



8-30  
5:30-7:00  
Hoffman House

## Minutes

- I. Welcome**
- II. Roll Call Attendance**
- III. Approval of Agenda**
- IV. Approval of Minutes**
- V. Constituency Comments**
- VI. Committee Report**
  - A. Standards**
    1. Bylaws votes coming up!!
  - B. Finance**
    1. Finance training later today!
    2. Over the summer, E-board voted on an EMS request for general supplies. Second, we had a request over the summer for cheerleading where we voted yes for pre arrival meals. Lastly, we voted YES for MTA to put on their studios for the fall semester.
      - Studios are student run
    3. There will be an email sent out later today to have a member of the student body to fill member at large for voting purposes
  - C. Campus Engagement**
    1. Fun events coming up! The Udder bar challenge will be happening for the third year in a row.

2. Something new this semester is that if club want to be approved, we will have two times during the semester where clubs can come to GA and explain their ideas of clubs they wanna bring to campus

#### **D. DEI&B**

1. Over the summer, Bethany and Jake met with Robin Riley Casey and Alyss Rodriguez about how Sga can support multi-cultural life on campus
2. Working on providing resources to affinity groups on campus and ensuring that they are sustainable for not only this year but years to come
3. Jake and Bethany will hopefully be attending the multicultural council meeting next Saturday
4. Working on creating DEI training more inclusive, as all members of SGA need to be trained in all areas and aspects. The goal is for this to be evolved.

#### **E. Institutional Committees**

1. Institutional committees are made up of faculty and admin from the school, where SGA will be sending 1-2 reps
2. Examples: Curriculum Committee(approves GARS and other potential courses), Library Advisory Committee(make the library more accessible), Academic Policy Committee(talks about academic scheduling and procedures), College Committee for Student Life
3. All institutional committees are really important!
4. Seegers Union Student Advisory(people from GQ, Seegers, Dining Hall)

## **F. AD-HOCs**

1. No Ad-Hoc reports
2. Student wages have been raised!!
3. We are voting on a commuter resource ad-hoc

## **G. President**

1. Things are in good shape from where we were last year
2. Jake met with dining about lowering GQ prices, however GQ/and the school would lose money
3. Bethany and Jake and working on creating a diversity day
4. EMS is working with SGA about having a mental/refreshers day
5. Jake wants to make sure the SGA office is a place for all members, not eboard!! All committee meetings will be meeting in the SGA OFFICE!

## **VII. New Business**

### **A. Welcome Back!**

- YAY SGA! So excited for a great year!

### **B. General Introductions**

- Everyone said really interesting things about who they are and what their deals are so that we could do some basic introductions to start the bonds

### **C. Committee Time!**

- Campus Engagement: 7:15-8:15 pm: Thursdays
- DEI&B: Mondays at 4:00-5:00pm
- Finance: Tuesday: 6:30-7:30pm
- Standards: Mondays 7:15-8:15 pm

### **D. Special Election**

- We have a special election happening! Get your friends to apply!

## E. Finance Voting Overview

- The money that SGA gets comes from every student on campus!
- 1. Each student pays a \$285 student activities fee: 100 towards dean williams office, and the rest go towards permanent organizations
- 2. What is a permanent organization? A permanent organization(eg. Hillel, Weekly) are groups on campus that get a set budget per semester
- 3. How do clubs or students request funds? Students or clubs will submit a SCORE form in order to request money
  - The SCORE form is on the Muhlenberg website, and in the SGA link tree.
  - If over 1000 dollars, the individual(s) requesting money must meet with the finance committee led by Evan. After this, the club will then come to GA and share a little bit about their club before putting it towards a vote
  - There are multiple ways for clubs to fill out score forms
    1. Clubs purchasing materials
    2. Paying a performer
    3. Transferring funds to organizations(club to berg catering)
    4. Paying an online invoice
  - If clubs need reimbursements they must submit a SCORE Form!
- 4. How does the voting process work for clubs or individuals(in GA)
  - 1. The facts are presented
  - 2. Constituent Pitch
  - 3. Finance Recommendation
  - 4. Question and Answer
  - 5. Internal Discussion(no comments from constituents whatsoever)
  - 6. Final Statement(by constituents)

- 7. Vote(Pass or no pass)
5. What are guiding principles you should use when voting
- Does it have a meaningful impact on students?
  - Does it support community development?
  - Does it demonstrate sound planning and fiscal responsibility?
  - Does it uphold the consideration and benefit of the student activity fee?
  - Does it uphold the expectations of spending the allocated dollars while acting responsibly?

## **VIII. Adjournment**