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### **Student Government Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, January 12, 2023

## I. Opening of Meeting

- a) Call to order at 5:16 pm
- b) Pledge of Alliance
- c) First roll call

President Malik Vice President Pradhan Executive Assistant Baduwal Chair Rau Chair Basnet Chair Karki Chair Sangibat Chair Ghataraj Senator Mobin Senator Joshi Senator Hudson Senator Sharma Senator Lal Senator Das

d) Approval of today's agenda: Moved by Senator Joshi. Motion passes unanimously.

# **II. Hearings**

- a. Open Gallery
  - Marwah Asif

- The Student Leadership Programme will be opening up soon, they haven't given us an exact date. But I would encourage everyone here to apply. It is \$15 an hour for first semester fall, that's when it will start. And the moment it gets uploaded to students united I would assume President Malik will probably tell everyone. It's for people who want to look at federal advocacy, system priorities, University Relations, all of these things, finances, budgets, everything that goes into working in a nonprofit, are all like internships that become available, and you work directly under like a coordinator.

-There's going to be a fundraiser soon for the it's called a night of black excellence. But the fundraiser is there to sum up money for scholarships that are going to be opening up soon, that everyone can apply for. And that's going to be at can Wonderland, it is a \$50 ticket.

- b. Internal Elections
  - Abyssinia Gobaw- Elected rightfully as College Senator
  - Ruchi Bhusal- Elected rightfully as Senator-At-Large

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• [Chair Appointment]: Sidney Allen appointed as Technology Fee Committee Chair

# **IV. Plenary Session I**

- a. Unfinished Business- [Null]
- b. New Business- Dr. Katrina
  - Hockey Event Feb 4 another area is having a conflict with that so they were wondering if they can move it to Feb 3 it's going to be in the President suit. Unfortunately, the president cannot be. She's not in town that weekend. And she's on university business.
  - Once a month on Thursdays here at St. Cloud state and in the state of Minnesota each of the each • faculty or staff who works here on campus is part of a union or it's called bargaining unit sometimes. And so there's six or seven different kinds. And they meet with some cabinet members, and they have their own membership. So throughout once a month we meet and information is shared, and we have a great opportunity to think about how we can remove barriers and how to make the university run more effectively and efficiently. We still have some gaps in our budget due to Covid that we're working on institutionally. And so, the President read this statement to each of those unions today. And I felt it was important for you to also hear it. President Wacker says "We shared with the campus widely what we're doing to address this year's budget gap of \$18.3 million. And we mentioned that plan with the planning for next year's budget is underway already, right, we're already looking at next year. As we consider next year, it has become apparent that we will need to make reductions to address the anticipated gap in our budget. And doing so I'm committed to considering multiple tools available to make the necessary financial adjustments, strategies to manage the budget deficit under consideration include increased revenue generation.
  - Let's register we had 90% registered compared to last few years it was around 75%.

#### **III. Officer Reports**

- a. President -
  - Talked to President Wacker International Student Health Insurance concerns, making a resolution carrying voices of students and carrying it to VP Larry.
  - Tour around the dorms with Dr.Katrina, collect feedbacks.
  - Encourage everyone to attend Power in Diversity conference. We might have our own workshop if possible.
  - Legislation/Bylaws/Internal Structure is from 2017 so we need to make changes to that. At the end of this semester, we're going to have elections.
  - This semester I want everyone to look forward to the Students United conference that might be held around April.
- b. Vice President [President and VP have the same report since they work together almost all the time]
- c. Executive Assistant [Null]
- d. Chief Justice– [Null]

#### **V. Committee Reports**

- a. Fee Allocation Had our first meeting for the semester. (2-4)pm on Tuesdays . The director of Athletics. Looking forward to budget for next year. Dome that is currently covering the football field, it needs repairing which needs an expense which they plan to replace in Summer 2023.
- b. Public Relation [Null]

- c. Technology Fee- [Null]
- d. Senate Finance Will start having meeting next week.
- e. Student Services Meeting next week. Art department looking forward to collaborating again for an event.
- f. Sustainability Committee- Starting next week we will have meetings related to recycling plastics on campus.

# VI. Last Call for Business

[Null]

### **VII.** Closing of Meeting

- a. New Business- [Null]
- b. Open Statement

c. Last Roll Call President Malik Vice President Pradhan **Executive Assistant Baduwal** Chief Justice Chair Rau Chair Basnet Chair Karki Chair Sangibat Chair Ghataraj Chair Allen Senator Mobin Senator Das Senator Hudson Senator Lal Senator Mukit Senator Sharma Senator Gobaw Senator Bhusal

d. Adjournment - Adjourned at 7:19 pm