

Penn State University, Berks Campus

Student Government Association

Minutes October 19, 2016

Call to Order

-12:16p.m.

President/ VP Address

Joey: Welcome back, everyone! Just a reminder that SGA meeting starts at 12:15p.m., every Wednesday; so please be on time. We want to get things done efficiently and quickly, so you guys have time to complete other works. Patrick, do you have anything to share?

Patrick: Hi, everyone. Joey pretty much covered everything, so thank you.

(Anna takes the attendance)

Joey: Two clubs just entered, so do we have a motion to let Communications Nations Club and Men's Rugby into the assembly?

Chris (Men's Volleyball): motion for both to join.

Kyle (Honors Club): second

No discussion/ opposed/ abstentions

Approval of the Minutes

- Dylan (Ag Club): approve the minutes

- Troy (Chamber Choir): second

No discussion/ opposed/ abstentions

Approval of the Agenda

- Alysia (Cheerleading): approve the agenda

- Ian (Outdoors Club): second

No discussions/ opposed/ abstentions

Old Business

Joey: As mentioned last time, the President's meeting is next week, in Gaige 121 at 9pm. This is very important because if your club President do not attend this meeting, the budget request that your club submits on October 31st at 5:00pm will not be accepted. There will be no reallocation, so please let your President know that they must attend this meeting.

Alysia (Cheerleading): When is the President's meeting?

Joey: It is October 26th at 9pm, in Gaige 121.

Ian (Outdoors Club): Can you repeat where we hand in the budget requests again?

Joey: In Perkins, to Erin in Campus Life or Paula in Admissions. They are in the same hallway.

New Business

Joey: Last week, Steve voiced that he has the desire to become the student representative for the Class of 2020. So we're going to give him a few minutes to tell us a little about himself.

Steve: Hello, everyone! My name is Steve. I'm a first year student, majoring in Kinesiology. I always had a strong passion for helping the community, and so I would love to become the representative for the Class of 2020.

Marcquese (VIP): What would you be doing that would help the community?

Steve: Well, I hope to meet with all the clubs and organizations on campus; to hopefully get some insights and viewpoints of what they would like to see.

(Mike, the IT Chair escorts Steve out).

Troy (Chamber Choir): motion for Steve to become the Student Senator.

Kyle (Honors): second

Joey: Any discussions?

Alysia (Cheerleading): So does he just have voting rights?

Joey: As the student representative, he would have to abide the same rules that everyone in this General Assembly has to follow. He would have to serve on a committee, miss only two meetings, and he does have voting rights.

Marcquese (VIP): Does he only represent the Class of 2020?

Joey: His title will be the student representative of the Class of 2020, but he will also be representing for all the students on campus.

Marcquese (VIP): Will he have the same rights as we do?

Joey: Yes, what he does is equal to what everyone does here. So there are no special treatments.

No discussions/ opposed/ abstentions

Joey: Congratulations, Steve. You are now a part of the General Assembly, so that means you have to abide by the Constitution and attend all the meetings. Next, Treats for Troops is somethings that was mentioned in the last meeting. I met with Autumn to discuss how we could make this a community service opportunity for clubs, and we came to this idea. At the grocery store, they have brown paper bags; so four full bags of items is equivalent to one hour of community service. I am meeting with SVC to see what essentials are preferred by the men oversea. Candy is acceptable, but I would also love it if we can think outside the box. Like

clothes, toothpaste, brush, etc. Again, I'll meet with SVC to talk to them and hopefully get more information on that. In the meantime, please let me know if your club is interested.

Atiyah (Build-On): When are the items due?

Joey: I don't have a specific date yet. But I would love it if we can gather everything before the end of this semester. I still need to figure out where we would drop the items off, maybe during the SGA meeting, but if that doesn't work, we can definitely think of another plan.

Amanda (Theatre): Where is the SGA office?

Joey: We are located in the Gameroom, along with Jess and Autumn. The CAB office is also located in there, but when you walk in, you'll see the SGA sign by the door.

Open forum:

Chris (Men's Volleyball): We're having Volleyball again at 9-11:30p.m tonight.

Theodore (CAB): This Friday, we have the Crazy Bob's Bingo night, in the MPR.

Joey: Thank you. If its club announcements, please hold them for the club events section. The purpose of the open forum is geared more towards any concerns or questions about the campus.

Kyle (Honors Club): I have two questions for the SGA staff members? First, Diana have you met with Dr. Esqueda yet? And is there a set date of when you would like the concerns from us?

Diana (Academics Chair): I have yet to meet with him, but if you have anything concerns; just e-mail me and I'll bring them up when I meet with Dr. Esqueda

Kyle (Honors): Also, Mike. You said the wifi situation is going on because of the new system. So does this only apply to iPhones, Apple, and Windows laptop? What about Android?

Mike (IT Chair): Android phones are fine. If you still have any issues, please come to the IT Help Desk.

Aylsia (Cheerleading): I noticed that the temperatures in the classrooms are either really hot or really cold. And in the women's restroom, in Gaige, the water is very hot.

Diana (Academics Chair): For the classroom temperatures, I know you can adjust with the thermostats.

Alysia (Cheerleading): Yes, but the classrooms I was in did not have the thermostats. (Gaige and Franco)

Joey: Okay, thank you. I'll reach out to our maintenance staff to see what we can do about this.

Mikey (Lion Ambassadors): Right now it isn't a big deal, because of the warm weather; but do you know when they'll turn the heat on?

Joey: No, I am not sure about that, but I'll reach out to the Residence Hall staff or the maintenance staff to see if I can find that information for you.

Arianna (Communication Nation Club): In the dance studio, behind the gym, the aux cord and the speakers aren't working very well.

Joey: Okay. Real quick, Dance Team are you guys having trouble with the speakers?

Jennifer (Dance Team): Yes, we mentioned that issue and they are working on getting them fixed.

Ian (Outdoors): Do you know when the room inspections for the Residence Hall start and end?

Joey: What are you hiding in there? Just kidding. I actually don't know, but I can get that information and let you know next week.

Emily (Equestrian): I have a concern for Mike. The printer is printing in different ink spectrums.

Mike (IT Chair): Yes, we are dealing with a lot of printing issues because of the new drive that was installed. But if you go to mobile.win.psu.edu and print from there; everything should come out perfect. You just need to log in with your PSU ID and pick the credentials that you need.

Roxy (Step Team): If we choose black and white, but the printer prints it as color; will we be charged?

Mike (IT Chair): No, it will charge you based on the preferences that you selected on the options menu.

Amanda (Theatre): For the flyers, do we need to get them stamped by Campus Life?

Joey: Yes, you have to take your flyers to Erin; so she can approve it, prior to distributing them around campus.

Mike (IT Chair): One more thing about the mobile website, there is an app that you guys can download onto your phone called Pharos Print. It's yellow and has a printer on it.

Ryan: One quick thing, is anyone else having trouble with the wifi on windows pad or iPads? Because I tried going to the IT and to Mike, but they can't do anything about the signal for me.

Joey: I recommend going to the IT staff upstairs. I know they seemed to be more equipped in the technical issues, so maybe try talking to them.

Manpreet (Berks Chemical Society): The Campus Life calendar is due on October 31st at 5:00pm.

Joey: Yes, thank you. And one more thing, for Ian. The inspection for the Residence Hall is October 24th- November 4th for the Village; and October 10th- October 21st for the Woods. Thank you, Raymond Jones for getting us the information.

Staff Reports:

Lindsay (Student Life): How many of you guys heard of Walk a Mile in her shoes? Okay, well, they did it at PSU Lehigh, and I would really love to start this at Berks. It's an event where men

wear high heels to raise awareness for sexual assault. So if you have any questions or is interested, please e-mail me at lit5105@psu.edu.

Diana (Academic Chair): I met with Paula in admissions and we have classrooms open for students. The classes are listed in the file Joey has up. But it is not the only rooms open for students. If you see no one using a classroom, you can walk in and study. These are just the ones that have an extended amount of time for students to stay in and work on homework.

Joey: We have to hold off for next semester, due to the changes in systems, but hopefully we'll get some information for you guys about next semester soon. In the meantime, I'll post this on the SGA website.

Clara (Community Service Chair): This Sunday, 12-3:00pm we have a community service even at Country Meadows.

Marcquese (VIP): Do we have to register?

Joey: Yes, every community service event that you attend, you have to fill out a form to receive the hours for the service. The form is on the Penn State Berks website. You print the form out, and make sure the person that is in charge at the community service event is present to sign it off for you.

Zach (Men's Rugby): If I wrote 12-3 instead of 12-4 will that be an issue?

Joey: Just talk to Autumn to make her aware that you made the mistake. Also, make sure you hand in the form two days after the event.

Mike (IT Chair): If you guys would like to see any changes on the website, please let me know.

Emily (Berks College Democrat): I don't know if the layout is supposed to be that way, but the Constitution only has the appendix listed.

Joey: You may have been looking at other Constitutions, but if you see anything else please let me know.

Zach (Men's Rugby): So, I noticed that when I search online for the website, there are a lot of missing pages and errors?

Joey: Yes, with the change in the website, all the URL has been changed as well. So the best solution to this is to just search through the actual search bar instead of on Google. I'll try to see if I can find someone to help fix this issue.

Club Announcements:

Chaz (THON): We are holding a Halloween dance in two weeks from 9-11:30 in the MPR. Our canning and canvassing weekends are coming up, so if you're interested please contact Mike.

Zach (Men's Rugby): We have a Rugby match this Saturday on the turf field at 1pm.

Alexandria (Rainbow Alliance): We have an event on October 25th to raise sex identification awareness.

Amanda (Ice Hockey): We have two home games coming up, one on Friday and one on Saturday.

Asia (Accounting): We have a speaker from Baker Tilly coming in today at 5:30 in Luerssen 5.

Theo (CAB): Again, CAB is holding Bingo night on Friday in the MPR.

Amanda (Theatre): We have a Makeup Workshop coming up and also we will be going to the Haunted House to do thriller dance, if you guys are interested.

Ian (Outdoors): On Oct 28th 12-1:15, we will be having a yoga class; and on Oct 26th Harry's sister is coming to speak at 7-8:30pm.

Marcquese (VIP): We have an event going on tonight in PSC 118, so please come out and support.

Rachel (YAMS): Like Ian has mentioned, we have officially started the Yoga sessions. And we also have a fundraising event of palm readings done by Erica.

Joey: As you guys can see, there are a lot of campus activities going on. Please go and be involved with all the activities offered. Spread the word.

Campus Life Reports:

No campus life reports.

Adjournment

-Ian (Outdoors): Motion to adjourn.

-Kyle (Honors Club): Second.

No discussions/ opposed/ abstentions