



**Student Government Association**  
**Senate**  
**Minutes**

- I. **Call to Order- 5:07 pm**
- II. **Roll Call- Please see attached**
- III. **Approval of Agenda**

Dena removed her report due to the absence of Shadi Isshac. Kody motioned to approve the amended agenda; 1<sup>st</sup> by Marvin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Natasha. Amended agenda approval unanimous.
- IV. **Approval of Minutes**

Kody asked members to look over the minutes and attendance from 9/11/18 and 9/18/18. Antoinette Arce mentioned that she was in attendance on 9/18/18 and asked for the attendance to reflect that. Kody motioned to approve the minutes with the attendance change; 1<sup>st</sup> by Aja, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Omar. Approval unanimous.
- V. **Kody Guedes, President of SGA**
  1. **Pizza with the President**

Kody stated that this event went well and the turnout was great. They actually ran out of pizza! Kody mentioned that he was given the report of student concerns. The President stated that one of the issues was parking in which he responded that the problem isn't parking but with walking. There is plenty of parking spots toward the far end of the parking lot. However, students don't like to walk the distance. He also spoke with Dr. Cammorratta in regards to "Student Menu" option being taken out of Sodexo catering choices. Dr. Cammorratta stated that she was not aware of the change and will speak with Sodexo to find out why. Kody also mentioned that he will be meeting with the President and if anyone has any issues that they would like for him to bring to the Presidents attention send them via email to him.
- VI. **Gabriela Lora, Executive Vice President of SGA**
  1. **Andrea Peters- WP Tobacco Free Policy**

Andrea along with a fellow student attended senate and gave a brief presentation of their proposal. They stated that the proposal is open to modification. They mentioned that juniors and seniors will no longer be students when the proposal goes into effect. Copies of the proposal were distributed to senators and VPs. Members asked questions and expressed their concerns. Dylan stated during Faculty Senate the proposal passed 19-0-2. During Faculty Senate some members felt that the 1 year timeframe to make the campus tobacco free would be a downfall. Also, people may not want to attend a tobacco free school. On the other hand some members felt that it will increase the number of students. Andrea stated that SGA should set-up a form with concerns and email them to Dr. K.
  2. **Retreat**

Gabriela reminded senators that the retreat will be 10/13 from 9:00 am – 5:00 pm. Also, 10/14/2018 will be the bonding portion of the retreat which is mandatory for that portion of the stipend. She mentioned that SAPB has confirmed that they will be in attendance. However, she is still waiting for Greek Senates confirmation. Next week she will ask members for food allergies.

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**3. Club Council**

Gabriela reminded members that President Helldobler will attend Club Council meeting on 10/1 and 11/5 @ 3:30 pm in the Ballrooms.

**VII. Natasha Santana, Vice President of Public Relations**

**1. Appointment of Stefanny Rios as an At-Large Member of PR**

Natasha read the bio that Stefanny submitted. She also mentioned how she has helped with her committee without actually being a member of Public Relations. Natasha motioned to approve the appointment of Stefanny Rios as an At-Larger member of Public Relations, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Antoinette. Appointment approved **22-0-2**.

**2. Elections**

Natasha mentioned that elections are happening this week. Please promote. She stated that students can vote through Pioneer Life. Next dates for events are as follows:

10/26- Hobart Hall

10/27- UC Main Street

**VIII. Dena Janos, VP of Student Life**

**1. ~~Appointment of Shadi Isshac as an At-Large Member of Student Life~~**

**IX. Matthew Mullins, Vice President of JRB**

**1. Constitution Update**

Matthew stated that he is currently looking through the Constitution to see if changes need to be made.

**2. Club Update**

Matthew mentioned that 6-7 clubs are looking to be chartered. He stated that he met with the IT Department to get a club started.

**3. Board Update**

Matthew stated that he currently has 3 people running for senator positions. Also, 2 additional people will be coming in a week to be appointed.

**X. Advisor's Comments**

Jaime stated that voting is low. Promote, get students to vote!

**XI. New Business**

**Dena's** appointment arrived to the meeting after she removed her report from the agenda. Shadi gave a brief bio about himself and stated reasons why he would like to be appointed as an At-Large member. He also stated why he is unable to be a senator. Dena motioned to appoint Shadi Isshac as an At-Large member of Student Life, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Natasha. Appointment passed **22-0-2**.

**Dylan** expressed the issues he had with the seating arrangement as well as the issues he had with not having a group chat. Kody explained the reasoning behind the seating change and how it is beneficial for both VPs and senators to sit with their committee. Kody and Gabriela both stated the reasoning behind the disbanding of the group chat. Kody stated that there isn't a problem with SGA having a group chat as long as it is not titled "Official SGA" chat. Various members of senate expressed their agreement and disagreement with the changes. After an already lengthy discussion Ahmir motioned to limit discussion to an additional 5 minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dena. Approval unanimous. Discussion continued and ceased after 5 minutes. At the end of discussion Dylan passed around a sheet for members who wanted to be a part of a group chat that will not be titled, "Official SGA".

**Matthew** asked senators to be mindful of office cleanliness and to make sure they keep the office clean at all times.

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**XII. Announcements**

**SABLE-** General body meeting on tonight @ 7:30pm in UC202

**Dylan-** Rugby won 55-5 against Seton Hall. Next game will be Sunday against RPI @ 1:00pm

**HER Campus-** Mr. HER Campus need contestants

**Gabriela-** Pie a Cuzi next Tuesday during common hour; Friday in UC168A/B Twerking Instructor @ 7:00 pm – 9:30 pm

**Dylan-** BOT meeting 9/28/2018 ribbon cutting for Hunzinker Hall

**Angie-** SOS meeting in UC209 next Monday @ 7:00pm

**XIII. Adjournment -6:01pm**