



02.01.18

## Opening of the Meeting

Call to Order-5:05 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

First Roll Call

Approval of Today's Agenda - *approved*

Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes - *approved*

## Hearings

### Open Gallery I

- Mitch Karstens (Director of Atwood) and Jen Matzke (Director of Residential Life) - tabled until next week to speak
- Gallery-
  - St Cloud has a reputation of hatred and exclusivity
  - Hurt that everyone does not feel welcome and people allow it to happen.
  - Have the right for free speech but not appropriate to put down others
  - Feels like they want to offend people is there only goal
  - How can we call this home if we don't feel safe and welcome to be here
  - When is this going to change before something bad happens
  - Show the unrest of the people and cannot tolerate this anymore
  - Challenge us to make a change or they will
  - Disappointed in the University for not representing it appropriately
  - Curiosity about the process of approval for this case and why hate speech was approved.
  - Question of Student Government's role in posters and displays
  - Concern about student input not being taken into consideration when asked for during open forums
  - Is the statement of St. Cloud States model true? Think. Do. Make a Difference.
  - Concern about intent of the display
  - Time to stop ignoring this and do something – if no action is taken then students will rise up
  - College Republicans - stand by it as of free speech
  - Hate speech is not recognized by constitution, and admin
  - Be open to everyone's ideas and hear their opinion
  - Will host forums to discuss
  - Human respect is not in the law but is something people should honor
  - People bear heavy burdens and displays such as the wall are just a reminder
  - College republicans- no one advocates for violence – they are just sharing their views
  - More beneficial to work on a solution rather than just bashing and releasing emotion
  - Admin needs to act – has not lived up to student standards thus far
  - Display demoralizes people
  - Shocked to see the display was still up after a day and “protected” within a glass case
  - The display does not reflect on St. Cloud State University's student code of conduct and husky compact.
  - All people, under the first amendment, can speak their mind and this needs to be protected.
  - Today is the first day of black history month – the display could be geared towards honoring this

- Heard about the concerns and plan to take down and recreate the display
- This display was created by student who visited the College Republicans booth at SideStreet to “build the wall”
- No affiliation with the white supremacy group at all
- What precautions are going to take place to ensure this will not happen again?

**Call for recess: 7:22 PM**

**Meeting back in order at 7:50**

- Discussion open to gallery
  - President Jack, thanks all for speaking and hopes this encourages senators to outreach to all students on a greater scale.
  - Action- admin with a statement, and talk with them for a message they stand by
  - Create forums to talk about a solution for what is going on and how we are going to accomplish
  - Time for us to make a change and take students seriously and involve them in conversations
  - Student code of conduct 2,4,19 is violated by this display
  - Look deeper into policy to see what the school will allow in displays and posters
  - Senator- invites College Republicans to come in an SGA willing to help them create a new sign
  - Gallery-came here with sacrifices to voice opinion, must think and act before something else happens before some one snaps and does something they regret. Can only do so much and hope it is enough for people to listen and make a change.
  - Gallery- came here because SCSU is accepting, asking to do this because we are humans, can not speak for everyone but can say my opinion, need help taking it down.
  - College of Republicans- Want to put together a better display for all St. Cloud. Clearly went too far on certain parts, respect others’ views, and want help.
  - College Democrats- Take into consideration when statements are made, everyone has some experience who makes them who they are now.
  - Celebrate and do a display of the diversity of rep. party to do something different.
  - Do not make people regret their discussion for coming here.
  - College Dem.- represent all students on campus. Suggests for an apology by the members for this display.
  - Vp- open it up to all to improve this school in all aspects not just for this issue
  - Pres- senate to create a bill if students want to have someone approve designs.
  - Senator- we need help to come up with changes, we are not experts and need help
  - Vp- encouraging audience to apply for open senator positions to help SGA make a difference

**Finance Hearings-**

- Society of Red Buddhist Lotus- Funded \$830 on the basis of speakers and printing
- Sports Management Club- Tabled for next meeting
- Malaysian Night- Funded \$2000 on the basis of their cultural night
- SCSU Wind Ensemble- Funded \$900 on the basis of registration, travel, and lodging and \$300 on the basis of travel and lodging
- *All finance hearing have been approved*

**Internal Elections**

- Move to table all 3 At-Large Senator application for one week- *approved*

**Plenary Session I**

**Unfinished Business**

**New Business**

Motion to cut all office reports and after - *Approved*

**Recess – Cut**

Seeking approval for President appointments of Senator Osbourne to be the Chair of Campus Affairs and Senator Fischer to be the Executive Assistant – *Approved.*

**Officer Reports**

President  
Vice President  
Chief Justice  
Students United  
RHA Rep

**Committee Reports**

Academic Affairs  
Campus Affairs  
Cultural Diversity  
Constitution  
Elections Committee  
Executive Council  
Fee Allocation  
Legislative Affairs  
Public Relations  
Senate Finance  
Student Services  
Technology Fee  
Urban Affairs  
University Committees

**Plenary Session II**

Last Call for Business

**Closing of Meeting**

Open Gallery II  
Open Statements  
Last Roll Call  
Adjournment- 8:53 PM