

## Helena College Student Government Association Minutes

Monday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014

**Roll Call**      **President:** Christian Arp   **Business Manager:** Shawn Palmer   **Staff Advisor:** Ben Nickol  
*Quorum has been met. Meeting called to order at 12:07pm*

*Kellie Knapp motion to approve minutes as written, Jim Crawford seconded. Motion carried.*

**Attendees (Senators in BOLD) – Lon Albers, Jim Crawford, Paul Kalgaard, Kellie Knapp, Josh Mostad, Rob Yamamoto, Karen Raphael-Conley, Brandi and Jenna (nursing students, last names not given)**

### New Business

**Winter Budget** – SGA executive council requesting of the senate an increase in budget; new total will be \$6,000. Paul Kalgaard motioned to set aside funds for event, Kellie Knapp seconded. 6 – 1 – 1. Motion carried. ***\$6,000 will now be set aside for this event***

**HBIA** – vote for club recognition. As the club is smaller and its member cannot attend all SGA senate meetings—individually—the club requesting setting up a proxy. Proxy only good for this semester; will not except next semester. Kellie Knapp motioned to recognize HBIA as a SGA club, Paul Kalgaard seconded. *Vote – 6 – 1 – 1. Motion carried. **HBIA is now a SGA recognized club; \$250 will be transferred from SGA to HBIA***

**Executive Council** – need applications for Business Manager and Secretary by this coming Wednesday. During Winter break there will be mandatory leadership training. Dates for training are tentative and may be flexible

**Christmas Tree** – decoration of tree on Tuesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1pm; estimated at one hour setup. Needing senate volunteers; no interest

### General Discussion

**Nursing Student Proposal** – Brandi and Jenna presenting. Conference in January. \$1150 requested by 26<sup>th</sup> December. Primary purpose is to meet professionals in the field. SGA has sponsored this in the past. Potential for internship after graduation. Eases transition from student to real-world worker. Funds cover conference and workshop only. Last minute, SGA is the only one asked. Estimated cost is at \$50 per person. Emergency funding/vote: Jim Crawford motioned to approve fund request of \$1150, Paul Kalgaard seconded. *Vote: 8 – 0 – 0. Motion carried. **The nursing students will be awarded \$1150 for their Conference in Montana City; a presentation highlighting its activities is asked of the students and any unused funds will be returned to SGA***

**Fundraising Question** – why doesn't SGA fundraise? SGA funds are to be used for the benefit of the entire student body, but can help specific group/departments. SGA can fundraise if senate shows interest

**Nursing Chairs** – still looking for better chairs in their classrooms. Plastic chairs in use during this meeting has been met with positive responses by nursing representatives

### **Announcements**

**Wednesday with E** – hope to start next semester on Wednesdays during lunch

**Calendar Committee** – helps design academic calendar. Determines dates such as spring break. Summer Marston is the head of this committee, counts as a committee for pay (Spring semester). *Josh Mostad volunteered*

*Kellie Knapp motioned to adjourn, Josh Mostad seconded. Motioned passed at 12:46pm*

**No more meetings this Fall semester! Thank you everyone.**