

Student Government Council

University of Michigan-Flint

Tuesday, July 29, 2008

Minutes

Attendance

Executive Board

President- Owen Agho

Vice President- Nic Josey

Treasurer- Bob Routhier

Secretary- Tamera Dandachi

Director of Student Relations- Krystal Long

Director of Student Organization Partnership Board- Saad Qureshi

Representatives

Marcus Batson

Shawntae Harris

Martin Portillo

Absent Representatives

Matthew Washington

Fellows

Jonathan Ettinger

Brian Welch

Ex-Officio Members

Sarah Alshabani—Genesee Early College

Guests

Felipe Andrez

Katelyn Miller

Gabrielle Olney (MTimes)

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 2:00 pm

Presided over by President Owen Agho

Agenda Acceptance

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Public Comment on Agenda

Chair Appointment

Installation of Appointed Chair

Martin moves to postpone until president returns

Krystal seconds

Vote: all in favor

Ettinger moves to postpone until next meeting

Martin seconds

Vote: all in favor

Constitutions

Officers' Reports

Director of Student Organization Partnership Board

- I received a couple of constitutions but none of them had the non-discrimination clause so I told them to add it and drop it off in Brian's office
- No progress in org center

Director of Student Relations

- Just need to look over the nametags and see if everything is spelled correctly
- Need to talk to proffer about voter reg. drive
- Mary Jo left a comment

Director of University Affairs

- Been trying to find out about the hated painting but it's been a wild goose chase

Director of Government and Legal Affairs

Treasurer

- Have you e-board members filled out the allocations? I want them by Thursday at 3pm

Secretary

- No report

Vice President

- Retreat evaluations will be sent out tonight so have them returned by the next meeting.
- Goals from the retreat have been ranked and posted on the board

President

- Yesterday I attended a meeting that was about the food services. The Blue Bucks are different than the meal plan. Blue Bucks work all over campus as well as at our sister campuses.
- They talked about the caterers here on campus. No more one-time caterers
- We have itemized the goals and those of you not on committees

Advisor Brian Proffer

- The conference table got set up sometime this weekend
- Glad you got a comment on the website!

Advisor Jessie Hurse

- I would like to introduce you to Sara Freeze
- Yield to Sarah
 - This is my second week. I would like to know who you all are and my door is open.
- I believe Sara is saying that you can harass her just as you harass me.

- I have a master key and Brian and Sara will soon have keys. There should be 5 more soon but the SG keys should also work.
 - The furniture is coming.
 - Maria and Shawntae are planning an opening for Student Life and the new Organization Center
- I am working on a fuller website for student life, and it would include council
- Move-in is 12 days away. It will be long but exciting.
 - The RAs move in on Sunday.
 - If you haven't already volunteered I hope you will do so.
 - Jeanine is afraid that since students are so excited about moving in that they will all be pulling up at 7am.
- You may want to order another board to put your goals on
- During the fall welcome activities there is a comedy show planned for September 5.
 - I have narrowed it down to Airy Spears from MadTV
 - All of the MSOs are sponsoring an event except for SG. The cost will be between 12-13,000 and it would be solely sponsored by SG and the welcome
- I urge everyone to read the bylaws
- Kristen Skivenson is going to be retiring and Jack Kay will likely be taking on the role of Interim Vice-Chancellor
- Chancellor Person will be on campus in 2 days
- The big block is gone from the 2nd floor
- A bid went out in early July for the digital signing. Only one vendor submitted all of the complete information.
 - Although this vendor is capable, we had nothing to compare it to.
 - Ann Arbor also submitted a bid and Four Winds International was chosen.
 - This seems like a good choice for SSEM but there is a group on campus that is against it and there is political controversy.
 - The CTV has an emergency access system that is needed, but the officials are only thinking about the students that are on campus and not those who are not. The CTV in general though is not as up to date as the Four Winds International signage would be.
 - We hope to have all of the areas work together in the future, but the other areas are not against any of the plans that have been put in place.

University Committees

Ad-hoc Committees

Ex-Officio Members

- Sarah Alshabani—Genesee Early College
- This week is orientation week so they've been taking tours and stuff. Then on Friday they're all going to Base Camp

Old Business

New Business

Student Leadership Sponsorship

- Yield to Josey
 - I am presenting this as a possible co-sponsorship

- This will be on September 19 as a collaboration between EOI and possibly Student Life/SG
- The keynote will be Tim Wise
- There will be workshops that students from our campus, surrounding campuses and other state campuses
- It does a lot for leadership and this is the first year that it will be open to more than UM-flint and there are expected to be more than 300 individuals along with students from the area high schools.
- They want it to be like the conference at GVSU last year.
- Most of it starts in the morning and then is done by early afternoon.
 - Welch- what is the proposed budget and what you are asking?
 - Jessie- the entire budget for the event is about 10,500, but the amount contributed by SG is up to you. I suggest somewhere around 1,000-1,500
 - Welch- with the speakers coming what is the purpose of the speakers?
 - Marcus- he will be speaking mostly about leadership and then possibly speaking to the community about his work.
 - Owen- what is the money they are asking for us to contribute going to be paying for?
 - Josey-part of the speaker fee and materials for workshops.
 - Owen- just because it is suggested that we donate that amount doesn't mean we have to give that amount.
- Yield back to Owen

Crim Request

- Yield to Gabrielle
 - A few friends of mine are doing the Crim and we will be taking donations to raise money for the Children's Heart Foundation.
- Owen- We have to check our bylaws

Revised Budget

- We adjusted it for the new money.
- Saad moves to refer this to the University Affairs Committee.
- Josey seconds
 - Martin- do we have a Director of University Affairs?
 - Martin- I suggest that you vote no because we don't have a chair
- Vote: motion fails
 - Against: Martin, Marcus, Tamera, Krystal, Saad
 - Abstaining: Shawntae, Josey

Public Comment

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm