campaign and she liked the idea
 - Mary Jo- I'll either split the cost, or double the order
 - Shawntae- I think doubling it would be a good idea because go green is all over lately
 - Jessie- I just met with Becky Pettingale about sponsorships and she said that they suggest a 12 month leeway
 - Owen- I urge that you vote down the motion so that we can make a better motion
 - Josey moves to amend the motion to say that we will be purchasing 500 shirts and that it will be coming from activities and programming
 - Kurtis seconds
 - Vote: all in favor
- Vote: all in favor

Member Resignation

- Martin Portillo has submitted a letter to me
- Josey moves
- Marcus seconds
- Vote: 8 in favor, Marcus and Josey abstain

Public Comment

- Dr. Mary Jo Sekelsky—SSEM
 - We're going to be buying the book for everyone at the presentation and we hope that we can continue to bring her back
 - SSEM continues to support the commitment to work with you to make sure the UCEN is restored to a student center
 - We were asked last year about a clothing drive for students who are not able to dress for the workforce
 - We were asked that student government might allow for the Org. Center to be the drop off center for the clothes drive
 - When we had dinner last Friday we were discussing reevaluating the funding and I would like to look at it again so that it can be ready for next year's council
 - I would like to host a Holiday Dinner at my home for Student Government

- I would like to challenge Jessie and see whose office would be filled up first, mine or his

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 1:17pm