

## Clarion University Student Senate Meeting Minutes

September 27th, 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. No Absences
- III. Additions to the Agenda
  - A. No additions
- IV. Approval of the Sept. 20th 2021 Minutes
  - A. The minutes were approved as presented.
- V. Student Concerns
  - A. Some students that receive emails about classmates that either are positive with covid or in close contact to someone have some concerns about close contact when they still have to report to class to take exams
    1. Students can follow the decision tree to evaluate themselves if they should go to class or can ask the professor to take the exam privately in a room so as not to be close to the student
  - B. The drink stations in Commons and Gemmell are not restocked on a regular basis
  - C. The food this year is lacking and not beneficial to our bodies. Lack of fruit in the bar
    1. This can be discussed with the dietitianist on campus Nicole
  - D. Gemmell now being closed at 4pm makes it harder for students that have classes and meetings to get food while on campus, especially if they don't have a meal plan for Commons
    1. Changing the closing times for Gemmell was due to a staff shortage. The times have been adjusted and posted on socials to now accommodate students
- VI. Officers' Reports
  - A. Vice President of Student Affairs - Dr. Fenske
    1. No report.
  - B. Advisor's Report - Mr. Shaffer
    1. Update from Todd about dumpster buildup in RV
      - a) K&K will be picking up garbage twice a week at Hemlock, Firefly and Laurel Glen
      - b) The dumpsters will start to be open fully so it is not just one side of the bin that is full
    2. Voting of logos for New University will take place during November to students
      - a) October begins choosing the final 3 of the brandings and logos for decisions to be made

3. Make good choices and decision during ALF; be responsible for yourself and have fun
- C. Director's/Board of Director's Report - Mrs. Machokas
  1. Still trying to fill the student at large positions
    - a) Interviews are in place for this week
- D. President's Report - President Zavinski
  1. **Stephen Brooks - LiveSafe App**
    - a) LiveSafe app was created to alert anonymous reports of sexual harassment/assault, safety hazards on/off campus, safewalk feature used as a GPS to send to friends if you feel unsafe when walking from point A to point B
      - (1) Send comments to Brooks about what student would want to use for the grant money in terms of what safety stuff they would like to have access to
        - (a) [sbrooks@clarion.edu](mailto:sbrooks@clarion.edu)
    - b) Once we start integrating with the other universities, what will happen with the app itself?
      - (1) You can access their universities maps when using the app, but will have to look into the details of expansion
    - c) If students want someone to watch their walking and the person they send it to doesn't have the app does it still work?
      - (1) Yes it does. Even if the person doesn't have the app, it still works.
      - (2) In terms of emergency contact numbers, USA is 911 but if you are in another country, it automatically connects to that areas emergency contact numbers
      - (3) Animosity works very well. They can send out anonymous reports or questions and have gotten answers without revealing their identity.
    - d) Is there any way for people in the center for wellness or public safety office to watch them walk?
      - (1) Can be discussed to getting a volunteer to watch, like a volunteer student force
  2. **Rogers Laugand - Diversity Education Inclusivity**
    - a) Have been doing collaborative events with the other universities for Hispanic/Latinx Heritage Month
      - (1) Attach news from flyer
    - b) Any issues students/faculty may be experiencing may it be hate incidents, bias, speech... the group attacks this from an educational perspective.
    - c) Building Bridges program: invited into classrooms to do peer-facilitating activities and discussions to have a conversation about biased issues we may have
    - d) Does CalU and Edinboro have anything similar to building bridges

- (1) They don't but will have one soon, it will be in the works during the integration process
    - 3. Town Hall event had 15 participants
    - 4. Relay for Life is open
      - a) Register for Senate now online
    - 5. Will be tabling this Wednesday 11-1 at Commons
  - E. Vice President's Report - Vice President Spang
    - 1. Complete office hours, any questions email VP Spang
  - F. Treasurer's Report - Treasurer Shannon
    - 1. Venango Roundtables were canceled, so will be rescheduled to Thursday
  - G. Vice President of Rules and Regulations - Vice President Wilcox
    - 1. Still no word from Turning Point USA, will try to reach out to them this week
    - 2. Sept. 28th is National Voter Registration Day
      - a) In need of 3 additional senators to help out with tabling at Commons and STC
  - H. Secretary's Report - Secretary Barrett
    - 1. No report.
  - I. Faculty Senate - Senator Joseph
    - 1. No report.
  - J. Student Trustee's Report - Trustee Robinson
    - 1. Council of Trustees meeting was held last Thursday
      - a) Approved the 2021-2022 Annual budget
      - b) Dr. Fenske shared the Student Affairs Points of Pride
      - c) PACT will be virtual, but the planning is in full swing. The focus will be on advocacy of student success and how it affects community success
      - d) JD, Chairwoman of Trustees, will be bringing a leadership class to Clarion that she teaches at Penn State during November.
        - (1) Trustee Robinson will be speaking there along with President Zavinski and Treasurer Shannon most likely.
      - e) Next Council of Trustees meeting will be November 18th
    - 2. October will commence a virtual meeting for all PASSHE trustees thanks to Trustee Kaliszak from West Chester for responding
      - a) Would like input from new senators as to why they joined senate to use as feedback for the meeting
      - b) Email/message Trustee Robinson your reasonings
    - 3. Student Advisory Board is this Wednesday Sept. 29th at 4pm
- VII. Representative Committee Reports
  - A. Clarion Call
    - 1. No report.
  - B. Panhellenic Committee
    - 1. No report.

C. Interhall Council

1. Hosting trivia night SOMN 110 A 4pm next week
2. SOM and Hilltop doing holiday decorating contest for HOCO
3. The Den is not being used due to high price
  - a) Email Foundations to discuss numbers
4. Broadway is the theme for CGT
5. Almost done quarantine bag process, will be delivered Wednesday Sept. 29th

D. UAB

1. Glow Golf Sept 28th at Gemmell MPR 7pm
2. Open Mic Night Sept. 30th at Gemmell Rotunda 8pm
3. Wild World of Animals Oct. 1st in Still Hall Auditorium 8pm
4. Pinterest and Popcorn 8pm Oct. 2nd at Gemmell MPR

E. LEAD

1. Pancake breakfast Heart Health was a success on a Sunday
2. Minute to Win It was very successful
  - a) 18 participants, 2 prizes given away
3. Hosting movie night with uab, smores bar
4. Team with zacherl farms for fall fest as a community service
5. Meeting times have changed; Tuesdays at 6pm across the hall

F. BSU

1. No report.

G. Allies

1. No report.

VIII. Standing Committee Reports

A. Appropriations Committee - Treasurer Shannon

1. Waiting for a response from NSLS about canceled request

B. Student Relations Committee - Senator Stalsitz

1. No report.

C. Academic Affairs Committee - Senator Joseph

1. Awaiting a response about the applications opening date for the Students In Need Scholarship
2. Committee will table Sept. 30th from 12-2pm at Gemmell
3. Meeting with Dr. Gent on Oct. 12th

D. Rules and Regulations Committee - Vice President Wilcox

1. Organized a committee meeting to start the revisal process of the RSO policy

E. Student Facilities Committee - Senator Miller

1. Will hold a meeting with the committee to discuss future concerns and plans for the semester
2. Has sent an email to Diana Brush to further discuss the professional clothing closet

F. Campus, Safety, Health & Environmental Concerns - Senator Dean

1. The next Safety Committee meeting is Oct. 19th.

- a) Would like to discuss a date and time for a Clarion campus safety walk
    - b) Also discuss a clean-up day in Reinhard Villages
  - 2. Will discuss with committee goals for the semester
- G. Community Relations - Senator Tovar
  - 1. Met with Jim McGee
    - a) Canceled the senate ALF Walk-Through since law enforcement is doing one, but still encourages senate to do one during the week of Halloween
    - b) Having a tabling for the GNP this Thursday Sept. 30th from 11-1pm; location will be at Commons or outside STC
      - (1) Will need a few volunteers for time slots 11-12pm and 12-1pm
- H. Public Relations - Senator Kilgore
  - 1. Will hold a meeting with committee this week to discuss mid-semester social media giveaway
  - 2. Instagram Followers: 671
  - 3. Twitter Followers: 315
- IX. COVID-19 Updates
  - A. We have 19 positive cases
    - 1. Last week there were 12 cases
    - 2. <https://www.clarion.edu/covid-19/cases/index.html>
      - a) Link can be used to view daily updates of cases for Clarion and Venango campuses
- X. Integration Updates
  - A. No report
- XI. Unfinished Business
  - A. ENGL 276
    - 1. Submitted their tentative topics for the brochure
- XII. New Business
  - A. N/A
- XIII. Open Forum or Announcements
  - A. Pizza with President Oct. 6th 6-7pm outside Gemmell (Eagle Ambassadors)
  - B. Saturday 6pm Delta Phi Epsilon Deeper Dude, Treasurer Shannon will be performing in Hart Chapel
  - C. The following Monday Dr. Dale will be coming Nov. 1st not next week
- XIV. Adjournment
  - A. Motion to adjourn the meeting by Senator Wilcox. Seconded by Senator Joseph. Meeting adjourned at 8:22pm