

Clarion University Student Senate Meeting Minutes
August 24, 2020

- I. Call to Order
 - A. President Mason called the meeting of the Fall 2020 semester of the Clarion University Student Senate to order at 7:30.
- II. Roll Call
 - A. Absent: Senator Monk
- III. Additions to the Agenda
 - A. There are no additions to the agenda.
- IV. Approval of the Minutes
 - A. The minutes were approved as presented.
- V. Student Concerns
 - A. Students at Reinhard Villages have been having major Wifi issues, which is especially concerning as some of them came back to campus for the Wifi.
 - B. There needs to be more Zoom etiquette.
 - 1. Dress properly, like for a normal class.
 - 2. Make sure your background is appropriate.
 - 3. Basically, don't do anything on Zoom that you wouldn't do in person.
 - C. The basketball courts behind Suites on Main South have seemed to be used as an area for a "break" from social distancing and wearing masks, and it should be addressed.
- VI. Officers' Reports
 - A. Vice President of Student Affairs - Dr. Fenske
 - 1. Off campus had a better weekend than last week.
 - 2. There have been issues at Eagles Commons with moving furniture and social distancing.
 - a) If this cannot be controlled, meals may have to be to go, and not take advantage of the buffet.
 - 3. Only one student is currently quarantined due to travel, and another student has been tested, and it came back negative.
 - a) We are doing much better than some of our sister schools so thanks to everyone that is social distancing and educating others on staying healthy.
 - B. Advisor's Report - Mr. Shaffer
 - 1. The Virtual Activities Fair is on CU Connect on August 26th from 1:00-3:00.
 - 2. UAB has a virtual caricatures event coming up on September 3rd.
 - 3. The Middle States review is ongoing.

- a) Chairs met earlier today and will report in a few weeks.
- C. Director's/Board of Director's Report - Ms. Machokas
 - 1. We have been working more on Revised Spending Plans.
 - 2. CU Movies on Main opened last weekend!
 - a) There was a great turnout. The concessions are closed, but there are some items that are being offered for free while they are still available.
- D. President's Report - President Mason
 - 1. Trustee Krupa, President Mason, and Dr. Dale all met last week.
 - a) Graduation plans for December are in the works.
 - (1) Suggestions can be brought to President Mason or Trustee Krupa by September 14th.
 - b) Rogers Laugand reports directly to Dr. Dale now for minority student services.
 - c) Please advertise the Student Senate on social media and to friends!
 - d) If you are able to, please use your cameras during Student Senate meetings. With that, make sure you are in line with the dress code.
 - e) Meetings are still mandatory. If you are unable to make a meeting, send an excuse to Secretary Robinson, and she will present it to the Executive Board.
 - f) Make sure you still maintain a professional presence even in your online classes as well.
- E. Vice President's Report - Vice President Boyle
 - 1. No report.
- F. Treasurer's Report - Treasurer Zavinski
 - 1. The Student Senate and CSA Appropriations Committee sent out the Revised Spending Plans to RSO's and RUO's.
 - 2. Supplemental requests are now open for organizations.
- G. Vice President of Rules and Regulation - Vice President Engleman
 - 1. No report.
- H. Secretary's Report - Secretary Robinson
 - 1. Applications are now live on CU Connect so please advertise them whenever you can!
- I. Faculty Senate's Report - Senator Spang
 - 1. A Black Studies minor is in the works.
 - 2. There will not be a changing of grades to Pass or Fail for this online semester due to the small amount of requests last semester, and the minimal effect if had on GPA.
 - 3. The plan for the Spring 2021 semester will be decided in October.

- a) The Spring calendar may also change because of students returning from Spring Break.
- 4. Retention rate is up this semester, and we would have had the highest population of students this fall than ever before.
- 5. The integration plan with CalU will come out in September to see if it is even feasible.
- 6. The Success Coaches are doing great, and they've already had nearly 175 appointments already!
 - a) They are going to implement virtual First Year Fridays.
 - b) The Student Senate may share those on social media.
 - c) They have specifically targeted certain subgroups.
 - (1) The Pittsburgh Promise had 15 students enrolled last year, and now have 30 students enrolled.
- 7. There are 11 students on Venango campus.
- J. Student Trustee's Report - Trustee Krupa
 - 1. Fall Commencement Plans are in the works.
 - a) Please reach out before September 14th!

VII. Representative Committee Reports

A. Clarion Call

- 1. No report.

B. Panhellenic Committee

- 1. No report.

C. Interhall Council

- 1. They are trying to make Clarion's Got Talent a statewide event. They have reached out to more state schools, and four have gotten back to them so far. If you have connections with any other state schools, please do so!
- 2. They have done a drive for the Resource Room to provide masks and other necessities. Please keep up donations!

D. UAB

- 1. They are working on programming for every Thursday of the semester. There will be more discussed about events now that they have their updated budget.
 - a) This Thursday will be COVID cribs.
 - b) Next Thursday will be a virtual caricature event.

E. ABLE

- 1. No report.

F. BSU

- 1. No report.

G. LGBTQ

1. No report.

VIII. Standing Committee Reports

A. Appropriations Committee - Treasurer Zavinski

1. The committee should be prepared for supplemental requests in the near future.

B. Academic Affairs Committee - Senator Spang

1. No report.

C. Rules and Regulations Committee - Vice President Engleman

1. The committee should be on the lookout for a message on the best time to meet. Also, keep an eye out for constitution updates.

D. Student Relations Committee - Senator Wrona

1. The committee should be on the lookout for a poll to come up with a good meeting time.

E. Campus Safety, Health, and Environmental Concerns Committee - Senator Barrett

1. Senator Barrett has some new goals for the semester now that we are online.

F. Community Relations Committee - Senator Windt

1. Senator Windt met with Sarah Zerfoss, Jim McGee, and VP Boyle this last week to go over the Good Neighbor Program. She will be meeting with Sarah and Jim again on Tuesday, August 25th to go over ideas for the semester.

- a) The Good Neighbor Program may turn into an online pledge. There might be some social media pages for the GNP to share COVID rules. Another possibility is to work with CA's to have GNP nights with residents, share promotional GNP items, like masks, and to advertise the live safe app.

G. Public Relations Committee - Senator Hollamby

1. Mostly, there has been advertising for applications.
2. The committee will be advertising for the virtual activities fair with a raffle.
3. The committee is also working on advertising the open meetings to the general public so they may attend.

IX. Unfinished Business

- A. None.

X. New Business

- A. None.

XI. Open Forum or Announcements

- A. None.

XII. Adjournment

A. Motion to adjourn the meeting by VP Engleman. Seconded by Treasurer Zavinski.
Meeting adjourned at 8:12.