**GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING**

**FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION**

**Tuesday, November 19, 2019**

**6:30 p.m.**

President Faulkner called to order the General Assembly meeting of the Ferris State University Student Government Association on Tuesday, November 19, 2019 in UC 202 C, located at 805 Campus Drive, Big Rapids, MI 49307 at 6:36 p.m.

Roll call was taken.

**Present**: Allyson Faulkner, Mariah Gaither, Tara Kremhelmer, Adam Michalski, Miranda Blaine, Dean Herioux, Brooke Cunningham, Lucas Orosco, Sophie Kubesh, Alex Hand, Jade Quinn, Meredith Whitmer, Daniel Buby, Jonathan Ward, Baylee Byrnes, Leanna Kwilos, Blake Patterson, La’Shai Watson, Stephen Bottke, Monica Pittiglio, Amanda Eslinger, Carley Dubbert, Dale DesHarnais, Emily Hamner, Marlee Kurdziel, Anna Sangster, Kiranjit Kaur, and Sean Lausin.

**Motion to Amend the Agenda to add Old Business**

Entertained by: President Faulkner

Motion by: Emily Hamner

Supported by: Stephen Bottke

**Motion passes at 6:37 pm.**

**Hearing of the Public I**

1. John Vary: Second Meeting, seeking to represent the College of Engineering.
2. Nolan Kohlhoff: Second meeting, seeking to learn more about the Student Government Association.
3. Paige Abromaitis: First meeting, seeking to represent the Hospitality Management Student Association.
4. Austin Robison: First meeting, seeking to represent Fit Dawgs.
5. Arianna Hassenzahl: First meeting, seeking to represent the Hospitality Management Student Association.
6. Gabrielle Senne: First meeting, seeking to represent the Hospitality Management Student Association.
7. Andrew Kapanowski: Attended meeting as an alumni.

**Approval of the Minutes**

1. President Faulkner stated that, seeing that there are no corrections to be made, the meeting minutes from November 12, 2019 stand approved as of 6:39 pm.

**Messages from the Advisors**

1. Linda Telfer:
   1. She stated that they are looking for a new Provost, Vice President of Academic Affairs. Ferris had hired a search consultant to help with the process and the consultant would like to meet with Student Government to see what we hope to see in our new Provost. The meeting will be on Monday, December 2nd at 6 p.m. with anyone who would like to attend.
2. Dean Joy Pulsifer:
   1. She stated that the Provost supervises the academic Deans on campus and that people who have been in connection with their Dean may want to attend this meeting.
3. Associate Dean Campau:
   1. He gave an update on our goal for the United Way Campaign. We aim to reach $3,000 from the students to support our university goal. He stated that we are within $500 of our student goal.

**Executive Reports**

1. President Faulkner:
   1. She stated the we will not be having a meeting next Tuesday, November 26th.
   2. She stated that there will be a Five Star event this Thursday, November 21st at 7 pm. She stated that the mediation for this event would take place around 8-8:30 p.m. This would mean that people could attend both the Holiday Event and the mediation if they are interested.
   3. She stated the Diversity and Inclusion Seminar on Saturday, November 23rd from 3 pm to 5 pm. She would like at least two representatives from Student Government to attend this event. She would like for anyone interested to reach out to her.
2. Vice President Gaither:
   1. She passed around a sign-up sheet for the responsibilities of the Holiday Event. She would like for the General Assembly as well as Executive Board to fill all of the slots for the responsibilities on the sheet.
   2. She stated that she has a sheet to document the number of donations each organization donates to the food drive for the Battle for the Star. They are counting three smaller items as one item for the competition. The food drive will now be running until Thursday, November 21st at 12 pm.
   3. She stated that she will be talking to the General Assembly members that have not yet signed up for external committees. It is mandatory that General Assembly members are in an external committee.
   4. She announced that the star for the Battle for the Star was placed on top of the tree earlier in the day.
3. Administrative Assistant Kremhelmer:
   1. She announced events going on around campus this week, including the United Way Closet Clean Out that runs from 8 am to 5 pm in UCB 121 on the following days: Tuesday, November 19th, Wednesday, November 20th, and Thursday, November 21st.
4. Treasurer Michalski:
   1. He stated that he is very excited for the Holiday Event this Thursday.
5. Parliamentarian Blaine:
   1. She stated that she had no report.
6. Director of Finance Herioux:
   1. He stated that Finance Division has proposed changes to the Rules of Appropriation and Allocation that will be gone over during new business. He explained that the red lines through words mean that that will be taken out, the red writing is what will be replacing the removed segments, and the black words were already parts of the document that are remaining unchanged.
7. Director of Public Relations Cunningham:
   1. She stated that our events having been having a great turnout, so she encourages everyone to continue sharing and promoting our events.
8. Director of Operations Orosco:
   1. He stated that he has been receiving all the committee meetings’ minutes and likes a lot of the ideas that they are coming up with.
   2. He stated that he would like to speak to specific members after tonight’s meeting.
9. Director of Philanthropy Chane (read by President Faulkner):
   1. She stated that she has begun filling some of the positions for the Big Event Committee.
   2. She announced that their first official meeting is scheduled for after Thanksgiving break.
   3. She stated that she will be graduating so they are looking for a new Director of Philanthropy. The director may be working with another co-director. She would like anyone interested to please reach out to her.
10. Director of Internal Assessment Kubesh:
    1. She stated that she needs one more member for the Division of Internal Assessment before they can reach quorum.
    2. She asked that anyone who has attended two meetings please come see her after the meeting.

**Committee Reports**

1. Bulldog Sustainability:
   1. They stated that the committee has set a date to tour Central Michigan University’s composting system.
   2. They also spoke about holding a large event for Earth day this coming year and are looking for people who are interested in helping.
2. Communications:
   1. They have made the Pancakes with the President flyers and are waiting on the approval from CLACS. Upon approval they will be going through the copy center to get them printed.
3. Campus Affairs:
   1. They spoke about creating an event for students with undecided majors. The event would allow upperclassmen in different majors and career fields to speak to other students who are not yet sure on what field best suits their interests.

**Senator and Representative Reports**

1. There were no reports given during this time.

**New Business**

1. Proposed Changes to the Rules of Appropriation and Allocation.
   1. Director of Finance Herioux read through the proposed changes to the Rules of Appropriation and Allocation.
      1. They would like to change all uses of Orgsync throughout the document to Bulldog Connect to stay up to date with the university’s current programs.
      2. They would like to update and clarify advisor information within the document.
      3. They would like to change segments to clarify the section on Club Pports.
      4. They would like to clarify when organizations present their paperwork for allocations.
      5. They would like to add a section to allow club sports to ask for allocations to bring speakers to campus.
   2. Associate Dean Campau explained that when Club Sports receives allocations it goes to the club sports council and is distributed from there. The section they are hoping to add would clarify how the club sports council would need to distribute the funds once they receive them.

**Old Business**

1. Stephen Bottke stated that Student Government has been asked to contribute $375 to the co-sponsorship with Student Affairs. This would be half of the cost of the bus that would take students to Big Rapids from Grand Rapids on the Sunday of Thanksgiving break. This would cost students $5 per ride.

**Motion to Allocate $375 to Student Affairs for the Bus.**

Entertained by: President Faulkner

Motion by: Jade Quinn

Supported by: Stephen Bottke

**Motion passes at 7:07 pm.**

**Hearing of the Public II**

1. Mariah Gaither stated that she would like to see Sean Lausin, Anna Sangster, Marlee Kurdziel, Amanda Eslinger, and Baylee Byrnes after the meeting.
2. Jade Quinn: She stated that the Education Counseling and Disability Services Center needs scribes and readers to help students who need accommodations during exam week. She mentioned that they need a lot of volunteers because people cannot read or scribe for students that are taking classes that are part of their own program. She stated that she can give people more information is they are interested.
3. Nolan Kohlhoff: The stated that the RSO he is looking to represent is set to be approved later this week. They are looking to do a tabling event for RSO recruitment and wanted to gauge the Student Government Association’s interest in participating.
4. Mariah Gaither: She asked that people watch the segment on 9 & 10 News where Andrew Kapanowski and herself speak about the Holiday Event.
5. Allyson Faulkner: She stated that Linda Telfer brought in the article from the Pioneer that was written about the Holiday Event.
6. Jade Quinn: She asked for clarification on how to count the donations for the Battle for the Star food drive.

**Adjourn**

**To adjourn at 7:14 pm.**

Minutes respectfully recorded by Administrative Assistant Tara Kremhelmer. Minutes were approved by the General Assembly and signed by President Allyson Faulkner.

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