

# Clarion University Student Senate Meeting Minutes

September 20th, 2021

- I. Call to Order
  - A. President Zavinski called the meeting of the Fall 2021 semester of the Clarion University Student Senate to order at 7:31pm.
- II. Roll Call
  - A. Absents: none
- III. Additions to the Agenda
  - A. One under new business
- IV. Approval of the Sept. 13th 2021 Minutes
  - A. The minutes were approved as presented.
- V. Student Concerns
  - A. Garbage is still all over the villages on the road in RV
    - 1. There is improvement from garbage collectors
    - 2. Possible trash pick-up day to clean areas
- VI. Officers' Reports
  - A. Vice President of Student Affairs - Dr. Fenske
    - 1. N/A
  - B. Advisor's Report - Mr. Shaffer
    - 1. New University and Branding
      - a) 3 logos and marks will be voted on at the end of September
      - b) Student votes will begin mid to end of October
      - c) November will start the advertisement of the new brand and logo
    - 2.
  - C. Director's/Board of Director's Report - Mrs. Machokas
    - 1. New store manager Megan Boozer started this week
    - 2. Store hours are 10-6pm Mon-Fri
    - 3. HOCO tshirt contest
      - a) student design to be turned in by friday
      - b) Shirts will be sold during hoco time and at football game to be worn
      - c) Winner will win a free shirt and \$20 gift card to bookstore
  - D. President's Report - President Zavinksi
    - 1. **Chief Jason Hendershot**
      - a) New contract for OYes on saturdays and sundays at midnight due to staffing issues
      - b) Camera projects for parking lots to be addressed at a later date
      - c) Staff members parking in student commuter lots
        - (1) Parking enforcement has been reduced a bit, but a new officer should be coming in to better monitor the areas in a patrolling schedule

- (2) Tickets are administered when parked in the wrong parking lot
- d) Firefly needs an order to the parking lot, either a one-way sign or a stop sign
  - (1) Limited staff, but try to see which vehicles are being reckless and get their license plates
- e) Outside guests driving recklessly that are not associated to the university
  - (1) There's a post, but you cannot really stop all people that come in to make sure they are Clarion residents
- f) Recurring issue of having a pedestrian light by the crosswalk of Lot 11
  - (1) It cannot occur since it is a PennDot issue to speak to them, which has been done. Best solution for now is to illuminate the Tippin area so drivers can see pedestrians at night
- g) Library altercation
  - (1) Student tried to enter a private study room that another student was in already and felt threatened from their actions so they called the police. Police cannot act fully unless it meets criminal conduct and violations

**2. Dr. Gent - Provost (VP of Academic Affairs)**

- a) Individual was refused from professor to check out D2L despite syllabus policy when absent from class
  - (1) Contact the dean of that department
- b) Limited Tutors
  - (1) Reaching out to faculty to find students that took the courses to become employed for the position
  - (2) Struggling to fill in those positions
- c) Estimated response from JobX?
  - (1) Contact financial aid office or person that posted the job position to hear about the status of your application
- d) Professor issue
  - (1) Disregarding pronouns of students
    - (a) Contact Jessie Hummell
  - e) Insert dr.gent email

- 3. Relay for Life has started and Senate will be enrolled
- 4. Tabling will take place every Wednesday in Eagle Commons from 11-1pm to gather concerns from students
- 5. Town Hall meeting Wednesday in Gemmell 250 at 7pm

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

- 1. If you cannot make the Town Hall meeting in the afternoon, but still have concerns you can provide them to the tabling senate box and it can be addressed later

- F. Treasurer's Report - Treasurer Shannon
  - 1. Planning a roundtable session for Venango students
- G. Vice President of Rules and Regulations - VP Wilcox
  - 1. Still in the process of approving re-registrations as they come in
  - 2. Omega Psi Phi passed the recognition process
    - a) Reached out to start the process of getting a charter and CUConnect page
- H. Secretary's Report - Secretary Barrett
  - 1. No report.
- I. Faculty Senate - Senator Joseph
  - 1. The Vaccination Clinic planned for Sept. 23rd was canceled
    - a) Question from pat about why it was canceled
    - b) Katie informed an email would come out in the future with info about where you can get vaxxed if you are in Clarion
  - 2. The bookstore hours have changed to 10-6pm to accommodate students and their schedules
    - a) Location for the store has yet to be established
    - b) E-Campus is starting its adoption process on Sept. 27th for professors to "adopt" what books they'll be using from the store
  - 3. If professors have more than 5 classes on zoom a semester or if 21% of the students are on zoom, the professor, while breaking the contract, will not be reported.
    - a) They are following a "no questions asked" approach because they understand special cases in which students are sick
- J. Student Trustee's Report - Trustee Robinson
  - 1. The Council of Trustees approved the naming of the court in Tippin last Tuesday. It's called the Coach John V. Calipari Court, or the "Couch Cal Court"
  - 2. Council of Trustees meeting is this Thursday the 23rd at 4pm. Guests are asked to join through zoom
    - a) Zoom meeting ID is 919 2643 1710
  - 3. The Student Advisory Board is meeting Sept. 29th with Dr. Fenske and all 3 campuses' marketing teams are meeting to go over news about the naming of the university
  - 4. The PACT conference is still planned for Oct. 15th virtually
  - 5. Will reach out to other trustees for a meeting with all student trustees

VII. Representative Committee Reports

- A. Clarion Call
  - 1. No Report
- B. Panhellenic Committee
  - 1. No Report
- C. Interhall Council
  - 1. CGT Theme "Broadway"
  - 2. Decreased staff and covid caution for rec center room closure

3. Another therapy dog session not during finals week
4. Possible idea of having vending machines near bus stops filled with water/food/hygienic products
5. Quarantine bag project is a go
6. No meeting Oct. 7th

D. UAB

1. Macrame on Thursday
2. Stuff a plush 9/23
3. Miss CU takes place this Friday 9/24
4. HOCO voting is still going on on CUConnect

E. LEAD

1. Sept. 10th 9/11 with ROTC went really well
  - a) They tried to recruit Trustee Robinson
2. Hosting minute to win it in SOMS 14A
3. Eagle Commons pancake event along with heart day Sunday 9/26
  - a) Heart shaped pancakes with note cards about heart health
4. Meeting every other tuesday next door in Gemmell

F. BSU

1. No Report

G. Allies

1. No Report

VIII. Standing Committee Reports

- A. Appropriations Committee - Treasurer Shannon
  1. Meeting Tuesday the 21st at 6:30pm to review request from NSLS
    - a) Meeting may be changed
- B. Student Relations Committee - Senator Stalsitz
  1. Had a meeting with Matt Shaffer and Amy Salsgiver about plans for the Social Equity Dinner
    - a) Discussing theme for the dinner with committee members
  2. Plan a meeting with committee as new members are added
- C. Academic Affairs Committee - Senator Joseph
  1. Tabling will take place Sept. 30th 12-2pm to hear mainly academic concerns, but also other related concerns from students
    - a) Email Senator Joseph for any concerns
  2. Had meeting with Dr. Gent
    - a) Masks were running low in the music dept., more will be sent over there
    - b) The possibility of having a mental health day is likely not possible since this semester's schedule was made last year and since we share a schedule with CalU and Edinboro going forward, but it will be discussed with Dr. Gent's committee
    - c) Discussed why professors are not allowed to offer hybrid modality to help sick students feel encourage to stay home when sick; the contract issued states that classes are not allowed to offer class in

- zoom AND in person and that there are no more than 5 classes that are allowed to be online a semester
- d) Dr. Gent addressed a professor that was not wearing their mask. If anyone notices a professor not wearing their masks, let Jenna know so she can report back to Dr. Gent.

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- D. Rules and Regulations Committee - Vice President Wilcox
  - 1. Will schedule a meeting with committee to start revision RSO Policy document
- E. Student Facilities Committee - Senator Miller
  - 1. Create a GroupMe for committee to start discussing goals and a meeting time
- F. Campus, Safety, Health & Environmental Concerns - Senator Dean
  - 1. No Report
- G. Community Relations - Senator Tovar
  - 1. Will schedule a meeting with committee
  - 2. University and Community Alcohol Task Force will have their first meeting after ALF
  - 3. Will be getting in touch with LEAD to discuss CU Day of Service
  - 4. Will meet with the GNP 9/27
- H. Public Relations - Senator Kilgore
  - 1. Will hold a meeting to discuss social media giveaway
  - 2. Instagram followers: 670
  - 3. Twitter followers: 314

## IX. COVID-19 Updates

- A. Treasurer Shannon sent out an email to the current members of the student covid task force
  - 1. Send out an email what chairs you would like to be a part of if you are a current member
  - 2. Email him if you would like to join the task force
  - 3. Will discuss a meeting in the future

## X. Integration Updates

- A. As an integrated system, all schools approved a 100k grant from PASHEE called "Keep" which would help in aiding students in one-time emergency situations

## XI. Unfinished Business

- A.

## XII. New Business

### A. Dr. Foster ENGL 276

- 1. Put together a student resource guide by students for students containing information about stuff you don't typically learn through orientation/welcome week
- 2. Attach proposal to minutes
- 3. Email them suggestions on topics if any come up

## XIII. Open Forum or Announcements

- A. Dr. Dale's tea time Thursday the 23rd 12-1pm via zoom
- B. Pizza with Prez. Oct. 6th 6pm outside gemmell

XIV. Adjournment

- A. Motion to adjourn the meeting by Senator Joseph. Seconded by Treasurer Shannon. Meeting adjourned at 8:47.