



Date 2018.02.15

Opening of the Meeting 5:11 PM

Call To Order

Pledge of Allegiance

First Roll Call

Approval of Today's Agenda-*Approved*

Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes- *Approved*

Hearings

Open Gallery I

- Jane Olson- Director of the Women's Center
 - Women on Wednesday's are still going on and are addresses the issues students have concerns about around campus
 - Reproductive justice, women in the workplace are committees that work with the women's center
 - Women in the workplace have a poster of 10 issues of sexual harassment inside and outside the workplace put out recently, so far it has 2200 hits and if you share the original post, you have a chance to get a \$20 bookstore gift card.
 - Presented data on the Women's Center Group, Individual Contacts for fiscal year 2017 to be able to get a sense of their work at the center.
 - Groups from the women's center
 - It's on us is addressing the problem of rape and sexual assault on campus
 - Students for choice- is a pro-reproductive justice group who are concerned about legislature policy and laws regarding certain topics
 - Program in partnership with Legal Lane and MN insurance group to help with no cost to low cost health care through health insurance for students
- Jen Matzke- Department of Residential Life

- Presented the Simply Stearns Model for those who want an affordable option on campus. It will be independent living environment and have a limited staff in the hall just as the front desk. There will be no community advisors on the living floors
- The cost will be applied to the student account for each semester so financial aid can be used to pay for the cost.
- Have floors two through five open, having two for guys and two for women and are able to open more if the demand is there.
- Have three parking lots, will have A1 only for those who live at Stearns and an additional 40 parking spots in the parking ramp and some in K lot if necessary.
- They do not require a meal plan and have a stove, oven and kitchen prep space on each floor for students to use to prepare their own food.
- A washer and dryer are on every floor which is free for all residents without swiping student id
- Tours are Tuesday 8-10 pm and can have a personal tour is requested on the website
- Comprehensive facility plans on the website to know more about the plans of buildings on campus
- Already have over 20 students registered the first week and need 68 students to break even with costs of expenditures. There max capacity is 400 students but max set up as of now is 300 beds
- Dr. Stephen Pillion – Chair of Sociology Dept.
 - Elizer Darris- an advocate for Reform for prison along with criminal and social justice
 - A link to a description about his story - <https://www.mprnews.org/story/2017/11/01/life-after-lockup-an-inmates-first-year-out>
 - Tedx Talk he did while presenting at the University of Minnesota- <https://www.facebook.com/elizer.darris/videos/352252535244453/>
 - He revived education while in prison to become educated and one of the classes he took was from a professor at St. Cloud.
 - Reform for prison, criminal and social justice
 - Started the Power of the people – which is a support group for those who just came out of prison
 - His speech will draw attention from students, media and the local community. The event would be free for everyone that attends.
 - Seeking a matching fund of 150 that both the sociology and criminal justice department have each funded this speaker
 - Hoping to have him present at the end of March or early April
- Interim President Ashish Vaidya

- Showed of the new video to represent the university with the new slogan for a coherent message and have created unleash with several sayings after it.
- Major Comprehensive campaign for St Cloud State University unleash the future for five years
- Raise millions of dollars the improve students here and once 75% of their goal is raised it will announced to everyone
- Next Semester the University will be celebrating SCSU's 150 anniversary in August through September. The big kick off will be the homecoming in October.
- Have a plan to partner with student organization and have an event lead by students in the fall on October 18th
- The history department is working on a project for next year with a timeline of the universities history.
- Launched the mobile safety application to improve safety on campus and has the opportunity for students to give feedback about safety on the app and will be having a table in Attwood to reach students
- The goal for retention from fall to spring was 88.5 percent for first year students returning and achieved it but watching the spring to fall retention coming up
- Enrollment goals have been met this year and hope to achieve it next year also
- Free and civil discourse will be discussed the first or second week after spring break. They will discuss free speech and keeping the campus values a long with the hopes to have recommendation to do better in the future while keeping limitations in mind
- Currently looking to improve transfer students from the 2 year schools to a four year school
- 25% student enrollment decline from 2011 to 2017. They reviewed campus tours, communicating with students and directing them to the right direction, have faculty and staff meet students in hopes to improve the enrolment rates of the university
- Plan on creating a Husky Plaza to create an opportunity for Alumni to buy a brick to leave a message in the wall and the proceeds will support student scholarships
- University Communications will be launching the outlook magazine to see the value in SCSU for alumni in hopes of donations
- Red and Black Society are able to break down the donation to payments each month to make it affordable for students who recently graduated
- The Search Committee put the ad out for a new president and will review applications the beginning of march and bring candidates to campus at one point at the end of April to have open forums to be able to ask questions. The chancellor's will make a recommendation in May

- Shelly – Students United Board of Directors for St. Cloud
 - Students United is the collected voice and advocates for students at a state level from the Minnesota State system
 - February Delates is coming up this weekend and will focus on several things to bring system wide change for the better of students in all universities in the system
 - Next delegates are here in April and want to bring people who are not a part of student government to be a part of delegates to have different views on the topics

Finance Hearings

- GLBTA+ Alliance **Funded** \$387.50 on the basis of lodging
- Outload **Funded** \$301.50 on the basis of lodging
- Nepalese Student Association **Funded** \$3000 on the basis of food, advertising and decoration
- Upper Mississippi Harvest Student Literary Magazine **Funded** \$2971 on the basis of printing
- St. Cloud State University Vex-U Robotics Team **Funded** \$875 on the basis of registration fees
- Chinese Students Scholar Association **Tabled** on the basis of no show
- *All have been Approved*

Internal Elections

At-Large Senators

- Aayudhl Rayamayhi
- Dipesh Singh Magar

Plenary Session I

Unfinished Business

New Business

Recess 8:23PM-8:48PM

Officer Reports

President

- Coexist banner committee to figure out what to replace the sign with on Attwood, and where to have the new coexist. The new banner will be designed by the students and could be anything from posters to structures.
- Get involved on campus especially events going on to be involved in campus and reach out to students to talk to them and see what students are looking for in the campus.
- Trivia Weekend is this weekend and is put on by the radio station KVSC and is not only played by students but the community in the area.

Vice President

- Make sure office hours are complete throughout the week and are signing in when in the office

Chief Justice

- If you get tired throughout the meeting, feel free to step out at an appropriate time and drink water to stay awake.

Students United

RHA Rep

Committee Reports

Academic Affairs

- This week they are going to the various departments and distributing grade repeal forms to make sure they all have some in their offices.

Campus Affairs

Cultural Diversity

Constitution

- Want to do a constitution 101 for everyone to get to know the SGA constitution this semester.

Elections Committee

- Election packets are available now in the office for President and Vice President positions or At Large Senators positions

Executive Council

Fee Allocation-

- Will not meet next week since Monday is president's day and offices are closed.

Legislative Affairs

- This coming up Monday legislature in state and national levels get back in session and will be following bills that affect students.

Public Relations

- No meeting tomorrow and are currently pricing clothing out

Senate Finance

- They are reviewing policy to make it more effective and clear for student organizations

Student Services and sustainability

Contacted the Viking Coke initiative to see if they can use the money for outside supplies or have to use their resources. They are thinking about using the money for planting flowers around campus

Technology Fee

They have a budget for computers now and the bring your own device space in 51 is almost complete, sending out a survey for technology fee about the students feed back about the technology on campus. Will update the Wi-Fi in brown hall and administrative services buildings this semester. Wanting to creating signs for the bring your own device spaces and new things they are doing so students are aware how they got there.

Urban Affairs

- The committee will be going to city hall meetings and are thinking of creating a pen pal with local schools in the community to reach out to kids.

University Committees

Plenary Session II

Last Call for Business

Closing of Meeting

Open Gallery II

Open Statements

Last Roll Call

Adjournment- **9:39PM**