

Student Government Association –Newton

Senate Meeting Minutes

2N, Lecture Hall

October 7, 2016

I. Call to Order by the presiding officer

a. Time: 1:05 pm

b. Presiding Officer: **Levi Price**

II. Opening Call of the Roll

III. Determination of Quorum (**Yes** or No)

IV. Reading and approval of the minutes from the previous meeting (**Approved**)

V. Special Orders (Appointments/Charters)

VI. Executive Cabinet Reports

1) **Executive Vice President** – Daniel Detlefsen (1:10)

- As part of SGA is our duty to invite students to join. It was called to our attention that most students do not have an idea of what SGA or PAC is about. We need to talk to the students, get them involved in all of our events and have always ready applications or a table set up just so students can come to us for information. Any other ideas are welcome.

2) **Speaker of the Senate** – Levi Price (1:15)

- Some of our SGA members are leaving this semester including our Speaker of the Senate Levi Price. It is necessary to build a binder for future applicants so they will have an idea what is working for SGA and also we will require all SGA member to write about their positions to give a clear idea of what is about. Any ideas or suggestions from SGA members are welcome.

3) **Communications Director** – Alexander Arteaga (1:17)

- As one of the initiatives of building a game room for students it is necessary to gather more information about moving honors classes from 2N-Building to 1N-Building. It will be necessary to have meeting with Dean Laurent and Dr. Vargis to coordinate and have a smooth transition for the next semester.

4) **Financial Director** – Theodore Betton (1:21)

- Discussion which involved all SGA members about the outreach initiative. Question: How can we approach to high school students and make them interested about our school, SGA and other groups in our school?

VII. Senator Reports

- 1) **Senator of Government Relations** – Vincent Beebe (1:27)
 - As we get deep into the semester our initiatives are moving forward also. Senator Beebe is planning on forming a committee who will help and support his initiative of gun law which will allow students to bring their guns to school. As of right now its seen as an idea no further movement has been made yet. SGA also attended training and orientation for Georgia voter's registration drives and additional information.
- 2) **Senator of Academic Affairs** – Praneeth Eddu (1:30)
 - The first initiative of having workshops for those students who are struggling in their classes is moving forward. As of right now we are looking for staff member or even students who wants to volunteer and help. It is unsure yet if it will be everything ready by midpoint since it is necessary to set the dates and places where this workshops will be held.
- 3) **Senator of Student Relations** – Myles Nelson (1:33)
 - No report.
- 4) **Senator of Clubs and Orgs** - Omoruyi Ologbosere (1:34)
 - In association with PTK senator Ologbosere is starting an initiative of donating used clothes. So far the dates and the protocol of how this will work are not set yet. However, he started by asking students, faculty and staff if they are willing to bring old clothes to campus to be donated. Also, SGA members and PTK members are having meetings to see how they can involve more students to participate in this activity.

VIII. Panther Activities Council Report (1:35)

- Presented by Karla Gaby Arteaga Ascencio, PAC updated SGA as follows:
 - We are still recruiting members. We have 1 new recruit, Jenai Branford for General Entertainment.
 - 10/17 Panther Homecoming Activity - Newton
 - 10/26 Sweet on Service: Community Org Spotlight

IX. Advisor Report (1:50)

Mrs. Jackson

- OrgSync
 - applications
 - elections information updates
- Fall 2016 Stipend paperwork & Contact information updates.
- Trello Updates
 - a. Why we are using Trello?
 - b. The advantages of using Trello for SGA members
 - c. Brief explanation how to sign up
 - d. How to manage and update your profile.

X. Old Business

XI. New Business

XII. Open Forum

XIII. Announcements

XIV. Closing Call of the Roll

XV. Adjournment

a. Time: 2:15

b. Next Meeting: October, 28 at 1pm