

## Helena College Student Government Association Minutes

Monday, November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2014

**Roll Call**      **Business Manager:** Shawn Palmer **Staff Advisor:** Ben Nickol  
*Quorum has been met. Meeting called to order at 12:05pm*

*Kellie Knapp motion to approve minutes as written, Austin Steiner seconded. Motion carried.*

**Attendees (Senators in BOLD) – Paul Kalgaard, Austin Steiner, Lon Albers, Karen Raphael-Conley, Robert Yamamoto, Jim Crawford, Kellie Knapp, Josh Mostad, Cara O’Donnell (HBIA)**

### New Business

**HBIA** – Karen Raphael Conley highlighted the club’s past achievements and activities to be considered for SGA recognition. Interior design and construction club. Cara O’Donnell is the HBIA’s senator representative and club president. As a smaller club with conflicting schedules between its students and SGA senate meetings, a proxy agreement is needed to have a representative at each SGA meeting; Karen explained that it is not just a piece of paper, but an actually person will be at the meetings. *Vote for recognition next Monday*

**Winter Social** – needs more funds than the \$2000 voted on. *Tabled until a more exact figure is determined; may warrant an emergency vote by the executive council*

**Wednesdays with E** – Vice Dean Elizabeth Stearns-Sims will be present every Wednesday at the Student Center—Donaldson Campus—and at the student lounge at the airport campus to hear student thoughts and concerns

### General Discussion

**Steel Fabrication Welding Club** – vote for club recognition. Kellie Knapp motioned to recognize the club; Jim Crawford seconded. *Vote: 8 – 0 – 0. Motion carried. **The Steel Fabrication Welding Club is now a SGA recognized club***

**Psych Club** – QPR training December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 1 – 3pm—Suicide prevention. There will also be a guest presenter in the Lecture Hall on December 1<sup>st</sup> at 1 – 3pm

**Machinist Students** – concerning fees charged for materials that cannot be used—coveralls. The machinist students still believed the coveralls were unnecessary; Dean Daniel Bingham expressed concern from personally hearing the facts from the students; Bingham concluded that this error would be corrected ideally during the Spring semester

**Financial Literacy Council** – Shawn Palmer expressed a growing concern about the financial situation at Helena College as originally told by Laila Lindskog. A committee has been established to brainstorm possible ideas to help curb this problem; it requests at least one student senator to participate. Jim Crawford has volunteered; this will count as a committee requirement for senator pay

**Shawn Palmer** – the current SGA business manager has unofficially announced his resignation to the Senate; there will be an opening for 2 executive council positions: Business Manager and Secretary

*Kellie Knapp motioned to adjourn, Leesa Estey seconded. Motioned passed at 12:35pm*

**Next meeting at Airport Campus**