

Student Government Council

University of Michigan-Flint

Tuesday, July 15, 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

Matthew Washington

Absent Representatives

Martin Portillo

Fellows

Jonathan Ettinger

Brian Welch

Ex-Officio Members

Sarah Alshabani—Genesee Early College

Guests

Tonya Bailey

Jelena Jovic

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 12:26 pm

Presided over by President Owen Agho

Agenda Acceptance

- Marcus moves to add resolution CR 2008-27 to the agenda
- Josey seconds
- Vote: 4 in favor, Matt and Marcus abstained
- Josey moves to add Tonya Bailey as guest
- Marcus seconds
- Vote: all in favor
- Josey moves to accept the agenda

- Marcus seconds
- Vote: all in favor

Minutes Acceptance

- Marcus moves to accept
- Shawntae seconds
- Vote: all in favor

Public Comment on Agenda

Guests

Tonya Bailey

- Coming to talk about 8th annual student leadership conference
- September 19 held on campus from 7am-4pm
- Theme is engaging minds and preparing leaders
- Free to all UM-Flint students but it is open to a select group of high school students
- This year opening to other colleges and universities in the area and in the state of Michigan
- Keynote speaker is Tim Wise
 - Recently spoken on campus and is more than qualified
 - Theater has accommodates to have him speak in the theater
- We would like the council to urge other organizations to get involved
 - Have a visible presence
- We are requesting that the council contributes \$1,500 to the conference
- Ettinger: when did Tim Wise come to campus?
 - When there was a diversity effort for the MLK day celebration
- Ettinger: where will the money come from for his fee?
 - We are not sure how much each group's contribution, but CAB and Mary Jo's administration are contributing

Constitutions

Volleyball Club

Software Developers Club

Cycling Club

Student Michigan Education Association

Officers' Reports

Director of Student Organization Partnership Board

- The opening is on September 17
- Yield to Shawntae
 - There will be a parade and leaders of MSOs will be asked to speak
 - There will be ribbon cutting
 - Food will be placed in the center

Director of Student Relations

- Working to revive student savings program
- Will be posting meeting times all around campus

- Will be working on the voter registration drive

Director of University Affairs

- Student government was well represented on Tuesday
- Regents' meetings are on Thursdays at 6pm
 - The October meeting will be on our campus
- There has been contact with Dr. Person to have dinner with her
- The committees are very important
 - If you have not indicated which one you would like to be on we will just schedule you

Director of Government and Legal Affairs

Treasurer

- I need receipts for the stuff in the office
- Today there will be a Funding Board meeting after our meeting
 - C3 allocation
 - Membership of Funding Board: I need another member
 - We will be putting out ads to get people to apply for the at large members
- If anyone has the online allocations please pass those to me now

Secretary

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Vice President

- Meeting scheduled with Peggy Vaughn for September 2 to get the radio changed from CARS 108 to something students would want to hear
- Please make sure that you are responsible and professional in the office
- The office rules will be emailed out by Monday
- Committees will be emailed out by Monday too

President

- We are waiting for the furniture to arrive
- The office is in disarray because the comps are being set up for the Loft
- Thanks for coming to the convocation
- We need to be on time

Advisor Brian Proffer

- Think about forming a President's Ball committee before the end of this term
- If a club or organization hands you any type of form, please make sure that it gets to a mailbox or a desk.

Advisor Jessie Hurse

- Yield to Bob
 - When allocations come in please get them to my desk
 - Yield back to Jessie
- If you haven't looked at the Student Life website, please do it
- Fall welcome has kicked off quite well
 - The events have been highly successful and hopefully it will continue through this weekend
- I would like to thank you for the thoughtfulness with the passing of my grandmother
- Since I am the moderator of the students list, I am the one sending out the emails about the books that you are all getting.

- Students are unsubscribing to the list because of the amount of emails that they are receiving about books
- The idea is that there would be another classified email list for books, roommates, cars, etc.
- With the extended hours starting this week, afterhours access is over
 - At 12am everyone will have to be out and on weekends everyone has to be out

University Committees

Ad-hoc Committees

Ex-Officio Members

- Sara Alshabani—Genesee Early College
 - Classes start Tuesday
 - Elections will be at the end of October
 - Planning a calendar of events

Old Business

New Business

CR 2008-25

- I wrote this to address the original main motion portion of our bylaws. I am in favor of it
- Marcus moves to approve
- Bob seconds
- Discussion;
 - Bob- I'm a little confused about what this is about
 - Owen- we can't take a vote unless there is a written form
 - Ettinger- this seems contradictory because it makes Student Government seem in favor then it says that Student Government wants to remove it.
 - Marcus-I understand what Brian is talking about but I think this will make things more efficient. We want everyone to know our plans and I think that there will still be record
- Vote: all in favor

CR 2008-26

- Bob moves to approve
- Tamera seconds
- Discussion:
 - Shawntae- I think it's a great idea
 - Bob- this is coming out of our budget, and we have \$6,000 for fall semester
 - Vote: 5 in favor, Marcus abstained

CR 2008-27

- Saad moves to approve
- Tamera seconds
- Discussion:
 - Jessie I would just like to point out that there is no need for 27 since we passed 25 a couple minutes ago
 - Vote: 5 in favor, Marcus abstains

Cue balls and pool sticks

- Yesterday a student came in and wanted to check out the balls and sticks. The balls were dirty and the sticks had no tips.
- We need new balls and sticks
- I would like for student government to allocate money for some stronger sticks
- Owen- I'll get with the treasurer

Public Comment

- Jelena- I wanted to talk to you about the TMP focus group
 - We are hoping to see in a few years that the UCEN will experience the same kind of facelift that French Hall has.
 - Owen- what has come from the last visit?
 - Every time they come things change and they keep going back and changing thing
 - The state sponsored a lot of French Hall and the funding is what the biggest issue is.
 - Owen- how much is the university paying TMP to come and do focus groups?
 - The price is included in the \$80,000 that is already played.
 - They are just trying to get feedback about how we can make the UCEN work for you guys
 - Everyone will have an opportunity to give their feedback
 - Owen- when is the appointment?
 - There will be an official invitation in the mail by next Tuesday
 - They try to limit it to 15 individuals per session
 - It would be on September 30
 - Marcus- what kind of information was gathered before?
 - Jessie- I think that the blueprints would be beneficial
- Brian- I need to know if you have keys

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 1:30pm