

Penn State University, Berks Campus

Student Government Association

Minutes September 7, 2016

Call to Order

-12:15p.m.

President/ VP Address

-Joey: Welcome back! First order on the agenda is attendance.

Anna takes attendance.

-Joey: Before we move onto the next subject, will the following clubs please see me after the meeting; to discuss about club rep/ proxy. If you do know who your rep/ proxy are, please e-mail me at jtc5323@psu.edu as soon as possible. Thank you!

-Patrick: This week, we're going to try to get you guys up to date on how the SGA meetings work. It's not supposed to be stressful, so just bear with us. Thank you!

Approval of the Minutes

- Troy (Chamber Choir): approve the minutes

- Rachel (Equestrian club): second

No discussion/ opposed/ abstentions

Approval of the Agenda

- Kyle (Honors): approve the agenda

- Troy (Chamber Choir): second

No discussions/ opposed/ abstentions

Old Business

No old business today

New Business

-Joey: We're expecting Joe Webb to come in to speak to us shortly, so in the meantime; we're going to address the Roberts' Rule. On the back of your nametags, you'll see a cheat sheet of how to vote. Every time we have an "approval of the minutes," "approval of the agendas," or other order of businesses that need approval, a person needs to approve the motion and then a second person needs to support the motion. For the abstentions and oppositions, that's where the voting comes in; whether or not to continue on with the meeting.

-SVC: If we have something that isn't on the agenda, how does that work?

-Joey: Yes, so you can address topics that aren't on the agenda during open forum. If you have anything that you'd like to discuss at the next meeting, you'll just need to motion for that topic to be discussed next time. Also, during open forum, please participate. Any other questions?

-Mike (IT): If you want to table something, how would you go about it?

-Joey: Okay. So you'll need to motion to table the item; and on that case, the topic would be on pause until the next meeting. Thank you, Mike. Also, if you don't know something or have any questions; just let us know and we'll help to the best of our abilities. Moving on, Mr. Joe Webb is here, so let's welcome him.

Joe Webb: I'm here to speak about Unity Day! It is on Wednesday September 21st, 2016. This year's theme is "Celebrating Our Similarities While Embracing Our Differences". It is going to start at noon; and we need participation and collaboration from all the students on campus. Every organization is allowed to come up with your own theme; to promote unity. There will be voting sheets for your peers to vote on the best table that represented Unity Day. The winning club will win a Pizza Party. So if you would like to be a part of Unity Day, just e-mail me at jjw26@psu.edu. I'll purchase any materials you need, so please get back to me no later than September 14th, 2016

-Person A: When is it?

-Joe Webb: September 21st, 2016; during common hour. There will be food and games too.

-Person B: Will we be able to perform?

-Joe Webb: Yes, just let me know by e-mailing or stopping by my office. You can also go see Miss O at Gaige Room 311A.

-Joey: On the side note, we will be having an SGA meeting on Unity Day. The reason is because we want to make sure everyone's budgets go through. Budgets are due Monday, September 12th, at 5:00pm. Either to Paula or Erin. New clubs can still submit a budget after the deadline, but please try to get that done as soon as possible. Thank you, Mr. Webb.

Joe Webb leaves.

-Joey: One more thing about the Roberts' Rule, if a club member is late to the 12:15pm meeting, a motion needs to be made in order for that club member to sit in. And if you do come in late, please sit in the back, so no disruptions are made. So really quick, DECA just came in late, so is there a motion for him to join the assembly?

-Chris (Volleyball): Motion for DECA to join

-Kyle (Honors): Second

No discussions/ opposed/ abstentions

-Troy (Chamber choir): Cheerleading also came in late, so I'd like to motion for her to join.

-Rachel (Equestrian): Second.

No discussions/ opposed/ abstentions

-Joey: The next topic on the agenda is SGA layout. Those of you who have nametags are active clubs; which give you the right to vote during the meeting. Students that are not part of a club can also come to share their thoughts. The Roberts' Rule will then be applied to them as well.

No questions.

-Joey: Committees are next on the agenda. Many of you have asked for the description of each committee, so I thought it'd be easier to announce each one to you guys now. Mike will also be uploaded the descriptions on the SGA website.

Joey announced the description and job from each committee; and allowed the SGA staff to introduce themselves.

(Committee: IT, PR, Community Service, JOB, Faculty Senate, Budget, Student Life)

-Joey: Okay. So each committee sheets will be up here for you guys to sign up. We encourage you to be a part of one.

Club Events:

-Kyle (Honors): We have a speaker will be coming on September 21st to speak about the education and quality of schools within the United States.

-Chris (Volleyball): Our set meetings will occur on Monday and Wednesday, but we'll have a meeting tomorrow to start.

-Kaishla (CAB): Tomorrow we have pinterest in the MPR, Saturday we have Messy Twister in the Luerssen field, and Monday we have Eric O'Shea in the auditorium.

-Joey: SGA will also be sponsoring voter registration on Unity Day.

Campus Life Reports:

-Habida: Today, we have a Late Night Art event. If you need any information about community service or Stanford State training, please e-mail Autumn Fritz, amr40@psu.edu. And if you're interested in the alternative spring break, there will be a meeting in the MPR tomorrow.

-Teri: I just wanted to mention something about Unity Day. It is a celebration that takes place in the Fall; to take into consideration of all the different cultures and religions on this campus. So we really encourage everyone in participating in this open event.

-Habida: Also, I'll be doing a club training before the budget submit day.

Adjournment

-Rachel (Equestrian club): Motion to adjourn.

-Ian (Outdoor): Second.