

Clarion University Student Senate Meeting Minutes

September 16, 2019

***I. Call to Order***

President Shepherd called the meeting of the fall semester of the Clarion University Student Senate to order at 7:30PM.

***II. Roll Call***

Absent: Senator Boyle, Mrs. Machokas

***III. Additions to the Agenda***

There are no additions to the agenda.

***IV. Approval of the Minutes***

The minutes were approved as distributed.

***V. Student Concerns***

- a. Senator Ahmed has talked to students in regard to meal plan concerns. The students are unable to afford meals after the 7 PM shut down time of Commons. If a student bought a meal from McDonald's 3x a week for an academic year it would cost them \$410, Which is a lot of money for a student.
  - a. In Chartwell's, students are a reliable access, but cannot work at night.
  - b. Senator Bauer will bring this to the meeting for facilities.
- b. Vice president Yost asks that everyone report your WIFI concerns on university property to Bongo. Resnet will not be able to help you.
  - a. Senator Bauer- Her roommates have contacted Bongo and they still have no wifi.
  - c. Commuter lot 11 has a very skinny entrance and causes congestion. Perhaps drawing an arrow on the pavement would help direct traffic.

***VI. Officers Report***

**A. Vice President of Student Affairs – Dr. Fenske**

- a. The university is working on affordability for students. Tuition rates need set by January. Housing should be set before November 1<sup>st</sup>.

**B. Advisor's Report- Mr. Shaffer**

- a. I would like to put a plug in for a free app called "Just in case". This app provides essential services on campus for when you need them. It is currently being promoted by the wellness center.

**C. Director's/Board of Director's Report- Ms. Machokas**

- a. No report

**D. President's Report- President Shepherd**

- a. I attended the first BSGP meeting for this year. Nine out of the fourteen public universities attended. There is talk about changing student governments statewide to make everyone's elections to the same time (The intention is to up engagement). Clarion and one other university would require constitution changes if this pass. They are hoping to increase security across campuses. Canceller Greenstein will be coming October 8<sup>th</sup>. The BSGP conference will be held during October. I had a meeting with Dr. Dale this week and we spoke about the retreat. She is very excited to come. The next trustee meeting is this Thursday. Senators, please remember that our retreat is next Saturday and is a mandatory event.

**E. Vice President's Report- Vice President Bumoskey**

- a. No report

**F. Treasurer's Report- Treasurer Pletcher**

- i. Large Item Capital Balance: \$126,710.40
- ii. Capital Fund: \$323,305.06
- iii. Senate Budget: \$30,546.06

**G. Vice President Rules and Regulations Report- Vice President Yost**

- a. No report

**H. Secretary's Report- Secretary Krupa**

- a. Office hours is being sent around. Reminder, please do your office hours because they can result in points to your record if left incomplete.

**I. Student Trustee's Report- Trustee Zuzzio**

- a. There is a trustee meeting this Thursday at the Venango campus at 7 PM. Last week I went to Slipper Rock University for the Western regional Pac conference. They spoke about system redesign, held sessions with the chancellor, and I gave a presentation about trustee selections for the future. Through speaking to students at Slippery Rock, I was able to find out that parking is also an issue there. Specifically, the parking is located around the university instead of within the university.

**J. Faculty Senate Report- Senator Skunda**

- a. No report

***VII. Representative Committee Reports*****A. Clarion Call**

- a. No report

**B. Panhellenic Committee**

- a. DZE is going on a retreat this Saturday for team bonding. They will be holding a philanthropy event on the 27<sup>th</sup> at the house.

**C. Interhall Council**

- a. This week we have spoken about turning the upper commuter lot into a mixed lot. Right now, we need to gather information about how it is utilized before creating a

presentation on how it could be better used. We will be having a volleyball tournament this week at Reinhard Villages. We are looking into fundraising for this academic year. We will be going to the CAACURH conference on November 8<sup>th</sup> at Pittsburgh University. They are looking into how the parking lots are being fixed financially.

**D. UAB**

- a. If anyone is planning on using our stuff, please put our items back where it is supposed to be. There will be bingo, game night, and a coffee house event this week.

**E. ABLE**

- a. CU day of service is October 12<sup>th</sup> from 9-2. They normally have two conferences a year, but this year they will only be doing the Next Gen Leadership conference on November 23. They are trying to spread awareness to get people to attend this conference. It is only from 9:45-2:30. They are looking to redo their layout with two keynote speakers for that day.

**F. BSU**

- a. No report

**G. LGBTQ**

- a. No report

***VIII. Standing Committee Reports***

**A. Appropriations Committee- Treasurer Pletcher**

- a. Thank you to everyone who helped with roundtables. They are working on two supplemental requests to come in next week.

**B. Student Relations Committee- Senator Mason**

- a. We had a meeting last week about social equity. Social equity is November 6<sup>th</sup>. We are looking into getting desserts from CU CUPCAKES for this event. They spoke to Joe Lopez and Kelly Ryan to get more students to come than normal to make the event more diverse. Since this is the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the event, they are looking to get old presidents and people from the PA government to attend.

**C. Academic Affairs Committee- Senator Skunda**

- a. He is looking to have a meeting before our retreat with his committee.

**D. Rules and Regulations Committee- VP Yost**

- a. They are currently reviewing two constitutions. The deadline for the constitution reviewing will be Thursday. Hopefully these potential organizations will come in on Monday.

**E. Student Facilities Committee- Senator Bauer**

- a. They are planning a facility meeting and will be bringing up: food issues, Starbucks issues, getting more gluten free items, mealtimes, and the meal swiping time areas.

**F. Campus Safety, Health, and Environmental Concerns Committee- Senator Friguglietti**

- a. She sent out a poll for potential meeting time. They are possibly going to wait until after the retreat to see how Dr. Dale's ideas can better shape their actions for the semester. Senator Friguglietti will be going to an alcohol training tomorrow.

**G. Community Relations Committee- Senator Boyle**

- a. The Good Neighbor walks will be on September 18th and 19th from 6:00PM-7:00PM everyone is welcome. We will also be tabling 25th from 11 to 1 in Gemmell. I have spoken with Kaitlyn, and if you help table, you can count it as your office hours. Come Together Clarion meetings will be starting soon, these are mandatory for my committee, but anyone is welcome to join.

**H. Social Media Committee- Senator Bitner**

- a. Social media committee will be having a meeting after this meeting.

***IX. Unfinished Business***

N/A

***X. New Business***

N/A

***XI. Open Forum or Announcements***

- a. Please attend the trustee meeting if interested in Venango on Thursday.
- b. The Real Group is an acapella group holding a concert in Marwick Boyd next month. Tickets are \$25 dollars.
- c. Tippin is going to have a roll out opening. The 24<sup>th</sup> is expected to be wrap up day, though it will take time for it to be truly usable. Hopefully home events can be held there in November.

***XII. Adjournment***

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Senator Custer, seconded by Senator Engelmann. Meeting adjourned at 8:01PM.