Helena College Student Government Association Minutes

Monday, September 22th, 2014

Roll Call

President: Christian Arp  Business Manager: Shawn Palmer  Staff Advisor: Ben Nickol

Quorum has been met. Meeting called to order at 12:05pm.

Attendees (Senators in BOLD) – Josh Mostad, James Hill, Alexandria Jackson, Jim Crawford, Mike Soderholm, Tim Cagle, Kellie Knapp, Kevin Murphy

Christian Arp motioned to approve the minutes as written, Leesa Estey seconded. Motion carried.

New Business

Leesa Estey – vice president presentation. Key points stated: she has been an active senator for 1 year and has sat on multiple committees. Vote will be next meeting

SGA Constitution – changes discussed last meeting will be voted on today. Each vote will be for both the change itself and its wording on the document. Vote - Addition of a secretary: 10-0-1, motion passed. Change in executive required credit load from 12 to 6: 10-0-0, motion passed. Duties of the business manager position: 10-0-1, motion passed. Duties of the secretary: 11-0-0, motion passed. Change to include “required forms” for fund requests: 11-0-0, motion passed. Transfer voting power for executive officer election from the senate to the student body: 3-4-4, motion did not pass, no amended vote; the motion is dropped. Quorum requirement to include 2/3 seated senate: 11-0-0, motion passed. Changes to the SGA constitution will include: Splitting the Business Manager’s duties to include the new Secretary position, lowering the credit load requirement for executive application, fund proposal requirements, and quorum requirements

Xbox – counts as senator pay, as an event. The event will take place on specified days (per the executive council) for 2-3 hours. Leesa Estey, James Hill and Josh Mostad volunteered to supervise

Old Business

Skype – communications between both campuses. Christian Arp has talked to the IT department, but has received no reply. Vote is tabled until a reply from IT is received

General Discussion

Personal Introductions of SGA Senators and Officers

Questions on Funding Proposal – the nursing department had summited a fund proposal to the executive council for review and inquired about presentation criteria; answer: mention your organization, fund amount, what you plan to do with the funds/why, and the benefit towards your department and the student body
**Ideas for Future Events** – Ben Nickol brought up a point for the senate to consider new ideas as our numbers grow; advance planning now means bigger and better events in the future.

**Skype Complications** – senators Jim and Kellie brought up points to consider in an upcoming decision to implement Skype: lack of adequate technology at the airport campus and need to confine meetings in a smaller room may hinder communications.

**Nami Walks** – community event will be starting this coming Sunday at 11pm. Talk to Nathan Munn if you are interested in joining with Helena College.

**Announcements**

- **Senator Drive** – still looking for more people, spread the word.
- **SGA Shirts** – sent out at the end of semester; coincides with senator pay.

*Christian Arp motioned to adjourn, Leesa Estey seconded. Motioned passed at 12:45pm.*

**Next meeting at Donaldson Campus, room 210 at noon.**