

**Student Government Association
Minutes from January 14th 2010**

Marketing Commercial/Music Presentation

Tony DiPasqua called the meeting to order at 7:54 p.m.

Prayer: Brandon Wiley

Swearing in of the New Members:

Roll Call:

Absent: Nicole Edwards, Bridger Philson, Stephen Sweeney, Michael Raco, Dan Morelli

Late:

Left Early: Sarah Gates, Cara Black

Approval of the Minutes:

- Thomas Panighetti motioned to approve the minutes.
 - Andrew Agnew seconded this motion.
 - The motion passes.

Student's Voice:

- **Deidra Clark**- oppose the speakers on AJ's way
- **Emily Taft** – opposed the speakers on AJ's way, suggested money be spent on laptops for the power room instead
- **Bob S** – likes the serenity on AJ's way
- **Samuel Clark** – for the speakers on AJ's way, would like to know more about it – Chris Smolinski explained
- **Nicole Brown** – opposes the speaker project, does not think enough students know about it
- **Gladys Payne** – opposed to speaker project, you spend too little time on AJ's way to enjoy it
- **Denora Sanchez** – senior at Mercyhurst – would like to look into a transcript rush fee if applying to certain schools and registrar could print out your transcript right there

Voting Items:

| AMOUNT | GROUP | TYPE | MOTION | SECONDED | VOTE |
|--------|--|------------------|-------------------|----------------|--------|
| \$450 | Budget Transfer to Student Development for Wellness Fair Lunch | Special Projects | Thomas Panighetti | Thomas Russo | Passes |
| \$267 | Nash Library for overtime to pay to officer for extended hours | Special Projects | Shane Lavin | Chelsea Pluta | Passes |
| \$1300 | LDP for LDP conference food, folders, pens and printing | Special Projects | Thomas Russo | Andrew McGuire | Passes |

Officer's Report:

- **Secretary:**
 - Meghan passed around a contact sheet for everyone to update, those will be distributed before next meeting.
 - Meghan read from the constitution on the attendance policy.
 - Attendance last semester was bad, therefore a STAR CHART will be placed in the office so that everyone can see your attendance.
- **V.P. of Technology:**

- New Idea scale added to website – everyone can vote on the ideas they would like to see come to campus
- Eventcal and attendance are now on the website
- We are now streaming the meeting LIVE! – tell your friends they can watch from home!
- Gabe is looking for members for the technology committee
- Gabe would like to congratulate Teresa Antonucci and Jessica Mountain on perfect attendance!! YAY girls!
- **Parliamentarian:**
 - Not a lot procedural wise if you have any questions ask!
- **V.P. of Public Relations:**
 - PR meeting early next week!
- **V.P. of Clubs and Organizations:**
 - LDP conference – February 6th
 - Flyer to club and organizations mailboxes about it
 - If you have 50% of your club attendance you will be entered into a raffle and 5 groups will be guaranteed \$500 from club funding.
 - The GU gold December report was received
 - There will be a table in Waldron for LDP conference sign ups, Tom passed around a sheet to get people to sit at the table
- **V.P. of Academic Affairs:**
 - Welcome Back!
 - Food Committee – chair opening
 - Constitutional Revision – next Thursday 21st 730pm in the SGA office
 - Learning outcomes and assessment met
 - Elections are coming up!
 - AA met – Liberal studies to add to associates degree
 - Wireless Mics for W219 cost \$450-\$750/microphone
- **Treasurer:**
 - Budget Update –The operating budget is currently at \$31,661.99
- **President:**
 - Welcome Back!
 - There is a an upcoming 3 day weekend and there are many things going on for MLK day so beware, they are really looking for SGA involvement –Jackie will be playing guitar and Alysia will be reading a poem
 - Spring Retreat – Saturday Jan 23rd 9am-12pm – if you cant make it let either Tony or Meghan know
 - Support the Men and Women’s Basketball teams!
 - Wellness Fair is Feb 2nd from 11am – 2pm
 - LDP is February 6th – very exciting! Come Network!
 - Budget meeting – February 4th 0 open to entire student body, would like to see many students there. Come! And tell all of your friends!
- **Advisor’s Report:**
 - Ten things from Kathleen
 - 10. The senior gift has been put up! Check it out when you leave – its hanging in the stairwell
 - 9. Thanks to everyone for the great banquet, her picture is in her office!
 - 8. Number of awards to be given out at founders day – April 18th – Kappa Gamma Phi and Whose Who?
 - 7. The first week of February is a busy week full of stuff, make sure you attend the budget meeting
 - 6. Campus Ministry – Matthew Kelly – Retreat – talk to him – 7pm Yehl signups due soon.
 - 5. Go to the retreat January 23rd, it’s a good time to get together and reconvene
 - 4. Orientation advisors applications are out, Kathleen encourages you to participate
 - 3. MLK day events on Monday – please attend

- 2. Earthquake in Haiti – focus attention and prayers there
- 1. Who can whistle selection C!?

Functional Reps:

- **APB:**
 - January 31st -1st annual snowman building contest, 2 to 4 people per team at 2pm on the friendship green
 - January 26th – 2 comedians
 - Friday and Saturday- Michael Jackson’s “This Is It”
 - Friday Otters game tickets \$1- sold out within a day
 - February 13th – peak n peak trip – quite cheap – look out for ticket sales
 - Applications for exec board positions available at front desk
 - Concert- reviewing applications on Monday
- **IFC**
 - APD is back on campus
 - The fraternities had no disciplinary action in Fall 2009
- **Panhellenic**
 - Recruitment weekend – 74 girls signed up- good luck to all the girls
 - Website is almost finished – news letter will be online
 - Fun new brochures! Check them out!
 - Waldron weekend to sponsor graffiti party with Panhellenic – can of food for admission
- **MCU:**
 - Soul Food Dinner February 12th
- **ISA:**
 - International night – March 27th
 - ISA will be having monthly coffeehouses
- **Commuter:**
 - No Report
- **Chaplain’s Office:**
 - Collecting money for Haiti Relief
 - Christian unity week – next week
 - Jubilee – February 19th – 21st with a conference in Pittsburgh- \$100 for GU students
 - Theology on Tap in February
 - Food for thought

Class Reports:

- **Senior Class:**
 - Chelsea Tony and Andrew to meet with Brit Daenke to talk about Senior class gift next Friday
 - Brits office proposed halfway to graduation a Senior Bar Crawl!
 - Senior class will meet as soon as they all find a date
 - February 16th possible date for wing competition
 - Looking at getting 2010 pins for seniors
 - Looking for a Senior Class Rep
- **Junior Class:**
 - Game Room Renovations – things put in but they are not kept up with
 - Billiards
 - New game system – PS3- Xbox 360
 - Trying to get mural on the Erie Parking Garage
- **Sophomore Class:**
 - Haven’t met yet
 - Nikki and Bill met with Jack about upgrading speakers at the rec center – amp and control unit are pretty unexpensive – they will email everyone the figure

- Working on Class Rep opening
- **Freshman Class:**
 - Will meet soon
 - Working on the same projects
 - Looking for a new member
 - Meet about Freshman mixer soon

University Committees:

- **Budget and Finance**
 - Talked about tuition and healthcare costs

SGA Committees:

- **EMTA**
 - Get info about riders – had EMTA rep come in
 - Intern that didn't do anything – that's why advertisements weren't done
 - Talking to the media department
 - Route B for now
 - Number of riders have increase
 - Will be in contact – status about real time – hopes to get stations up this semester
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Special Ad-HOC Committee Reports:

- **Merit Scholarship**
 - Recommendations over to Tony
 - Jeremy did a short presentation

Unfinished Business:

- Thomas Russo moves to untable the speaker project
 - Andrew Agnew seconded this motion
 - Motion passes
- Thomas Panighetti motions to extend debate until 10:50pm or earlier
 - Nathalie Brown seconded this motion
 - Motion fails – motion debate will remain 25 minutes
- Motions on the table is to strictly allocate the \$4000 from special projects to the speaker project
 - Motion Passes

New Business:

- **SOTA** – campus wide fundraiser for Haiti, please donate!

Pass the Gavel: 10:43 p.m.

Adjournment: 10:50 p.m.