Springfield

Student Government Association

PAC TV Studio / Zoom

Sunday, October 20th, 2024

Agenda

1. Meeting Call to order 6.00 pm.
2. Roll Call: Emmanuelle Yakana, Chris Johnson, Sri Charan, Samuel Moore, Chris combs, Bhavana Neelam, Aparna Nadhirigari, Karac Henderson, Abhishek Devdan Bhore, Ganesh Chandrashekar Bhat ,Cassie Goudreau, John Kennedy, Alexander Gerlach, Sarah Mahler, Matilda Kwarteng, Alora Greene, Alaba Kunlere, Alexander Gerlach, Timothy Malit.  
   Absent: Sarah Mahler, Romina Trujillo
3. Approval of the Agenda motioned by Emmanuelle, seconded by Chris johnson.

* Approval of September 22nd minutes: Motioned by Emmanuelle, seconded by Chris Combs. Approved
* Approval of October 6th minutes: Motioned by Emmanuelle, seconded by John Kennedy. Approved.

1. Audience Participation: None
2. Administrative Reports
   1. Advisor Cynthia Thompson: Update regarding SGA Photos. Campus media photographer

sent the photos will submit those to be printed and installed on the wall in the student leadership center and on SGA Website.

* 1. Advisor Steven Johnson: No reports.

1. Officer Reports:

**Emma**: Attended conference last week and kept efforts in planning retreat. Have been reviewing applications for the Public Affairs and Education Senator Interim Position. Will conduct two interviews which are now lined up for the morning. Will Look forward to reporting on that.

**Sri Charan**: Last two weeks I have been to campus senate meeting. Got to know about enrollment and funding issues. I have participated in 46th international student festival. It was great compared to other years.

**Matilda**: I have been contacted by the Student Advocacy Coalition. Planning a program this Tuesday 5-6 pm. Everyone is invited.

**Chris Johnson**: Met with the chancellor to discuss things at campus level. Started prepping and scheduling things to attend the upcoming board meeting in November. Attended few events, talked with new social work club at their tabling event. Went to career fair hosted by career services. I had the chance to hear from career services on the student fee advisory committee. Attended international student festival.

**Samuel:** We have currently $10,000 in the SGA account. We have not spent anything. Mailed and informed sac that they are getting their $8000 with our suggestions that are not required. Also attended two fee committee i.e. union is going to ask for increase and career service is not. Talked to campus Rec last week they will ask for an increase as well. Attended campus senate meeting and went to informational thing on Wednesday for faculty staff about the budget of UIS. Also served on the general education council. Had a meeting with SOFA and had about 22 applications and turned one down flat because they did not send a representative. Gave a partial approval for until they turn in their receipts.

**Bhavana**: In the past two weeks, I have been in touch with my library committee and participated and performed in the international student festival and interacted with many new students there.

Chris combs: Still didn’t heard anything from SAC on a representative for them. Looking forward for the allocation process.

1. Senator Reports:
   1. 2-minute limit

**Cassie:** Attended Undergraduate council meeting on October 8th. We. Went over the USC assessment plan and reviewed committee bylaws and department honors guidelines. Next meeting is on Tuesday 22nd. Met Dr. Villegas and discussed undergraduate and graduate focus groups.

**Ganesh:** Attended business and IT Career fair. Been in touch with the Business management and we discussed the improvement.

**Alaba:** Taken part in social fee committee, looking at different departments bringing in their proposals. By November, we should be knowing which ones to be approached and not. From the meetings attended, I also got to know about the low student integral half last session which is most likely going to transpire into comment sections.

**Abhishek**: Attended graduate council where we discussed about couple of advanced certifications which are going to add in public administration. Also attended Business and IT Fair which is informative. Follow up on last report is that arranging a meeting with doctor Robert, the office of engaged learning. So, we are meeting to engage graduate students and involve SGA in it.

Aparna: No reports.

**Alora**: Attended CSF event that was directed towards freshmen, so I have the opportunity. Interacted with many of them and got to know about them regarding any concerns around campus. One of their main concerns of theirs is living condition of dorms, regarding air conditioning and washing dryers are constantly breaking.

**Karac Henderson**: Past two weeks, I have been talking to my constituents and found out that people are actually concerned that they are not able to interact with SGA if they are online students. Request for a zoom ink where all the online or other students who are not part of SGA can participate in the meeting.

**John Kennedy**: will schedule a meeting with residence life and kind of see where some of those issues are going to be handled. Health and safety inspections for the dorms should have been done this week. Not sure for the townhouses or the apartments.

1. Old Business

**SGA Colonnade lighting November 15th update**: Sam and John Kennedy shared that there will be hot chocolate bar for the Colonnade lighting. Requested $800 for the colonnade lighting, Adam Larison who is talking with the group regarding the music and Samuel suggested that including senators stand with President Emmanuel and Chancellor Gooch during the colonnade lighting. The colonnade lighting is on November 15 at 5:15pm. Samuael read out the Resolution #2.

**SGA Letter of support to recognize Indigenous people’s Day:** To make Indigenous day recognized on campus, Maricela Aris requested SGA to provide a letter to Chancellor in the past, but the letter hasn’t been passed back then. Emma motioned to approve the letter as edited, seconded by Sri Charan Rao.

Discussion:

Chris added the zoom link of the biweekly SGA meeting on UIS Connection so that there can be audience participation.

Adjourn:

Emmanuelle motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Samuael. Meeting Adjourned.