



11.16.2017

## Opening of the Meeting

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

- Margaret Vos – co-chair for sesquicentennial
  - Year-long celebration starting next Fall
  - We will be celebrating homecoming
  - Various ways to engage students, alumni, and the community
  - Student organized event – asking for feedback – to be determined
  - Kickoff with the President's Club Gala
  - Ongoing events – MLK Breakfast, Speaker, Alumni Concert and Art Fair, Annual Leadership Breakfast, Summer Series (Working with the city to sponsor the last event)
  - End with the fall of 2019 (September 19, 2019 – birthday) – possible hockey event
  - Husky Plaza dedication – between Atwood and Stewart Hall
  - Looking at other school's highlights and events
  - In talks with KVSC for advertisement
  - Working with international partners
  - Highlighting cultural nights
  - Taking the event to the state fair
  - Logos to identify that events are a part of the sesquicentennial
  - Going out into the community looking for sponsorships – hoping for more than half of the funds from doing this
  - Event teams – student involvement – brainstorm and implement the plan once approved by the President
  - Will come back to this body next semester

- Feedback –
  - Will homecoming be during family weekend? – October 17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>. At this time not sure if family weekend will be during this time. Will be in talks with Jess Ostman about this
  - Student groups will be asked to brainstorm events - will still need approval
  - Very little input from other students besides SGA at this point. Survey in Atwood? Problem – limited feedback. Engaged conversation would be better
  - If students have questions who should they contact? – Lisa Foss as well as the three co-chairs.
  - What other events will be put on specifically for the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary? – A few things are still in the discussion change. Hard to implement new things without the budget to do so. The President does not want to spend money when it is already being cut. Whole idea of the Husky Plaza and creating that presence. Expanding on current events
  - Challenge students to come up with new traditions
  - Tagline or slogan? – What does being a husky mean – Do not know theme yet but would like to have one to connect students to the past, present, and the future
  - Use this to solicit donations from alumni? – of course!
- Corie Beckerman – director of health services
  - Healthcare is very complicated and is very expensive in the U.S.
  - Access to healthcare but costs to obtain
  - Some countries there is not any good healthcare while others' governments pay for it all
  - There are certain things that are required to be covered in healthcare – Affordable Care Act
  - Regulations, cost of living, and number of people all affect the insurance premiums
  - At SCSU we listen to students to hear what they want out of insurance
  - We buy the plans together as one big pool
  - Student insurance advocates
  - Over the last 8 years the average change went up \$74.13
  - To talk about comparisons with other students' insurance programs they would have to look at the policy to see what is all different and why the prices would vary
  - Currently dental and eye exams are not covered – they can go to the insurance company to get a quote and see what it would be to add these
  - Hoping for different options – but if there are more options then there will be smaller pools
  - KFF.org – for more information
  - Health fee provides part of the funding to have health services on campus
  - Form for refunds available - for example if a student leaves the university halfway through the year and they paid for the full year they can have the second semester refunded
  - Turn insurance into month-to-month payments? More accessible? – not the current process but could definitely look into it
  - Different providers for employer benefits v. student insurance
- Shahzad Ahmad – Director of Multicultural Student Services
  - Study abroad – International Advisee Council work to consolidate different groups to look at other or additional options
  - Use D21 to welcome students and help them be aware of what's going on around campus. A little more difficult to be welcoming to international students who enter the university during Spring semester
  - Highest number of international students this semester than ever before at SCSU
  - University of Minnesota has a higher number than SCSU
  - Exchange program to be more welcoming to international students? – Difficult to implement. This would be institution to institution. Working with the business office to help change some things to make this possible

## **Recess – 6:53 PM – 7:03 PM**

### Finance Hearings

- No finance hearings

### Internal Elections

- *Motion to table college and at-large senators for one week - passed*
- Fee Allocation – Welcome... Kayla Shelley

## **Plenary Session I**

### Unfinished Business

### New Business

- CC Interpretation – The Constitution Committee insists that a fifth section be added to Article IV: Non-Constitutional Positions of the Student Government bylaws...
  - *Motion to affirm this interpretation – passed*
- Tax Bill Edit Suggestions... See Chair Mikkelson or Vice President Shelley for more information.
  - *Motion to affirm this statement - passed*

## **Recess ( cut to 10 minutes) – 7:39 PM – 7:52 PM**

## **Officer Reports**

### President

- Meeting with the chancellor about the selection process for the new President – Monday from 3-3:45PM in the Atwood Theater– everyone is welcome and encouraged to go
- Make sure to pay attention to everyone else’s questions to make sure we aren’t repeating the same ones
- Fee work group – how many credits each demographic student should be paying – how much to charge on all of the different scenarios
- Public safety sent over policy and procedure for after hour events. There will be a link sent out so that we can all access it
- Students United delegates this weekend. Be in the office before 3 pm
- Academic Affairs chair is yet to be appointed
- There WILL be an exec meeting on Tuesday
- Happy Thanksgiving!

### Vice President

- Body language... be respectful. We follow Sturgis for a reason
- Do your office hours. These NEED to be done.
- Seeking a second advisor to SGA – for data and information primarily. This will be a senate decision if this moves forward
- Fee group – a lot to undertake. If you have input on that let VP know, or the President, or Chair Stoesz

- Absent from November 20<sup>th</sup>-December 4<sup>th</sup> Help out President O'Neil Como and EA Kraus
- Forward emails to President O'Neil Como and EA Kraus during VP absence
- We will not be meeting during finals week

Chief Justice

Students United

- Delegates this weekend. Be in the office before 3 pm
- Think of ideas for a thank you video
- App to track delegates motions

RHA Rep

### **Committee Reports**

Academic Affairs

Campus Affairs

- Walk through Atwood with Kevin Whitlock and Mitch Karstens to see where they could put cameras to help prevent theft in Atwood

Cultural Diversity

Constitution

- Non-traditional student organization review

Elections Committee

Executive Council

- Clean the office! Pick up after yourself
- Don't take pens from the office. Return them if you have taken them

Fee Allocation

- Met to talk about large scale events - will meet again in two weeks
- Looking at bylaws

Legislative Affairs

- Senator Blamer working with Students United and the Women's Center to create an affirmative consent event
- Finalizing letter to send out to representatives

Public Relations

- No meeting last week

#### Senate Finance

- Complications with tomorrow's meeting due to absences
- Will be voting online tomorrow
- 1:30-3 pm in the office – will be discussing the policies to help with funding

#### Student Services

- Clothing drive the first week of December
- Reaching out to departments to come up with a design for reusable bags

#### Technology Fee

- Looking at replacing computers on campus
- Waiting to see usage of the computers

#### Urban Affairs

- Want to have a good amount of people at the COP house event – talk to Chair Huberty if you are interested – trying to make this a monthly reoccurring event

#### University Committees

### **Plenary Session II**

#### Last Call for Business

- *Motion to allow Executive Assistant Kraus to proxy for Chair Shelley for one meeting – passed*
- *Motion to limit open statements to one minute - passed*

### **Closing of Meeting**

#### Open Gallery II

- Intern Uecker and VP Shelley – Delegates
  - Those going... read the email sent out about the initiatives!
  - Gala will be awesome!
  - Board will be introducing delegates on Saturday
  - Go to Intern Uecker for questions
  - Follow the SCSU code of conduct – if you do not you will be reported to Students United and Judicial Council
  - You will be representing not only SCSU, but the whole MNSCU system
  - Saturday – fun night. Get-to-gather to have discussions, play board games, and network
- Concerned Mitchell Hall Student
  - Bathroom codes to go to the bathroom that will change randomly – need to go to the front desk to get the new code

- Need to get a CA to unlock the door to the kitchen and restricted access – problem for all students
- Feedback –
  - This should be taken to the residence hall community council before SGA
- Chair Becicka
  - Talked about the effect of part-time v. full-time faculty
  - Looking for feedback from students
  - Asking for us to go out and ask students their opinions on this

Open Statements

Last Roll Call

Adjournment – 8:52 PM