

**Slippery Rock Student Government Association, Inc.  
Minutes for the Meeting of September 14, 2015  
Robert M. Smith Student Center Theatre**

- I. Call to Order – President Steigerwalt at 8:45 pm**
- II. Roll Call VP Temple**

<p><u>Members:</u>  <b>Logan Steigerwalt</b>, President  <b>Jessica Johnson</b>, VP of Student Affairs  <b>Michael Farah</b>, VP of Financial Affairs  <b>Jenna Temple</b>, VP of Internal Affairs  <b>Aimee Albright</b>, VP of Campus Outreach  <b>Rachel Lawler</b>, Parliamentarian  <b>Sarah Arpino</b>, Speaker of the Senate</p> <p><b>Brad Kovaleski</b>, Advisor  <b>Wendy Leitera</b>, Business Manager  <b>Dr. Pease-Hernandez</b>, Faculty Advisor</p> <p>APSCUF Representatives</p> <p><b>Dr. Meztli</b></p>	<p>Senator Balla  Senator Barrett  Senator Beckage  Senator Choma  Senator Foster  Senator Garrow  Senator Gemmell  Senator Giacalone  Senator Hartmann  Senator Hovis</p> <p>Senator Kramer  Senator Roberts  Senator Sarver  Senator Vandergrift  Senator Welsh</p> <p>Unexcused: Dr. Shahidi</p> <p>Guests: Alison Sedon, Morgan Popowski, Victoria Pasquale, Dallas Kline, Samantha Hartz, Elizabeth Hernandez, Rebecca Sheriff, Ryan walker, Chris Lee, Anthony Newman, Cassia Kaputa, Morgan Montgomery, Lauren Kelly, Kevin Kite, Baylee Richter, Quan Ahn, Chris Gordon, Rebecca Weintraub, Jennifer Brazarch, Erika Lapmardo, Logan Pollman, Jordan Kapsar, Abby Fugh, Lesli Somerset, Sara Gould, Nick Barcio</p>
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- III. Guest Speaker**
  - a. Dr. Anderson-Associate Provost Student Success
    - i. Supporting the students; wants to get involved with SGA
    - ii. Been here for 4 months now; best 4 months of his professional career
    - iii. His area is res life, student conduct, intervention services, health center, rec center, OMD, Pride Center, Women’s Center, Veterans
    - iv. Let him know if he can do anything for us
- IV. Officers Reports**
  - a. President Steigerwalt
    - i. Met with Dr. Norton to discuss campus updates
    - ii. Sent out an email to students at SRU
    - iii. Attended Borough and Township meetings to advocate for the town
      - 1. Foliage around borough
      - 2. Grove sidewalk and lighting issue
    - iv. New Senators
  - b. VP Temple
    - i. Homecoming applications go out September 18<sup>th</sup>
    - ii. Applications due September 25<sup>th</sup>

- iii. Tabitha is getting information on pumpkin prices for fundraising sale
- c. VP Farah
  - i. Finance committee reviewed Club Soccer and Rock Catholic initiatives
  - ii. Reviewed PALS and SAGA as new clubs on campus
  - iii. Finalized conference grant poster
- d. VP Johnson
  - i. Student Life survey is about to go out to students
  - ii. Campus Crawl will be October 20<sup>th</sup>
  - iii. Presented Grove sidewalk issues to Township; were not very receptive
- e. VP Albright
  - i. Sam will be taking over the SGA website; [sjh1016@sru.edu](mailto:sjh1016@sru.edu) for suggestions
  - ii. Club and organizations spotlight taken over by Cassia - [cek1013@sru.edu](mailto:cek1013@sru.edu)
  - iii. Harvest Fest will be in early to mid-November
  - iv. Surprise! Rock Trivia Monday, Brad wins but gives prize to Claudia
- f. Parliamentarian Lawler
  - i. Advocacy Project ideas
- g. Speaker Arpino
  - i. First informal meeting went really well
  - ii. Nominating SGA representatives at next Informal for Homecoming Court
  - iii. Freshman Senator Speed Networking

**V. Old Business-** none

**VI. New Business**

**Motion #1-** That SRSGA approves the minutes of 8/31/2015.

**Vandergrift/Beckage**

President Steigerwalt motions to friendly amend the minutes to include Dr. Meztli under the Excused Absence.

Vandergrift and Beckage approve.

**Motion Passes**

**Motion #2-** That SRSGA opens the floor for the Commuter Senator position election.

**Garrow/Sarver**

**Motion Passes**

Jordan Kapsar- Agrees with the Grove Sidewalk Initiative and wants to get more commuter involvement at meetings. He proposes theme nights for inclusion of students who feel homesick. Bring outside thoughts of commuters back to SGA.

Abigail Fugh- An advocate for on and off campus safety. Attended Internal Committee and ordered Homecoming supplies. As a commuter, they make up a good portion of the students and she wants to advocate for them.

Morgan Popowski- Planning weekend events so students do not feel obligated to go home. Have a mentor program for students. Attended Campus Outreach and Student Life and is helping with conference room decoration. She wants to be an advocate for students.

**Motion #3 –** That SRSGA elects Jordan Kapsar, Abigail Fugh, and Morgan Popowski as Commuter Senators.

**Sarver/Welsh**

**Motion Passes**

**Motion #4** - That SRSGA opens the floor for the Graduate Senator position election.

**Choma/Giacalone**

**Motion Passes**

Will Dzurisko- Wants to ensure SGA is represented across campus because the size is larger than where he came from. He's very interested in traditions on campus and on campus entertainment venue to keep more students on campus. Attended Finance Committee and is pursuing a leadership conference on campus.

**Motion #5** – That SRSGA elects William Dzurisko as Graduate Senator.

**Garrow/Farah**

**Motion Passes**-Roberts abstains

**Motion #6**- That SRSGA opens the floor for the Building B Senator position election.

**Giacalone/Kramer**

**Motion Passes**

Allison Sedon- An advocate for involvement on campus. Promote socials with House Council to help students feel included. Attended Student Life and helped with the survey. She's involved, motivated, and creative and would still be involved if not elected.

Cassia Kaputa-An advocate for volunteering and community service. Tends to go home herself but wants to stay on weekends. Also wants to promote socials and an inclusive community. Attended Campus Outreach and helped with Harvest Fest and took over Campus Spotlight. She's driven, open-minded, and kind-hearted and would still be involved if not elected.

President Steigerwalt asks for roll call vote:

VP Temple- Cassia

VP Albright- Cassia

VP Farah- Cassia

VP Johnson- Allison

Speaker Arpino- Allison

Senator Balla- Cassia

Senator Barrett-Cassia

Senator Beckage- Allison

Senator Choma- Cassia

Senator Foster- Allison

Senator Garrow- Allison

Senator Gemmell- Allison

Senator Giacalone- Allison

Senator Hartmann- Cassia

Senator Hovis- Allison

Senator Kramer- Cassia

Senator Roberts- Allison

Senator Sarver - Allison

Senator Vandergrift- Allison

Senator Welsh- Allison

**Motion #7** – That SRSGA elects Allison Sedon as Building B Senator.

**Vandergrift/Choma**

**Motion Passes**

**Motion #8**- That SRSGA opens the floor for the Building E Senator position election.

**Giacalone/Vandergrift**

**Motion Passes**

No one is present who has applied for the position of Building E Senator

**Motion Rescinded**

**Motion #9**- That SRSGA opens the floor for the Watson Hall Senator position election.

**Kramer/Giacalone**

**Motion Passes**

Dallas Kline- Wants SGA to be represented more on campus and help everyone get involved and find their passions. Attended Internal Affairs and Student Life. He has volunteered with dodge ball. He is a leader, motivated, and positive.

Victoria Pasquale- Get the buildings more involved in more social events and doing more activities on the weekends. Send out a survey to students in the Hall and get more students to come to committee meetings. Attended Internal Affairs and Student Life. She has helped with office tasks and College Colors Day. She is reliable, outgoing, and dedicated.

President Steigerwalt asks for roll call vote:

VP Temple- Victoria

VP Albright- Dallas

VP Farah- Dallas

VP Johnson- Victoria

Senator Arpino- Victoria

Senator Balla- Dallas

Senator Barrett- Dallas

Senator Beckage- Victoria

Senator Choma- Victoria

Senator Foster- Victoria

Senator Garrow- Victoria

Senator Gemmell- Victoria

Senator Giacalone- Dallas

Senator Hartmann- Victoria

Senator Hovis- Dallas

Senator Kramer- Victoria

Senator Roberts- abstain

Senator Sarver - Victoria

Senator Vandergrift- Victoria

Senator Welsh- Victoria

**Motion #10 – That SRSGA elects Victoria Pasquale for the Watson Hall Senator position.**

**Kramer/Giacalone**

**Motion Passes**

**Motion #11- That SRSGA swears in all elected individuals for their respective positions.**

**Giacalone/Choma**

**Motion Passes**

**Motion #12- VP Farah moves that the SRSGA approves the New Initiative for the Soccer Club of \$1466.00 for travel reimbursement.**

**Farah/Kramer**

President Steigerwalt asks for roll call vote:

VP Temple- yes

VP Albright- yes

VP Farah- yes

VP Johnson- no

Senator Arpino- yes

Senator Balla- no

Senator Barrett- yes

Senator Beckage- yes

Senator Choma- no

Senator Foster- no

Senator Garrow- abstain

Senator Giacalone- no

Senator Hartmann- no

Senator Hovis- yes

Senator Kramer- no

Senator Roberts- no

Senator Sarver - yes

Senator Vandergrift- abstain

Senator Welsh- yes

Senator Gemmell – abstain

Senator Popowski- abstain

Senator Kapsar- abstain

Senator Fugh- abstain

Senator Sedon- abstain

Senator Pasquale – abstain

Senator Dzuricsko - yes

## **Motion Fails**

**Motion #13** – Senator Welsh moves that SRSGA approves the New Initiative for Rock Catholic of \$200.00 for performers for their Festival of Praise.

**Welsh/Roberts**

**Motion Passes**-Popowski, Kapsar, Fugh, Pasquale, Sedon, and Dzurisko abstain

**Motion #14** – Senator Sarver moves that SRSGA approves the New Club/Organization application for the Pre-Vet and Animal Lover’s Society (PALS).

**Sarver/Kramer**

**Motion Passes**

**Motion #15** – Senator Beckage moves that SRSGA approves the New Club/Organization application for Student Affairs Graduate Association (SAGA).

**Beckage/Barrett**

**Motion Passes**-Dzurisko and Roberts abstain

## **VII. Open Forum**

- a. ARHS events are on the weekends
- b. AZD is hosting a car wash
- c. Volunteer for Special Olympics
- d. Thank the people who did not get elected, please stay involved
- e. September 20<sup>th</sup> volleyball tournament
- f. Spread the SRU Traditions
- g. Lip Sync battle during Common Hour
- h. Blood drive is tomorrow
- i. Dance department concert next Thursday at 7pm & 9pm in West Gym
- j. Tri Beta Highway Clean Up on Thursday; [vep1001@sru.edu](mailto:vep1001@sru.edu)

## **IX. Advisor’s Comments**

### **a. Brad Kovalski**

- a. Excited that Senate is filling out
- b. Eagles missed a field goal

### **b. Wendy Leitera**

- a. Excited for this semester
- b. Keep up the good work

### **c. Dr. Pease-Hernandez**

- a. Challenge update
- b. Reaching out to International Student and speaking in class
- c. Support other activities and each other

### **d. Dr. Meztli**

- a. Postcard campaign
- b. Going to two local representatives
- c. Township refuses to have a police force

### **e. Dr. Shahidi-** absent

## **X. Adjournment**

**Motion #16-** President Steigerwalt moves that SRSGA adjourns the meeting at 10:18 pm.  
**Roberts/Giacalone**

## **Motion Passes**